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Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Show & Swap Meet

- Marge Denman



Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Show & Swap Meet is having a show on September 19th and 20th, 2015 from 9 am to 5 pm. come and see all the antique tractors and classic cars on display. Kids come milk the cow; new this year!

We will be having tractor games in the rings. There will be a small garden tractor pull on Sunday.

Lots of food and drinks and a Chicken Barbecue by Uncle Bob's Backyard Barbecue on Saturday and Sunday hamburgers, hot dogs, soda, Funnel cakes, pizza and much more.

Also support our fire department.

Come spend a day with us. It takes a lot of work to get ready and during the show, come with the whole family. Free admission and \$3.00 parking fee.

The Blue Hole

By Carol LaMonda

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so below are two thousand words of sadness for what has become of a pristine, natural swimming and fishing hole in the Peekamoose. The top is before, and the bottom is after. After what?



Thanks to a magazine making this spot public as a "go to" place in the Catskills, people have flocked to this place making it look more like Coney Island than our beloved Blue Hole.

We in the Catskills are blessed with nature's best of starry skies, majestic mountains, and lovely little streams and creeks. We unselfishly welcome others to experience the joy that is ours daily as we wake to glorious sunrises, green fields, thick woods, and unbelievable vistas.

However, and this is a big HOWEVER, we want visitors to love and protect these places as we do.

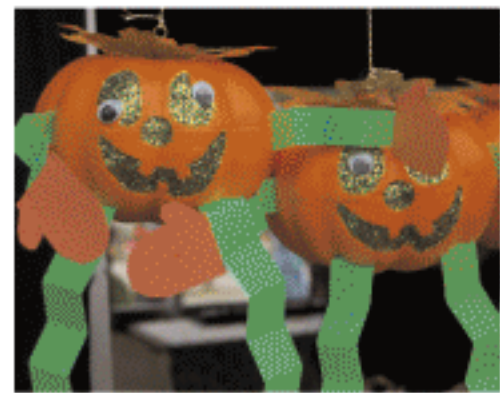
The road over the Peekamoose was clogged with cars; the stream choked with garbage, and the shore littered with debris. Locals were horrified at the mess left behind. Gina Giuliano and Ed Ostapczuk, President of Trout Unlimited, wrote letters to Environmental Agencies, and locals are organizing a mass cleanup campaign.

The Catskill Conservation Corps and the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference hosted a Blue Hole cleanup work day on Monday, Sept. 7 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. They asked volunteers to meet at the Olive Town Hall and parked at 45 Watson Hollow Road, West Shokan to get a ride to keep parking problems at Blue Hole to a minimum.

To quote Hoppy Quick, who will be participating in the clean-up, "I can't help being nauseated by what's happening up in the Peekamoose--a place I spent a lot of time visiting through out my life-- feel as if Blue Hole is an old friend that's in trouble."

The Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade Celebrates its 30th year on October 3rd

The 30th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade will be held on Saturday, October 3, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the



Fairgrounds in Grahamsville, New York. Admission and parking are free! A benefit for the Daniel Pierce Library, this old-time country fair and autumn festival has always been focused on the children and their love for reading books! It's a family day out in the country with something for



everyone - from the costume parade to pony rides, giant pumpkin growing contest, haunted house, petting zoo, live country music, hay rides, hay maze, a "Better" Book Sale, harvest baking contest, delicious food and other amusements! NEW THIS YEAR: incredible, brand new bounce houses for children and families to enjoy, including a Giant Pumpkin, "King Crock," and an amazing family-friendly Haunted House! Returning this year will be the special offer to purchase a \$12 bracelet for a FULL-DAY ACCESS to the Amusements, including the bounce houses! (Contd. Pg. 3)

Local Flood Hazard Mitigation Planning Process is Underway



The Local Flood Hazard Mitigation planning process is underway to provide technical resources and funding to communities to explore possible solutions to mitigate hazards caused by flooding. Few rural towns are untouched by this issue. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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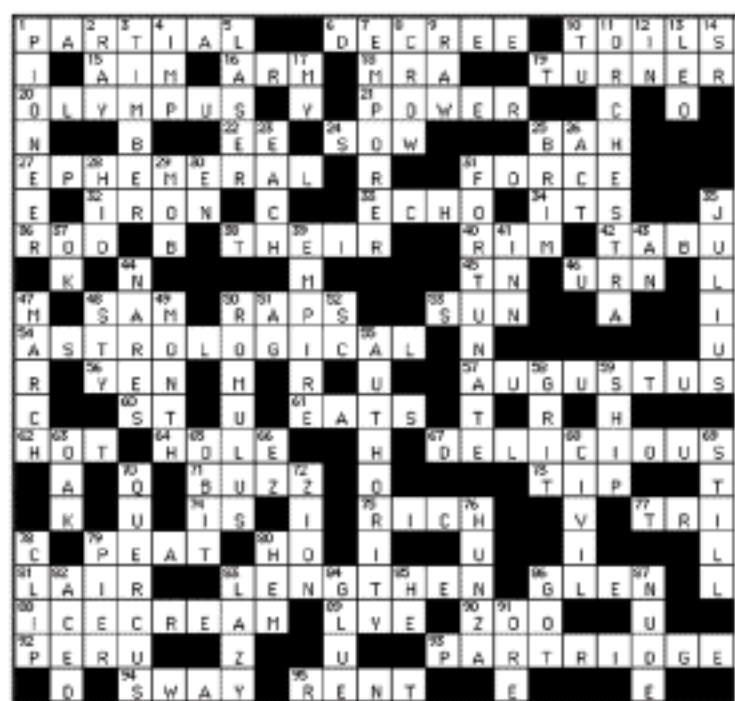
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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Whoever troubles his household will inherit the wind, and the fool will be a servant to the wise.
Proverbs 11:29

To all of our Readers:

First I want to apologize for putting the wrong answers in the Aug. 27th issue. Here are the correct answers.



... and a brief explanation of why our *Days of Yore* column is a bit out of sequence this week - Barbara's computer has a mind of its own and decided to take a 'vacation'. Not wanting to leave the page blank - I was able to dig up some old news from past *Townsman*s and here it is.

DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

August 30, 1950 - A thunder shower of cloudburst proportions raised streams suddenly in this area on Saturday. Although almost no rain fell here, both the Rondout and Neversink rose swiftly in the afternoon after a cloudburst in the northeast in the Slide Mt. area. One resident noticed a humming or low roaring sound along the Rondout, and then about two feet of water rushed down the stream bed.

No new cases of polio have been reported in Sullivan Co. during the past week. The count remains at 5 cases, all non-resident summer visitors.

Of interest to sports enthusiasts in this community, will be the announcement that Ezzard Charles, National Boxing Association version of the World Heavyweight champion, will pay a visit to Sullivan County to train for his September bout against Joe Louis, the retired and undisputed heavyweight king.

A minor accident occurred on Sunday of last week near the Winifred Whipple farm house when a Plymouth car, out of control, left the road and mowed down several of Mr. Whipple's fence posts. Arnold Robinson, owner and driver of the automobile, was accompanied by Joseph Merigliano. Neither young man was hurt.

August 31, 1960 - Fair officials estimated a crowd of nearly 12,000 people thronged the grounds of the Little World's Fair at Grahamsville last Saturday. All children were admitted free, and about 8,000 tickets were sold at the gate. The 81st Fair was one of the biggest and most successful in recent years.

Daniel P. Akerley, of Grahamsville, died last Friday, August 26th. He was 24 years of age. He was born Sept. 26, 1935 in Denning, NY, the son of Daniel and Beatrice Davis Akerley. Mr. Akerley was a polio victim.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hill is nearing completion. It is located near the home of Mrs. Anna Hastings.

BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHES
Does Johnny wear "high-water" pants?
Boys grow as fast as weeds!
Come to Krum's to outfit him
With everything he needs.
Complete outfits for
the coming school days!

September 9, 1970 - The congregation of the Grahamsville Reformed Church is greatly appreciating and enjoying the sound of the pipe organ which has been recently re-conditioned and tuned at the skillful hand of Mr. Robert Roberts. This work was a gift to the church by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Coombe, Sr.

Miss Theresa Lynn Osterhoudt and James K. Richardson exchanged wedding vows August

1st at the Grahamsville Methodist Church. Officiating was Rev. Donald Walter. A reception was held at the bride's home. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Anderson are the bride's parents. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richardson of Glendale.

Tri-Valley Central School opened on Wednesday with nine hundred and fifty students enrolled in grades K-12. The new figure is derived from a census of 573 in K-6 and 377 in grades 7-12. Last year's highest enrollment stood at 905.

September 4, 1980 - Four members of the Democratic Club of Neversink Township were selected to work with Vice President Mondale's Advance Team for the Vice President's recent visit to the Concord Hotel to speak before the AFL-CIO Convention. Linda and Frank Comando were assigned to assist the Vice President's Advance Staff with airport and security details. Lou and Lucy Carlsen were assigned to run the staff room which served the needs of the Vice President's personal staff.

Clemons Tompkins, 74, of Yeagerville Road, Napanoch, died Thursday, August 28, 1980 at Hamilton Ave. Hospital, Monticello. Mr. Tompkins was born April 23, 1906 in Grahamsville to Orvil and Nancy Countryman Tompkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond George of Sundown are AGAIN proud great-grandparents. A great-granddaughter, Kylie Lynn was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Dean. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Archie Dean of Neversink.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McNamara and family-attended the wedding of James Gorman II of Neversink to Sara Katz of Liberty. They were married in St. Peter's Church in Liberty and the reception for approximately 190 people was held at the Holiday Inn.

Sometimes Mistakes are Worth It!

Like a Native American woven rug, every thread tells a story- so does each edition of *The Townsman*. While the rug may yield the energy of the traditional Navajo relationship with Mother Earth, *The Townsman* reflects the tradition of the Tri-Valley community and neighbors.

According to a Navaho weaver, Garnanez, age 56, who was recently sitting at his loom weaving a rug, "It's done with chants and prayers. It's about things that aren't important to Western thought."

"The sheep have a chant," he said. "The spindle has a chant and the loom has a chant. Then there is a spider chant because we believe spiders taught us how to weave. Then there's a chant done to complete the loom."

According to Garnanez, the chants increase the value of the rugs.

"The traditional teaching of the Navajo weaving is that you have to put a mistake in there," Garnanez said. "It must be done because only the creator is perfect. We're not perfect, so we don't make a perfect rug."

But when told a tiny mistake can deduct as much as \$20 from the price of a rug Garnanez proudly explained why he weaves an error into every rug he makes. He learned the art from his grandparents and he wants to revive it. Tradition is more important than money!

Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together. All things connect.

- Chief Seattle, Duwamish (1780-1866)

What We Hold Dear

Thirty fast years have passed us by!
And now, with glad memory and spirits high,
Our first "Pumpkin Partiers" long since grown,
Return with costumed children of their own!

