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Who Could Ask for Anything More?



Seeing so many smiling faces as they enjoyed the **1st Annual Oktoberfest at the Russian Mule Restaurant and Tasting Room** in Claryville attests to the fact it was a perfect day –delicious gourmet food, a wide selection of quality beer, delightful entertainment, a craft fair and more!

The Russian Mule Restaurant and Tasting Room offers craft beers brewed at the Russian Mule Brewery. The restaurant, managed by Savannah Mendez, serves a variety of gourmet dishes prepared by Executive Chef William Mendez, formally the Head Chef at the New Age Health Spa. (Contd. Pg. 13)

35h Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade

The 35th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party will be held on Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville. This traditional fall festival has always 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, craft fair, hay rides, hay maze, a Book Sale, live music, delicious food and other amusements! And of course- there will be pumpkins and gourds available for purchase! The children's costume parade and contest (open to children of all ages) starts the day's activities on stage at the Fairground with registration at 9:00AM.

The Tri-Valley School Band, under the direction of Matthew Weyant, will follow the Costume contest at 11:30 AM. The Giant Pumpkin Party is thrilled to welcome the Manaklin Brothers, a country band with a rock twist to the entertainment lineup. The Manaklin Brothers play country, new and old, along with music from the 50's and 60's and Rock and Roll. They are sure to please everyone.

Visitors to the Giant Pumpkin Party will also enjoy children's games, craft activities, handmade crafts, and raffle featuring more than forty prizes. In addition to these activities, Giant Pumpkin parties may participate in the many scheduled contests: Giant Pumpkin Growing Contest (adult and children's categories), Pumpkin Decorating Contest, and Hay Bale Throw Contest. Please refer to the booklet or our website (www.danielpiercelibrary.org) for more information on contests and rules. (Contd. Pg. 7)



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Give unto the Lord, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength.
Chronicles 16:28

Obituary

Odin R. Geyer of Woodbourne, passed away on Friday, September 3, 2021. He was 36.



He was the son of Dirk Geyer and Jeanni Molinari, born on May 18, 1985 in West Islip, NY.

Odin worked as a carpenter and truly loved his trade. He was also an avid outdoorsman. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory; his mother Jeanni Miller and step-father Bill; his father Dirk "Digger" Geyer and his wife Melonie; his son Odin Ronald Geyer and his mother Jessica Grievs; his girlfriend Jamie Lake; step siblings Cindy Porter (Brian Evans), Brittany Darby (Paul) and Jeffery Beach, Jr. (Carrie); his grandmother Marge Wares; great-grandmother Madeline Menette; uncle Jason Kogan (Karen) and aunts Margaret Molonari, Donna Davis (Ricky) and Jan Geyer; his nieces and nephews Brooklyn, Hunter, Hailey and Rilee; as well as many cousins. He was predeceased by his brother Thor Morgan Geyer and his grandfather Ronald "Bear" Montaldo.

A visitation and funeral service was held on Friday, September 10, 2021 at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home.

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William "Bill" H. Mitchell Jr.

April 27, 1935 ~
September 5, 2021
(age 86)



Bill was a life-long resident of the area and resided in Napanoch the majority of his life. He was a Korean War Veteran enlisting in the United States Navy in 1953 at the age of 17, where he attained the rank of Machinist Mate Second Class. Upon his release from active duty in 1956, with an honorable discharge, he worked on the New York State Thruway for a while and in May of 1957 he started his 33-year career with the New York State Department of Corrections, retiring

as a Lieutenant in 1990. During these years he also served as an Elected Assessor for the Town of Rochester and as an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 21 of Accord. Shortly after retiring from the NYSDOC, he began cooking for both the Elks and Saint Marks United Methodist Church.

Bill after joining the Ellenville Elks in 1979 became very active in the organization serving at various officer positions including Exulted Ruler for the 1997 Lodge year. He then became the lodge secretary serving for years until stepping down in 2017. In 2016 he was nominated and elected by the members as an honorary life member for his dedicated service to the lodge.

Surviving is his wife Jacqueline (Coombs) Mitchell; his children, William R. Mitchell, Maureen Faro (Michael), John Mahoney (Karen) and Karen Mahoney; siblings, Robert Mitchell, Loretta Ackerley (Donald), Joseph Mitchell (Susan), Thomas Mitchell (Carolyn) and Donald Mitchell (Fawn); grandchildren, William (Lynn), Lynia, Cora, Christina (Brian), Amanda (Keith), Shauna, Riley, Eder D. and Izalina; 9 great grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

Bill was predeceased by his sister, Kim Nash and her husband Thomas and his sister-in-law, Kay Mitchell.

Due to the ongoing spread of COVID and the safety of the community the family will hold services privately.

A celebration of his Bill's life will be held at a future date.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Bill's name to St. Mark's United Methodist Church

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

September 19, 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dierfelter of Grahamsville announce the engagement of their daughter, Marjorie Ann to Mr. Joseph Rundecker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rundecker of Haskell, N.J. Miss Dierfelter graduated from Ellenville High School and from St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing at Newburgh where she is now employed. (Contd. Pg. 3)

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

(From Pg. 2) Mr. Runderker works for Curtiss Wright at Caldwell, N.J. The wedding date has been set for early fall.

The fourth annual Dice Reunion of the descendants of Elizabeth Bonesteel and James Dice was held September 9th at the Claryville Church Hall. 67 or the over 360 eligible attended.

The Grahamsville sewage disposal plant was placed in operation on Thursday, August 30th. The new Tri-Valley School was the first building to be connected to the collecting system.

About thirty members of the Neversink Home Bureau and Ladies Auxiliary of the Neversink Fire Department surprised Mrs. Donald Ter Bush with a stork shower last Thursday evening at the Neversink Fire House.

September 20, 1961

Miss Sara Elizabeth Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albro H. Brown of Lackawack, N.Y. became the bride of Peter Guy Close, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Jack Close of Mayfield, N.Y. on September 16th. The Rev. Orson Rice performed the ceremony at the Ellenville Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shaffer are the parents of a son, Brian Lee, born September 13th at the Abington Hospital, Abington, Pa. The baby weighed 9 lbs 3 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pomeroy of Neversink are the maternal grandparents.

On Tuesday evening of last week, Miss Patsy Banta was a guest of honor at a bridal shower at the home of Mrs. Wessel Cross. Assisting Mrs. Cross were Mrs. Thomas D. Smith and Mrs. Theron Hasbrouck. Miss Banta who is employed as a secretary at Tri Valley School, plans to be married to Mr. Robert Gray in October.

September 29, 1971

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Costa of Grahamsville are proud to announce the birth of their son, Fernando Albert on Sept. 12, 1971 at Benedictine Hosp., Kingston. He weighed 5 lbs. 8 Oz. The maternal grandmother is Mrs. Fred Mickelson, Sr. of Grahamsville and the paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Costa of Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Exner of Ulster Heights are proud to announce the birth of their son, William Todd, on Sept. 12th in Benedictine Hospital, Kingston. He weighed 5 lbs. 8 oz. The maternal grandmother is Mrs. Fred Mickelson of Grahamsville. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Exner of Ulster Heights

September 24, 1981

Louise S. DuBois of Neversink has been promoted to manager of the South Fallsburg branch of Marine Midland Bank. Louise joined Marine Midland in 1964 and in 1973 she was promoted to platform assistant and in 1979 was named assistant branch manager of the South Fallsburg office. She is a graduate of Tri-Valley School and a member of the Sullivan County Bankers Association. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Household Hint:

Salt Brine helps when Cracking Nuts

Soak nuts in salt brine overnight and they will crack out of their shells whole. Just tap the end of the shell with a hammer to break it open easily.

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, Joyce Lockhart, Jean Helthaler, Karen Curry, Barbara Slater and Shirley Davis.

Another Catskill Mountain Nut!

One of the fun things about fall in the Catskills is finding different nuts that have begun falling from the trees: acorns, hickory nuts, and black walnuts to name a few. One of Nature's favorite treats are tiny little nuts that are often overlooked - the beechnuts that fall from the American Beech tree in the fall. It is amazing to think that the tiny three-angled nut that resembles a half pyramid has the potential to grow into a majestic 100 foot tall Beechnut tree!



The American beech- *Fagus grandifolia*, (This is Latin for: *Fagus*, beech; *grandi* -great; *folia* -leaves) is a species of beech tree that grows in the Catskills and across much of the eastern United States and southeastern Canada.

It is a large tree that grows 60 to 115 feet-high, with smooth gray bark and oval leaves. It is a familiar part of the hardwood forest and also a popular shade and ornamental species.

The tree is monoecious - meaning it has flowers of both sexes on the same tree. The flowers are small single-sex, wind-pollinated catkins, produced in spring shortly after the new leaves appear.

The fruit is a small, sharply 3-angled nut approximately 1/2 long, borne in pairs in soft-spined husks known as cupules.

The American beech has two ways of reproducing: one is through the usual dispersal of seeds, and the other is through root sprouts, where the tree will have smaller trees growing out of its roots in different locations.

The leaves of the American Beech are dark green, simple and sparsely-toothed with the small teeth terminating at each vein. Leaves are usually 2 1/2 -5 in long, with a short petiole. This time of the year in the Catskills, the foliage of the Beech tree turns gold or dark copper.

The winter twigs are distinctive among North American trees. They are long and slender, about a half inch to three-quarters of an inch by less than a tenth of an inch with two rows of overlapping scales on the buds that are distinctly thin and long, resembling cigars; this characteristic makes beech trees relatively easy to identify.

Beech trees are high-branching with tall, stout trunks and smooth silver-grey bark. Beech bark is extremely thin and scars easily. Since the beech tree has such delicate bark, carvings, such as lovers' initials remain because the tree is unable to heal itself.

The timber of the Beech is used to make furniture, parquet floors, wooden bowls and even gunpowder. The wood's heating power rises above most other timber sources, and it was widely used to warm the home. It is an excellent firewood as it is easily split and burns for many hours with bright but calm flames.

The tasty little morsels of the American Beech are loved by deer, squirrels, raccoon, grouse, bear, porcupines and humans.

Beechnuts have a mild flavor and can be eaten raw or cooked and are known to have an appreciable level of protein. Beechnuts can also make an exotic sprout, offering a unique sweet, crisp and nutty eating experience. The tiny nuts are a fine coffee substitute that is caffeine-free and brewed from the roasted seeds.

Mild in flavor, the young leaves of a Beechtree can be eaten raw or cooked as a potherb in the spring.

To experience its woody autumn taste of the beechnut, you will earn every tasty morsel that is extracted. Part of this experience may include the sore finger tips that will come with handling the spiny outer shells of the nuts. But it is well worth the effort!



DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

(From Pg. 3) **September 24, 1981**

Kathleen M. Stoddard and John M. Sauchuck, Jr. were married August 16th in St. Peter's Church with the Rev. Thomas Phillips officiating. A reception followed at the Stevensville Country Club. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Stoddard of Liberty. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sauchuck, Jr. of Big Hollow Rd., Grahamsville.

Don and Debbie Hibbard are the proud parents of a baby boy, Noah, born on Sept. 5th in Honolulu, Hawaii. Noah weighed in at 7 lbs. 14 oz. and measured 21 inches. The first-time paternal grandparents are Norman and Marie Hibbard of Peekamoosie Rd., Sundown.

35th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade

(From Pg. 1) 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 Giant Pumpkin Party Better Book Sale. Find a book and take a refreshment break in between the fun with sumptuous treats of homemade donuts, strawberry shortcakes, chili, hot dogs, hamburgers, hot apple cider and drinks available for purchase.

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

Grahamsville Fire Department Tasteful Recruitment and Worknight Plan – Getting Ready for 92nd Annual Volunteer Fireman's Association Parade on Saturday, September 18th Through Grahamsville

The Grahamsville Volunteer Fire Department has instituted a tasteful plan to attract new recruits and, equally important, an incentive for current members to come down for weekly Monday drills and work nights.

At the end of the weekly drills fire engine maintenance checks and end of the month Monthly meetings, the members, and invited guests are invited to a hot French fries and chicken legs or wings evening brunch and drinks while they relax, watch baseball or football on T.V.

Due to F.E.M.A. operating and safety regulations, it has become far more difficult to pass training classes and certification to be admitted as an active fireman including as a fire policeman.

But there is a personal and community pride recognition and camaraderie to be a member of your local volunteer fire department.

This is of course in addition to be on call 24-7m day or night when that fire alarm or personal beeper goes off to jump out of that warm bed, excuse yourself from your job or your family barbeque, sports event or dinner, to rush down to the firehouse

or rush directly to the fire or accident, and get into uniform, and get orders from the chief.

Volunteer fire departments with its dedicated members save their community money and taxes and generally have a faster response time.

And this community pride in service and achievements are exactly the same with our wonderful and dedicated First Aid Squad and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) members

Firematic weekly work nights have an understated importance. Each fire engine, large and smaller and pumpers are meticulously mechanically checked. The butter, oil, gas, equipment, long water hoses are checked so that when the siren goes off and the firehouse doors go up, the engines are ready to roll, and the fireman suits ready to go in minimal time.

Also the engines are taken out for a dry run then washed and the station house hosed and swept clean.

Visitors and interested recruits, men and women, are welcome to visit and pitch in by watching the maintenance procedures. Then join in the eats.

The idea of good food after a firematic evening of working and cleaning is said to be a tradition among some Long Island and New York City Fire Departments. The firemen take turns making dinner in the firehouse. At their turn, the firemen tries to make the best dinner.

On Saturday, September 18th, 2021 the 92nd Sullivan County Volunteer Fireman's Assistants 42nd Parade will display their magnificent engines and parade before an appreciative crowd.

This year, the host, the village is Grahamsville. Lineup will be at 11 a.m. at the Tri-Valley Central School Parking Lot, and at 1 p.m. the Siren will sound and the parade will march, and parade through Grahamsville, through the covered bridge and onto the Parade Grounds.

Hope to see young potential firemen and First Aide visitors and help their local fire department and neighborhood First Aid Squads - they will be welcome and trained for full or part time service.

See you at the parade or at work and eats and camaraderie nights.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Brenner

Member Grahamsville Volunteer Fire Department

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill Issues Statement Regarding Positive COVID-19 Test

(Kingston, NY) - After a possible exposure to COVID-19 and the appearance of minimal symptoms, Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) tested positive for the virus. Having been fully vaccinated earlier this year, the Assemblymember remains in good health and will continue work for his constituents through a careful and necessary period of quarantine.

"Yesterday afternoon, after experiencing mild symptoms, I took a rapid COVID-19 test and obtained a positive result," said Assemblymember Cahill. "Since I am fully vaccinated, the symptoms have been mild. Out of an abundance of caution and following CDC and medical professional advice, I am self-quarantining for the next few days. I urge everyone to follow the guidance of health care professionals from around the world and please get vaccinated."

The Kingston office of Assemblymember Kevin Cahill will remain open to the public, with masking respectfully requested upon entry regardless of vaccination status.



Mysterious Book Report No. 238 by John Dwaine Mc Kenna

LEST WE FORGET:

A little over one hundred years ago, on March 9, 1916, a force of roughly 500 heavily armed men mounted on horseback and under the command of a cattle thief and bandit, rode up and out of the Sonoran Desert from Mexico. Under cover of night, thirty miles North of the international border with the United States, they attacked, looted and burned the little town of Columbus, New Mexico. They killed eighteen American citizens and wounded eight others before disappearing in the gray light of the false dawn.

