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## Congratulations to Tri-Valley Speech Language Pathologist



The Tri-Valley Teachers' Association (TVTA) would like to recognize and congratulate Mrs. Samantha Price for recently receiving tenure as a Speech Language Pathologist at Tri-Valley Central School.

Samantha has been at Tri-Valley for four years now. Before coming to Tri-Valley, she also worked at Monticello school in a leave replacement position. (Contd. Pg. 2)

## NEW!! The Townsman Local Artist/Crafter of the Month

### Two Artists with the Same Passion

My name is Tina and my fiance's name is Michael. We started M & T Wood Working and Glass.



This started out as a hobby for Michael when he was 12 years old. He started this craft with wood and some small hand tools in his mother's basement. It soon became a

passion for him.

By the time he was 16 years of age he bought his first authentic scroll saw. (Contd. Pg. 9)



## The Pumpkins are Here for the 34th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party!

Join us for the 34th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade held Saturday, October 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be entertainment for all and plenty of contests with cash prizes! Like the Giant Pumpkin Contest! The Theme Float contest! Pump-kin Decorating and Design a Scarecrow Contest! The all new Country Bake Contest! And the 28th Annual Hay Bale Throw Contest! For more information, call the Daniel Pierce Library at (845) 985-7233 or visit the Giant Pumpkin Party page on the library website [www.danielpiercelibrary.org](http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org).



This year's theme is **A UNIVERSE OF STORIES!** It's a family day out in the country with something for everyone - pony rides, petting zoo, hay rides, hay maze, a Better Book Sale, and other amusements! This year entertainment, the Giant Pumpkin Party is thrilled to welcome the Manaklin Brothers, playing country music new and old along with 50's and 60's rock n Roll.

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



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The weather was perfect, everyone had smiles as they greeted each other, and there were tractors and trains and everything in between. Yes, we are talking about the Neversink Parks and Recreation Annual Community Yard and Vendor Sale, the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Tractor Show & Swap Meet, and the Grahamsville Rod and Gun Club Flea Market that was held at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville this past weekend. (Cont. Pg. 8)



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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

St. John 16:33

## OBITUARY

**Robert Friedman**, sculptor, lecturer and educator in the Education Dept. of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in Manhattan, died at home in Parkville NY on September 16. He was 89 years old. Born in Brooklyn, he lived in Greenwich Village, Tribeca, and for the last 20 years in Neversink with Peggy, his wife of 55 years.

Surviving him are children Matthew Friedman & Susannah Vickers, granddaughters Rory Friedman & Cece Vickers, nephew David Friedman & cousin Arnold Weiner. He was a kind, smart, and funny man who loved art, music, food, family, and good friends. Robert's work has been exhibited in museums and galleries in the United States and abroad, as well as in private collections. He graduated from Cooper Union Art School; Yale University School of Art - BFA; and New York University's Institute of Fine Arts - MA in Art History.

After a productive career sculpting, exhibiting, lecturing, and running outreach programs for the Met Museum, he and Peggy sold their Tribeca loft on Manhattan's Lower West Side, and moved upstate to their weekend house in the mountains. The move was almost a whim, but Robert said, "I never thought I would own a tree." His garden also gave him great pleasure.

He had a studio to continue sculpting and was active with local arts groups, such as the Catskill Artists Gallery in Liberty (open for 15 years), of which he was a founding member.

Memorial Service is Saturday Sept. 28, 1 pm at Harris Funeral Home, 115 West St., Liberty. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Neversink Volunteer Fire Department EMS, PO Box 468, Neversink NY 12765.

## ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Congratulations to Philip and Carolyn Coombe who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on September 26.

We all wish you many more years of happiness together.

## THANK YOU

The family of Keil and Emily Hornbeck wish to thank the Grahamsville Firemen, the Grahamsville Ambulance crew, the NYC DEP and everyone else that came to their rescue.

Emily said it best, "I am so glad I live in a community where everyone knows me."

Thank you,  
Elise, Adam, Melanie and Narda

## DAYS OF YORE...

### Today's History

September 28, 1948 - not available.

### September 23, 1959

At Turner Air Force Base in Georgia, the Operations section of the Combat Defense Squadron is headed by Lieutenant James H. Grey of Grahamsville. James is the son of Mrs. E. Grey of Sundown Road.