To see old friends, buy a book or two,
To paint their pumpkins, see the petting zoo!
To march in time in grandest scale,
To gaze at the Giants, and toss a bale!

They know there's Magic in this place,
Where children scamper with gleeful face.
Where a town comes together one day a year,
For love a library that they hold dear!

So, three cheers for the heroes among us all,
Who year in and out, have answered the call!
Our "Pumpkin Party" for all generations,
Has become the celebration of celebrations!

- Jennifer Edwards

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

There was a nice article in the "Democrat" about John Story, a resident of the Town of Neversink, and his greenhouse which is filled with rare succulents and interesting plants. John welcomes plant lovers to his greenhouse, located on Mutton Hill Road in Neversink, by appointment. If you like plants, you will enjoy visiting with John and seeing his unusual collection. His succulents may also be purchased at the Harvest Festival at Bethel Woods. John's email is isjohnstory46@gmail.com.

The Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs of Sullivan County will sponsor a Youth Outdoor Expo on Saturday, September 13th at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm. The program is free, however, youths under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Local Brownies and Girl Scouts spent 2 days last week camping at Knoebels in PA. They had beautiful weather and thoroughly enjoy the experience.

Phil Coombe, Jr. and Carolyn, who recently returned home from a trip to the western states, will attend their grandson, Alan's, wedding on Sunday, September 13th. The couple plan to be married in a small ceremony for family and close friends at the Grahamsville Reformed Church.

Frost Valley sponsored an "Alumni Reunion" weekend from September 4th through the 7th. Many campers and counselors always enjoy returning to Frost Valley during reunion weekend to participate in the various activities and renew old friendships. Frost Valley is a wonderful place to visit anytime of year, but it's especially nice to be there during the last weekend of summer before school starts up again!

The Grahamsville Methodist Church luncheon on September 1st was well attended. According to Barbara Barkley, if you want a take-out box, you have to give the waitress a "hug". Only kidding of course! The next luncheon is from 11:00 am-1:00 pm on September 22nd.

The Sundown Methodist Church will be having a chicken BBQ on Saturday, September 12th and the Grahamsville Reformed Church will be having a roast beef dinner on Saturday, September 19th from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. You sure don't have to travel far from home to take advantage of a delicious meal.

I brought an outdoor plant into the house the other day and later that afternoon I noticed a large insect walking across my living room rug. It was a walking stick and it must have taken up residence in my plant. Of course I hadn't noticed it on the plant when I brought it in as they tend to camouflage themselves very well. Walking sticks are rather large wingless insects that actually look like a small stick. Needless to say, this particular walking stick is now at home "outside" where it belongs.

I hope the weather cools down a little before school starts.

Words of Wisdom: Discipline is like broccoli. We may not care for it ourselves, but feel sure it would be good for everybody else. (Bill Vaughn) The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was. (Al Bernstein)

A Tribute to the "Lady In Pink"

By Paula Allen McCardell - Class of '61

I'm not much of a writer, but I wanted to tell this little story about someone very special to me. I first met the "Lady" when I was in seventh grade at Tri-Valley School (too many years ago). One day she called me and asked if I would clean house for her on Saturdays. I was too afraid to tell her no! So started my friendship with her.

I was fairly good at sewing, so when needed, I also did some sewing for her. As the years went by, I had a family of my own and only cleaned her house in the spring. I continued to do the sewing as needed. As it turned out, the lady was asked to be a chaperone at the Tri-Valley Junior Prom. She called me and asked if I would make her a jacket-dress ensemble. She wanted it to be "hot pink" with iridescent white trim. As she came to my house for a fitting, she danced around my kitchen - really she did!

As time went by my lady became ill. She passed, and her husband called me to say she had left instructions - She wanted to be laid to rest in that "hot pink" dress that I had made for her. WHAT AN HONOR!

In case you haven't guessed, my "Lady In Pink" was Madelene H. Adams - Master Teacher at Tri-Valley for many years. The students were blessed to have her for a teacher. It was an honor to know this highly respected woman. We love you, Mrs. Adams!

PS I wonder if people have chewing gum on their noses in heaven? (Who remembers?)

The Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade Celebrates its 30th Year (From Pg. 1)

The children's costume parade (open to children of all ages) will begin the day's activities. Marchers should assemble on the library lawn at 8:30 am. (Please park first at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds and take the free shuttle bus.) Entertainment on the library front lawn will be provided by Jack Luster and Dr. Professor Balloon-a-Kiss, a performance that takes the ordinary and transforms it into color, magic and fun. At 9:00 a.m., parade participants will march the 1/4 mile route to the Fairgrounds where costume raffle winners will be announced. All entrants will receive a prize. Groups wishing to enter a float in the parade should contact the Daniel Pierce Library or visit the library's website (www.danielpiercelibrary.org) for additional information. This year's theme is: Every Hero has a Story!

Once the parade has entered the Fairgrounds, the daylong musical entertainment will get underway. The Giant Pumpkin Party stage welcomes the Tri-Valley School Band under the direction of band director, Matthew Weyant. Enjoy a wonderful variety of Old Time music, mountain tunes and traditional ballads, featuring Celtic music with Castlebay, and blue grass with Hudson Crossing.

Visitors to the Giant Pumpkin Party will also enjoy the children's games (every child is a winner), pony rides, craft activities, hayrides, petting zoo, hay maze, handmade crafts, bake sale, and raffle featuring more than forty prizes. In addition to these activities, Giant Pumpkin parties may participate in the many scheduled contests: the Giant Pumpkin Growing Contest (adult and children's categories), Pumpkin Decorating Contest, Country Bake Contest, Obstacle Course, Hay Bale Throw Contest, and Theme Float Contest. Prizes and/or trophies will be awarded for each. Entry forms and contest rules are available in advance by contacting the Daniel Pierce Library or visiting the library website.

"The Book Nook," a custom-made, nine-hole miniature golf course will be featured again this year. Each hole has a different theme, based on a popular children's book. Golfers young and old will surely want to attempt their luck on this course. "Win It In A Minute!" returns for another fun year! Guests will have the opportunity of beating the clock to compete in several different challenges throughout the day. Each task will be a 60-second contest using regular household items. We'll ask you to toss, bend, flip, drop, stack and balance!

New this year is a fun and Educational interaction stations with horses presented by Maple Woods Farm of Divine Corners and the 4-H Fetlocks. Get your cameras ready to roll as your children meet beautiful Paint Horses, lasso steers, create beautiful pony crafts and groom Penelope the plywood pony!

Every library benefit needs a book sale and the Giant Pumpkin Party is no exception. A collection of gently used books, the best of the best donated to the library over the course of the year, will be featured in the Better Book Sale.

Take a refreshment break in between the fun with sumptuous treats of homemade donuts, chocolates, funnel cakes, hamburgers, hot dogs, chili, wraps, nachos, hot apple cider and soft drinks available for purchase.

Remember, the event is held rain or shine! And admission and parking are free! Funds raised will be used for the Children's Program Room, and to purchase automation equipment and needed books for all age groups.

Grahamsville is set in the scenic Catskill Mountains, just 100 miles from New York City. The drive takes you through the rich beauty of New York's fall foliage. The Fairgrounds are easily accessible from the New York State Thruway Kingston Exit to Route 209 South and Right onto Route 55, or from Route 17 to Liberty Exit 100A, right onto Route 55 for 14 miles.

For entry forms, contest rules, a schedule of the day's events, or additional information, please call the Daniel Pierce Library at (845) 985-7233 or visit the Giant Pumpkin Party page on the library website www.danielpiercelibrary.org.

Daniel Pierce Library Needs Your Help!

The Daniel Pierce Library needs your help in finding a giant pumpkin between 250 and 300 lbs. for a special surprise event at the 30th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade, to be held on Saturday, October 3rd, at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds.

This pumpkin will be part of an incredible, unbelievable, challenging device which has never been featured at any of the past twenty-nine Pumpkin Parties. It is guaranteed to be loads of fun! If you know of anyone who can supply such a mighty gourd, please call the library at 845-985-7233, or email: dpl@rcls.org

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Resurrection of the American Chestnut

Many older houses and barns around Grahamsville have floors and beams of chestnut whose wide grain and tawny color are beautiful. In fact there are still reminders of the mighty American chestnut tree in Grahamsville: the Chestnut Creek; the historical Chestnut Woods; and Chestnut Drive, all whose names surely originated from the American chestnut trees that were once very dominant in our local forests.



Before the early 1900s one in every four hardwood trees in North America's eastern forests was an American chestnut. A squirrel could travel from Maine to Georgia without ever coming to the ground! Every spring with so many chestnut trees, from a distance the white blossoms on the hills appeared to be draped in quilts of snow. The abundant chestnut trees shaped the forest ecosystem. They once provided abundant food and shelter for animals and people alike. Bear, deer, small mammals and birds feasted on fallen chestnuts, which sometimes piled so high on the forest floor that people would scoop them up with shovels.

An exotic fungus, *Cryphonectria parasitica*, which literally choked the chestnut trees to death by wedging itself into their trunks and obstructing conduits for water and nutrients, nearly wiped out the American chestnut during late 1800s when a prominent nurseryman named S. B. Parsons imported Japanese chestnut trees in 1876. He raised the imported trees in New York City and sold them to customers who wanted something a little exotic in their gardens. By 1904 Chestnut blight was spotted in New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. Within 50 years, *C. parasitica* killed nearly four billion chestnut trees. Now, few if any large trees remain in the chestnut's native range.

The American chestnut once defined North America's eastern forests. Between two million and 10,000 years ago, during the Pleistocene epoch massive sheets of glacial ice covered the northern regions of the United States. At the time New England was a forested tundra filled with evergreen, needle-leaved conifers like spruce and pine as well as some hardwood, leaf-shedding trees such as birch. As the ice sheets melted 10,000 years ago, the Gulf Stream moved north and climatic conditions began to establish themselves. A warming climate over the next 3,000 years allowed hardwoods like red maple, beech and hickory to migrate into the northeast. Between 1,500 and 2,000 years ago the American chestnut followed this pattern, spreading across the northeast.

The American chestnut would surely have prospered had they not been infected with the deadly fungus. Instead of reclaiming old forest sites like other tree species, the chestnuts became scarce changing the whole ecosystem in which they were enmeshed.

Over the years scientists and groups of chestnut enthusiasts have researched and developed cross descendants of the original American chestnut with a smaller Chinese variety that has some natural immunity to the Asian fungus. Heading such a project is the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Should they succeed in planting young transgenic blight-resistant chestnuts in the wild, chances are good that the trees will successfully expand their domain-relatively quickly in some areas; slowly but surely in others and over the decades this new generation of American chestnuts will change the forest from floor to canopy: Their uppermost branches will bring shade to areas that have too little; their quickly decomposing leaves will carpet the soil and drift into streams and standing water, staining the water with nutrients; their trunks will be home to billions of insects and mammals, their branches the foundations of nests; and, one day, when the trees are mature enough, they will drop scores of chestnuts for the first time in more than a century.