The unprovoked invasion so inflamed the American public and enraged the U.S. Congress that President Woodrow Wilson sent General John J. Pershing and a battalion of Buffalo Soldiers to hunt down and capture or kill the raiders in what was called the Punitive Expedition. From late June 1916 until early January 1917, Pershing—forever after known as 'Black Jack' for his command of the African-American Brigade—pursued the raiders without success. Then, with America about to enter World War I, the troops were recalled. The *bandito* the Americans went chasing after was named Doroteo Arrango. He was a desperado, a lover, a cattle thief, a revolutionary general and a killer. He was called *The Centaur of the North*; adored by many, despised by some and feared by all. He wrote his name as legend before riding into immortality . . . forever known to all the world . . . as Pancho Villa.

Now, thanks to a lucky turn of events, my wife June came home from the bookstore a few days ago with a gently used copy of a novel detailing the life and times of one of the twentieth-century's most notorious individuals. As a bonus, it's written by one of my favorite, although not so well known, authors. NOTE: Published in 1993, and now out of print, it's hard to find. Try Abebooks.com. Be persistent. It's worth it.

The Friends of Pancho Villa, (Berkley Publishing Group, PB, \$13.00, 258 pages, ISBN 978-0-425-15304-5) by James Carlos Blake details the Mexican Revolution and the life of Pancho Villa as seen through the eyes of his next in command, a man known variously as —*El Carnacero*, (The Butcher), or El Senor Muerte, (Mr. Death)—Rudolfo Fierro.

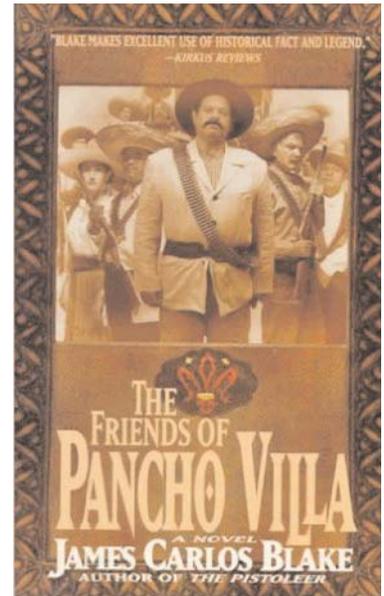
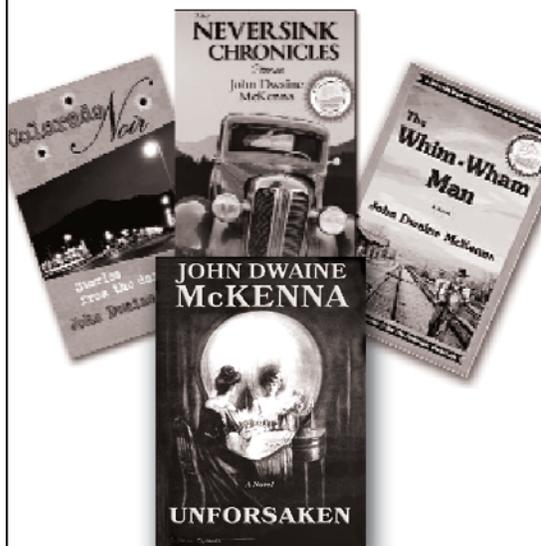
Fierro is Villa's friend, his executive Officer, confederate and the unofficial Lord High Executioner of the legendary Army of the North. He "*Loves the revolution, it's rolling thunder and brute power.*" He is undyingly loyal to Villa and lives only to fight and kill those he sees as enemies of Mexico. In the masterful hands of author Blake, the butcher Fierro becomes a faithful and accurate chronicler of Villa and the Mexican Revolution . . . and he almost succeeds in making the unapologetic killer into a sympathetic narrator who blends fact and legend

together into an electrifying jaunt through Northern Mexico. It's a journey the reader won't forget!

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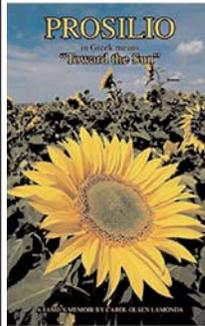
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... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has



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The Olive Jar

By Carol Olsen LaMonda

Poetry

Lately I have had vague feelings of tentative anxiety if I reflect on the future, and I am unsure about the values of my past. I find that words spoken in declarative sentences fall short to express my emotions.

Then I saw this short poem by Robert Frost that confirmed my suspicions.

Poetry cuts to the essence of our soul and bypasses the rational brain.

Today I would like to share a poem by Hoppy Quick that resonates with my mood of late.

It is a new day
And it is mine
I am no stranger to sadness
But I break its hold
With spirit divine
I am strong in faith
And I will let it shine
As all wild things
Blessed to the earth
I am never alone

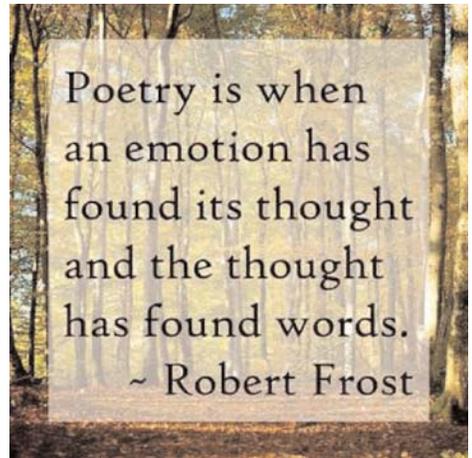
I have the trees
And the wind
And the evening songs
And revel in this time
Gratitude and love from the past
But also gratitude and love for
the future
Because this day is mine
This day is mine
I know who I am

Poetry is when
an emotion has
found its thought
and the thought
has found words.

~ Robert Frost

So sadness..go away
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As I did yesterday
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Hoppy





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Trio-Solitude with guest artists Chris Earley, Stefani Starin, Dale Demarco, and Jessica Barkl.

This program is a collaborative event between Music on Market, MISU, and the Ellenville Public Library.

This concert will be live on Zoom as well as in person at 40 Market St. Ellenville, NY 12428.

Click the link below to reserve your space if you would like to join the concert online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-concert-for-children-of-all-ages-aesops-fables-tickets-16990289513>

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Equinox Event! When Balance Prevails Stories for the Equinox

We can think of no better time to let our imagination soar and create new pathways to creativity than the Autumn equinox next week. Come relax, sit back and enjoy this special evening



as Evan Pritchard leads us in celebration of the upcoming harvest season. Our next online event, When Balance Prevails: Stories for the Equinox with Native author Evan Pritchard, will take place online via Zoom on Wednesday, Sept 22nd (7pm, Eastern Time). On this Autumnal Equinox evening, we'll hear tales in which balance prevails, both ancient and contemporaneous as we enter into this moment of equilibrium and centeredness.

To find out more about the workshop and Evan's background, please visit the Workshops Page of our website at Mirabai's Online Group Workshops at: https://www.mirabai.com/group_sessions.php

You can register and pay online via your PayPal account or, if you prefer, with your credit or debit card.

POW/MIA Day to Be Observed in Monticello

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency will have a special ceremony in honor of POW/MIA Recognition Day at 1 p.m. on Friday, September 17, 2021 at the Veterans Memorial, located outside the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello.

The public is cordially invited to attend this special ceremony.

"Please join us in taking the time to remember those who were Prisoners of War (POW), those who are Missing in Action (MIA), and their families," offered Veterans Service Agency Director John Crotty. While this Ceremony will be held outside, it will be on County property, so masks will be required to be worn for those standing or sitting closer than 6 feet.

For additional information, please contact the Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency at 845-807-0233.

The Fallen Comrade Table, present at every Sullivan County POW/MIA Recognition Day, features a specific set of items designed to remember American servicepeople who were/are prisoners of war or missing in action.



Nina Postupack UC Clerk Welcomes the Red Feather Singers & Drummers to the Matthewis Persen House Museum



Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to announce that on Saturday, September 18, the Red Feather Singers and Drummers, members of the Association of Native Americans of the Mid-Hudson Valley, will host at the Matthewis Persen House located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free and all are welcome.

On Saturday, September 18 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, join the Red Feather Singers and Drummers for a day of Native American drumming, crafts

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and artifacts. On display will be some Native American artifacts from Barbara Fox Eyes who will explain their significance. She and her sister, Susan Singing Rain, will assist children in making beaded friendship bracelets and coloring Native symbols. Grandmother Judith Laughing Owl will teach Native American drumming on a drop-in basis.

“The Red Feather group has become an annual staple at the Persen House,” stated County Clerk Postupack. “Their passion for sharing Native American history and heritage brings visitors from all over to participate in their activities. We are lucky to have such a wonderful group at the house.”

For further information about the Matthewis Persen House Museum and other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please contact County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040 or countyclerk@co.ulster.ny.us or visit us on Facebook.



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When you close your eyes and imagine autumn, you're probably picturing a place like Ulster (Call us old fashioned, but "autumn" is so much more vibrant than "fall.")

Crisp and cool days. Rich reds and vivid orange leaves. Warm beverages and even warmer people. Around here autumn isn't a season; it's a frame of mind.

You may be visiting Ulster for the colorful drives and rejuvenating hikes, but on your journey you'll discover the Hudson Valley's home for arts, music, and culture. With venues and galleries re-opening, there's never been a better time to visit our neck of the woods. While autumn lasts from September 22 through December 21, our cultural energy lasts forever. These experiences prove it.

Opus 40

This nonprofit sculpture park and museum is world famous for a reason: It boasts more than 60 acres of meadows, forested paths and bluestone quarries - including 6.5 acres of earthwork sculpture. The experience is priceless, but the cost is free. Visit their events page for information on community programs, concerts, classes and fairs. For info go to: <https://opus40.org/events/>

Art Galleries

With the majestic Catskill Mountains as the backdrop, Ulster County itself is a living natural gallery. No wonder Ulster has been inspiring artists of all disciplines for decades. We have so many art galleries, we honestly couldn't narrow it down to just one or two (or ten). We suggest you visit them all during your trek through Ulster County.

<https://ulstercountyalive.com/landing/arts-and-culture>

U-Pick Farms

Our agrarian heritage and artistic culture are not mutually exclusive - they've lived hand-in-hand since the very beginning. Our U-Pick farms prove it. (Contd. Pg. 12)

The Scene Too

-Jane Harrison

What a lovely weekend it was!

Thursday night I popped out to CABERNET FRANK'S to see a group I hadn't seen before with the bizarre fun name of THE DIRTY STAY OUT SKIFFLERS. That night they were a duo, RICK NESTLER on guitar and vocals and his wife DONNA NESTLER on banjo and vocals. Usually there is a third member, DAN BERGER on harmonica. If anyone had told me how much I would enjoy their music, I would have given them that



The Dirty Stay Out Skifflers

'side eyed glance.' The fact that they had 'skiffers' in their name was immediately of interest. Skiffle is when country, jazz, folk or other genre is played on unconventional instruments. Jugs fit into that, washboards too. And I believe the banjo-like DONNA NESTLER plays fit is too. I had never heard of it before, I had to look it up. The body is shaped like a small banjo and the frets (those horizontal pieces of metal on the neck of, say, a guitar) are placed on the neck like they are on a ukulele. The first were built somewhere around 1917. And it is indeed an unconventional instrument and not at all unpleasant to hear. And it meshed beautifully with RICH NESTLER'S expert guitar work.

Don't ask me what songs they performed, I didn't recognize any of them. And yet, there I sat, totally engrossed for a set and a half, tapping my foot and smiling from ear to ear. This music is like the videos of the music of the Appalachians without the twang, like the fun folk bordering on risqué music of the 1920s through the 1950s. If you're in the mood for an uplifting, smile filled evening, find out where they are and go see them.

Then Saturday, I was back out to CABERNET FRANK'S for another group I've never seen HURRY SLOWLY. Totally different music. This acoustic duo has got to be known for their impeccable blend of voices. MICHAEL MILLER on guitar and vocals and MELISSA ROSE OOKA strictly vocals are a great duo. Think of being in a rowboat on a lazy river on a warm sunny day and that's what you feel like when hearing them. Unless MELISSA does a solo, of say a BILLIE HOLIDAY tune. Then you're in the moment, slack-jawed and mesmerized. For me, it was a quiet

respite from the absolutely crazy few weeks and I welcomed it. Don't expect to see them around here anytime soon, they have bookings in the city. And if you see them back in the area and you need some peace with class, this is the group.

I stopped in to see REBECCA at FIBER ON MAIN in Hurleyville on Saturday afternoon to iron out some things for my upcoming Beginner Crochet class on September 25. I know I'm spooked about the uptick in new CoVid cases in Sullivan County but I'm doing my best to carry on. Others are pulling back. A recent scheduled class was cancelled when the students dropped out, one by one, because they were spooked. The students and teacher were all vaccinated, as am I.

So, what's the problem? The problem is those who refuse the vaccine and refuse to mask. If they feel crappy, will they stop their day to day lives? If they are quarantined, will they abide? If they end up in the hospital, how many places have they been and how many people did they come in contact with? And I don't mind telling you I'm bloody scared...again.

I will continue to go out and support the bands and the venues that host them as long as the venue has outside seating and the weather holds.

I fear most for the children. That part hasn't hit here yet.



Hurry Slowly

Stay safe, stay well and do all those things we did back in March 2020. Mask up! Until next time....

PS - On a happy note..

After a year and a half of his glucose/fructose numbers fluctuating between high and very high, his numbers have gone down significantly for two months in a row to where I don't have to trundle him into a cat carrier for 6 months for a blood test. I know Lefty will be thrilled..





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(From Pg. 10) U-Pick farms are exactly what they sound like; you and your family get the opportunity to actually pick the freshest fruits and veggies directly from Mother Nature. Plus you get to take your bounty home too. What makes this experience even richer? Many of these U-Pick farms also feature live concerts too!

Picking is in full swing through fall with family-friendly activities abound at Kelder's Farm and Weeds Orchard & Winery. Pick from more than 13 varieties of apples, plus pumpkins, gooseberries, and more, at Wilklow Orchard. Pick fresh fruit from the tree, or enjoy craft beer and wood-fired pizza from the oven, at DuBois Farms. And you'll find plenty of delicious apples and plump pumpkins to pick at Hurd's Farm. If you find it hard to pick just one of our U-Pick farms (you will), we recommend visiting them all!

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Who Could Ask for Anything More?

(From Pg. 1) The Russian Mule Brewing Company is proud to support the Russian heritage of their own Irina Nicoletti, who so many of us have gotten to know and love over the years. Born and raised in St. Petersburg, Russia, Irina came to the United States with an expectation of quality beers that represent what her earlier years exposed her to in her native homeland. While it is intended to continually brew new and exciting beers, you will always be able to find Russian styled beers ranging from Pilsners and Lagers to Imperial Stouts.



Good clean water, necessary for all life, is also necessary for good beer. All of the beer brewed at the Russian Mule Brewery is brewed using some of the world's most pure and rich water, coming right from the Catskill Mountains. Consistent with the Russian theme of art and beer, the menu also includes Irina's "Taste of Russia" which has numerous Russian treats such as pelmeni and vareniki. However, if gourmet burgers, wood-fired flatbread pizza's are more your style –they have that too! The ultimate culinary, gustatory and cultural experience!

The Russian Mule Restaurant & Tasting Room, with an original tin ceiling and white pine walls, adorned with original paintings from famed Russian-American artist Alexander Kaletski, including his masterpiece, "The Russian Mule," allows one to sit at the custom granite bar, have a glass of freshly brewed craft beer and view the Russian Mule brew room with its glittering new equipment through its glass windows.

The Russian Mule Brewery equipment was specifically designed with a 3.5 bbl brew house - that means they can brew 108.5 gallons of beer per batch allowing them to remain small enough to truly experiment and continually brew new and exciting beers, but also big enough to ensure that your thirst is always quenched. Sourced and designed from one of the world's best equipment suppliers, they have extreme versatility with their brewing techniques. They expect to be brewing up to 8 different beers at any given time ensuring that no matter what type of beer you like to drink, we will have just the right one for you.