To the regret of many, the Little Red House at Lows Corners closed for the season this past Sunday. It was scheduled to remain open through October, but unseasonably cold weather made it necessary to close earlier a the house is not winterized.

When the frost is on the pumpkin,  
And a nip s in the air,  
Pancakes and sausage,  
make good and hearty fare.  
KUM TO KRUM'S

Miss Julianne Nash left for Cotland State Teachers College, September 9th where she is a freshman in the Physical Ed. Dept.

Mr. Louis Rubenzahl left on Sunday or his Senior year in Law School at N.Y.U.

Mrs Josephine Waters of Binghamton, Ny is spending some time with her grand daughter, Mrs. Peter Telfer and family caring for the children while Mrs. Telfer is filling in at the school for Mrs. Donald Hill for a few weeks.

Mr. Jack Buswell, who entered R.P.I. last week for his Freshman year has entered in the R.O.T.C. Air Force Program.

### September 24, 1969

Rev. Dr. John H. McCoombes, a former pastor of the United Methodist Church in Grahamsville, passed away last week. A collection is being taken by his many friends for the Grahamsville United Methodist Church. Anyone wishing to donate to this memorial fund, please contact Mrs. Robert Mickelson, Grahamsville, NY.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark and family moved into their recently purchased home last Thursday, the former home of Mrs. William H. VanBenshoten, who now resides in Liberty with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Fluma Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hornbeck are sporting a brand new Dodge Dart.

Mrs. Robert many was the hostess at the Alchemy Club picnic at her home on Wednesday.

### September 20, 1979

J. Robert Kelz, Superintendent reported that school opened for students on September 5th with enrollment of 1024 students, a slight decrease since last year. Bert Kooi was introduced to and welcomed by the student body as the first foreign exchange student in several years. Bert is from the Netherlands and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Nyhof and family for the 1979-1980 school year. He is enrolled in a full secondary program in 12th grade.

Mike Rant was one of 40 candidates at a week long Office Candidate School at the N.Y. Military Academy. The completing in military techniques included rifle and saber drill. Mike placed first, receiving the superintendent's gold medal and was named First Captain in command of the 440 member Corps of Cadets.

Chris and Ginny Crowfoot of Franklinville, NJ are now permanent residents of Sundown, having bought the Raymond George house across from the Methodist Church. Welcome to Sundown.

Elise Hornbeck and Frank and Linda Comando helped Mildred Greenrose celebrate her '39th' birthday again on Saturday.

On Thursday, Mrs. Nellie Cypert entertained several ladies at a luncheon in her home. The day was a real treat for Mrs. Carrie Muthig, who is confined to a wheelchair. She was especially surprised and thrilled to see Mrs. Jack O'Toole who was Carrie's first school teacher at the old school house on Thunder Hill.

A petition is being circulated that will place various questions of the Alcohol Beverage Control Laws before the voters this November.

## Congratulations to Tri-Valley Speech Language Pathologist

(From Pg. 1) Samantha received her Bachelor's Degree in Communication Disorders from SUNY New Paltz. She also received her Master's Degree in Speech Language Pathology from SUNY New Paltz.

When asked what she enjoys most about her job, Samantha referenced her students right away. She commented that, "I love seeing the pride a student feels when he or she starts to notice his or her own progress towards a speech goal, and that the hard work can pay off!"

In addition to teaching, Samantha is very engaged outside of the classroom. She regularly attends the Color Run, Trunk or Treat, the Giant Pumpkin Party, and other athletic events.

Congratulations again to Samantha for her wonderful accomplishment!

## A Round About Tri-Valley

- Carol Furman

Congratulations to Kory and Katje O'Sullivan Krier of Grahamsville on the birth of their son, Konrad, on September 13th. Konrad has two older sisters.

I recently heard that Daniel and Jenna Knox had a baby girl. Ellie Shea Knox was born on July 3rd and is the granddaughter of Mary Knox and the great granddaughter of Rose Ann Knox and the late George Knox Sr.

On September 17th, George Dexheimer of Neversink celebrated his 90th birthday! Everyone who attended the Grahamsville Methodist Church Luncheon sang happy birthday to George. Happy belated birthday wishes to Shirley Davis, wife of former Tri-Valley guidance counselor, Owen Davis and a former Grahamsville resident. Shirley, who turned 80, resides at an assisted living facility in the Goshen area.