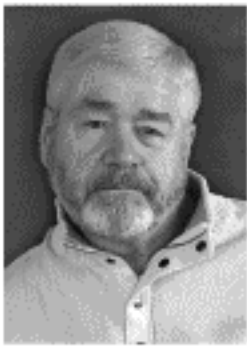
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Household Hints

Don't Hold Your Breath Instead Use Vinegar to get Rid of Unpleasant Odor

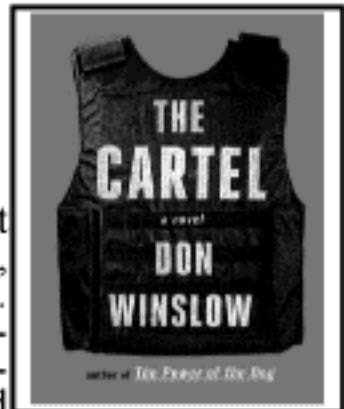
Does your old footlocker smell like, well, an old footlocker? Or perhaps your child's lunch box has taken on the bouquet of week-old tuna? What about that musty old car trunk? Quit holding your breath every time you open it. Instead, soak a slice of white bread in white vinegar and leave it in the malodorous space overnight. The smell should be gone by morning.



The Cartel

Mysterious Book Report No. 210

by John Dwaine McKenna



PART ONE:

Every now and then, a fictional novel comes along that informs as it entertains, and in doing so, the word-of-mouth buzz about it creates a public dialogue of national significance where none existed before. *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, by Harriet Beecher Stowe, *The Gulag Archipelago*, by Alexander Solzhenitsyn and *Ironweed*, by William Kennedy are some examples that came to mind. In order, they addressed slavery in America, political prisoners in the USSR being used for forced labor in Siberia, and the conditions and causes of homelessness in America. Now, a new novel has just been written about the drug wars that, in my opinion, ought to start a discussion here in the USA. Why? Because here is where the market is . . . here is where the money comes from . . . and lets face it, the so-called "War on Drugs" has been an utter failure. To call it a complete disaster would be an understatement of the first magnitude. Hundreds of billions of our tax dollars have been spent in the prosecution of it and the result is that there's more drugs, in more places, at less prices, and more addicts than ever before. Don't believe it? Here's a few figures from the book we're about to review: There are four main portals into America from Mexico-Tijuana-San Diego, CA, Juarez-El Paso, TX, Nuevo Laredo-Laredo, TX and Matamoros-Brownsville, TX which is on the Gulf Coast. Through these cities, tens of thousands of trucks pass every day. Most carry legitimate cargo. Many of them haul drugs, which mostly slip across the border because there is no way that U.S. Customs officials can inspect every vehicle without crippling trade through what is the largest commercial border in the world, and in doing so, would break our obligations under the NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement), treaty. But wait it gets better . . . Each of the four ports-of-entry connect to a major north-south interstate highway: I-5 at San Diego, I-25 at El Paso, and I-35 in Laredo. These in turn hook up with all the major east-west interstates . . . allowing the drug cartels easy, free access to every major city in the United States of America. Cocaine alone is a \$30 billion market in the United States annually. Then there's marijuana, methamphetamines, ecstasy (aka molly) and the new-old scourge . . . Mexican brown tar heroin, now easily available in the smallest, most rural of hamlets, anywhere in America. You do the math. The numbers are staggering. So, drugs come north while the money and guns go south, where tens of thousands are being slaughtered every year, because the Narcos-Drug-Lords-are fighting each other for control of the portals, or ports-of-entry which are called plazas in Mexico. Why? Because once a narco controls a plaza, he can charge all the other drug lords a tax, or *piso*, to ship their contraband through the area.

The Cartel, by Don Winslow, will be continued next week . . .
Like the review? The greatest compliment you can give is to share it with others on Facebook and follow us on www.Facebook/JohnDwaineMcKenna • www.Goodreads/JohnDwaineMcKenna

Local Flood Hazard Mitigation Planning Process is Underway (From Pg. 1)

The Denning Neversink Local Flood Analysis Committee was delegated in 2014 by their respective Town Boards to coordinate this stepped process which identifies and explain beneficial and cost-sustainable solutions with professional engineering support. Representatives include members from Town Zoning, Planning and Code Enforcement officials, in addition to technical and outreach staff of the District through the Rondout Neversink Stream Program.

The Committee's Progress to date: Planning for Flood Resilience

- o The engineering firm of Barton and Loguidice was hired and fieldwork took place last fall and this spring to complete survey data to create a hydraulic model map tool to use in the process.
- o Presentations were made by the engineers to the public in July and August, with over 50 people attending to hear about how the model works and to give their input on flooding on East Branch and Main Stem areas
- o Engineers will present a second session describing possible mitigation solutions to the community on September 10 at 1pm and 7pm, and September 11 at 9am.
- o This program will be initiated also in Sundown (Rondout Creek) and Grahamsville (Chestnut Creek) so attendance at these meetings is open to all who are interested in learning more about community flood hazard mitigation planning.

All meetings will be held at the Claryville Reformed Church Hall located at 946 Claryville Road (County Rd 19) in Claryville, NY. For more information and a list of Denning Neversink Local Flood Analysis Committee members, visit the Reports page at www.rondoutneversink.org or call the Rondout Neversink Stream Program office at 845-985-2581. The Claryville Local Flood Analysis is a project of the Rondout Neversink Stream Program administered by Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District in partnership with the Towns of Denning and Neversink and funded by NYC Department of Environmental Protection. For more information and a list of Denning Neversink Local Flood Analysis Committee members, visit the Reports page at www.rondoutneversink.org.

Beauty in the Streets Celebrate the Rejuvenation of Church Street

[LIBERTY] - Celebrate the rejuvenation of Church Street in Liberty at a free block party on Saturday, September 12 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. With the near completion of Phase 1, everyone is welcome to see the beautification efforts taking place on Church Street as a result of work by residents, the Jeff Bank, the Presbyterian Church and Sullivan Renaissance.

Church Street will be closed to vehicular traffic from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m.

The celebration kicks off with a ceremony at 1:00 p.m. Festivities will include music, entertainment, face painting, demonstrations and children's activities. Light refreshments will be served, sourced from local businesses. Rennie, the Sullivan Renaissance Rooster, and a few friends will be present for pictures.

There is no charge for the block party. Bilingual translators will be present.

The Church Street pilot program kicked off on June 6 with the NACL stilt walkers, NYS Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther, Liberty Mayor Ron Stabak and exhibits by the Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce, Liberty Library, Jeff Bank and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County. The program provided a face lift to the residences and parking areas by planting flowers, cleaning up debris and other neighborhood improvements while working toward a sense of beauty, safety and inclusion. The project was initiated by the Sullivan Renaissance Bilingual Advisory Committee and was designed to unify landlords and tenants, help the businesses, and provide a friendly neighborhood for the churches and residences.

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

For information about Sullivan Renaissance, contact 845-295-2445 or www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

Celebrate Banned Books Week at Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library Read-a-thon

Celebrate your freedom to read during Banned Books Week at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library. Banned Books Week, which is always held during the last week of September, highlights the importance of free and open access to information, and celebrates the ability to choose to read any and all books.

The library will kick off Banned Books Week by having a Read-A-Thon on Friday, September 25 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on the library front lawn. Anyone may sign up for a 5 minute time slot to read aloud from a banned book. The library will have a selection of banned books to choose from, as well as a list of the top banned books. This is also a great opportunity to stock up on banned books (and any other books) to read while the library is closed during the move into the new building!

Books can be banned from schools and libraries for a variety of reasons. Some banned books include *The Catcher in the Rye*, the *Harry Potter* series, *The Giving Tree*, *Charlotte's Web*, *To Kill a Mockingbird* and *The Hunger Games* trilogy. For more information on Banned Books Week and frequently banned and challenged books, visit the ALA website, www.ala.org/bbooks. For more information on the Read-A-Thon or to sign up for a time slot, call the library at 845-794-4660 x. 8.

Learn Rules & Regs of Meat Processing in Layman's Terms

LIBERTY, NY- Livestock owners and farmers can learn more about the rules and regulations of processing meat at an educational program on Thursday, September 24, 2015. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) will offer this class from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Michelle Lipari, CCESC Agriculture and 4-H Community Educator, will clarify in layman's terms the laws and steps associated with meat processing. Topics covered will include slaughtering and processing at the custom state and federal levels, the logistics of the various market channels, and on-farm poultry slaughtering guidelines.

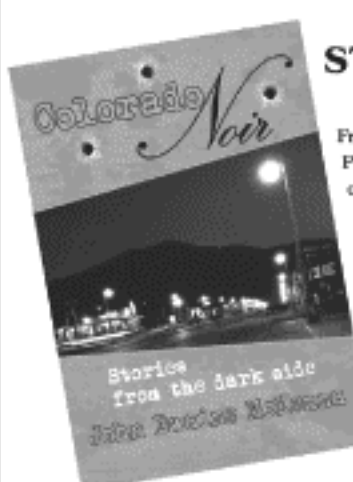
Cost to attend is \$15.00 per person or \$10.00 per CCESC enrollee. Anyone can enroll in the CCESC association for an annual donation of \$25.00 per household. Enrollees must identify membership status at time of payment in order to receive discounts.

Space is limited and pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required in advance. Seats are only guaranteed with payment. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or visiting www.sullivanco.org. Payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

SULLIVAN NY CONNECTS: Choices for Long Term Care A Single Point of Entry for Long Term Care

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, the single Point of Entry for information on long term services and supports in Sullivan County. The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, August 19, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

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



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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

See Page 1 this week for Carol's column.

Dept of Environmental Protection to Host Third Annual Family Fishing Day at Ashokan Reservoir

Sept. 19 outing among events planned for Ulster County Creek Week

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced today that it will host the third annual Family Fishing Day at Ashokan Reservoir on Sept. 19. The event is being co-sponsored by the state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), which will supply fishing poles and bait to those who do not have their own. As part of the "I Fish NY Program," the New York State fishing license requirement is waived for adults who would like to participate in this event. In addition, DEP and DEC staff will be available to teach beginners how to fish. Ashokan Reservoir is home to many different species of fish, including smallmouth and largemouth bass, yellow and white perch, yellow and brown bullhead, sunfish, and trout.