Their Brewmaster, Joshua Hughes, has over 10 years of brewing experience. Joshua comes to the table with a wealth of knowledge and brewing skills. Born in NY, he gained his introduction to the craft beer world while living in coastal California. After moving back to NY he began brewing professionally and soaking in all the growing techniques and styles of the rapidly growing industry and learning everything he could from the ever welcoming professional brewing community. As an award winning brewer he brings excellence with him to Russian Mule

Brewing, giving you nothing but the highest quality beers. He prefers to brew dark full body and flavor beers, focusing heavily on malt characters while also enjoying all the new varieties of hops creating never ending possibilities.

The Nicoletti's also are the proud owners and operate the Claryville Event Center on the same premise. It is a busy season for weddings and events, so be sure to check their website or Facebook for times and dates they will be open which is generally Thursday –3pm to 8pm; Friday –12pm to 8pm; Saturday –12pm to 8pm and Sunday –12pm to 6pm. Also check Facebook to see upcoming entertainment at the Russian Mule Brewery.

The Russian Mule offers the ultimate unique combination of Russian culture, craft beer and delicacies –the ultimate culinary, gustatory and cultural experience!

And there was more at the Oktoberfest –you could browse through the beautiful Claryville Art Center where you could experience the intense creations of world famous artist, Alex Kaletski.

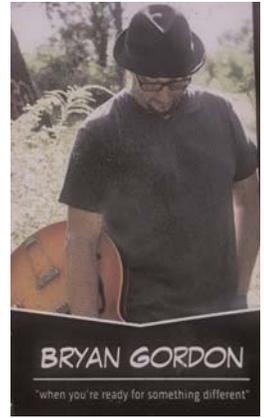


Or you could stroll over to the Arts & Craft Market where several different crafters had displays with items for sale including handcrafted herbs, honey, maple syrup, handcrafted soap, hand carved wooden items, and more.



All-in-all, it was a wonderful afternoon of fun, food and friendship all in one conveniently located place on 1465 Denning Road in Claryville.

The Russian Mule Restaurant and Tasting Room, the Claryville Art Center, the Claryville Event Center, and the Craft Market have so much to offer and now, one more thing –we can now look forward to an annual event in this beautiful mountain setting at their next Annual Oktoberfest!



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Ulster Trending Upcoming events in Ulster County

September 18, 25 -Matthewis Person House Museum in September: The Matthewis Persen House is one of Ulster County's oldest, most significant buildings. The House is located within Kingston's Stockade National Historic District. Hours through September 4: Thursdays and Fridays 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Hours September 11-October 30: Saturdays only 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Matthewis Persen House Museum, 74 John St., Kingston. 845-340-3040; <http://ulstercountyny.gov/countyclerk/persenhouse.html>

September 17-20, 24-28 Hurds Family Farm in September: Apple picking; pumpkin picking late September. Wholesome, memorable, fun-filled farm experience in a friendly atmosphere. Farm store. Closed Tuesday. Farm open Friday-

Saturday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sunday-Monday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Hurds Family Farm, 2187 Route 32, Modena. 845-883-7825; <http://hurdsfamilyfarm.com>

September 19, 23, 24 Levon Helm Studios: The Barn began as the home recording studio of Levon Helm (1940-2012), the actor and drummer of the legendary rock-roots group, "The Band," which performed at the original Woodstock Festival. In 2004, the studio evolved, hosting a series of Midnight Rambles concerts - a series of live performances, played to sold out audiences, in an unusually intimate setting. Visit website for complete lineup and ticket prices. Ticket sales are online only. All tickets are for Will Call pickup. Levon Helms Studios, 160 Plochmann Lane, Woodstock. 845-679-2744; <http://levonhelm.com>

September 17, 21 Hudson River Maritime Museum-Shipwreck Tour: Tour Rondout Creek aboard a 100% Solar Powered Boat Built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum. Friday-Sunday, noon-5 p.m. Hudson River Maritime Museum, 50 Rondout Landing, Kingston. 845-338-0071; <http://hrmm.org>

September 18-19, 25-26 Trolley Museum of New York: Trolley rides, museum, gift shop and restoration barn. Open noon-5 p.m. weekends, holidays until late October. Last ride departs 4 p.m. Adults \$10; children 6-12 \$8; kids 5 and under, first responders, active military personnel and veterans \$8. 89 E. Strand St., Kingston. 845-331-3399; <http://tmny.org>

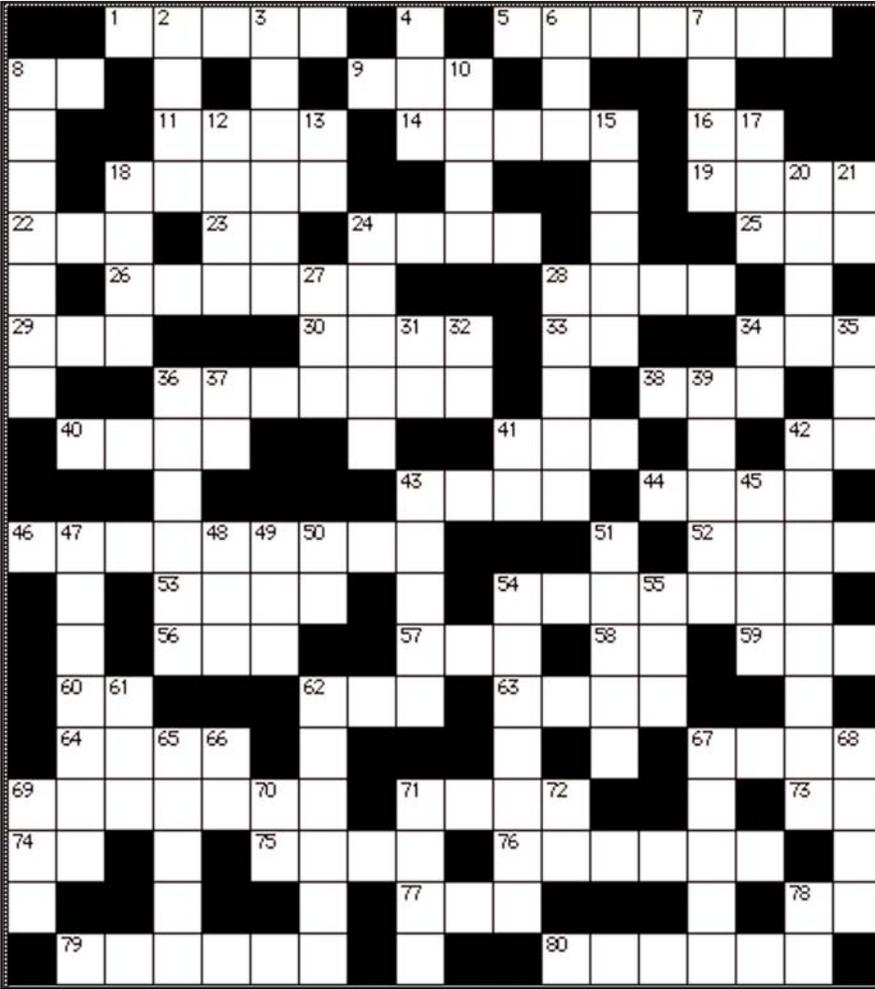
September 18, 25 Old Dutch Church - Seventh Annual Living History Cemetery Tour "Boomtown:" Step back in time and meet seven characters who made Kingston roar in the 1920s. Saturdays in September at 1 p.m. \$15 Adults, \$10 Students and Seniors, 12 and under free. Tickets: livinghistoryny.com/2021-tours. Produced by Theatre on the Road. The Old Dutch Church, 272 Wall Street, Kingston. 845-338-6759; olddutchchurch.org Theatre on the Road, 845-475-7973; <http://livinghistoryny.com>

September 16 Saugerties Food Truck Festival: Mini, traveling epicurean hot spots, food trucks have become all the rage in the Hudson Valley. Sample them all in one place at this flavorful festival, which takes place three times a summer. Cantine Field, 4 High Street, Saugerties. 845-246-0784; Facebook: Saugerties Food Truck Festival

September 17 Bearsville Theater Presents: "Woodstock Alchemy Dance with DJ Ronnie Rave, DJ Redlion, E.N.S. & Anna Sky" 7-11:59 p.m. Advance Tickets: General admission \$15, Day of show: \$20. 291 Tinker St, Woodstock, NY 845-684-7133; <http://bearsvilletheater.com>

September 18-19 Art Walk Kingston: Visitors and local residents are invited to explore three distinct areas of the city of Kingston and immerse themselves in a range of art and events. Paintings, photographs, drawings and sculptures are just some of the mediums that will be on display at home studios and galleries across the city. Offers a broad range of art and activities for everyone. Family friendly. Printed and online maps available prior to the event. Check website for details. Noon-5 p.m. City of Kingston; <http://artsmidhudson.org/artwalkkingston> (Contd. Pg. 29)

Autumn -when Life and Nature Harmonize - L. Comando



- ACROSS**
- 1 Verglas
 - 5 When day and night are of equal length
 - 8 Post Office
 - 9 Vascular fluid of a plant
 - 11 Hint
 - 14 Celtic fall equinox
 - 16 Alternating Current
 - 18 Cereal plant
 - 19 Horizontal lines
 - 22 Edible legume
 - 23 Social Security
 - 24 Filled to the brim
 - 25 Speck
 - 26 Collect
 - 28 Watery part of the milk left after formation of curd
 - 29 Eisenhower's nickname
 - 30 Precipitation
 - 33 Halftime (abbrev)
 - 34 Fuss about nothing
 - 36 System of organized knowledge
 - 38 Expert
 - 40 No!
 - 41 Adult human males
 - 42 4th note of the diatonic scale
 - 43 Stoke-up
 - 44 Measurement of land
 - 46 Heavenly
 - 52 Rich
 - 53 Pore over
 - 54 Reaping
 - 56 Furthest
 - 57 Sound of a cow
 - 58 Exclamation used to attract attention
 - 59 Metal container
 - 60 Indefinite article preceding a word with a vowel sound
 - 62 Fasten with a string
 - 63 Fully mature
 - 64 Indefinite progress of the continuance of existence
 - 67 Gelatinous substance from algae used as a food thickener
 - 69 Leafage
 - 71 Labyrinth
 - 73 Sixth note of the diatonic scale
 - 74 Chem element
 - 75 Margarine
 - 76 Fall color
 - 77 Sol
 - 78 Toward a higher position
 - 79 Phenomena of the physical world
 - 80 Popular Hudson Valley fall fruit
- DOWN**
- 2 Wealthy
 - 3 One of the Native American's three sisters
 - 4 Rondout, Neversink or Ashokan
 - 6 Status meaning existing state of affairs
 - 7 Close by
 - 8 Large round orange fruit with edible flesh that will decorate many homes this fall
 - 10 Funeral cloth
 - 12 Avoid the risk of
 - 13 Extraterrestrial
 - 15 Darkness
 - 17 Large marine fish
 - 18 Pay
 - 20 Timber
 - 21 Saint
 - 24 Open and honest
 - 27 Before (archaic)
 - 28 Hoop
 - 31 Integrated circuit
 - 32 Northeast
 - 34 Auto-exposure
 - 35 German grandfather
 - 36 Globe
 - 37 Common Era
 - 39 Pattern
 - 41 Used by the person talking about themselves
 - 42 Celebration
 - 43 Blaze
 - 45 Corrode
 - 47 Imaginary line around the center of the Earth
 - 48 Cambodian monetary unit
 - 49 Small amount
 - 50 Part of the human mind
 - 51 Cultivated plants used for food
 - 54 Skyline
 - 55 Contend
 - 61 Zero
 - 62 A dozen

- 65 Strength
- 66 Each (abbrev)
- 67 Messenger
- 68 Grate
- 69 Evergreen
- 70 Leave
- 71 Much
- 72 Emergency Room
- 78 You and me

Bang Bang Chicken

Chicken: 4 boneless skinned chicken breasts cut into strips

- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon salt or to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper or to taste
- 1 tablespoon hot sauce or 1 large egg
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 cup Panko breadcrumbs
- oil for frying

- Sauce:**
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 - 1/4 cup sweet chili sauce
 - 1 tablespoon hot sauce
 - 2 tablespoons honey
 - salt and pepper, to taste

Combine all of the sauce ingredients together in a small mixing bowl. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve.

In a medium mixing bowl, combine flour, cornstarch, garlic powder, smoked paprika, salt, and pepper. To the same bowl, add hot sauce, egg, and buttermilk. Whisk until a smooth batter forms. Toss the chicken strips in the batter and set them aside.

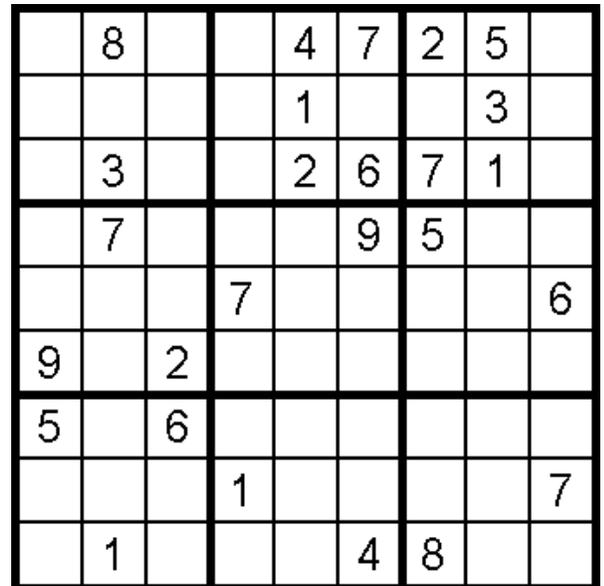
In a separate mixing bowl, add the Panko.

Heat about 1/2 inch of oil in a deep skillet over medium-high heat, monitoring the oil temperature carefully to ensure it stays around 350 degrees F.

Place the battered chicken strips in the Panko one at a time until well-coated. Place in the oil and fry on both sides until crispy and cooked through, about 3 minutes. Place fried chicken on a paper towel to absorb the excess moisture. Repeat until you have fried all of the chicken pieces.

Drizzle the sauce over the fried chicken and serve with extra sauce for dipping.

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Cryptogram

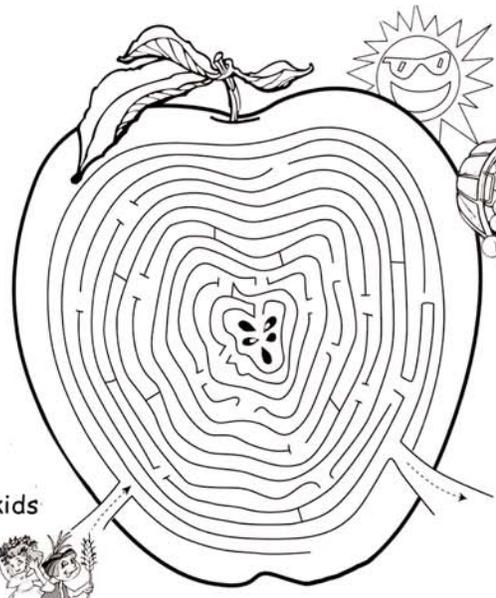
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How many words can you make from the word AUTUMN?



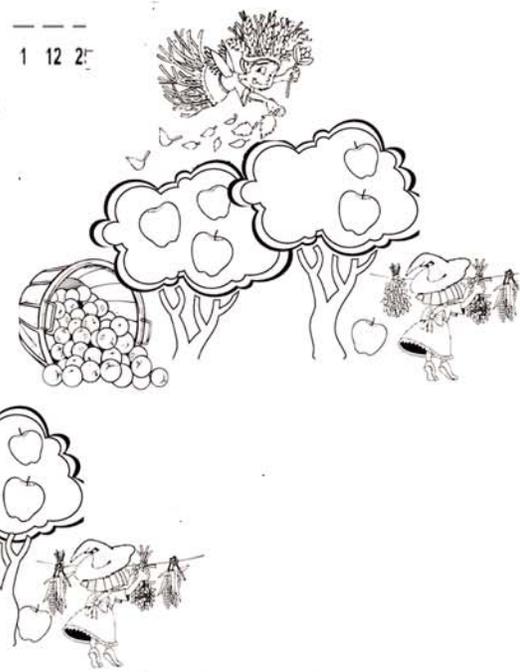
Can you help the kids through the apple maze so they can help with the fall harvest.