Don Philips of Neversink is on the mend following knee replacement surgery. He's finally cleared to drive a car again!

The Grahamsville Reformed Church's roast beef dinner, held on September 14th, was quite successful. They served 210 dinners and unfortunately, some hungry patrons had to be turned away at the door shortly before 7:00 pm. The next dinner will be on Saturday, October 12th - a roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

It was a beautiful day for Frost Valley's "Farm Day" which was held on September 22nd. All who attended seemed to have a great time!

The weather also cooperated for the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Show, the Neversink Parks and Rec Yard Sale and the Grahamsville Rod and Gun Club Flea Market.

Some of you may remember Barbara and Lou Boncek from Grahamsville. Both Barbara and Lou retired from teaching at Tri-Valley in 1986. Lou has been in a nursing home for some time and can not appreciate receiving cards or letters. Barbara, however, who had been staying with her son and daughter-in-law, has recently moved to an assisted living facility and would enjoy receiving cards and notes from friends, former students and co-workers. Her address is: Mrs. Barbara Boncek, 200 Woodland Pond Circle, Apt. 2122, New Paltz, NY 12561. Many may remember Barbara from the lovely poems she had published in the Alchemist, a book of poems written and compiled by the Alchemy Poetry Club members.

### Words of Wisdom:

#### A Hanger Marked "Yesterday"

by Barbara Boncek

Please, let me wear today a bit longer.  
I had no time to smooth out the wrinkles, feel the texture,  
Cuddle in the warmth of its twenty four gores  
Before it was snatched away and placed on a hanger.  
A hanger marked, "yesterday".  
I have a closet full of "yesterdays",  
Slender silk days,  
Short, angry, red days,  
Each stays and stays,  
Gathering memory dust.  
But today is new and I am stronger.  
So, please, let me wear today just a bit longer.

### Tri-Valley Lions Club News July-August

Our July member meeting was the start of the 2019-2020 year with new officers: Jo Colon, President; Stephen Mill, 1st Vice President; Hugh Delaney, 2nd Vice President; Carmen Salvemini, Secretary; Dennis Waxman, Treasurer; Frances Fuller, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Lou Vernooy, Membership Chairman; Tonya Martin, Lion Tamer; Leslie Lo Frese, Tail Twister; Directors: William Brenner, William Delaney, Clarie Rennison, Gene Frohlich and Stuart Wizwer.

A \$1,000 donation was sent to Building Eyes for the Blind as on one was able to attend Lions Day this year, a \$250 donation was made to Vision Center for Blindness.

The August member meeting was Soda Booth Clean-ups in preparation of the summer events: The Little World's Fair, August 15, 16, 17 & 18 was the first. The Youth Sportsman Expo on September 14, Antique Machinery Show and Rod & Gun Club Flea Market on September 21 & 22. Then to finish up, the Giant Pumpkin Party on October 5th.

Thank you to all who donate eyeglasses in our boxes or give to members. Boxes are in Catskill Hudson Bank, Daniel Pierce Library, Grahamsville Town Hall and Neversink General Store.

We wish everyone an enjoyable autumn.

## WOW! Water on Water Exhibit Closing Reception and 50/50 Silent Auction

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] A closing reception and 50/50 Silent Auction for the exhibit WOW! Water on Water: Watercolor Paintings of the Watersheds will be held on Sunday, October 6 at 2 p.m., at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County.

Meet the artists and take a last look at the beautiful watercolor paintings of many areas, including the Rondout, Neversink and Ashokan reservoirs, at reception for the closing of this popular exhibition. Many of the paintings in the exhibition are available through a silent 50/50 auction. Bidding is possible throughout the reception (phone and email bids accepted) ending at 4 p.m.. 50% of the proceeds from the sale of each painting will go to the Museum and be used to help fund future exhibitions. For further information and to see photos of the available paintings go to [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org), or contact the Museum to be emailed a complete list.

The reception is FREE and all are invited. RSVP Acceptances Only to 845 985-7700 or [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org). For further information please contact Donna Steffens at 845 985-7700 or email [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org).

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day, Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. and weekends in September.

Current exhibitions:

- 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 newly renovated exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.

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

- o WOW: Water on Water! watercolor paintings of the watersheds

- o 1930s Lost Catskill Farm which includes a 1870s barn, milk house, outhouse, electric plant, workshop with working water wheel and 1880s farm house. Open Weekends ONLY.