"This event at Ashokan Reservoir has become an annual favorite, attracting dozens of families from the watershed and the five boroughs of New York City," DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd said. "World-class fishing in the Catskills has lured people to visit these rolling mountains and their pristine waters for more than a century. By hosting events such as Family Fishing Day, DEP hopes to support tourism in the region, and help expose the next generation of anglers to the Catskills' proud heritage of outdoor recreation."

Family Fishing Day at Ashokan Reservoir is part of Ulster County Creek Week, which encourages the enjoyment of water and watersheds throughout the county. The weeklong series of events includes stream walks, kayak/canoe tours, interpretive hikes, informational workshops and more. Additional information about Creek Week can be found at the event's website by clicking here.

The event will happen from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Woodstock Dike on Ashokan Reservoir. A parking lot at the dike is located on a gravel driveway off Route 28, just east of the West Hurley Post Office. A sign will be posted at the end of the driveway to help participants find the lot. If adults do not have a free DEP access permit, applications will be available on the day of the event, or a permit can easily be obtained and printed online by going to the DEP website at: nyc.gov/dep/accesspermit. More information can also be obtained by calling DEP at (800) 575-LAND.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of high quality water each day to more than 9 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

Mountainkeeper is gearing up for the upcoming Taste of the Catskills Festival

Everyone here at Mountainkeeper is gearing up for the upcoming Taste of the Catskills festival-the biggest annual celebration of all the things that are so special about this part of the world. This family-friendly event will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 10th and 11th, at the beautiful and historic Maple Shade Farm in Delhi, New York.

This year the festival will feature a variety of delicious food from hundreds of local farmers, artisanal food producers, and restaurants; craft beer and wine produced in our region. There will be games and other

activities for kids, local crafts and great live music for everyone to enjoy. Mountainkeeper will be screening our award-winning short documentary "Catskill Park," and hosting a variety of workshops, including one focused on how to reduce energy costs in your home.

Our good friend Debra Winger is co-hosting along with Mountainkeeper this year, and we really hope you will mark your calendar for October 10th and 11th, as it would be great to see you there! Catskill Mountainkeeper
www.CatskillMountainkeeper.org

Olive Free Library September Events

Olive Day is September 12th and the Arm-of-the-Sea theater production of Rejuvenary River Circus at Davis Park is not to be missed. Please see more details in our newsletter.

Saturday, September 12, 11:00 a.m. Arm-of-the-Sea Theater's Rejuvenary River Circus at Olive Day! This CIRCUS is an allegorical tale featuring gorgeous masks and puppet characters, a bio-morphic set design and live original music. The story follows Malakai, the River messenger and water carrier who travels between Mountain Peaks and the Deep Blue Sea. Along his journeys Malakai encounters a host of creatures, including a lyrical sea turtle, a fast-talking crow, a pair of industrious beavers, beds of filter-feeding oysters, and schools of migrating fish. Each animal offers insights into their particular role in a watershed's ecosystem services. When the old man falls ill his granddaughter Rachel must rise to the challenge and help restore her grandfather, the River, back to health.

This performance will take place at Davis Park and is made possible through a grant from the Catskill Watershed Corporation. Olive Free Library will also have a booth at Olive Day where you can buy cookbooks, gardening books, and children's books at great prices. We will also have raffle baskets to support the library.

THURSDAY NIGHT MOVIE SERIES

McFarland, USA - Thursday, September 10, 6:00 p.m.

Kingsman - Thursday, September 17, 6:00 p.m.

Woman in Gold - Thursday, Oct. 1, 6:00 p.m.

Book Group

Saturday, September 19, 4:00 p.m. *Clara & Mr. Tiffany: A Novel* By Susan Vreeland - It's 1893, and at the Chicago World's Fair, Louis Comfort Tiffany makes his debut with a luminous exhibition of innovative stained-glass windows that he hopes will earn him a place on the international artistic stage. But behind the scenes in his New York studio is the freethinking Clara Driscoll, head of his women's division, who conceives of and designs nearly all of the iconic leaded-glass lamps for which Tiffany will long be remembered.

Come discuss this with other book lovers!

Monday, September 21, 6:30 p.m. Beekeeping Group - Each month there is a presentation and discussion on a topic of interest to beekeepers. All levels of experience are welcome! You can also find out more on-line.

Wednesday, September 23, 3:00 p.m. School Holiday Matinee: Cinderella (PG) "Refreshingly traditional in a revisionist era, Kenneth Branagh's Cinderella proves Disney hasn't lost any of its old-fashioned magic." (Rated certified fresh on Rotten Tomatoes). Common Sense Media says this movie is appropriate for ages 6 and older.

Singing Circle! Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 p.m. In the Singing Circle, everyone can sing! Open to all ages and free. Participants can request a song or bring a song, and be willing to join in with others. Reading music is not necessary. Musician Julia Haines is a music therapist and educator. She plays piano, accordion, and harp, among other things. (This is Julia leading the merriment at our Summer Reading kickoff carnival in July).

Catskill Ukulele Group Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 p.m. Pull up a ukulele and learn a song! This is a friendly group who welcomes all comers. If you do not have a ukulele but would like to participate, you can check one out from the library. This group stays connected to other players through Meetup.com under the name Catskill Ukulele Group

Tuesdays 10 a.m. Preschool Story Hour Come join the fun! Each week we do a craft activity, read some books, do yoga, sing, make music together, and everyone plays an instrument in a parade through the library. All are welcome!

UPDATE! Library Beehive Project Local Boy Scout, Blake Overton, is building an observation

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beehive for the library thanks to many donations raised in the past year. He is now in the construction phase of the project. Here is the main part of hives so far, minus the kiosk:

Snowshoes Wanted! The library is seeking donations of snowshoes in good condition that we can lend out (just like we loan out books and ukuleles!) We are particularly interested in kids sizes right now so we can take kids in the nature club out in the woods during the winter. If you have any snow shoes you would like to donate, please bring them to the library. Thank you!

Save the Date Up-Coming Events and Programs

Thurs, Oct. 1, 6 p.m. Arts & Crafts Night for Kids
Thurs, Oct. 1, 6 p.m. Movie: *Woman in Gold* (PG-13)

Thurs, Oct. 8, 6 p.m. Movie: *Avengers: Age of Ultron* (PG-13)

Sat., Oct. 10, 10:30 a.m. Reading with Rover

Mon, Oct. 12, 3 p.m. Family Matinee, *Monkey Kingdom* (G)

Thurs, Oct. 15, 6 p.m. Movie: *I'll See You in My Dreams* (PG-13)

Sat, Oct. 17, 4 p.m. Book Group: *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel

Thurs, Oct. 29, 6 p.m. Double Feature: *The Black Cat* (1934); *Frankenstein* at 7:15

Thurs, Oct. 27, 6-8 p.m. Pumpkin Carving Contest
Sat, Oct. 31, 11:30 a.m. Decorate your own Trick or Treat Bag Craft

Saturday, Nov. 21, 3:00 p.m. Classical Music Concert

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Library Hours

Monday 10-8; Tuesday 10-5; Wednesday 12-8; Thursday 2-8; Friday 1-5; and Saturday 10-4

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Ukulele Circle Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m.

Singing Circle Thursdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Knitting Circle Wednesdays at 11 a.m.

A.A. Meeting Fridays at 7:30 p.m.

Olive Free Library 845-657-2482

WJFF 25th Anniversary Gala Brunch

Community radio station WJFF is celebrating its 25th Anniversary with a Gala Brunch on Sunday, September 27th at the Villa Roma. The Gala Brunch offers listeners and supporters an opportunity to congratulate and thank the volunteers and staff for 25 years of exceptional radio - a wide variety of music, local, national and international news programs, talk shows and community voices.

There will be live jazz at the Brunch by Noah Barker, who will be joined by other musicians as well as WJFF volunteers, a cocktail hour featuring bloody mary and mimosa cocktails, and a wonderful buffet. During the brunch Glenn Wooddell and Josephine Finn, two station volunteers, will be honored for their commitment and contributions to both WJFF and the larger community. Supporters may buy a table or individual seats at the Brunch. They may also donate a gift which then could be sold at a silent auction with the proceeds going to the station. There also will be a Brunch Journal that offers several opportunities to publish an ad. For more information, contact Adam Weinreich at the station, adam@wjffradio.org or 845-482-4141.

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These recommendations can help save lives and reduce suffering in the event of a disaster. "When disaster strikes, we want all New Yorkers to be prepared and ready to respond, Governor Cuomo said. "By planning ahead and taking a few simple safety steps, we can all be ready for unpredictable weather conditions and emergencies."

Preparedness Month is a national effort sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The 2015 National Preparedness Month theme is - Don't Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today. FEMA encourages Americans to create a family emergency communications plan that includes up-to-date contact information for individuals that may need to be reached during a disaster.

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- September 1 - 5: Flood
- September 6 - 12: Wildfire
- September 13 - 19: Hurricane
- September 20 - 26: Power Outage

To help New Yorkers prepare for an emergency, the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES), in partnership with the New York National Guard, are offering Citizens Preparedness Corps training courses throughout the state.

To date, more than 64,000 New Yorkers have completed a preparedness training course. Through this program, more citizens have received emergency preparedness training than at any other time in the state's history.

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Thursday, November 12 - 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Registration is required: please call the library to schedule a session:

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Grahamsville, NY...The Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville, NY (NYS Rte. 55) will host a talk by James Krul, Executive Director of the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum about the history and popularity of fly fishing in Sullivan County's famous Catskill Streams on Saturday, September 12 at 2 p.m.



A young Donald S. Gaunt fishes the Neversink River in Claryville in 1918.

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In addition to being the Executive Director of the Sullivan County Fly Fishing Center and Museum, Krul is President of Fly Fishing University, producer of The World of Fly fishing and The Arts of the Angler shows. As an industry consultant, Krul provides fly tying and fly fishing clinics, escorted trips, and slide presentations throughout the country.

"We are so fortunate to have such an amazing resource as the Sullivan County Fly Fishing Center and Museum right in our back yard," says Time and the Valleys Museum Executive Director Donna Steffens. "Jim Krul is one of the most knowledgeable, well-versed fishermen in our area and it is a pleasure to have him with us for this talk."

The event is free of charge and refreshments and museum admission are included. "This will also be one of the last chances to see the 'Celebrating Catskill Waters: Past and Present' exhibit, which features a section in the exhibit about fishing in the Catskills," explained Steffens.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is open from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day, Thursday - Sunday from noon-4 p.m.; September through November on weekends from noon-4 p.m. The research room is open on Thursdays from 1-4 p.m. and Sundays by appointment. Admission is by suggested donation of \$5 for adults, \$2 for children ages 6-16, and free for children under the age of six. On Thursday, Town of Neversink residents are invited to visit at no charge and the first Saturday of each month, Town of Denning residents are invited to visit at no charge.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is also a Blue Star Museum, one of more than 2,000 throughout the United States that offers free admission to the nation's active-duty military personnel and their families, including National Guard and Reserve, from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

To learn more about the Time and the Valleys Museum, special events and programs and the latest exhibits, visit the website at www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. To learn more about bringing your group or organization on a tour, please call Donna Steffens at 845-985-7700.