Kids' Autumn Fun Page

- L. Comando

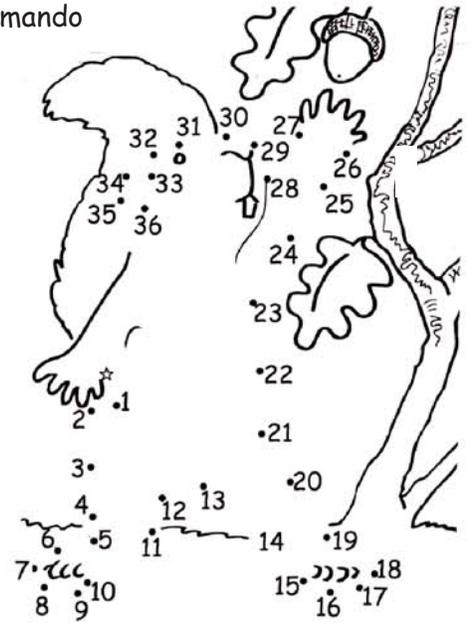
The "Kitchen Witches" are out gathering food for the fall harvest. What are the differences between the two pictures?



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Follow the dots to see a familiar friend harvesting one of his favorite foods.

DEC Announces Special Antlerless Deer Season in Select Areas Opened Saturday, Sept. 11

New Opportunity for Hunters to Help Manage Localized Deer Populations

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today reminded hunters that a special mid-September antlerless deer season begins this Saturday, Sept. 11, in select Wildlife Management Units (WMUs), creating a new opportunity for hunters to enjoy early season deer hunting.

"New York's experts take great pride in scientifically managing our deer populations and continue to advance new measures to improve deer management and create new hunting opportunities in the state. This new special season is an important step to manage deer populations in these areas," Commissioner Seggos said. "Right now, deer populations are at or above target levels in some parts of New York State and DEC encourages hunters to help advance our efforts by taking does in these areas."

The new season begins Sept. 11, and runs through Sept. 19. Youth and senior hunters can take advantage of this new opportunity during warmer temperatures, which is uncommon during regular hunting seasons.

Hunters may only use Deer Management Permits (DMPs) and Deer Management Assistance Permit (DMAP) tags in this season. They may use firearms, crossbows, or vertical bows in WMUs 3M, 3R, 8A, 8F, 8G, 8J, 8N, 9A, and 9F, and only vertical bows in WMUs 1C, 3S, 4J, and 8C. These are the only areas where deer hunting is allowed during this season. In these areas, additional antlerless harvest is needed to achieve deer management objectives, which are based on public input and assessments of deer impacts to forests. Hunters that participate in this special season should be prepared to cool and process harvested deer quickly to preserve the meat quality.

With foliage still on the trees at this time of year, DEC reminds hunters to always follow the primary rules of gun safety. Assume every firearm is loaded; keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction; keep the safety on and finger off the trigger until ready to shoot; and always be sure of your target and what is beyond it. For more information on hunter safety, visit DEC's website and watch a video about hunter safety and tree stand safety for more tips on how to prevent accidents.

DEC proposed the special antlerless deer season in June 2021, as part of the updated New York State Deer Management Plan. Earlier this month, DEC adopted the proposal, as well as other proposed changes to deer hunting, including expanding hunting hours and mandating hunter orange.

Hunting hours were expanded to include the full period of ambient light from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset. This change matches the national standard for big game hunting. Anyone hunting big game with a firearm, or accompanying someone hunting big game with a firearm, must wear a solid or patterned fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink hat, vest, or jacket. Similar fluorescent orange requirements exist in most states.

More information on the recent changes to deer hunting can be found on DEC's website.

Congresswoman Claudia Tenney Opposes Partisan Reconciliation Bill in Small Business Committee

Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22) today voted against the Democrats' radical "human infrastructure" budget reconciliation proposal in a House Small Business Committee markup.

"It is astonishing that Democrats on the Small Business Committee propose to spend an staggering \$23.6 billion, without addressing any of the inflation, tax, or workforce concerns that small businesses across the country have raised over the last year," said Congresswoman Tenney. "Once again, Democrats refuse to have meaningful debate on the issues and instead push through a massive spending bill that we know will hurt our economy. Democrats released a draft of this bill just 48 hours before the committee meeting, in the middle of the holiest days of the Jewish calendar, celebrated by many staff and Members of Congress. This is a nothing but a disrespectful and cynical attempt to circumvent serious debate and substantive amendments. Government cannot function this way."

Congresswoman Tenney offered two amendments to the reconciliation proposal during the House Small Business Committee markup. The first was to redirect \$9.5 billion in spending from the new untested Venture Small Business Investment Company Facility in the Small Business Investment Company program toward the pro-jobs American Innovation and Manufacturing Act, which she introduced earlier this year. This bipartisan legislation would expand access to capital to America's small manufacturers, helping bring well-paying and stable jobs back to areas like upstate New York.

Tenney's second amendment directed \$35 million in funding from the New Start Entrepreneurial Development Program for Formerly Incarcerated Individuals to Small Business Development Centers, which have a proven track record of outreach and resources to help rural small businesses. During this time of increased financial hardship for America's small businesses, policymakers must be laser-focused on helping struggling small businesses, not footing the bill for a progressive wish list of items that includes preferential loans to former criminals.

In addition, Congresswoman Tenney also voted for an amendment, introduced by Congressman Garbarino, that would have directed \$23.6 billion in funding towards replenishing the Restaurant Revitalization Fund. The amendment would have also enacted the provisions proposed in H.R. 4568, the ENTRÉE Act, to ensure adequate oversight of taxpayer and prohibit preferential treatment. The Restaurant Revitalization Fund has suffered multiple legal issues, with courts in Texas and Tennessee finding that the fund unlawfully discriminates based on gender and sex. However, to this date House Democrats have been too interested in social engineering and picking winners and losers to fix these issues and get needed relief to restaurants suffering around the country.

Unfortunately, Democrats on the House Small Business Committee unanimously opposed both of Congresswoman Tenney's commonsense amendments, and all other Republican-offered amendments. This was yet another example of the Democrats' failed partisan style of governance, which eschews good-willed debate and improvements. The Democrat reconciliation package is nothing more than the far-left aiming to ram through their unpopular and regressive Green New Deal priorities rather than advance significant policies to help everyday working Americans.

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of Tami Shaver & Sherri Steinhauer for the purpose of a Minor Subdivision (2 lot subdivision) located at 398 Claryville Road, Neversink NY, (SBL# 17.-1-25).

Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Wednesday, October 6, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF PLANNING BOARD
TOWN OF NEVERSINK
PHILIP COOMBE III, CHAIRMAN

9/16

Tri-Valley CSD Board Meeting

Thursday, September 23, 2021, Anticipated
Proposed Executive Session 6:00 p.m. Secondary
School Library Upper Level, Regular Meeting #6,
7:00 p.m., Secondary School Library Lower Level.

These meetings will be on our
YouTube Live channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkl224vKQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live>

Catskill Center Continues to Review Hughes Energy's Proposal

The Catskill Center is concerned whenever any type of energy project is introduced in the region, and Hughes Energy's proposed Greene Del MSW Processing Facility in the Town of Roxbury, Delaware County, is no exception. Hughes proposes to convert waste streams into biofuels for use around the world. Hughes Energy has submitted a permit application to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, which, as of the beginning of September, and after two public meetings, DEC had not deemed complete. Roxbury town officials are also reviewing the application.

TOWN OF NEVERSINK FALL CLEANUP 2021

Fall Cleanup will be held on **Saturday October 9, 2021, Wednesday October 13, 2021 and Saturday October 16, 2021.** The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with Green 2021 permits will be allowed 2 loads. Permit cards will be punched for the load.

TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires per year, permit cards will be punched. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during fall cleanup, residents are asked **NOT TO** bring any of these items during Fall Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who have their household and generate their waste material in the Town of Neversink. Ownership of vacant land does not qualify for use of the facility. The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

Fallsburg CSD Board of Education September Meeting

September 22, 2021

The Catskills provide clean drinking water for millions of New Yorkers, and the Forest Preserve is protected under the New York State constitution, so any large-scale renewable energy projects must face additional scrutiny. We encourage state and local officials to perform a detailed and substantial review of Hughes Energy's proposal to construct and operate a municipal solid waste facility on Route 23 in Grand Gorge.

While the Catskill Center is supportive of increasing renewable energy opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, we believe that the siting of these facilities within our region requires additional justification that there are no other alternatives that would not damage the ecological integrity, recreational resources, and clean air and water that New Yorkers rely upon. Work must be done across the region and other parts of the state to determine if there are suitable areas for renewable energy development and, if there are, that developers are directed to those areas.

The Catskill Center will continue to review Hughes' proposal and follow any developments, looking for potential detrimental impacts to rural communities especially and the environment. The permit application is available for public review at Roxbury and Prattsville Town Halls, as well as via Hughes Energy, upon request.

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Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop (SCDW) September Schedule of Events

September 17, 2021 -The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the comedic, murder mystery CLUE - live on-stage - at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, NY at 8:00PM. Tickets \$15/\$12 at box office or on-line at www.scdw.net

September 18 , 2021 -The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the comedic, murder mystery CLUE - live on-stage - at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, NY at 8:00PM. Tickets \$15/\$12 at box office or on-line at www.scdw.net

September 19, 2021 -The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the comedic, murder mystery CLUE - live on-stage - at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, NY at 2:00PM. Tickets \$15/\$12 at box office or on-line at www.scdw.net

Ulster Trending Upcoming events in Ulster County

(From Pg. 14)

September 24 Ellenville Market On Market: Shopping, Retail; Music; Food and more. A monthly artisan and farmer's market. 4-8 PM; 11 Market St., Ellenville: https://www.instagram.com/ellenville_marketonmarket

September 25 Equus Fest East: This down-home day outdoors offers a host of equine-related events, businesses and vendors, along with an array of mobile food options. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets \$10. Children under eight years, free. Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Libertyville Rd, New Paltz. <http://equus-fest.yolasite.com/About-Equus-Fest--East.php>

September 25 Fifth Annual Catskill Conquest Rally Commemorating the 1903 Automobile Endurance Run: Noncompetitive tour open to all vintages. Travel a 75-mile section of this historic route up the Catskill Mountains Scenic Byway and beyond. Starts 9 a.m. at the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskills Visitor Center. Register online. Maurice D. Hinchey Catskills Visitor Center, 5096 Route 28, Mount Tremper; 1903autorun.com 25 Rock The Ridge: Endurance challenge. Set in the natural beauty of the Shawangunk Mountains, an area described as "one of earth's last great places," the goal is to run or hike a 50-mile course within 18 hours. Registration closing soon. 845-255-0919 or 845-255-5646; mohonkpreserve.org 25 50th Annual Apple Festival: Whole pies(come early), apple pancakes, apple pie ala mode, fried dough, bags of apples, sausage and peppers, hamburgers, hot dogs, assorted drinks, handcrafted items, and more. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Town of Esopus United Methodist Church, 151 Main Street, Port Ewen. 845-338-0356;

Sept. 25; Oct. 1-3, 9-10, 15-17, 22-24, 29-31 Headless Horseman Haunted Attractions: Named "#1 Haunted Attraction in America." New theme each season. Includes a haunted walking trail, corn maze, eight haunted attractions, gift shops and eateries. Visit website for dates and times. Starts at Dusk. Reservations strongly recommended. Also featuring Headless Horseman Escape Rooms. Headless Horseman Haunted Attractions, 778 Broadway (Route 9W), Ulster Park. 845-339-2666; <http://headlesshorseman.com>

September 26 18th annual Bike for Cancer Care 5K Run/Walk at Dietz Stadium: Annual fundraising event to raise much needed funds for the Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund - in partnership w/ Benedictine Health Foundation - to aid in the treatment, care and support of cancer patients in need. The Dan Barnes Memorial Ride will start and finish at Dietz Stadium where Dan excelled as a football and lacrosse player. Dietz Stadium, 170 North Front Street, Kingston. For more information visit [http:// www.bikeforcancer.org/the-ride/](http://www.bikeforcancer.org/the-ride/)

Sept. 29-Oct. 3 22nd Annual Woodstock Film Festival: Fiercely Independent. Roster of over 150 films, concerts, panels and the Maverick Awards Ceremony. Various locations. Woodstock Film Festival, 845-679-4265. <http://woodstock-filmfestival.org> (Contd. Pg. 27)



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And

THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK PARKS & REC
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SAVE THE DATES: SAT. 9/25 & SUN. 9/26

Donation: \$3.00 per car

More Info needed? Contact:

Hank Samyn (845)985-2548 for tractor show ?'s

Cher Woehl (845)985-2401 cwparksandrec@gmail.com for yard sale ?'s

If you wish to download this week's Church bulletin from St. Peter's, Liberty, NY please go to: stpeters/bulletin

As New York begins to open allowing churches to once again have services, we encourage our readers to contact their individual church or parish for updated information.

Good News!
St. Mark's
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Thrift Shop
 and
Clothing Sale
 Will be opened
 every Friday
 from 10 - 3



Sundown United Methodist Church

Sundown Ladies Harvest Sale
Sept. 25

See page 28 for details



Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Thrift Sale

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No donations at this time, hopefully soon!



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For information contact:
The Reverend Diana Southwick Scheide,
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CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
 (Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)
 6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

Weekend Mass schedule:
 Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm
 Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday morning 8:50 am; Tuesday morning 8:50 am; Wednesday morning No Mass; Thursday afternoon 3:00 pm; Friday morning 8:50 am and Saturday morning 8:50 am.

Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm
 Rev. Ignas Dhas MMI, Administrator
 (845) 434-7643



Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches
House Worship Plan
Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link
 Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>
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The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.
 The next meeting will be a Seventh-week gathering. If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the Pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

Grahamsville Reformed Church

The Church with a friendly welcome
Pastor Kenneth Ronk
 Sunday School 9:30 am
 Worship Service 9:30 am
 P O Box 238 - Route 55
 Grahamsville, NY 12740
 845-985-7480

Claryville Reformed Church

Claryville Road
 Claryville, NY 12725
 845-985-2041



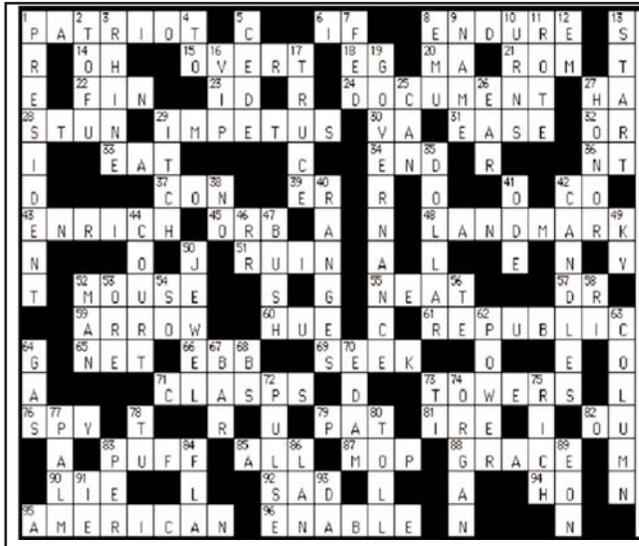
Worship Services @ 10:00 am

Church Hall available for rent
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Ans to last week's Crossword



Community Driver Safety Programs Defensive Driving Classes

Community Driver Safety Programs will be offering two Defensive Driving Classes this summer. The first class will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2021 and the second class will be offered on **Saturday, September 18, 2021**. Both classes will be take place from 10:00AM to 4:00PM at the Callicoon Town Hall located at 19 Legion Street in Jeffersonville, New York. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required. Please call Community Driver Safety Programs, Inc. at (845)807-6005 to register for a class or to obtain further details.