The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville Sullivan County. Adults admission is a suggested donation of \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday.

As a Blue Star Museum, the Museum offers free admission to active duty military members and up to five family members. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) or visit [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org). Groups, camps and schools are always welcome - Guided tours are conducted for groups of 15 to 100 people throughout the year.

### Friends of Local History Partner with the Time & the Valleys Museum to Preserve History of Local One and Two Room Schoolhouses

Did you or someone you know attend a 1 or 2 room school in the Tri-Valley area? The Friends of Local History are partnering with the Time & the Valleys Museum to preserve as much of the history of these schools as possible. (Contd. Pg. 4)



Young Inez George (later Gridley) riding her horse from Sundown to her first teaching job at the Greenville one room school. She went on to work in numerous one room schools before her teaching job at Tri-Valley Central School.

### 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 and Barbara Slater.

### What's the Winter going to be Like?

#### Find a woolly bear and make a prediction

Woolly Bears are out in force this time of year, clustered by the dozen, their 13 sets of legs scampering for all they're worth.

The woolly bear caterpillars are furry little things, that are black and rusty-colored. Its bristly hairs look like it's



Woolly Bear in our backyard last Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2019

wearing too much hair gel, keeping a coiffure design to make predators think it would hurt to eat one.

The Woolly Bear is the larva stage of an Isabella tiger moth. It is so celebrated that several woolly bear festivals are held each year in the fall when the caterpillars pop up all over the place.

The reason for the Woolly Bear's popularity among caterpillars is its knack for predicting the weather. Lore says this little fuzzy critter can tell us what kind of winter it's going to be.

Winter lasts about 13 weeks and the Woolly Bear has 13 segments to its body. According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, if more of the 13 segments are the rusty orange color, winter will be mild. If more of the segments are black, it's will be a nasty season of cold, wind and snow.

As soon as winter begins, we usually forget about what's happening to the Woolly Bear caterpillar. But, for those who would like to know, they go into hibernation, usually in a sheltered spot in a fallen log, under a stone, or another good winter hiding place where they will produce a kind of antifreeze that protects their organs and other soft tissues while the rest of the caterpillar freezes solid over the winter. Because of this, they can survive temperatures as low as -90 degrees Fahrenheit!

When temperatures approach 50 degrees during the daytime next spring, the woolly bear caterpillar thaws and starts moving around again, ravenously eating greens like dandelions. When they have eaten enough, they will spin a fuzzy cocoon, using their own fur, and begin the transformation into their adult stage. Once a woolly bear has made its cocoon, which it will normally attach to grass or a twig, it will stay inside for somewhere between 10 to 15 days before emerging as an adult Isabella tiger moth.



Here are a few more Old Wive's Tales that are signs of a hard winter ahead:

Thicker-than-normal corhusks; woodpeckers sharing a tree; the early arrival of the snowy owl; the Early departure of geese and ducks; the early migration of the monarch butterfly; thick hair on the nape of a cow's neck; heavy and numerous fogs during August; raccoons with thick tails and bright bands; mice chewing furiously to get into your home; the early arrival of crickets on the hearth; Spiders spinning larger-than-usual webs and entering the house in great numbers; pigs gathering sticks; ants marching in a line rather than meandering; early seclusion of bees within the hive; unusual abundance of acorns; muskrats burrowing holes high on the river bank; and "See how high the hornet's nest, 'twill tell how high the snow will rest; squirrels gathering nuts early to fortify against a hard winter. and frequent halos or rings around the sun or moon forecasts numerous snowfalls.

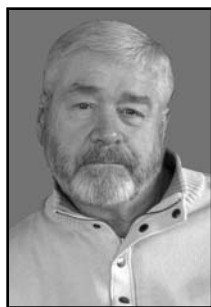
We generally believe these to be an old wives' tale, but there does seem to be some scientific evidence backing the hypothesis of the Woolly Bear. In 1948 a curator of insects at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City took his wife up to Bear Mountain, NY and collected as many woolly bears as they could find, averaging the number of colored body segments and reporting to a weather writer. He did this for eight straight years and, apparently, the averages accurately predicted the weather.

Contrary to this belief, the National Weather Service snubs its nose at the theory. But there's time - winter officially starts on Dec. 21 - and plenty of woollies around for you to decide for yourself.