COMING EVENTS:

A Walk Among the Dead, Sunday, September 20, 1 p.m. FREE!
Join us and learn about a few prominent or unusual characters buried in the over twenty cemeteries in the local area. Attendees will receive a self-guided driving tour map of some area cemeteries. GPS locations for almost all town of Denning and Town of Neversink cemeteries will be available upon request that day. Special guest Kathy Denman will be available to answer questions about the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery. Refreshments Included.

Bus Tour of the Delaware Water Supply System, Saturday, September 26, 8:30 a.m., \$25 per person members, \$30 per person non-members
Join us as we tour some of the major features of the Delaware Water System, visiting the Cannonsville, Pepacton, Neversink and Rondout Reservoirs. The narrated tour will begin with a complimentary breakfast at the museum and include frequent stops along the way for photos. Lunch is not included in the price. We will stop at an area restaurant, or you may bring a bag lunch.

Winter Chorus Concert Rehearsals Begin

The Sullivan County Community Chorus will resume weekly Thursday rehearsals on September 10 from 6:30 to 8:30 in the Choral Room of the Liberty Middle School, 145 Buckley Street, Liberty. The chorus, under the direction of Kevin Giroux, with accompanist Keira Weyant, will perform its 39th Annual Winter Concert, on Sunday, December 13th at 2:30 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Church, Woodbourne.



Conductor Giroux's theme for the concert is "Winterscapes," as each selection or set of songs has been chosen to elicit, for both the singers and the audience, memories of feelings and events associated with the season. The Sullivan County Community Chorus Winter Concert will also feature the Sullivan Chamber Singers, comprised of members of the Chorus selected through an audition process.

The Chorus encourages all interested singers to consider joining the ensemble. Each member and prospective member is required to meet with Conductor Giroux for a series of vocal warm-ups designed to determine vocal range for placement in the appropriate section of the chorus, as well as to ensure an ability to match pitch. A schedule of dates, times, and contact information for appointments are listed in an information packet available from the Chorus Secretary, as noted below. Singers wishing to perform in the concert must regularly attend rehearsals joining the chorus no later than October 8th.

Performances of the Sullivan County Community Chorus are made possible in part with funds from the Sullivan County Decentralization Program, a re-grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts, administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

Dues are \$20 with a \$15 music deposit (new members only) and \$10 one-time folder deposit. Those wishing to sing in the Winter Concert are encouraged to arrive for their first rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. to sign in and receive packets of the concert music. For further information contact Diane Foster at 845/439-4458.

As Summer Ends, Join Frost Valley for Fall Fun

Summer Day Camp at Frost Valley YMCA has come to a close, ending the season with a brand new session: Farm Day Camp. Like each of Frost Valley's various Day Camp programs, Farm Day Camp provided children and teens with days full of tending to gardens and livestock at the Frost Valley Educational Farm, while also enjoying traditional camp activities that encourage summer learning, develop personal growth, and foster healthy friendships.



Days Campers in all programs enjoyed swimming in Lake Cole, field trips, arts and crafts, games, hikes, and more. Achievement, relationships, and a sense of belonging are essential dimensions of well-being that Frost Valley cultivates through Day Camp programs.

Want to visit the Frost Valley Educational Farm? Bring your family and join your neighbors for Frost Valley's annual Fall Farm Day on Sunday, September 27. During this free event, families can enjoy an afternoon of hands-on farm activities like apple cidering, harvesting vegetables from the garden, candle making, and feeding friendly livestock. Other autumn-themed activities including picking and painting a Halloween pumpkin, tractor-driven hayrides, guided barn tours, seasonal arts & crafts making, outdoor games, and much more.

A farm stand of fresh produce will be available for purchase, but all guests can enjoy complimentary chili, cornbread, and a fall dessert. The event takes place from 1-4pm at the Frost Valley YMCA Educational Farm, 13 miles from main camp at 2875 Denning Road, Claryville. No reservations required for this free event.

Frost Valley will also offer two more 3D Archery Tournament events on September 12 and 26 from 9am-3pm. Both are open to all ages and experience levels. During these events, archers move between scenes set up with targets shaped like bear, deer, turkey, and other game animals along a wooded trail, and then receive a score based on where their arrows land. Please visit FrostValley.org for more information or the register for this event.

TVCS Graduate Brianna Worden Selected as State Finalist in the Miss NY Teen USA Pageant



I have some very exciting news I'd love to share! I have been selected as an official State Finalist in the Miss New York Teen USA Pageant. This pageant is also associated with the Miss Universe, and Miss USA pageant as well! This is a chance of a lifetime for me and I am asking for your support in this unique opportunity.

If I happen to be crowned Miss New York Teen USA, I will represent New York in the national Miss Teen USA pageant. I will also be representing New York during my reign by making numerous appearances throughout our state, by helping our community and charitable organizations, as well as appearing at special events, grand openings and parades. I will also educate many about Neurofibromatosis(NF), a genetic disorder that causes tumors to grow along the nervous system. I have Neurofibromatosis, and unfortunately there is no cure.

NF occurs in 1:3000 births, and can lead to blindness, deafness, hypertension, bone deformations, and extreme pain. Occasionally, tumors may develop in the brain, or on the spinal cord. About 50% of people with NF also have learning disabilities. Sometimes, Neurosarcomas a rare form of cancer can occur. It's always been my biggest goal to inform as many people as I can about Neurofibromatosis.

A sponsorship program is incorporated into the Miss New York Teen USA state pageant. I need to raise \$1,500 in order to compete in this pageant. I would greatly appreciate it if anyone could be my sponsor as I represent our great state and pursue a lifelong dream. Even if it's just a dollar I would truly appreciate it. Every penny counts. If you have any questions please feel free to message me! Thank you! - Brianna Worden

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The Olive Free Library is sponsoring a free performance of the Arm-of-the-Sea Theater's production of The Rejuvenary River Circus on Saturday, September 12 at 11:00 a.m. at Davis Park in West Shokan.

Families will delight in the large-scale puppets, live musical accompaniment, and fascinating story in the Arm-of-the-Sea Theater's production of The Rejuvenary River Circus.

This CIRCUS is an allegorical tale featuring gorgeous masks and puppet characters, a bio-morphic set design and live original music. The story follows Malakai, the River messenger and water carrier who travels between Mountain Peaks and the Deep Blue Sea. Along his journeys Malakai encounters a host of creatures, including a lyrical sea turtle, a fast-talking crow, a pair of industrious beavers, beds of filter-feeding oysters, and schools of migrating fish. Each animal offers insights into their particular role in a watershed's ecosystem services. When the old man falls ill his granddaughter Rachel must rise to the challenge and help restore her grandfather, the River, back to health.

This performance is made possible with the generous support of a grant from the Catskill Watershed Corporation.

For more information please contact the library: programs@olivefreelibrary.org or call 845-657-2482.

Jester's Comedy Club Night at the Rivoli

Saturday night, September 12, AT 8:00 PM, the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop will be hosting a night of stand-up comedians on the Rivoli stage! (Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Main Street, South Fallsburg, NY)

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Box office opens at 7:00PM, House opens at 7:30, Performance starts at 8:00PM. General Admission: \$15. For information on stars, please see www.scdw.net.

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LESSON 28: Subject Complements

"Education begins the gentleman, but reading, good company and reflection must finish him."
- John Locke

A subject complement is the word that follows the linking verb and renames or adds meaning to the subject. It complements the verb in that it "completes its definition in context".

In the sentence, "River is a good walker," the word walker renames River.

In the sentence, "River is good," the word good adds meaning to River.

Subject complements can be nouns, pronouns, or adjectives and are referred to as part of the predicate as in the following:

In the sentence, "September is my favorite month," September is the subject, is is the linking verb, and month is the subject complement which we call the predicate noun.

In the sentence, "The best player is he," player is the subject, is is the linking verb, and he is the subject complement which we call the predicate pronoun.

In the sentence, "Our players are excellent," players is the subject, are is the linking verb, and excellent is the subject complement which we call the predicate adjective.

In the following sentences identify the subject complement and note what type it is:

1. The chicken on the left looks undercooked.
2. Chris's house is nice.
3. The old man in the junkyard seems mean.
4. The criminal's accomplice is she.
5. Brandon and Robert will become professional gentlemen.

The answers to this lesson will be in the next installment of The English Language. If you want to see the answers now, go to: workadaywriter.com/lesson28 and scroll to the bottom of the content.

Answers to last week's questions: *me, me, you, Antonio, us*

Fifth Annual Bratwurst Dinner

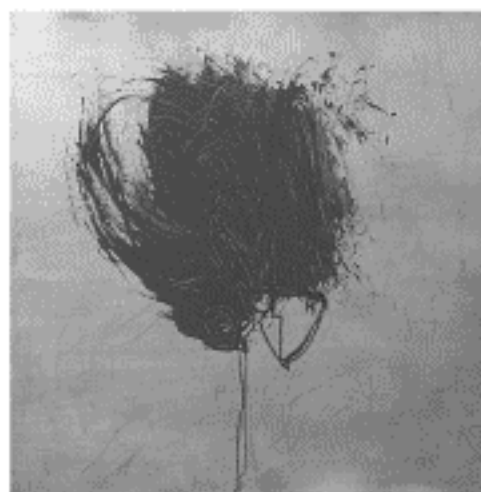
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (31 Erie Avenue, Narrowsburg) invites everyone to its Fifth Annual Bratwurst Dinner on Saturday, September 19th, 2015, from 4:30 to 7:00 PM.

The dinner will include bratwurst (from The Alpine in Honesdale, PA), homemade German potato salad and sauerkraut, beverages, bread and kuchen for dessert.

Tickets are now available: \$10 for those 13 years old and up and all takeouts and \$6 for children ages 6-12 (eat-in only), while children 5 and under eat free (eat-in only). Advance sale only!

For tickets and further information, please contact the church office at (845) 252-3919.

To Stop the Mind from Wandering



Livingston Manor, NY Saturday, September 19th, the public is invited to the opening of "To Stop the Mind from Wandering" an art exhibition, curated by Miriam Hernández, in the Catskill Park Room at Morgan Outdoors.

There will be an opening reception from 4 to 6 pm with many of the artists present.

The participating artists include Alex Siroc, Candy Spilner, Gail Tuchman, Kristin Gronbeck, Magaly Perez, Marjorie Morrow, and Miriam Hernández. The exhibition will run through Sunday, October 25, 2015 and all of the artwork is for sale.