Courses are instructed by a RSVP volunteer and consist of lecture, discussion and video presentation. Participants will receive a certificate at the completion of the course which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance. This program can help reduce your auto insurance by up to 10% and may reduce up to four points on your license. The fee for the course is \$25 for individuals over 50 years of age and \$30 for individuals under 50 years of age.

These courses are sponsored by Community Driver Safety Programs, Inc., Sullivan County RSVP and Office for the Aging.

SC Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Fish Stocking Program

The District is now taking orders for the annual Fish Stocking Program. If you are interested in stocking your pond with rainbow or brook trout or fathead minnows this fall, the District will be accepting orders until **Monday, September 27, 2021**. The pick-up date is Friday, October 1st. Trout should be stocked in cold-water ponds. Anyone stocking a pond with fish must apply for a fish stocking permit through the NYS-Dept. of Environmental Conservation in New Paltz, NY. For more information, you can go to the District's website at sullivanwcd.org or contact the District office at (845) 292-6552 for a brochure, order form and a permit application

Poets Invited to Enter Poetry Festival

The Liberty Museum & Arts Center invites poets to participate in its 12th Annual Poetry Festival to be held at 2 PM, **Saturday, September 25th**. Poets, published and unpublished, working in all styles, are welcome. We are planning this to be a hybrid event, to be held at the newly-renovated Liberty Public Library and via ZOOM. The festival is one of the Museum's most popular events.

The festival highlights the talents of the region's finest poets and the readings range from light humorous pieces to free verse to intense Gothic and expressionistic work. Organized and moderated by poet Marilyn Laufer, the festival continues to attract more and more poets each year. Ms. Laufer was recently named the second Poet Laureate of the Village of Liberty.

Please submit poems for consideration to Marilyn Laufer, PO Box 87, White Sulphur Springs, NY 12787 or email them to mbrumess@gmail.com. Include your full name, address, telephone and email contact information. The last date to submit poems is August 26th (no exceptions). For more information, contact Marilyn Laufer at (845) 292-6628.

VENDORS WANTED

Vendor applications are now being accepted for the Mountain Dale Rail Trail Fall Festival to be held on **Saturday, September 25, 2021** on the rail trail in Mountain Dale, New York. Rain date will be Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021.

Each 10'x10' space is \$20.00 for merchandise, \$25.00 for food. Electric is not available. You are responsible for bringing your own tables, chairs, canopies, etc.

Vendor applications available by contacting Jill at 845-798-6058 or jweiner@gmail.com or Diane at 845-434-7023 or dsenn10151@aol.com.



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

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

LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 9/16//21 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm
 9/21/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm- Submission date 9/7/2021
 9/25/21 **Sundown UMC Ladies Harvest Sale** - Sundown Church Hall - 9 am - 3 pm
 9/25 & 26/21 **Neverink Parks & Rec Yard Sale + Neverink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc Annual Tractor Show + Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Event** - All at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 9/25/21 **Any Make Any Model Car Show** - Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 10/2/21 **Annual Giant Pumpkin Party** - Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 10/12/21 Town of Denning Town Board and Business meeting at Denning Town Hall 6:00 pm (Please note: 2nd Tuesday)
 10/11/21 Town of Neversink Holiday - **COLUMBUS DAY**
 10/13/21 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - Regular
 10/19/21 Claryville Fire District meeting 6:30 pm Warren Cole Hall in Claryville

Save the Date!

Neverink Parks & Rec Yard Sale/The Neverink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Annual Tractor Show & Swap Meet & Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club - September 25th and Sunday, September 26th

Oct 2 - 35th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party

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.

During these uncertain times -PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION for updates & changes

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

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Update For The Week Of September 13 - September 17, 2021

Monday, September 13

- o 5:00 PM - Community Services Board, at 239 Golden Hill Ln, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Kingston
- o 6:00 PM - Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Committee, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 897 3852 2936, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656
- o 6:30 PM - Ulster County Board of Health, at 239 Golden Hill Ln, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Kingston
- o 7:00 PM (or immediately following the Laws & Rules Committee) Caucus: Democrats, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 863 4594 4299, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

Tuesday, September 14

- o 4:30 PM - Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Board of Directors, conducted by Microsoft Teams, Click [HERE](#) to join the meeting, By Phone Dial (845) 768-3864, Conference ID: 709 165 065#
- o 5:00 PM - Ways & Means Committee, this meeting will be livestreamed and available via vimeo at <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>
- o 6:15 PM (or immediately following Ways & Means) - Caucus: Republicans, this meeting will be livestreamed and available via vimeo at <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>
- o 7:00 PM - Legislative Session, this meeting will be livestreamed and available via vimeo at <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203> Public Comment is administered by "Call In Studio": Dial 205-ULSTER-0 or (205) 857-8370 to be connected. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk via email to vfab@co.ulster.ny.us

Wednesday, September 15

- o 9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Board, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656
- o 10:00 AM (or immediately following UC IDA) Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Board, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656
- o 10:30 AM (or immediately following UC CRC) - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Finance Committee, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656
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Thursday, September 16

- o 5:30 PM - Youth Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

Friday, September 17

- o No Meetings

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The first Friday of the month book discussion group meets at the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m. Refreshments are provided by its members.



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GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY

CONTEST INFORMATION

Win Great Prizes!



Enter our contests at the Giant Pumpkin Party for both children and adults for a chance to win great prizes! For entry forms and complete contest rules and information, please refer to the **Giant Pumpkin Party Booklet**, which is available throughout the community, call the **Daniel Pierce Library at 985-7233**, or visit our website at www.danielpiercelibrary.org and click on the "Giant Pumpkin Party" link.



Costume March: (pg. 7) All participants receive a special book prize and a sweet treat. There is also a separate raffle in all of the age groups. Registration will begin at the fairgrounds at 8:30 a.m. The Costume March begins at 9:00 a.m.



Giant Pumpkin Contest: (pg. 9) **Trophies and Cash Prizes awarded to all winners!** Adult Contest with prizes of \$250, \$150, \$100, \$75, and \$50 (3). Children's Pumpkin Growing Contest with prizes of \$50, \$25, and \$15.



Pumpkin Decorating Contest: (pg. 10) **Cash Prizes and ribbons awarded to all winners!** Categories for children and adults for both carved and uncarved pumpkins!



Scarecrow Contest: (pg. 11) **Cash Prizes and ribbons awarded to all winners!** Categories for children, adults and groups.



Guess the Weight of the Giant Pumpkin: (pg. 8) **The easiest contest to enter! Prizes awarded to the closest 5 guesses.** Visit the library now through Friday, September 24th, 5:00 p.m., to fill out a "guess slip." This contest is for children only.

Ulster Trending

Upcoming events in Ulster County

(From Pg. 19)

Sept. 30-Oct. 3 The Hudson Valley's First Contemporary Fine Art Faire _ OMG Art Faire: OMG Art Faire features a curated selection of fine art galleries, who represent artists working in photography, painting, sculpture, mixed media, video and digital. Artworks will be available for sale, including work from both established and emerging artists. VIP and other special events to be announced closer to the date. For more information including ticketing and visiting hours please visit the OMG website. OMG Art Faire, Wall Street Music Hall, 323 Wall St., Kingston. 917-715 2877; <http://omgartfaire.com>

Oct. 2-3 Hudson Valley Garlic Festival- 2021 Hudson Valley Garlic Festival (moved from September to October). Garlic farmers, garlic food, crafters, live music. Rain or shine. No pets, please. Cantine Field, Washington Avenue Extension, Saugerties. 845-246-3090; <http://hvgf.org>

Kingston YMCA Farm Project Farm Stand Thurs. 3:30-6 p.m. (through Oct. 28) 507 Broadway, Kingston 845-332-927 <http://kingstonymcafarmproject.org>

Woodstock Farm Festival Wednesdays 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Parking Lot 20 Mountainview Ave Woodstock <http://woodstockfarmfestival.com>

Saturdays:

Saugerties Farmers Market 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 115 Main Street Saugerties <http://saugertiesfarmersmarket.com>

Kingston Farmers Market 9 a.m.-2 p.m. County Courthouse parking lot, Kingston info@kingstonfarmersmarket.org or <http://kingstonfarmersmarket.org>

Sundays:

Rosendale Farmers Market 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Willow Kiln Park, just behind The Rosendale Theatre, at the base of Joppenburg Mountain. <http://rosendalefarmersmarketny.com>

New Paltz Open Air Market 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 45 Main St., New Paltz <http://newpaltzfarmersmarket.com>
D&H Canal Sunday Market 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Grady Park Route 213, High Falls canalmuseum.org/market/

Belleayre Farmers Market 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Discovery Lodge base area <http://belleayre.com/todo/farmers-market/>

Kingston Waterfront Farmers' Market 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Alongside the Rondout Creek in TR Gallo Park, Kingston. <http://thekingstonwaterfront.com/farmers>

D.A. Meagan Galligan to Speak on “Hope, Not Handcuffs” Initiative

Callicoon Center, NY- September 13, 2021 - District Attorney Meagan Galligan and Deputy Commissioner of the Sullivan County Division of Health and Family Services Wendy Brown, co-chairs of the Sullivan County Drug Task, force will speak about Sullivan County's participation in Hope, Not Handcuffs - Hudson Valley on Sunday, September 26th at 2 pm at the Town of Callicoon Outside Pavilion, 959 Callicoon Center Road, Callicoon Center, NY 12724. The venue is outside, with room for social distancing. Lawn Chairs welcome.

This program is designed to bring law enforcement, community organizations and volunteers together to find viable treatment options for individuals seeking help to reduce dependency with any substance, including heroin, prescription drugs, and alcohol. (Contd. Pg. 29)

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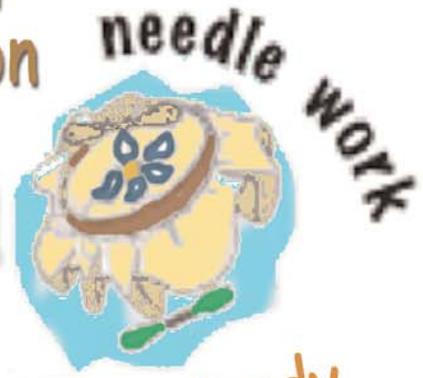
Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon

September 25, 2021

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.



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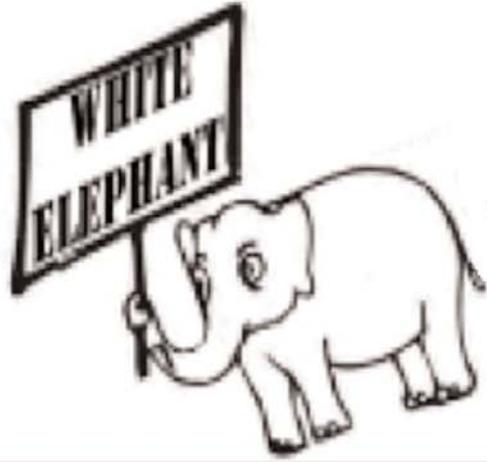


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Sundown Community Hall

D.A. Meagan Galligan to Speak on “Hope, Not Handcuffs” Initiative

(From Pg. 27) Individuals suffering from substance use issues will instantly be connected to an advocate and a network of resources designed to lead them to success, rather than arrest, encourage them to seek recovery and regain control of their lives.

A program of the Tri County Partnership, this initiative has now come to Sullivan County, with participation from all local Police Departments. Hope, Not Handcuffs - Hudson Valley is also seeking volunteer “Angels” specifically for Sullivan County. “Angels” are people who help participants complete paperwork and place a call to the appropriate provider for treatment assistance. Meetings are safe and always take place at a participating police station. Once a treatment option is found, transportation is arranged.

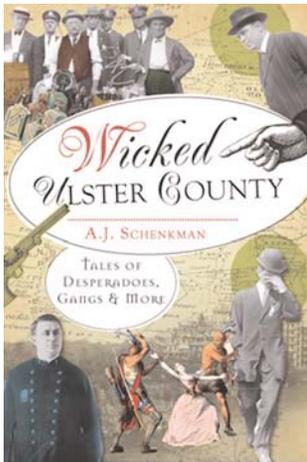
Volunteers pick their “on call” days and hours, after they have completed training. For more info and to apply, visit: www.tricountycommunitypartnership.org/hope-not-handcuffs.

This community program is hosted by the Town of Callicoon Democrats' Neighbor-to-Neighbor program. The Neighbor-to-Neighbor program is working to help keep our community apprised of issues that impact us all.

Denning History Afternoon and Talk on Wicked Ulster County

A Virtual and In person Program on Sunday at the Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Denning History Afternoon (a virtual and in-person program) will be held Sunday, September 19th at 1 p.m. at the Museum on St. Rt. 55 (332 Main Street) Grahamsville, Sullivan County, NY.



The Museum's rich collections from Claryville and the Town of Denning that bring life to the history of the Upper Neversink and Upper Rondout valleys will be open and available to visitors from 1 to 2 p.m.. Sharing items relating to the Claryville or Denning area is welcome.

Special program at 2 p.m.: Author and Town of Gardiner

Historian A.J. Schenkman will speak on his book, *Wicked Ulster County*. Situated in the scenic Hudson Valley, Ulster County is a lovely location to make a home and raise a family, but it wasn't always so pleasant. Unsavory characters and immoral events have sullied its name. In the 1870s, the Shawangunk Mountains inspired fear rather than awe, as groups like the Lyman Freer and Shawangunk gangs robbed and terrorized locals, descending from the protection of the wooded peaks. Kingston was torched, arson blazed in Kerhonkson and even the Mohonk Mountain House was threatened by flames. In 1909, the Ashokan Slasher's bloody crimes and sensational trial captured headlines across the country. Discover these and other salacious stories buried in Ulster County's history.

Books will be available for signing and sale. The Museum's

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exhibitions and the 1930s Lost Catskill Farm will be open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m..

Members are free, and non-members: \$5. In Person attendance is limited to 30 and registration is required. To register please email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org with your name and number of attendees, and put In Person Registration in the subject line, or call 845 985-7700. To attend the program virtually on Zoom, email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org for the link, and please put Zoom Program Registration in the subject line.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is currently open by appointment. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is a suggested donation of \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

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

- o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.

- Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.

- 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a farmhouse, outhouse, barn, electric plant, milk house and working waterwheel help visitors experience life in the 1930s through displays, videos, games and hands on activities.

- New! One Teacher, Eight Grades, One Room an exhibition on one room schools in the Tri-Valley area.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, a collaboration between the National Endowment of the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and over 1,500 museums across America to provide free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700.



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35th ANNUAL GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY

Sponsored by the Daniel Pierce Library

Saturday, October 2, 2021

Grahamsville Fairgrounds

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

EVENT IS RAIN OR SHINE



Craft Sale Vendor Space Available

We are seeking vendors for the 2021 Giant Pumpkin Party. The Giant Pumpkin Party attracts thousands of people each year and is a great place to showcase your handcrafted items.

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Accepting Applications

Now through September 15, 2021

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35th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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VENDOR FEE: \$30.00

\$40 for larger, end spaces

Only items that are handcrafted by the craftsperson are permitted. No dealers, agents, manufactured items or imports will be allowed. Sorry, no refunds. Vendors are required to file a copy of their New York State Sales Tax Certificate with the Daniel Pierce Library before September 15, 2021.