### Household Hints

#### Trap fruit flies

Did you bring home fruit flies from the market? You can make traps for them that can be used anywhere around your house by filling an old jar about halfway with apple cider. Punch a few holes in the lid, screw it back on, and you're good to go.



## Hudson's Kill

### Mysterious Book Report No. 389

by John Dwaine McKenna

Although they're few and far between . . . "Rare as hen's teeth," as my old Irish mother used to say . . . some authors show early on in their careers that they are on the way to literary greatness, and destined to leave a wordsmith's mark on the world. Writer Paddy Hirsch is such a one. And now, less than twelve months after his electrifying debut, *The Devil's Half Mile*, (MBR No. 352, 01 Nov '18) comes his second historical thriller: *Hudson's Kill*, (Forge, \$25.99, 336 pages, ISBN 978-0-7653-9916-8).

*Hudson's Kill* begins in the year 1803, at the burgeoning, lawless and deadly southern tip of Manhattan Island, where the city of New York is developing its master plan for how the metropolis will be laid out and built. The city is teeming with speculators, schemers and scalawags of every type known to the human race, each of whom are trying to outdo the others in grabbing the most real estate riches. In addition, there's the usual allotment of corrupt officials, thugs, criminals, killers, con artists, gang leaders, rapists and thieves . . . as well as all of the rapacious stock, bond, and commodities traders who frequent the Tontine Coffee House,

where they buy and sell all day long.

New York's a miasma of social, political and financial tensions, to which racial unrest must also be added, for slavery was legal at the time in New York, (it was not abolished until 1827,) and all of the factions are battling for control of the city.

Against that unstable and highly charged background of social unrest, a young woman of color is found stabbed to death in an alley. A mere girl, barely in her teens, her murder sets serial characters Kerry O'Toole, a schoolteacher, one-time pickpocket and courtesan . . . along with City Marshall Justy Flannagan, a former Fenian, Irish rebel and émigré to America . . . on divergent paths, but with the same goal: find the person who did it. Kerry goes undercover, while Justy uses all the powers of his office to bring the perpetrator to the gallows. It's a dark and dangerous undertaking that will lead them both to the same reclusive colony of criminal religionists who are hiding in plain sight in the area known as Hudson's Kill. "There, they uncover a craven political conspiracy bound up with a criminal enterprise stunning in its depravity," according to the liner notes, and the MBR could not have said it better.

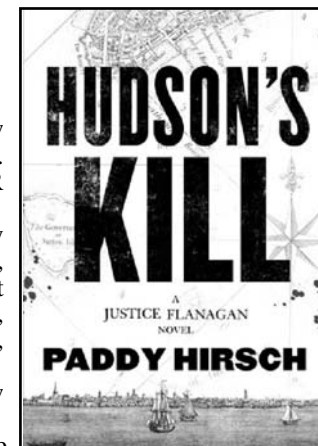
*Hudson's Kill* establishes Paddy Hirsch in the forefront of current thriller writers with its compelling prose and kinetic plot, as well as its dynamic and skillful storytelling that will educate and entertain all whodunnit lovers . . . while leaving them thinking that the next installment of this outstanding series can't come soon enough!

And Hey! When you have a moment, please check out our secure, all brand-new and combined website that's redesigned, prettier, simple to use, and makes it as easy as pie to send us your comments! Please do. We're looking forward to hearing from all of you.

Go to:

Johndwainemckenna.com or Mysteriousbookreport.com

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### Friends of Local History Partner with the Time & the Valleys Museum to Preserve History of Local

#### One and Two Room Schoolhouses

(From Pg. 3) The group has a number of goals, among them the development of an exhibit at the museum and the placing of historical markers at certain locations by applying for a grant to fund them.

To achieve these goals, we need the help of many people. If you have any information about one or more of these schools, would you be willing to share it with us? Do you know someone who attended a school in the Neversink, Denning, Wawarsing or Fallsburg townships? Would you be willing to be interviewed? Do you have any documents or photos that you would like to see preserved? If so, contact the Time & the Valleys Museum. Our email is info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org. The Friends of Local History also welcomes volunteers who want to help with the project. The next meeting will be held on October 9th at 10 am at the Daniel Pierce Library. For more information contact Lynn Priebe, chair of the group or Carol Smythe, Town of Neversink Historian.