"The works comprising this exhibition have been selected for their restraint and focus to suggest, or perhaps even induce, a state of meditation," said curator Miriam Hernandez. "The viewer is invited to quietly contemplate their seemingly uncomplicated combinations of form, design and color. The works may or may not represent the entire oeuvres of these artists, but have been chosen for their aesthetic simplicity. Almost all the artists refer to the natural world as the impetus for their work, but without making the work representational. These are visual attempts to quiet the mind from making random associations and to gently coax the eye/mind connection into watchful stillness."

Morgan Outdoors is located at 46 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY. For more information 845 439 5507, and www.morgan-outdoors.com.

Assemblyman Cahill Makes Special Announcement at the 2015 Hooley on the Hudson Celebration

Kingston, NY - Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) welcomed everyone to the Ulster County Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) annual Hooley on the Hudson located on the Rondout in Kingston, New York. This year's festivities will take place on Sunday, September 6th.

The Hooley on the Hudson Celebration was started in 2002 by Kenneth Brett, William Yosh and the Ulster AOH, with the help of a grant from Assemblymember Cahill. "There are two days in our community where everyone is Irish: the Sunday before St. Patrick's Day and the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend," said Assemblymember Cahill.

This year, the Assemblyman was joined on the Tara National Talent Stage by Senator George Amedore, Jr. and members of the Board of the Irish Cultural Center to announce an application for a significant grant for the construction of the Center, which will be constructed on Abeel Street overlooking the Rondout.

"The AOH has always shown a strong commitment to honoring and remembering our many Irish ancestors who immigrated here in search of a prosperous life," said Assemblymember Cahill. "When completed, the Irish Cultural Center of the Hudson Valley will help to further this mission and I am proud to lend my support to such a worthy endeavor along with the efforts of Senator Amedore, demonstrating a bipartisan partnership."

"The Irish Cultural Center will be a great addition to Kingston's historic waterfront region, and I am proud to join Assemblyman Cahill in supporting this project," said Senator George Amedore. "The Irish heritage has deep roots in the Hudson Valley and this Center will pay tribute to the rich cultural history of the area, and also help revitalization efforts by offering an exciting new cultural tourism destination."

It was through an initial capital grant secured by Assemblymember Cahill that the land for the future site of the Irish Cultural Center was acquired. The Center will house a meeting space, lecture hall, dance studio, theatre and a genealogy research library, among other facilities. Plans also include a community center and exhibit room available to the general public. "When the Center opens its doors, its many resources will help residents feel the luck of the Irish all year long," added Cahill.

The event takes place the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend each year and celebrates the rich Irish culture that is present throughout the Hudson Valley. Traditional bagpipes and drums are played throughout the day, Irish dancers perform, local vendors provide a variety of food and of course

the official legal beverage of the great Emerald Isle, Guinness, is served on tap. Among the many bands and performers will be Solas an Lae, Mac Talla Mor and the McLean Avenue Band.

"The Hooley is a wonderful chance to celebrate the rich Irish culture and history that has woven itself into the fabric of our community. Many people look forward to this event each and every year, as it attracts thousands from across the state who come to the Hudson Valley to experience a day of music, dancing and traditional Irish food and drink at the Rondout Waterfront in Kingston. From the earliest days of this celebration, we knew it would grow into what it is today. On behalf of our entire community, I am grateful for all of the hard work and planning that goes into this event can be enjoyed by so many. I also extend a special thanks to Assemblyman Cahill - who has been actively involved with the Hooley since its inception in 2002. Without his time and dedication, along with that of many others in the community, this day would not be possible," said Jim Carey, President of the Ulster County Ancient Order of Hibernians.

"What started as a small town event that highlighted the Irish culture in the area has turned into large-scale attraction that draws upwards of 20,000 people from across New York State and the Northeast region to the Rondout Waterfront to get in touch with their Irish roots," said Assemblymember Cahill. "The generous donations of time and talent of the AOH, along with the hard work of many in our communities have brought to Kingston a culturally enriching and entertaining festival that simultaneously yields economic benefits to our local businesses."

Bless All the Animals



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 24 Chestnut Street, Liberty, New York will hold its fourth Blessing of the Animals worship service outdoors on Sunday, September 27th at 2:00 PM. We invite pets and their owners to worship. A blessing is given to each pet and their family. Pet treats and goodies will be served afterward. Join us for a howling good time! (If the weather should not cooperate, the service will be held in the Fellowship Hall.) We invite everyone to bring pet food as an offering.

The offering will be given to our IFCL (InterFaith Council of Liberty) Food Pantry pet owners.

We are asked by God to care for and nurture the animals. For many, the blessings recognize the deep bond we feel with our animal companions entrusted to us and the many gifts animals provide us: guidance and rescue, income, companionship, research and medicine, recreation, sources of food and clothing, and so much more. The Blessing of Animals is most often celebrated in early October near the feast day of Francis of Assisi, the 12th-century patron saint of animals. Please join us.

Sullivan County Audubon First Fall Meeting

Sullivan County Audubon First Fall Meeting, on Thursday, September 17, at 6pm in room B113 at Sullivan County Community College, will feature a "Harvest Potluck" dinner. Members contribute bounty from their local gardens, farmers markets and kitchens.

Included will be a talk concerning the Monarch butterflies and bees affected by the use of new weed killing poisons and a report on the recent Audubon and Friends Too art exhibit.

Governor Cuomo Announces \$5.4 Million in AmeriCorps Funding - Grant Will Support the Governor's Rochester Anti-Poverty Task Force and Other Critically Important Programs

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced that New York State has been awarded \$5.4 million in AmeriCorps funding from the federal Corporation for National and Community Service. New York will administer this funding to 19 municipalities and non-profit organizations which help at-risk children, homebound seniors, low-income families, and struggling veterans throughout the state.

"This is about putting people and resources on the ground in high-needs communities," Governor Cuomo said. "By supporting these programs, we are guiding children to academic success, preparing the unemployed to re-enter the workforce, and taking care of those who have served our country."

Awarded through a competitive Request for Proposals process, the grants will enable the 19 municipalities and non-profit organizations to recruit approximately 700 AmeriCorps members across the state. Each member will receive a scholarship upon completion of his or her service. Nearly \$600,000 will complement the work of the Governor's Rochester Anti-Poverty Task Force by supporting programs designed to improve academic achievement, adolescent health, and violence prevention in the city's most impoverished neighborhoods.

The New York State Commission on National and Community Service - New Yorkers Volunteer, a Governor-appointed commission, will administer the grants. The Commission uses the power of AmeriCorps to address some of the state's most challenging issues, and encourages citizens to make a difference in the lives of others.

New Yorkers Volunteer Executive Director Linda Cohen said, "These AmeriCorps members will be serving in their own communities. That means they will be earning a scholarship and gaining valuable experience while making a difference in the lives of their neighbors. It's a real win-win."

Congressman Jerrold Nadler said, "Community is about more than the individual, and New Yorkers have long demonstrated their commitment to service as one of the hallmarks of what makes our state great. As a longtime supporter in Congress of the AmeriCorps program, I am glad this federal funding is being brought to help those most at risk, understanding that we can go further together when we look out for one another. I commend the AmeriCorps volunteers for dedicating their time and energy to giving back, and congratulate Governor Cuomo and the 19 organizations across our state who are working to improve our communities through their tireless work and commitment to service."

Congressman Brian Higgins said, "The AmeriCorps program does incredible work to move communities forward and help their most vulnerable members. Supporting organizations like the Community Healthcare Association of New York State, Cradle Beach Camp, and The Service Collaborative of Western New York will make a real difference in our region and in the lives of those in need."

About NYS Commission on National and Community Service The New York State Commission on National and Community Service - New Yorkers Volunteer seeks to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering in New York State. It was established in 1994 by an Executive Order of the Governor, and administers programs funded by the National Community Service Trust Act of 1993, including AmeriCorps State and AmeriCorps Education Awards programs. For more information, visit newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov, like NYS CNCS on Facebook, and follow @NYersVolunteer on Twitter. About AmeriCorps AmeriCorps is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service, a federal agency that engages more than five million Americans in service through AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, the Social Innovation Fund, and the Volunteer Generation Fund, and leads the President's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. Since 1994, more than 72,000 AmeriCorps members in New York State have completed more than 110 million hours of service. For more information, visit NationalService.gov.

Senator Bonacic Announces that September is National Preparedness Month

(Middletown, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) announced today that September is Preparedness Month in New York State. Preparedness Month is a national effort sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The 2015 National Preparedness Month theme is - Don't Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today. FEMA encourages Americans to create a family emergency communications plan that includes up-to-date contact information for individuals that may need to be reached during a disaster.

"Just in the past few years we've seen the devastating effects that natural disasters can have on our communities in New York State," said Senator Bonacic. "It is vitally important to have an emergency plan in place to help deal with unpredictable weather conditions. By planning ahead, families can help minimize the devastating effects of natural disasters and can be ready to respond when the time comes."

To help New Yorkers prepare for an emergency, the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES), in partnership with the New York National Guard, are offering free Citizens Preparedness Corps training courses throughout the state. To date, more than 64,000 New Yorkers have completed a preparedness training course. Through this program, more citizens have received emergency training than at any other time in the state's history. To register for a training course, or to volunteer, visit the State's Citizen Preparedness Corps website.

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein Announces Participation National Preparedness Month in September



At Ulster County's Emergency Operation Center during Superstorm Sandy, County Executive Mike Hein provides GIS mapping information to Kingston Police Chief Egidio Tinti that was used for resident evacuations.

September is National Preparedness Month (NPM) and Ulster County Executive Mike Hein has announced the County's support for this important initiative. This event, now in its twelfth year, is a nationwide, month-long effort started by the Ready Campaign, encouraging households, businesses and communities to prepare and plan for emergencies. The 2015 National Preparedness Month theme is "Don't Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today," which encourages everyone to make a plan to know what to do during an emergency.

"Being proactive and prepared in case of a disaster or emergency could be the difference between life and death," said County Executive Mike Hein. "The fact is we never know when an emergency will take place as we have witnessed in the past with Hurricane Irene and Superstorm Sandy. This critical initiative reminds us all to be proactive and have a basic level of preparedness in case of a flood, hurricane, power outage or other serious events. Whether a disaster is natural or man-made, it is important that Ulster County residents are prepared and empowered to help both themselves and their neighbors in case of emergency."

Dr. Carol Smith, Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health

"This year's theme: 'Don't Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today' focuses on encouraging everyone to have an up-to-date contact list for those you may need to reach during a disaster. It also calls for establishing alternate methods of communication in case traditional means are not available," said Dr. Carol Smith, Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health. "The Ulster County Department of Health, Mental Health, and other County agencies train for multiple disaster scenarios, however no amount of training can prepare you for every situation. That is why it is so important that residents do what they can to prepare to ride out disasters in the short term until help arrives, including helping our friends and neighbors who may not be able to care for themselves. Families should consider making a plan that includes who to call, where to meet and what to pack."