Limited premium end spaces may be available for an additional fee.

Please specify interest below. Spaces will be assigned on a first come basis. We will contact you with space assignment. Vehicles must be unloaded and parked in the specified area by 8:30 a.m.

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NAME OF BUSINESS: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

TYPE OF CRAFT & DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS _____

A copy of your NYS Sales Tax Certificate must be enclosed or application will be returned.

Premium End Space Is Preferred (not guaranteed): YES: _____ NO: _____

Please email us pictures of your crafts so we can advertise your business on our Facebook page for the Giant Pumpkin Party. Email to ccoombe@coombefinancial.com

DEADLINE DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

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Grahamsville, New York 12740

Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce Pride of Community Awards Nominations ARE OPEN! DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS IS SEPTEMBER 20, 2021!

Monticello, NY - September 10, 2021 - The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce has been honoring businesses and individuals for over 27 years with our Pride of Community Awards Gala and Annual Meeting. The Pride of Community Awards honors 5 individuals/organizations from throughout Sullivan County for their community involvement and their contributions to the economic development in the county.

The five winners selected are Business Person of the Year, Distinguished Service to the County, Distinguished Achievement in the County, Young Emerging Leader and one Township Award; all to be honored at this prestigious ceremony that will take place in November of this year.

So, what makes someone eligible? Or what criteria should be considered?

- o Business Person of the Year is recognized for their dedication to the residents and businesses of our County and community. They continuously go above beyond to impact the entire County in many aspects. They show true business influence, leadership style, and strategic initiatives that they share throughout their community. These are true efforts toward the betterment & improvement of Sullivan County.

- o Distinguished Achievement Award is recognized for their tireless effort and dedication to the betterment of Sullivan County. They show leadership and extensive contributions to our community. They have accomplished significant impact on their surroundings and the people of Sullivan County.

- o Distinguished Service Award is to recognize an individual's act of helpful activity, help or extraordinary service and dedication to their community. Their leadership and tireless efforts are an example for others to follow. They have made outstanding service contributions to the community.

- o Young Emerging Leader recognizes an individual for their outstanding dedication in the Sullivan County Community. They clearly serve as a role model for young and seasoned professionals. They tirelessly work as examples of leadership, integrity, professionalism and creativity.

- o Township Award is a rotating township award to recognize a business or an individual for dedication, commitment and effort in promoting and contributing to their community. It is designed to recognize and reward entrepreneurial engagement in townships while building confidence in township-based businesses.

Who chooses these winners? A committee of past businesspersons of the year and Chamber Board Members carefully review all nominations. This is a distinguished group of individuals from across Sullivan County and a diverse range of businesses and backgrounds.

Remember, that nominations are open to ALL and are being accepted NOW! DEADLINE TO SUBMIT A NOMI-

NATION IS SEPTEMBER 20th, 2021! Please submit a formal nomination letter identifying nominee (with their contact information) and why they should be considered for one of the 5 awards to Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce, 196 Bridgeville Road, Suite 7, Monticello, NY 12701

We want anyone and everyone to be considered year to year. For more information contact Jaime Schmeiser, President/CEO at president@catskills.com or call the office 845-791-4200 X4.

Big Eddy Film Festival's outdoor screening of Hitchcock's *Rebecca*

Join the Big Eddy Film Festival for a special outdoor screening of Alfred Hitchcock's psychological thriller *Rebecca* (1940) on Friday, September 17 at 7:30 pm at Hotel Darby, 9 Manor Drive, Beach Lake, PA. Based on the beloved 1938 gothic novel by Daphne Du Maurier, *Rebecca* stars Joan Fontaine stars as a young bride terrorized by the memories of her husband's glamorous first wife. Laurence Olivier, Judith Anderson and George Sanders also star.



Hitchcock's first American film, *Rebecca* is the only film for which the director received a Best Picture Oscar.

"Every return to *Manderley* reveals something new--about gender, genre, cinema--and watching the film outdoors is like spending time on that imaginary, isolated, overgrown estate," says Patricia White, a Professor of Film and Media Studies at Swarthmore College and author of the new book on Hitchcock's *Rebecca* (BFI Classics).

White, who is on the board of directors of Women Make Movies and the editorial board of *Film Quarterly*, will be in attendance for a pre-screening book signing at One Grand Books, 60 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY at 5:30 pm.

Film tickets are \$10 (DVAA Member discount \$8) and can be purchased in advance at <http://www.bigeddyfilmfest.com>.

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

More about our warrior Nick....

Nick was diagnosed with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) at birth. TSC is a neurological disorder that produces seizures, tumors, and lesions that effect the organs of the body and can cause Autism. Nick battled with seizures his whole life from infantile spasms to adult grand-mal seizures. Finally the past year and half Nick's seizures have been controlled but his kidney function was deteriorating. May 2019 we heard the worst news that Nick's function was under 10% on both kidneys! Since then Nick has had 2 surgeries to put ports in his neck and stomach so dialysis can be preformed. Nick has transitioned to home dialysis and has been a tough adjustment. Not what the sweetest, kindest, 29 year old should be going through.

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

DEC Announces \$349,922 in Awards to Reduce Flooding, Restore Aquatic Habitats, and Improve Climate Resiliency

Funding to Help Reduce Flood Risk and Protect Natural Resources in Columbia, Dutchess, and Westchester Counties

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced more than \$349,000 in awards for three projects to help communities improve climate resiliency, mitigate local flooding, and restore stream habitats. Funding for these projects is provided by the State's Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) and is administered by DEC's Hudson River Estuary Program in partnership with NEIWPC. The announcement was made as New York State prepares to commemorate Climate Week 2021.

"The funding awards announced today will help Hudson River communities in Columbia, Dutchess, and Westchester counties bolster their climate resilience by enhancing the ability of natural systems to reduce flood risks," said DEC Commissioner Seggos. "While Hudson Valley cities, towns, and villages continue to recover after devastating flooding in the wake of Tropical Depression Ida, New York is investing in our communities to preserve our natural resources and strengthen their ability to withstand flooding."

Two of the funded projects will create designs and conceptual engineering plans for climate resilient and connected waterfronts in the city of Hudson, and the village and town of Ossining. One project will develop municipal management plans for road-stream crossings and dams within the towns of Red Hook and Milan. Funded projects include:

Two Climate-Adaptive Design Phase II Projects Totaling \$250,000.

Ossining Shoreline Revitalization and Community Connectivity Improvements: This \$125,000 contract was awarded to Henningson, Durham and Richardson Architecture and Engineering, P.C. (HDR) for a living shoreline project at the Henry Gourdine and Louis Engel Waterfront Parks in Ossining. An inclusive stakeholder engagement process will be used to provide input on specific design elements and eco-friendly elements will be included in the shoreline stabilization to create fish habitat and promote recreational fishing opportunities. The project will result in an implementable preliminary design and an engineering report that includes a permitting strategy.

City of Hudson Climate-Adaptive Design: This \$125,000 contract was awarded to Hudson Valley Collaborative for a project in the city of Hudson that will use a nature-based approach to protecting shoreline and tidal wetlands from sea-level rise, while maintaining active recreation and cultural activities. Hudson Valley Collaborative will engage a diverse group of stakeholders to seek community consensus on the design, which will prioritize ecological solutions that restore the intertidal marshland, as well as the access points for public boat docks and launches that give the Hudson waterfront its recreational vitality. The final preliminary design will provide the necessary design, engineering, and permitting documentation for the city to finalize and construct the design.

Restoration of Watershed Connectivity and Improved Road

Infrastructure, \$99,922.

T&B Engineering and Landscaping Architecture, P.C. was awarded \$99,922 to develop municipal management plans for road-stream crossings and dams in the towns of Red Hook and Milan, Dutchess County. The project will improve water quality, reduce flood risks, and reconnect habitat for migratory and resident fish in the Hudson River Estuary. The plans will include all crossings in both towns, building on the 148 previously inventoried culverts, including the road-stream crossings located within the portions of the Roeliff Jansen Kill, Cold Spring Creek, Little Wappinger Creek, Landsman Kill, and Saw Kill watersheds in the town of Milan, and Stony Creek, Saw Kill, Landsman Kill, and Muddler Kill watersheds in the town of Red Hook. The project will include outreach and collaboration with each town and community to produce a municipal management plan, including a documented inventory, prioritization of the inventory, and conceptual designs for the top three priority crossings for each municipality.

Susan Sullivan, NEIWPC Executive Director said, "NEIWPC is pleased to assist Hudson River Valley communities use collaborative and innovative approaches to protect against the increasing risks resulting from climate change."

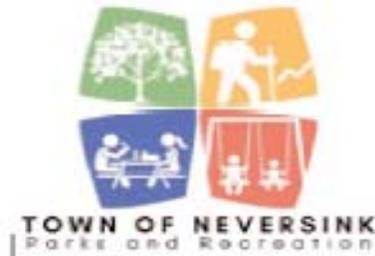
DEC's Hudson River Estuary Program focuses on the tidal Hudson and its adjacent watershed from the federal dam at Troy to the Verrazano Narrows in New York City.

DEC Statewide Forest Ranger Highlights Town of Shandaken —Ulster County

Wilderness Rescue: On Sept. 4 at 2:40 p.m., Forest Rangers Martin and Rusher received a call from Ulster County 911 reporting an injured 26-year-old hiker in the vicinity of Slide Mountain. Rangers made contact with the hiker who reported he had suffered a knee injury and couldn't hike out. The subject was at the summit of Wittenberg Mountain, approximately five miles and 3,000 vertical feet from the nearest trailhead.



Forest Rangers Stratton and Rusher, along with a New York State Police (NYSP) Aviation and a Special Operations Response Team (SORT) Medic, were transported to the hiker's location. The responders were inserted to provide first aid and package the injured man for extrication, while Ranger Cowart and a SORT member assisted with the hoist in the helicopter. As the aviation plan was ongoing, Rangers Kreft and Martin secured resources for a potential carry-out in case the hoist mission was canceled. The hiker from Boston was successfully hoisted off the mountain and transported to the landing zone where an ambulance was staged. The hiker declined further medical treatment and responders were clear of the scene at 6:51 p.m. In addition to NYSP Aviation and SORT, assisting agencies included Phoenicia Fire Department, Woodstock Fire Department, Woodstock EMT, Shandaken EMT, and Catskill Mountain Search and Rescue.



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Attorney General James Ends Harmful Labor Practices at One of Nation's Largest Title Insurance Companies

**Puts in Place Policies to Protect Workers
Old Republic Agrees to End Illegal Tactics
Constraining Worker Mobility**

AG James Continues to Expand Investigation of No-Poach Agreements, Other Anticompetitive Tactics in Various Industries, Protecting New York Workers

NEW YORK - New York Attorney General Letitia James terminate any existing no-poach agreements, and to cooperate with Attorney General James' ongoing investigations in this area.

"Workers are the lifeblood of New York, and New Yorkers are entitled to free and fair labor markets," said Attorney General James. "For years, Old Republic stifled competition in the labor market, but this agreement ends the company's illegal conduct, while putting all businesses on notice that no-poach agreements will not be tolerated in New York state. My office will continue to investigate no-poach agreements that potentially harm New York workers, and fight to end these anticompetitive practices once and for all."

Old Republic issues title insurance policies either through agencies it owns or controls (directs) or through independent title insurance agencies that it appoints (agencies). Directs and agencies are competitors in the labor market, and compete for employees on the basis of salaries, benefits, and career opportunities.

A "no-poach" is an agreement among two or more companies not to solicit, recruit, or hire each other's employees. In a well-functioning labor market, employers don't need no-poach agreements and, instead, compete by offering higher wages or enhanced benefits to attract the most valuable talent for their needs. No-poach agreements reduce competition for employees and disrupt the normal compensation-setting mechanisms, to the detriment of the affected employees.

Attorney General James' investigation concluded that Old Republic entered into no-poach agreements with agencies, and that these agreements effectively ended competition for employees between Old Republic and the agencies, potentially impacting New York workers. The investigation did not identify any procompetitive justifications for these agreements.

The agreement increases competition in the labor market and protects workers by:

- o Ending Old Republic's no-poach agreements with competitors: Old Republic has agreed to end

all existing no-poach agreements, and discontinue the practice of entering into no-poach agreements.

- o Cooperating with Attorney General James' ongoing no-poach investigations: Old Republic has committed to substantial cooperation with the Office of the Attorney General's efforts to investigate no-poach agreements in the title insurance industry.

Additionally, Old Republic is required to pay New York state a \$1 million monetary payment.

Separately, in the past, Attorney General James has taken multiple actions to end the use of no-poach agreements. In March 2019, Attorney General James and a coalition of attorneys general from around the nation entered into an agreement with four national fast food franchisors - Dunkin', Arby's, Five Guys, and Little Caesars - that ended their use of "no-poach" agreements. Additionally, in July 2019, Attorney General James and a coalition of attorneys general submitted comments to the Federal Trade Commission, urging collaboration between regulators to protect workers from anticompetitive labor practices, including no-poach agreements, that depress wages, restrict job mobility, and limit opportunities for advancement.

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DEC Statewide Forest Ranger Flood Response During Tropical Depression Ida



Rangers driving raft with rescued flood victims to safety

On Sept. 1, a Type 3 swiftwater rescue team consisting of six Forest Rangers, a rigid inflatable boat, and a support trailer were deployed to support the statewide response to Tropical Depression Ida. This highly trained and experienced team worked through the night and into the early morning hours of Sept. 2 with local first responders to conduct multiple rescues that saved 86 people from flood waters.



Rangers navigating flood waters at night in a raft



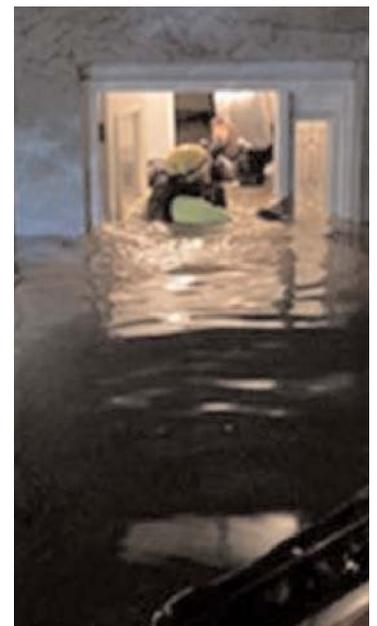
Rangers helping flood victim down fire escape



Rangers carry small child out of door onto raft



Rangers moving down long, flooded hallway to rescue residents



Rangers helping flood victims out the front door of a building, water is chest-high

**Governor Hochul Announces
#VAXTOSCHOOL
CAMPAIGN to Drive
COVID-19 Vaccination Rates
Among School-Aged
New Yorkers Statewide
New Website at
ny.gov/vaxtoschool
for Parents and Guardians with
Ready-Made Resources for
Schools and Localities Hosting
#VaxtoSchool Events**

*Dedicated Instagram Channel, @VaccinateNY, to
Provide Vaccine Education for School-Aged New
Yorkers and Families*

*#VaxtoSchool Pop-Up Sites to Open in Areas with
Low COVID-19 Vaccination Rates Among 12 to 17-
Year-Olds and #VaxtoSchool Buses to Provide Mobile
Vaccinations*

*SUNY and CUNY Announce the Integration of the
State's Excelsior Pass for Back-To-Campus,
Proof of Vaccine Efforts*

Sept. 11, 2021 -Governor Hochul: "Just a few hours ago, literally an hour and a half ago, I was walking the grounds of the 9/11 Memorial and the museum there with the former mayor of New York City, Mike Bloomberg. And as I was there, I was reflecting on the moment 20 years ago, but not just what happened on 9/11, we'll be speaking much more about this over the next few days, but what happened afterward. And I took such inspiration from how New York pulled together and showed their resiliency, and truly built back stronger and better than ever before. And that is actually where we are today. As we continue our response to dealing with a pandemic, which is still very much with us, it's how we respond to it and how we react and how we go forth is how we'll be judged 20 years from now, just as we're looking back at this milestone after 9/11. And what we've seen is you know, quite extraordinary. New Yorkers coming together in all walks of life, Assemblymembers working in hospitals, the first responders, the essential workers. We can never give them enough gratitude for what they've done, and we'll find ways to honor them as we go forth."