### Note to Our Readers:

As I sat on the grass-covered hill at the Little World's Fair this year, watching my favorite event, the Draft Horse Pull, I glanced up at the mountains and realized that in a few weeks I would be vacationing in Scotland. I wondered if there was a "Little World's Fair" in Scotland.

Doing a bit of on-line research, I discovered the fifth and final part of the Scottish Highland Games would be in the town of Pitlochry on my last full day in Scotland. I booked train tickets and set off.

What a day it was! At each stop, the train became more crowded, filling up with happy fairgoers as well as a few drum and bagpipe players.

The little town was beautiful and each event was wonderful: the Tug-of-War, the Highland Dancing, Throwing the Hammer, Tossing the Caber, with men, women, and children all competing in various classes of the events. Then fifteen different drum and bagpipe bands came marching in one by one, competing for their top spot.

As I sat on the grass-covered hill at the Pitlochry Highland Games in Scotland, I glanced up at the mountains and realized I longed to come home - home to my beloved Catskill Mountains. (Google "Pitlochry Highland Games 2019" and click Images to view some of the events.)

Vivian Vican  
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### Banned Books Week September 22 - 28, 2019 Celebrating the 37th Anniversary of the Freedom to Read

More than a book a day faces expulsion from free and open public access in U.S. schools and libraries every year. There have been more than 10,000 attempts since the American Library Association (ALA) began electronically compiling and publishing information on book challenges in 1990. Thirty-seven years after the first observance of Banned Books Week there are still attempts to remove books from public library shelves.

In one case, the Plymouth-Canton school district in Michigan considered banning both Toni Morrison's *Beloved* and Graham Swift's *Waterland* after complaints from some parents of objectionable content. Both books were eventually allowed to stay on school shelves after a review committee heard from teachers, students and parents in support of the books during public meetings. But, unfortunately, even with the help of outspoken supporters, books are still being removed.

*Forever* by Judy Blume was one of more than 70 titles a Fayetteville, AR, mother requested be removed in 2012. Twenty-five years earlier, the book was restricted in the Park Hill (MO) South Junior High School library because the book promotes "the stranglehold of humanism on life in America."

"Throughout history, there always have been a few people who don't want information to be freely available. And this is still true. We hope to remind Americans that the ability to read, speak, think and express ourselves freely is a right, not a privilege," said ALA President Wanda Brown. "The reason more books aren't banned is because community residents — with librarians, teachers and journalists — stand up and speak out for their freedom to read. Banned Books Week reminds us that we must remain vigilant."

The ALA and the Ramapo Catskill Library System are endorsing the observance of Banned Books Week September 22 - 28, an annual celebration of our right to access books without censorship. This observance commemorates the most basic freedom in a democratic society - the freedom to read freely - and encourages us not to take this freedom for granted.

"Banned Books Week is about choice and respecting the rights of others to choose for themselves and their families what they wish to read," says Grace Riario, Executive Director of the Ramapo Catskill Library System. "Book banning and challenging has a domino effect. If we stand by and let the first book come off the shelf, we run the risk they will all come tumbling down. American libraries are the cornerstones of our democracy. Libraries are for everyone, everywhere. Because libraries provide free access to a world of information, they bring opportunity to all people."

Challenges and attempts to remove books during the past year are as strong as ever. Challenges are defined as formal, written complaints filed with a library or school requesting that materials be removed because of content or appropriateness. About 70 percent of challenges take place in schools and school libraries. According to James LaRue, director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom, the number of challenges reflects only incidents reported, and for each one reported, four or five remain unreported.

"We are as busy as we've ever been in fighting censorship attempts in schools and libraries," LaRue said. "Libraries are no longer simply about books — but also about DVDs, videogames and online information."

"Young Adult books are challenged more frequently than any other type of book," said Judith Platt, chair of the Banned

Books Week National Committee. "These are the books that speak most immediately to young people, dealing with many of the difficult issues that arise in their own lives, or in the lives of their friends. These are the books that give young readers the ability to safely explore the sometimes scary real world and allow them the freedom to read books that are relevant for them, and to be able to make their own reading choices."