Quote Steven J. Peterson, Director of Ulster County Emergency Communications

"Nationwide, September is the busiest month for disasters," said Steven J. Peterson, Director of Ulster County Emergency Communications. "In a recent County Preparedness Assessment, the biggest risk for the residents and visitors to Ulster County is flooding. This is followed by wildfire, and severe winter storms. Don't wait, make your plan today. Everyone should take the time now to prepare for those events as well as other types of disasters. Make sure you have enough food and water to last for three days as well as batteries for your flashlights and radios. Communicate with family members ahead of time so everyone is prepared."

One of NPM's key messages is: be prepared in the event an emergency causes you to be self-reliant for three days without utilities and electricity, water service, access to a supermarket or local services, or maybe even without response from police, fire or rescue. Preparing can start with four important steps:

1. Be informed about emergencies that could happen in your community, and identify sources of information in your community that will be helpful before, during and after an emergency;
2. Make a plan for what to do in an emergency. Develop a written, family (and business/organization) disaster plan and review it with everyone, so that everyone knows what to do, where to go and how to communicate in the event of a serious emergency;
3. Build an emergency supply kit; and
4. Get involved.

For more information about the Ready Campaign and National Preparedness Month, visit www.ready.gov and <http://www.community.fema.gov/> or call 1-800-BE-READY (1-800-237-3239), or contact the Ulster County Department of Health - Public Health Preparedness Program at (845) 334-5538.

Vendors Wanted
 Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club, Inc.
Sixth Annual Sportsman's Flea Market
 In conjunction with the
 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Tractor Show & Swap Meet
 Sat. & Sun. Sept. 19 & 20, 2015
 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
 Archery, Boating, Camping, Fishing, Trapping Equipment, Knives etc.
 New and Used
 Guns Allowed
 Federal Fire Arms Dealer on grounds for Required Background Checks
 Table space \$15.00 - Extra Table \$10.00
 Grahamsville Fairgrounds 4-H Building
 Refreshments Available
 For More Information:
 Desiree Jimenez (845) 798-5352 Michael Depuy (845) 798-5723
 Please leave a message.

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Roast Beef Dinner
 Saturday, September 19, 2015
 4 pm to 7 pm
 Menu: **Roast Beef, mashed Potatoes, Corn on the Cob, Lettuce Salad, Bread, Assorted Desserts & Drinks**
 Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00; under 5 free
Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
 For more information please call: 845-985-7480
 Thank you for your support and God Bless you All!

Claryville Fire Dept
All you can eat Pancake Breakfast

 Sunday, Sept 20
 Serving 7:00 until Noon
 Adults \$7
 Children under 12, \$3
 Under 5yrs. Free
 \$50 from the breakfast is donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

CHURCH + BAZAAR
 September 26, 2015
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 LUNCHEON
 Christmas Table
 White Elephant
 needle work
 Homemade Candy
 baked goods
Sundown Community Hall

Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Show & Swap Meet

 September 19th & 20th, 2015
 9 am - 5 pm
 Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 Grahamsville, NY
Open Flea Market and Vendors Wanted
 845-985-2692 or 845-292-6857


Sundown United Methodist Church
ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ
 SEPTEMBER 12, 2015 - 4 P.M.
 For information &/or tickets Contact John Barnum 985-7065


Italian Dinner
 Oct 17, 2014 • 6 pm
 Reservations Only - \$12
 MENU: Lasagna Roll, Green beans, tossed Salad, Garlic Bread & Dessert
 Call 985-2455
 Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

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CrossWay Assembly of God
 Service Times
 Sunday School 9:30 am
 Sunday Worship Service/
 Children's Church 10:30 am
 Monday Night Home
 Bible Study 7 pm
 Tuesday Night Youth Home
 Bible Study 7 pm
 Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Ismael Berrios
 Lead Pastor
 P. O. Box 480
 507 Hasbrouck Drive
 Woodbourne, NY 12788
 845-434-8263
 Email: crosswayaog@aol.com
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Claryville Reformed Church

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


Sundown United Methodist Church
 Peekamoose Rd., Sundown
 Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School - after worship (9:40 a.m.)
 Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
 Pastor: Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff
 845-985-2283
 e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com
Grahamsville United Methodist Church
 Rte. 55, Grahamsville
 Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m.
 Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available!
 For information contact Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff 845-985-2283
 e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

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

Covered Dish Supper
 Oct 3, 2015 at 5:30 pm
Annual Chicken BBQ
 Sept 12, 2015
 Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon
 Sept 26, 2015 • 9am-2 pm
Italian Dinner
 Oct 17, 2014 • 6 pm
 Reservations Only
 Call 985-2455
Holiday Fair
 Nov. 21, 2015 • 10-3
 all at the Sundown United Methodist Church Hall


Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Sept 22, 2015 Thrift Sale & Boutique
 9 am-1 p.m.
 Luncheon 11 am p.m.
Third Saturday Thrift Sale & Boutique
 Sept 19, 2015
 9 am - 1 pm

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 Holy Days 5:30 pm
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Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

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

PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740

J. Cindy Mickelson, School Tax Collector for the Tri-Valley Central School District, have received the School Tax Roll and Tax Warrant, dated September 1, 2015. Tax payments can be made at the location and on the dates listed below:

Catskill Hudson Bank (Grahamsville Location ONLY)
279 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740
Starting Tues., Sept. 1, 2015.

Tax collecting hours will be:
Mon. thru Fri. from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
And Sat. 9:00 AM - 12 noon.

Payments may also be mailed to the address given below:

Tri-Valley CSD
P.O. Box 419
Grahamsville, NY 12740

Taxes will be received in accordance with the following penalty schedule:

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| Sept. 1 - Sept. 30 | No penalty |
| <i>Payment in full or 50% of total bill</i> | |
| Oct. 1 - Oct. 31 | 2% penalty |
| <i>Total Balance due or 25% of total bill</i> | |
| Nov. 1 - Nov. 4 | 3% penalty |
| <i>Total Due</i> | |

The School Tax Collector may not accept payments after November 4, 2015.

Sullivan County Residents (ONLY): May make payments after Nov. 13, 2015 by certified check and must be made payable and mailed to the Sullivan County Treasurer's Office.

Ulster County Residents (ONLY): Contact Ulster County Treasurer's Office to make arrangements for any payments after Nov. 4, 2015.

All unpaid School Taxes will be relieved at an additional 7% on your 2016 Town and County Tax Bill.
Tax bills will be mailed as soon as possible.

PATRIOT PLAN: Under the provisions of Section 925-d of the Real Property Tax Law, known as the "Patriot Plan" you may be eligible for a deadline extension on your tax payment. Contact the Tax Collector for details.

Cindy Mickelson, School Tax Collector
Dated: September 1, 2015

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Public Health & Social Services Committee and Ulster Coalition Against Narcotics Tour Northeast Center For Traumatic Brain Injury

The Ulster County Legislature's Health and Social Services Committee met last week at the Northeast Center for Traumatic Brain Injury located at 300 Grant Avenue in Lake Katrine. The Committee toured the largest brain injury treatment program in the world. This one-of-a-kind program is designed to serve individuals with acquired brain injury.

Legislator Craig Lopez, Committee Chairman said, "It's important the Legislature tour this one of a kind healthcare facility to gain a better understanding of the needs of Ulster County's health care system. As the Northeast Center is the largest of its kind in the world, we definitely have a gem in our back yard."

Legislator Carl Belfiglio, an Ulster County Coalition Against Narcotics committee member, invited the Coalition along for this tour to get a greater understanding of the circumstances and results of patients who have overdosed on opiates. "Together with the Public Health & Social Services Committee, the Coalition can experience first-hand the effects of addiction on individuals who survive a heroin overdose. The knowledge gained can only help the Coalition and the Committee understand Ulster County's needs better."

Coalition Chairman Lou Klein stated, "As the Chairman of the Ulster County Coalition Against Narcotics (UCAN), I am pleased that we have the opportunity to observe this highly successful brain treatment program. We are extremely grateful that this program exists in Ulster County."

POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency will recognize POW/MIA Recognition Day with a ceremony in the lobby of the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, New York on Friday, September 18, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

Please join us in taking the time to remember those who were prisoners of war (POW), and those who are missing in action (MIA) and their families.

Our Keynote Speaker will be Frank Armstrong, Vietnam veteran, recipient of the Silver Star award for "gallantry in action" involving close combat against an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. The Silver Star is the third highest award for valor.

The public is invited to attend.
For additional information on this event, please contact the Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency @ (845) 807-0233.

Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum announces Snowmobile Safety Course

Ulster County Sheriff Paul J. VanBlarcum announces that the Sheriff's Office will be sponsoring a New York State Young Operators and Adult Certification Course for snowmobiles. The course is required for riders between the ages of 10 and 17 by New York State law. It is offered free of charge and takes place on the following Saturdays, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, at the locations specified:

November 14th, West Hurley Firehouse, 24 Wall Street, West Hurley
December 5th, Tillson Firehouse, 5 Tillson Rd.
December 12th, Milton Fire Company, 21 Main St., Milton

The intent of the course is to instruct young snowmobilers in proper riding habits, safety equipment, and laws and rules of the trail. The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation: Bureau of Marine and Recreational Vehicles prescribes this course. It is also available to adults. Training is by certified instructors with more than 50 years of combined experience snowmobiling in both the U.S. and Canada.

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

This course is part of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office youth-oriented training to make recreational sports safer. Co-sponsoring the course are the TT Trailblazers Snowmobile Club of Rosendale and the Fire Departments of Tillson, West Hurley and Milton with donations made by Arctic Adventures and Antonio's Pizzeria of Rosendale, Kirky's Deli of Milton, Hannaford Stores of Kingston, Ulster and Highland, the Tillson American Legion, the Sons and the Ladies Auxiliary Post 1219 and the Ulster County Deputy Sheriffs PBA.

Pizza and soda will be provided free of charge, or bring a bag lunch.

The Last Five Years at the Shadowland

The Last Five Years written and composed by Jason Robert Brown and directed by Michael LaFleur with Musical Direction by Thomas Conroy will be performed September 4-27 at the Shadowland.

This Drama Desk Award-winning musical by one of Broadway's hottest composers follows the lives of two 20-something New Yorkers over a five year relationship. Jamie tells his tale chronologically, while Cathy tells hers from the end to the beginning. Bending time through the stages of their romance, we get to experience love from all sides in this funny, honest and intimate hit musical.

This weekend's performances: Friday and Saturday night at 8pm Saturday and Sunday at 2pm Buy your tickets now at: <http://www.shadowlandtheatre.org/> Or call 845-647-5511

YEL! FEST 7

The Seventh Annual Celebration of Young Professionals in Sullivan County will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 from 5:30-8:30pm at the Bethel Woods Center for the Arts - Event Gallery, 200 Hurd Road, Bethel, NY 12720

Come celebrate the seventh anniversary of Sullivan County's young professionals group, YEL! (Young Emerging Leaders) a taskforce of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce, at the one and only Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. Bethel Woods is proud to be our Title Sponsor. Admission is only \$25!