Hochul: "We are announcing what we're calling #VaxtoSchool. And first of all, it's going to be a state funded digital marketing campaign to reinforce the messages that I'm giving you today and we'll have a site, a micro-site, which is where everything is in one location for parents and guardians to know what to do. Ready-made resources for schools and localities to host these events slowly, taking the vehicles to the schools and making it easier and we're going to be announcing the list of schools where this will be occurring very soon. So we're going to make it easy on you. We'll have a digital channel. We'll have it available on Instagram, and it's just all about prioritizing the health of our teachers, our administrators and our children. So we get that sense of security that parents will need when they say goodbye to their child and send them off to school. And we're going to be announcing the pop-up sites

very shortly. So school, working on that workplace next and a lot's been done."

Earlier today, Governor Kathy Hochul announced the launch of the multi-faceted statewide #VaxtoSchool campaign to support increasing COVID-19 vaccination rates among school-aged New Yorkers, furthering the administration's commitment to making the health and well-being of students, teachers and families a top priority.

As part of this campaign, the Governor announced a new, dedicated website at ny.gov/vaxtoschool with critical resources and materials for parents and guardians of school-aged New Yorkers and school communities. The new site includes information, and an FAQ for parents and guardians, as well as a multitude of ready-made signage for school leaders to support #VaxtoSchool education and operations in their local communities on the ground.

Additionally, the State has launched a new Instagram channel, @VaccinateNY, to educate school-aged New Yorkers and their families about the COVID-19 vaccine directly. The new social media page will provide approachable, interactive content through easy-to-understand vaccine information, prospective content partnerships, #VaxtoSchool social media design contests, and quick video explainers, ensuring that no stone is left unturned in our effort to provide all New Yorkers with the facts about the COVID-19 vaccine. DOH will also amplify these digital education efforts across all of their channels including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

**Senator Gillibrand, Chair
of the Agriculture
Subcommittee on Livestock
and Dairy will Hold Hearing
to Address Volatile Milk
Pricing and Federal Milk
Marketing Order System
Modernization**

*Gillibrand to Emphasize Need For
Federal Milk Marketing Order System
Reforms To Keep Up With The 21st
Century Market*

WASHINGTON, DC - Wednesday, September 15TH at 9:30 AM: U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, chair of the Senate Agriculture Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, Poultry, Local Food Systems, and Food Safety and Security, will hold a hearing to address milk pricing improvements and reforms. Gillibrand will convene a panel of witnesses to receive testimony on the growing need to modernize the Federal Milk Marketing Order System to bring the nation's dairy pricing into the 21st century market.

Even before the pandemic, dairy farmers across the nation were struggling to make ends meet due to declining milk prices and an increasingly unstable dairy market. Unfair trade practices from foreign countries, increasing production costs, and the drop in fluid milk consumption have all led to the volatility in the market. Since 2003, the United States has lost more than half of the nation's licensed dairy operations, with nearly 40,000 licensed dairy herds exiting dairy production.

Statement from SC Legislator George Conklin III

Monticello, NY - District 5 Sullivan County Legislator George Conklin III today released the following statement:

“Much has been made of my decision not to wear a mask at Legislature meetings. I'd like to clear up the rumors and gossip, some of which have been pretty vicious.

Put simply, I don't believe masks are warranted. I also don't feel the need to argue with everyone about why I feel that way. If someone wants to wear a mask, I won't stand in their way.

That said, I greatly respect our County Manager, Josh Potosek, and I do not wish to undermine his competent leadership, with which I am very satisfied. While I may disagree with the mask mandate, I will wear one while at Legislature meetings for the simple reason that our County Manager has properly exercised his authority to enact that requirement, and I support him 100%.

Senator Mike Martucci Announces State Aid for Library Construction Nearly \$330,000 to Libraries in the Ramapo-Catskill Library System

MIDDLETOWN, NY - Senator Mike Martucci (R,C,I-Hudson Valley/Catskills) announced today that the Ramapo-Catskill Library System has been allocated \$328,594 in state aid for library construction funds. The funds will respectively enable the Gardiner Library, Goshen Public Library and Historical Society, Greenwood Lake Public Library, and Port Jervis Free Library to: make renovations to its mechanical room and put anew heating system in the bathrooms; pur-

chase and install a 150 kW natural gas generator; replace and upgrade a deteriorated main entryway, relocate and rebuild a circulation area, and replace aging HVAC on the main floor; and remove and replace its furnace/boiler with all controls, piping and wiring.

The funds are from \$14 million in capital funds for public library construction and broadband infrastructure projects provided in the FY 2020-2021 State Budget.

New York's public libraries are in urgent need of renovation and upgrading. A recent survey showed a documented need for public library construction and renovation projects totaling more than \$1.5 billion. Over half of the over 1,000 public library buildings in communities across New York are over 60 years old. Another one third are more than three decades old. Many of New York's local public libraries are unable to accommodate users with disabilities, are energy inefficient, cannot provide Internet and computer and other electronic technologies to users because of outdated and inadequate electrical wiring. Many do not have sufficient space to house the library's expanding collection, address the need for adequate meeting rooms, or provide for public access computers.

Project activities and expenditures eligible for funding from the State Aid for Library Construction Program include financing construction of new library buildings, construction of additions to existing buildings, and the renovation and/or rehabilitation of existing space. Projects may include roof replacement, purchase and installation of alternative energy resources, new HVAC systems, windows, doors, lighting systems, electrical upgrades, and construction of new or replacement of old walkways and parking lots. Broadband infrastructure projects are also eligible. New furniture, shelving and equipment, including computer equipment, may be purchased for new or newly reconfigured or renovated space. Renovations designed to provide accessibility for patrons with disabilities are a high priority.

In the FY 2021-2022 State Budget, the Legislature provided \$34 million for projects that will be announced in Summer 2022

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Before you Venture out on a Hike *Know Before You Go* Check with Catskill Park Trail Conditions

Always know what to expect. Conditions are posted every Thursday for your weekend adventures.

Trail Conditions / Catskills Visitor Center at https://catskillsvisitorcenter.org/trail/weekend-of-september-9th/?mc_cid=18711755f8&mc_eid=741885eb1c

Autumnal Advice from a Steward “Don't forget to pack extra layers as the weather turns cooler. Our Catskill Steward Jenny Flavin reminds visitors that evenings in the mountains are often much cooler than at the trailheads below. Follow our stewards on social media @catskillcenter.”

Governor Hochul Announces Opening of NYS's New \$40 Million Biodefense Commercialization Fund

- *Infectious Disease Fund Developed to Support and Accelerate Growth in New York's Life Science Industry and Combat Public Health Threats like COVID-19*
- *Fund Will Fast Track Qualified Startups, Early Stage Companies and Late Stage Academic Research in New York Institutions to Commercialize Efforts to Combat Infectious Disease*

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the opening of New York's new \$40 million Biodefense Commercialization Fund. The program will accelerate the development and commercialization of life science research and innovations that address serious infectious health threats, including COVID-19 and its variants—an issue of growing urgency given the recent uptick in cases across the nation.

"No state was hit harder and faster by COVID-19 than New York State—and it is incumbent upon us to use the lessons we learned to better prepare for the future," Governor Hochul said. "The Biodefense Commercialization Fund will help the next generation of startups and early-stage companies combat infectious diseases while creating jobs and investment in New York's life science industry. We want to ensure that New York is where these groundbreaking companies start and operate, and that our state is at the center of the search for solutions to the world's most pressing problems."

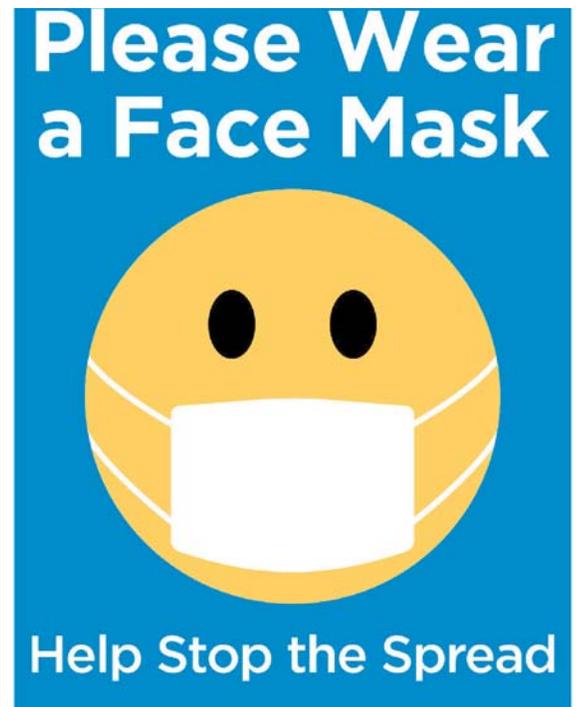
Grants awarded through this fund will help bring to market infectious disease solutions, including diagnostics, therapeutics and other innovations that address or mitigate the spread of serious infectious diseases, encouraging growth across New York's expanding life science industry and positioning the state as a leader in infectious disease resiliency and mitigation.

Eligible companies that are developing promising diagnostics, vaccines, therapeutics, and other innovations to prevent, treat or mitigate serious infectious disease threats can apply for grants of up to \$4 million. New York's academic research institutions will be able to apply for grants of up to \$500,000 to help fast track advanced intellectual property in life sciences. An emphasis will be placed on supporting the development of innovations with the highest potential for commercial viability. More information can be found online.

The Biodefense Commercialization Fund will be managed by Empire State Development, with guidance from an Executive Committee that includes representatives from New York State's Department of Health, Columbia University, the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and two venture funds. A Review Panel of experts from the biopharma industry, life science venture investors, and academic scientists will review, evaluate and provide recommendations to ESD on submitted applications. Additionally, panel members will draw upon their collective experience in these related fields to provide mentorship and guidance to the awardees.

Empire State Development Chief Operating Officer and Executive Deputy **Commissioner Kevin Younis** said, "As we continue the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, New York is even more committed to the growth and success of the state's life science industry. The Biodefense Commercialization Fund is a critical investment that seeks to turn the scientific research being conducted across the state into cutting edge treatments and medical solutions to ensure that New York is ready to respond to infectious disease threats in the future."

New York State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker said, "As New York State moves forward in our recovery and preparation for the future, investments in health and medical research are critical. The Biodefense Commercialization Fund not only complements the groundbreaking work being done at the Wadsworth Laboratory, but it



Why wear a mask?

Out of respect.

When you wear a mask you are saying,
I respect my neighbors.

When you wear a mask you are saying,
I respect nurses and doctors.

When you wear a mask you are saying,
I respect other people.

We all need to show respect to one another in difficult times.

Wearing a face covering is a small inconvenience to protect others. We have gotten through this crisis by standing together and doing the right thing. The right thing - the respectful thing - is to wear a mask.

offers opportunities to the companies and individuals who share New York's commitment to public health to partner with us as we build back better than ever."

James E. Flynn, Managing Partner at Deerfield Management, said, "Even prior to the emergence of COVID-19, infectious disease was responsible for hundreds of thousands of hospitalizations and tens of thousands of deaths in the US each year. At the same time, the rising threat of disease variants with resistance to available therapies is greatly amplifying the need for new approaches. With creation of the Biodefense Commercialization Fund, Governor Hochul is leading the effort to ensure that treatments against these new threats are available as they emerge."

Maria Gotsch, President and CEO of the Partnership Fund for New York City, said, "Thanks to the state's leadership, New York has become a leader in life sciences. Building on the contributions of Pfizer and Regeneron throughout the pandemic, this new initiative will enhance our competitive edge and better position us against future public health threats. The Partnership looks forward to continuing its collaboration with the state, and working with Governor Hochul and her team to create more jobs and opportunities in this sector." (Contd. Pt 43)

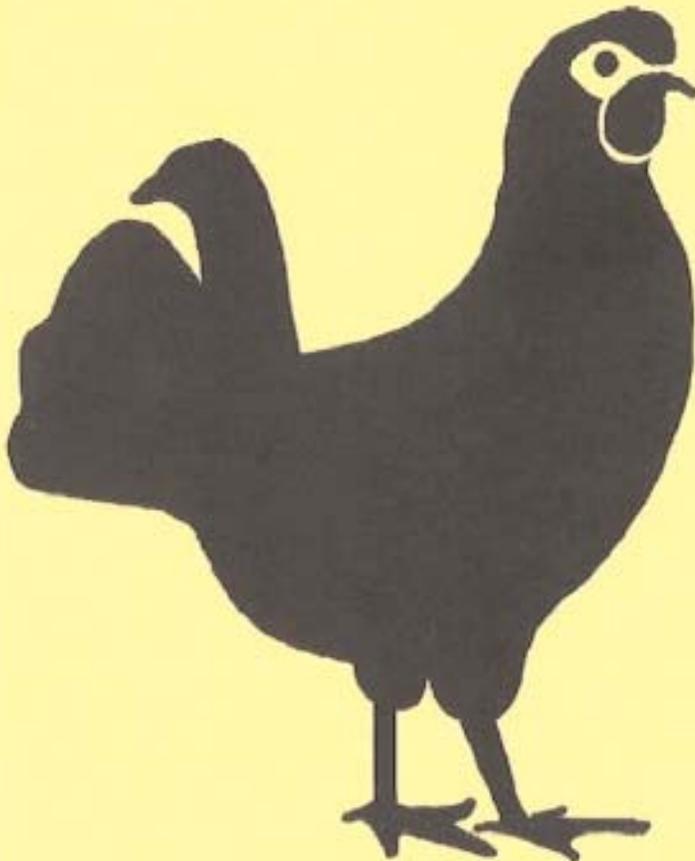
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Governor Hochul Announces Opening of NYS's New \$40 Million Biodefense Commercialization Fund

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New York State's \$620 Million Life Science Initiative

New York State enacted a \$620 million initiative to spur the growth of a world-class life sciences research cluster in New York, as well as expand the state's ability to commercialize this research and grow the economy. This multi-faceted initiative includes \$320 million for strategic programs that attract new life science technologies to the state, promote critical public and private sector investment in emerging life science fields and create and expand life science-related businesses and employment throughout New York.

The life sciences sector encompasses the fields of biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, biomedical technologies, life systems technologies, and includes organizations and institutions that devote the majority of their efforts to the various stages of research, development, technology transfer and commercialization. Every day, firms in this sector are developing new medical and pharmaceutical breakthroughs that have the potential to save lives, whether through new therapies or the early detection of diseases like cancer and neurological diseases. These firms are also making significant advancements in the realms of agriculture and environmental biotechnologies, helping create a cleaner and more sustainable future.

By strengthening incentives, investing in facilities, and improving access to talent and expertise, New York will significantly increase its share of industry-funded research and development, support the commercialization of existing academic research, and usher in the next generation of advanced technologies. Beyond the advancements in science, this initiative will position New York as a magnet for emerging manufacturing-based enterprises, bolstering regional economies and creating thousands of jobs.

On First Ever NYS Opioid Overdose Awareness Day, Governor Hochul Announces Receipt of \$4.25 Million for Prevention of Prescription Drug and Opioid Overdose-Related Deaths *Funding Will be Used to Promote Prevention, Increase Education and Awareness, and to Purchase and Distribute Naloxone to Help Save Lives*

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the receipt of grant of \$4.25 million over a five-year period from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to help prevent prescription drug and opioid overdose-related deaths and adverse events. The grant will fund training for first responders, overdose prevention and other community-based service providers and partners, as well as individuals and families.