In recent years, the majority of the most frequently challenged books in libraries have been Young Adult (YA) titles. The top five most challenged books in 2018 reflect a range of themes, and consist of the following titles:

1. *George* by Alex Gino
2. *A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo* by Jill Twiss
3. *Captain Underpants* series by Dav Pilkey
4. *The Hate You Give* by Angie Thomas
5. *Drama* by Raina Telgemeier

Banned Books Week is sponsored by the American Booksellers Association, the American Booksellers Foundation for Free Expression, the ALA, the Association of American Publishers, the American Society of Journalists and Authors, and the National Association of College Stores. It is endorsed by the Library of Congress Center for the Book.

Now, more than ever, celebrate the freedom to read @ your library! American libraries are the cornerstones of our democracy. Libraries are for everyone, everywhere. Is your favorite book safe? Don't close the book on your freedom to read. Because libraries provide free access to a world of information and they bring opportunity to all people. Remember, think for yourself and let others do the same. Elect to read an old favorite or a new banned book this week.

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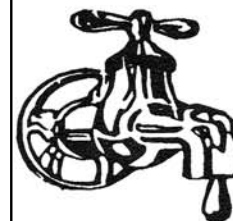


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## Many Hands Make Light Work



Sometimes pictures speak louder than words. Here are three thousand plus words to show the good works of good people helping to brighten, beautify and contribute to the lives of others. As of this printing, the scaffolding is down and the mural ready for viewing, and the quilts are being distributed. It is a better world this week.



After worship today at Christ Lutheran Church in Woodstock, members of the congregation helped to put the final layer of varnish on the new mural, "Woodstock Visual Peace," by Woodstock artist and CLC member Julia Santos Solomon. The mural is on the fellowship hall that serves the Daily Bread Soup Kitchen.



Join us for the official dedication and ribbon cutting next week, Sunday, September 22nd at 1 p.m. The mural was inspired by our beautiful Ashokan Reservoir.

### Saturday, October 5th, 4:30pm at the Claryville Event Center of the Blue Hill Lodge, 1471 Denning Rd. Claryville, NY

Join us and learn how hemlock trees contribute to forest and river ecosystem health. Develop a deeper understanding of what we lose when we lose hemlock forests. Discover how eastern hemlock forests help conserve water quality of Catskill rivers, offer ideal fish habitat conditions, and strengthen stream banks. Discussion will be led by Radka Wildova and Jonathan Rosenthal of Ecological Research Institute. To register for this event, please email info@rondoutneversink.org or call 845-985-2581. Event brought to you by Rondout Neversink Stream Program.

### Ellenville Library Invites Local Author Carol Bergman for Reading/Signing of New Murder Mystery SAY NOTHING

October 8th event continues series of book readings and signings

ELLENVILLE, NY, September 12, 2019 - The Ellenville Public Library, in its continuing series of celebrating local authors, has scheduled a book reading and signing by Ulster County resident Carol Bergman, a longtime journalist, essayist and author of fiction and non-fiction, on Tuesday, October 8 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

Published in the spring of 2019, her unconventional murder mystery/thriller, SAY NOTHING, is set in upstate New York where private Investigator Margaret Singer and New York State Police Senior Investigator Charlie Griffith team up to solve the disappearance of a decorated Iraq veteran, David Rizzo. Not far into the investigation, the seasoned detectives realize that the young man's disappearance is only one of several related crimes committed in their jurisdiction and that the FBI has taken a controlling interest in the case and invoked the Patriot Act. When David's girlfriend and a young Afghan girl are found murdered, the case becomes even more complex and challenging.



At each turn in the investigation, the sense of danger intensifies. Is the FBI protecting a killer? Why is the Patriot Act invoked? Will David be found dead or alive?

"What ensues is larger and more complex than they, had ever imagined," says Bergman. "A political thriller, a murder mystery and a meditation on the futility of war, SAY NOTHING will twist its way into your psyche and not let go."

"We're thrilled to have Carol as our next guest author," says Kristin Fowler, library director. "Her recent writers' workshop, "Inspired by Nature Writing," was a success, which led us to extend her an invitation to showcase her recently published SAY NOTHING."

Carol Bergman is a journalist whose articles, essays and interviews have appeared in "The New York Times," "Cosmopolitan" and Salon.com. Her essay, "Objects of Desire" was nominated for the Pushcart Prize. She's written biographies of Mae West and Sidney Poitier; a memoir, "Searching for Fritzi," two novellas, "Sitting for Klimt" and "Water Baby," and "Nomads," a collection of flash fictions. She compiled and edited "Another Day in Paradise: International Humanitarian Workers Tell Their Stories," nominated for the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize. She lives in New Paltz, NY and since 1997 teaches writing at NYU as well as SUNY Ulster Writing Center. Carol has a BA from the University of California at Berkeley and an MA in Media Studies from The New School. She is one of the founding faculty of Gotham Writers' Workshop. She is also a writing coach, book doctor, editor and co-owner of Mediacs, an independent publishing house.