- Tickets purchased in advance receive:
· 2 free drink vouchers to be used with our local spirit vendors

· Dinner and your choice of tea, lemonade or water*

· 2 free entries into the Grand Prize drawing for: 2 - 2016 Season Lawn Passes to Bethel Woods!

- Tickets purchased at the door receive:
· Dinner and your choice of tea, lemonade or water*

· 1 free entry into the Grand Prize drawing for: 2 - 2016 Season Lawn Passes to Bethel Woods!

*Soda & alcoholic beverages available for purchase.

Networking games, raffles & more! We are showcasing New York produced liquor & beer! You can use your drink vouchers to taste delicious spirits from Bashakill Winery, Prohibition Distillery & Roscoe NY Beer Company. Music, DJ & Casino game entertainment provided by The Spencer Daniels Agency. Plus, photo souvenirs provided by ND Pro Media, Inc.

Our grand prize giveaway is for TWO 2016 SEASON LAWN PASSES TO BETHEL WOODS valued at nearly \$1000! Purchase your ticket in ADVANCE and receive TWO chances to win.

REMINDER:

Thursday, September 10th is PRIMARY DAY in Sullivan County!

Registered voters in the Towns of Bethel, Delaware, Fallsburg, Forestburgh, Highland, Lumberland, Mamakating (Districts 4 and 5 only) and Tusten MAY be eligible to vote for a variety of offices including County Legislator, Town Supervisor, Council, Justice, and Highway Superintendent as well as political party committee members.

Polls will be open from 12 Noon to 9 PM.

For additional information go to the Sullivan County Board of Elections website at [www.co.sullivan.ny.us/Board of Elections](http://www.co.sullivan.ny.us/Board%20of%20Elections) or contact them directly at 807-0400 between 9 AM and 5 PM.

We urge everyone to honor the lives sacrificed for your right to VOTE!

Sullivan County Board of Elections

Ann Prusinski - Commissioner

Pamela Murran - Acting Commissioner

THE KIOSKERS

The Kioskers written by Scott Adkins at NACL Theatre on Saturday, September 12th at 7:30 PM Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online at www.nacl.org There will be an open dress rehearsal (free of charge) on Friday, September 11th at 7:30 PM

In 2013, New York City playwright Scott Adkins attended a playwrights retreat at NACL Theatre led by master playwright Erik Ehn and the New York City pata-playwrights group. During that time, Mr. Adkins wrote a play about two city dwellers, Sabrina and Matteo, who seek escape from the drudgery of urban living into the countryside. NACL is pleased to present Mr. Adkin's play, *The Kioskers* in the 2015 NACL season of innovative new theatre and contemporary performance.

The Kioskers begins with a search for a robin's nest from Sabrina's past which leads them to a tree that becomes a portal to a new world. The couple move beyond beyond, hitching a ride on a dirigible helmed by a people on the verge of extinction: The Kioskers. Told through a haunting score performed by a troupe of strange players, *The Kioskers* mixes toy theater, shadow puppetry, projected stop animation, live music and performance to tell a wholly original and magical story about love, friendship, and loss.

NACL is located at 110 Highland Lake Rd., Highland Lake, NY 12743

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation
www.townofneversink.org
 Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Transportation to NYC and 1 Hour Tour of One World Observatory-Saturday, December 5.

Leave the Town Hall 8 am to ride motor coach bus to NYC. There will be 2 drop offs if you want to go to One World Observatory you will be dropped off at 285 Fulton Street NY, NY if you don't want to go on the Tour you will be dropped off at the New York Marriott Marquis 1535 Broadway NY, NY. 1535. The bus will pick us up at 5 pm at the New York Marriott Marquis 1535 Broadway at 5 pm. It will be your responsibility to be there at 5 pm. We should return to the Town Hall at approximately 8 pm. \$22 Transportation ONLY or \$27 Transportation and One World Observatory Tour **All seats must be paid no later than Tuesday, November 10.**



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.
 Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday and Monday: Closed
 If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

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

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

All Aboard!
Join the Fun!
Play Mexican Train
 FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1-4 pm in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall
 Also WANTED: People for card games

2015 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall
 10:00 am - 2:30 pm

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| January 15th | May 14th | September 10th |
| February None | June 11th | October 15th |
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- 9/9/15 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7 :30 pm
- 9/9/15 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30PM
- 9/10/15 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle 10 am - 2:30 pm
- 9/10/15 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 9/12/15 Sundown Methodist Church Annual Chicken BBQ
- 9/12/15 Time in the Valleys Museum Fly Fishing in the Catskills - 2 pm FREE
- 9/15/15 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 9/16/15 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting
- 9/17/15 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting 7 pm -Public Meeting 7:30 pm
- 9/19/15 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Boutique (9:00 am-1 pm)
- 9/19/15 Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Beef Dinner (see pg. 13)
- 9/19/15 - Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Show & Swap Meet
- 9/20/15 and Open Flea Market at Grahamsville Fairgrounds 9am-5pm
- 9/20/15 Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7- Noon Claryville Fire House
- 9/21/15 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Boutique (9:00 am-1 pm) & Luncheon(11 am - 1:00 pm)
- 9/21/15 Grahamsville Fire District - 7 pm
- 9/26/15 Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon 9 am - 2 pm at the Church Hall
- 10/6/15 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 10/7/15 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm
- 10/3/15 Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church - 5:30 pm
- 10/13/15 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting -7 pm Denning Town Hall

Save the Date

Sept 19 & 20 -Sportsman's Flea Market & Neversink Rondout Machinery Tractor Show & Swap Meet
 October 3, 2015 Great Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade 9 am - 5 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 Claryville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner Saturday, October 10th from 4 to 7.

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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.

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Grahamsville Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Fun "draiser"
 How about taking a night off from cooking and come to Pizza Hut on September 17th, 2015 between 5:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. and help support the Grahamsville Fire dept Ladies Auxiliary . Just bring the coupon (below) and have a nice dinner out. All proceeds go to help fund our various community programs.

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WHO: Grahamsville Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary
WHEN: Thursday, September 17, 2015
TIME: 5 pm - 9 pm
WHERE: Liberty Pizza Hut
PHONE: 845-292-6644

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Please join us!

Bus Tour of the Delaware Water Supply System

Join us on September 26th for a **Guided Tour of the Delaware Water System**, visiting **Neversink, Cannonsville, Pepacton and the Rondout Reservoirs.** A narrated talk will give you the facts and figures along with stories about each reservoir. The tour will start at 8:30 a.m. with a complimentary breakfast at the Time and the Valleys Museum and the tour will depart from there at 9 a.m.
There will be frequent stops during the trip for photos and to enjoy the scenery. After Downsville, the tour returns back to the museum. Time permitting, an additional stop will be made at the Rondout Reservoir to watch for eagles and hear local stories.

DETAILS:

When: Saturday, September 26
Time: Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at Time and the Valleys Museum; bus departs at 9 a.m.; return at 4 p.m.
Lunch: Bring your own or dine at an area restaurant (not included in cost of ticket)
Cost: \$25 for members; \$30 for non-members
 Visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or LIKE us on Facebook!

Yes! Please sign me up for the Time and the Valleys Museum Bus Tour of the Delaware Water Supply System on Saturday, September 26, 2015.

Name: _____ Are you a member? _____
 Phone: _____ Email Address: _____
 Address: _____

I would like _____ Tickets (Members \$25 / Non-Members \$30)

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: _____ *Please make checks payable to Time and the Valleys Museum.*
 To pay by credit card or paypal, go to our website and find "upcoming events" under "explore".
 Scroll to "Delaware Water Supply System Tour." When you click on "more", the registration link is at the bottom.

Please return this portion with payment to:
 Time and the Valleys Museum, PO Box 254, Grahamsville, NY 12740
 Questions? Call Museum Director Donna Steffens at 845-985-7700 ext. 201 or email at info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

Supermarket Bingo sponsored by the Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443, Order of the Eastern at The Masonic Lodge

Supermarket Bingo will be held on Friday, September 25, 2015 sponsored by the Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443, Order of the Eastern at The Masonic Lodge, 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, NY. Doors open at 5:30 PM and calling starts at 6:30 PM
 Admission is \$5.00. Door Prizes; Raffles; Refreshments!
 For Info Call: Peggy 845-434-0660
 We hope all of you who are in the area Friday evening, September 25th will come and enjoy an evening of Bingo.
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(Sci-fi, 1951)



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Quiz

1. Who plays Helen Benson?
2. Who plays Dr. Jacob Barnhardt? (Hint: He also played Gunga Din)

What's Going On In The Gnome Neighborhood™?

GRAHAMSVILLE

The next **Thrift Sale/Boutique and Luncheon** at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church will be held on September 22. Mark your calendar for September 19, the **Third Saturday Thrift Sale and The Boutique** will be open.

September 12, 2015 at 2 pm -**Time in the Valleys Museum Fly Fishing in the Catskills. FREE**

Time and the Valleys Museum Bus Tour of the Delaware Water Supply System Saturday, September 26 at 8:30 a.m. (See page 15 for details and reservation form)

SUNDOWN

There is a lot of happenings in Sundown!! Mark your calendars for some fun and good food.

Annual Chicken BBQ • Sept 12, 2015

Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon
Sept 26, 2015 • 9am-2 pm

Italian Dinner • Oct 17, 2014 • 6 pm - Reservations Only - \$12 Menu: Lasagna Roll, Green beans, tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert Call 985-2455

Holiday Fair Nov. 21, 2015 • 10 am - 3 pm

all at the Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

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Claryville Fire Dept All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast- Sept 20 • 7 am - Noon

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Places to Visit in Tri-Valley

while on Vacation or just taking a ride
Time & the Valleys Museum (See Pg 13)

- AJ's Friends and Finds (across from Grahamsville PO)
- Mountain Moon Emporium (next to AJ's)
- Hamilton's Antiques (Rt. 55 Neversink)
- Dragonfly Gifts & Flowers (See Pg. 16)
- Sundown Camp & Bait Shop (See Pg. 7)
- Harnett's Design (See Pg. 5)
- Claryville Art Center (1471 Denning Rd, Claryville)
- Claryville Event Center (1471 Denning Rd, Claryville)
- Maple Woods Farm (Divines Corner Rd, Loch Sheldrake)
- Grahamsville Deli (Main St. Grahamsville)
- Eureka Cafe & Market (See Pg 8)
- Blue Hill Lodge & Cafe (See Pg 9)
- Cannie D's (Rt. 55 Neversink)



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