The announcement of this award coincides with the first ever NYS Opioid Overdose Awareness Day. This observance, organized by the NYS Department of Health, honors people who have died of overdoses and celebrates families and frontline workers

who are dedicated to saving lives.

"The opioid epidemic is personal for me, having lost a family member to an overdose," Governor Hochul said. "In New York, we are expanding our efforts to combat the crisis by increasing education and awareness and promoting prevention and treatment services. On New York State's first Opioid Overdose Awareness Day, I encourage those struggling with substance abuse to not be discouraged to reach out for help and support. We will continue to work together to end this crisis and help save lives."

The NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports will focus on expanding the knowledge of overdose prevention strategies to "Key Community Sectors" that work with pregnant and postpartum persons and their families, and individuals and families impacted by intimate partner violence. The agency will also work closely with the Native American/Indigenous community and with the LGBT+ community.

Providers identified will be eligible to receive up to \$20,000 to provide overdose prevention trainings to individuals and families and other community-based services providers, and to train others to become overdose prevention providers. Specific providers receiving funding will be identified at a later date.

OASAS will also partner with the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to provide training and naloxone kits to their frontline staff in programs such as OCFS managed domestic violence shelters, the Healthy Families New York home visiting program, and the Maternal and Infant Community Health Collaboratives. Additionally, these funds will be used to distribute overdose prevention kits and naloxone to individuals and families receiving training either from OASAS or one of the selected community-based partners.

OASAS Commissioner Arlene González-Sánchez said, "We know that fatal overdoses increased last year during the pandemic and we recognize the tremendous stress that people continue to experience. We are very pleased that we were awarded this grant because it will bring resources to the state and add to our efforts to prevent overdoses. Together with our partner agencies, we are developing innovative approaches to reaching vulnerable populations that we may not be able to reach otherwise."

State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker said, "The Department of Health and OASAS have always worked together to combat the devastation of addiction and help prevent overdoses. With this funding, we can continue our commitment to keeping families and loved ones from experiencing loss, while empowering all New Yorkers with the tools necessary to help others and themselves live healthy lives."

A total of 750 individuals will be trained in overdose prevention in the first year of the funding. In year two, this number will increase to 3,000, and thereafter 4,000 people will be trained per year for a total of 15,750 individuals trained by the end of the fifth year.

New Yorkers struggling with an addiction, or whose loved ones are struggling, can find help and hope by calling the state's toll-free, 24-hour, 7-day-a-week HOPE line at 1-877-8-HOPE-NY, 1-877-846-7369, or by texting HOPENY, Short Code 467369.

Available addiction treatment including crisis/detox, inpatient, community residence, or outpatient care can be found using the NYS OASAS Treatment Availability Dashboard here or through the NYS OASAS website.

If you, or a loved one, have experienced insurance obstacles related to treatment or need help filing an appeal for a denied claim, contact the CHAMP helpline by phone at 888-614-5400 or e-mail.

NY's Encouraged to Review and Comment on State's Proposal to Implement the Prohibition on the Sale and Distribution of Expanded Polystyrene Foam Containers and "Packing Peanuts"

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced the release of proposed regulations to implement a ban on expanded polystyrene foam containers and loose fill packaging, commonly referred to as 'packing peanuts,' that goes into effect Jan. 1, 2022. The ban builds on New York's environmental leadership in preventing litter and reducing waste through measures such as the ban on plastic carryout bags, the bottle bill, and food scrap recycling and food waste prevention efforts. New York is among the first states to ban polystyrene packaging and fill. DEC is accepting comments on the proposed regulations until Nov. 22, 2021.

"New York's proposed regulations to implement a ban on polystyrene foam containers and packing material will reduce the waste headed to landfills and combustors," Commissioner Seggos said. "The ban creates enormous long-term benefits for the environment by helping to reduce litter, clean up the recycling stream, prevent macro/microplastic pollution, and bolster the ongoing transition to more sustainable alternatives. I encourage New Yorkers to review the draft regulations and provide comments as we work to remove these single-use plastic products from our waste stream to protect the environment, both now and into the future."

Expanded polystyrene (EPS) foam is a major contributor to environmental litter, causing negative impacts to wildlife, waterways, and natural resources. EPS foam is lightweight, breaks apart easily, and does not readily biodegrade, rendering it persistent in the environment and susceptible to becoming microplastic pollution. In addition, EPS foam containers and loose fill packaging are not accepted by most recycling programs in New York State because the foam is difficult to recycle, easily contaminates the recycling stream, is often soiled, and has low value.

The law and proposed regulations prohibit any person engaged in the business of selling or distributing prepared food or beverages for on- or off-premises consumption from selling, offering for sale, or distributing disposable food service containers that contain expanded polystyrene foam in New York. In addition, no manufacturer or store will be allowed to sell, offer for sale, or distribute polystyrene loose fill packaging in the state.

Examples of covered food service providers required to comply with the ban include:

Food service establishments, caterers, temporary food service establishments, mobile food service establishments, and pushcarts as defined in the New York State Sanitary Code;

Retail food stores, as defined in Article 28 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, which include any establishment where food and food products are offered to the consumer and intended for off-premises consumption;

Delis, grocery stores, restaurants, cafeterias, and coffee shops; Hospitals, adult care facilities, and nursing homes; and Elementary and secondary schools, colleges, and universities.

Disposable food service containers made of expanded polystyrene that will be banned under the law and proposed regulations include bowls, cartons, hinged "clamshell" containers, cups, lids, plates, trays, or any other product designed or used to temporarily store or transport prepared foods or beverages, including containers generally recognized as designed for single use. Under the law, certain facilities and covered food service providers may request a financial hardship waiver, which may apply to one or more disposable food service containers. The proposed regulations detail the application process and approval criteria.

The law and proposed regulations include exemptions for raw meat,

pork, seafood, poultry, or fish sold for the purpose of cooking or preparing off-site by the customer and prepackaged food filled or sealed prior to receipt at a covered food service provider. The law does not apply in New York City because the city has a local polystyrene ban in place and meets the law's population threshold. Other local laws enacting a polystyrene ban are preempted by the state law, except any county law enacting a polystyrene ban providing environmental protection equal to or greater than the state law or regulations will not be preempted if the county files a written declaration with DEC of its intent to administer and enforce its local law.

The full text of the draft regulations, including express terms, hearing information, and related information pertaining to the proposed rulemaking, is available on DEC's website.

DEC will hold a virtual public hearing on the proposed Part 353 regulations on Nov. 15, at 1 p.m. Details about the public hearing will be shared soon. The public is invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulations from Sept. 8 through Nov. 22. Written comments can be submitted by email to foamban@dec.ny.gov or by mail to: BWRR-Part 353, NYSDEC, Division of Materials Management, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7253. Please include "Comments on Proposed Part 353" in the subject line of the email.

Gillibrand, Colleagues, Send Letter Calling for Investigation into Amazon Treatment of Pregnant Workers

Washington, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand and Senate colleagues sent a letter to U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Chair Charlotte Burrows requesting an investigation into allegations that Amazon denies reasonable accommodations for pregnant employees at its fulfillment centers. The senators requested that the EEOC investigate Amazon's alleged failure to provide adequate modification of job duties for pregnant workers, as well as their alleged failure to allow pregnant workers to take time off without punishment for pregnancy-related medical needs—both of which may violate the Pregnancy Discrimination Act and/or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

In addition to Gillibrand, the letter was signed by Senators Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Sherrod Brown (D-OH), Bob Casey (D-PA), Bernie Sanders (I-VT) and Elizabeth Warren (D-MA).

In the letter, the senators noted that there "appears to be a concerning pattern of mistreatment of pregnant employees at Amazon fulfillment centers" and requested that EEOC Chair Burrows "take all appropriate steps to investigate and address Amazon's systemic failure to provide adequate accommodations, including modification of job duties and time off for pregnancy-related medical needs, under the Pregnancy Discrimination Act and Americans with Disabilities Act in the interest of the health and safety of pregnant workers."

The letter highlights two specific cases. First, it highlights the case of Michelle Posey, an Amazon employee with a high-risk pregnancy who was allegedly denied repeated requests for a transfer to a more suitable position and penalized for pregnancy-related absences. The second case concerns Patty Hernandez, a former packer at an Amazon fulfillment center who was allegedly denied requests for lighter duty and who miscarried at seven weeks.

Between 2015 and 2019, former Amazon employees filed at least seven lawsuits alleging that Amazon wrongfully terminated them during their pregnancies and failed to accommodate rudimentary requests such as more frequent bathroom breaks and fewer continuous hours on their feet. Nationally, Amazon operates roughly 110 fulfillment centers, and its electronic monitoring of employees at these facilities creates a fast-paced, physically demanding workplace environment. According to the Centers for Disease Control's National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, physically strenuous labor can not only pose increased risks of injury for pregnant individuals, but may increase the likelihood of miscarriage or preterm birth.

Attorney General James Secures Nearly Half a Billion Dollars to Resolve Illegal Stock and Cryptocurrency Sales

GTV Media Group and Saraca Media Group Unlawfully Sold Stocks and Digital Instruments Without Registering in New York

NEW YORK - New York Attorney General Letitia James today announced she has secured a recovery of nearly half a billion dollars unlawfully obtained from investors who financially backed GTV Media Group, Inc. and its parent company, Saraca Media Group, Inc. The agreement signed with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) lays out how the two companies - tied to Chinese billionaire Guo Wengui and, previously, to Steve Bannon, who briefly served as a non-executive director of GTV Media - unlawfully sold stocks and two digital instruments promoted as cryptocurrencies without registering in New York state, and forces the companies to pay \$479.9 million to settle claims that they failed to register as securities dealers and/or commodities broker-dealers.

"No matter how powerful or how rich, companies in New York must follow the law," said Attorney General James. "In a single year - as the nation faced a pandemic and a financial crisis - GTV Media and Saraca Media's corporate greed led the companies to illegally take in nearly half a billion dollars from investors by cutting corners and failing to follow New York laws. Firms that want to sell stocks and digital currencies to New York investors or conduct business in New York must abide by the

same regulations as everyone else. We secured a recovery of \$480 million dollars and are forcing these companies to play by the rules because no company is above the law."

GTV Media was founded in April 2020 and is majority-owned by Saraca Media. Both are New York-based media companies that operate Chinese-language news and social media platforms. Attorney General James' investigation revealed that GTV Media conducted an offer and sale of its stock, beginning in April 2020, that raised hundreds of millions of dollars from over 1,200 investors, including from dozens of New Yorkers.

Simultaneously with the stock offering, in May 2020, GTV Media and Saraca Media conducted pre-sales of two digital instruments - G-Coin and G-Dollar - that were promoted as digital or cryptocurrencies. These pre-sales raised more than \$30 million in additional money from purchasers.

Under New York's Martin Act, GTV Media and Saraca Media were required to register as securities dealers and/or commodities broker-dealers in selling the stock and digital instruments, but failed to do so.

Under the agreement announced today, GTV Media and Saraca Media will get credit toward the \$479.9 million settlement for payments that they make to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with that agency's investigation. Money secured by this agreement will be placed in a fund to provide money back to harmed investors.

This matter was handled by Assistant Attorneys General Jonathan Bashi, Jesse Devine, Rita Burghardt McDonough, and former Volunteer Assistant Attorney General Dih-Lin Wong, with assistance from Legal Assistant Pascual Noble and former intern Deandra Denton - all of the Investor Protection Bureau and under the supervision of Acting Bureau Chief Scott J. Spiegelman, Acting Deputy Bureau Chief Shamiso Maswoswe, and former Bureau Chief Peter Pope. The Investor Protection Bureau is a part of the Division for Economic Justice, which is led by Chief Deputy Attorney General Chris D'Angelo and is overseen by First Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Levy.



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SC Chamber of Commerce

Monticello September 10, 2021: The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the 2021-2022 Executive Officers and Board of Directors.

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Tenney Presses Secretary Blinken on Disastrous and Deadly Afghanistan Withdrawal

Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22), member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, today grilled Secretary of State Antony Blinken over the Biden Administration's deadly withdrawal from Afghanistan. The catastrophic retreat resulted in the tragic deaths of 13 U.S. service members and many more Afghan civilians. It also left stranded thousands of American citizens and paved the way for the terrorist Taliban's total takeover of the country.

During the hearing, Congresswoman Tenney pressed Secretary Blinken for a commitment to safely evacuate from Afghanistan a 2-year-old child, who is an American citizen, and their accompanying family members, who are lawful permanent residents. Tenney's office has been in regular contact with the family to arrange for their evacuation. However, the State Department has so far not committed to facilitating the group's travel back to the United States, despite the very real threats they face on the ground.

Tenney also pressed Secretary Blinken for answers on the decision to sequence the withdrawal of U.S. forces prior to the evacuation of all American citizens and Afghan allies.

Since Biden's reckless retreat from Afghanistan last month, Tenney has been leading the charge in Congress for answers and accountability. On August 19, in addition to calling for a full congressional inquiry into the catastrophe, Tenney reiterated her call for President Biden to resign from office, noting that his mishandling of the crisis shattered all confidence in his ability to serve as our Commander in Chief. Tenney subsequently led 26 of her House colleagues in calling on Biden to release the full transcripts of his July 23 call with then-Afghan

President Ashraf Ghani after it was reported that Biden asked Ghani to deliberately misrepresent the situation on the ground in Afghanistan. On August 27, Tenney also called on Speaker Pelosi to begin impeachment proceedings.

Congresswoman Tenney Applauds Texas for Adopting Commonsense Election Reforms

Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22), co-chair of the House Election Integrity Caucus, today issued the following statement applauding Texas Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas legislature for passing legislation to strengthen election security.

"After a long fight and massive disinformation campaign led by President Biden and others on the left, Texas Governor Greg Abbott finally signed a critical election integrity bill into law. As co-chair of the House Election Integrity Caucus, I commend Governor Abbott and the Texas legislature for doing the right thing and fighting to protect every Texan's sacred right to vote. SB-1's commonsense, widely supported provisions to strengthen voter ID and end ballot harvesting will restore faith in the democratic process in Texas.

"The left continues to pedal the false narrative that election reforms are an assault on democracy, but this rhetoric is out of touch with reality. It did not work in Georgia, it did not work in Texas and it will not work in other states looking to secure their elections," Tenney said. "The American people overwhelmingly support commonsense election safeguards like voter ID. Responsible elected officials across the country must be unified in their mission of making it easier to vote and much harder to cheat."

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The murder of the owner of a stagecoach station is
 one of the reasons a gunman takes his place at the
 way station.



Watch Richard Egan tame the west as he possibly falls for what may be the
 love of his life. **Directed by Charles Marquis Warren, and starring,**
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Not the best "YOUNG GUNS" film my opinion. The 1988 version is my favorite, however! In 1897 a typical bad boy youth falls in with the wrong crowd. **Directed by Albert Band, and starring Russ Tamblyn, Gloria Talbott and Perry Lopez.**

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(1959 / 2H 21M | WESTERN | TV-14)



A sheriff enlists a long time "ole buddy," Dean Martin –playing a great Sheriff that lost his nerve, and is now the town drunk. A youngster, and an old man try to help fight off a ruthless cattle men. **Directed by Howard Hawks, and starring John Wayne, Dean Martin and Ricky Nelson**

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THE LEFT HANDED GUN

(1958 / 1H 42M | WESTERN | TV-PG)



Up there with the best is Paul Newman's portrayal of William Bonny alias "Billy the Kid," caught in the middle in an very political Lincoln County Cattle War.

Director Arthur Penn, starring Paul Newman, Lita Milan, John Dehner

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