The Ellenville Library is located at 40 Center Street, Ellenville, NY. For more information, call 845-647-5530.

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Residents may remember him as the Founder and Artistic Director of The Liberty Free Theatre, a free theatre which ran for ten years as a public service for the underserved community of Sullivan County. Paul has acted and directed On and Off Broadway, Off-Off Broadway, summer stock, and regional theatres around the nation, as well as acting for television and film, including roles on *West Wing*, *Law and Order*, and the films, *Palookaville*, *Thirteen Conversations*, *Tune in Tomorrow*, and *Sommersby*.

His writing has appeared in such publications as *This Land*, *Sugar Mule*, *Oklahoma Review*, *More Monologues by Men*, *Newport Review*, and two of his poems are published in *Speak Your Mind*, the 2019 anthology of Woody Guthrie Poets. He's currently working on three other collections *Actors*, *Mother and Son*, and *Persons of Influence*.

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All proceeds from this event are for the benefit of Brianna Worden, who is living with NEUROFIBROMATOSIS Type 1, a disorder that causes tumors to grow along the nerves of the body. Brianna will be spending the next several weeks in Boston, MA as she begins an experimental chemotherapy, in the hopes of saving her left arm.

While Albi is now very well-known and in demand throughout Ulster and Sullivan County and surrounding areas, Albi remains a favorite in our local Tri-Valley community – the community that claims Albi as their own!  
You may have seen Albi in one of the plays he performed, while still a student at Tri-Valley back in the '90's or later when he performed in many other productions throughout Sullivan County.

Now we know Albi as an outstanding musician – a guitar player-singer, who has honed his craft to perfection. He is self-taught with a style of his own that covers a very wide spectrum of music.  
Recently Albi has become a favorite at the Russian Mule, performing for an audience of friends, new and old.  
Please come and enjoy the afternoon as Albi presents what he does best - a solo performance of the songs and music that we all love.

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were available at the Tri-Valley Lions Club Soda Booth and other tasty goodies offered from various vendors.

For the sportsmen – Hunting & Fishing Supplies, Archery, and Knives could be purchased at the Grahamsville Rod and Gun Club Building where they held their big flea market.

There was a Car Club Cruise that featured any make, any model **Classic, Hotrod, Low ride, Tuner and Motorcycles.**

And of course, the main event, the Neversink Parks and Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft and Vendor Fair. There was something for everyone. And how did this all come together so well? A lot of planning, work and love from Parks and Rec Director, Jamie Brooks

**A BIG THANK YOU to JAMIE for making it all happen!!!**



Neversink Parks and Rec Director, Jamie Brooks



**Frost Valley YMCA Honors Senator Jen Metzger with Champion of Youth Development Award**

Claryville, NY - Frost Valley YMCA presented



New York State Senator Jen Metzger with its Champion of Youth Development Award at its recent annual meeting of Board of Trustees and stakeholders. The award recognizes Senator Metzger's sponsorship of Senate Bill S3834, which authorizes summer camps to hire social workers, healthcare providers, and other licensed professionals so campers across the state of New York receive the support and services necessary to thrive.

Under the current law, mental health professionals are excluded from the list of permissible services a summer camp may employ in support of its campers. By championing this bill in the Senate, Senator Metzger demonstrates the need to adequately address the growing number of young people experiencing mental health disorders, coupled with the tragic increase in suicides among young people.

Senate Bill S3834 underscores the need for services by licensed mental health practitioners, particularly at summer camps.

"This bill recognizes that summer camp is an important time of transition and emotional development for many children," says Senator Metzger. "At a time when we are increasingly aware of the long-term impacts of childhood trauma, it's important that children who receive services also have access to trained professionals while attending summer camp."

According to the written purpose of Senate Bill S3834, "The bill allows children's overnight camps, summer day camps, traveling summer day camps and camps for children with developmental disabilities to employ certain specified licensed professionals and mental health care practitioners, in order to better serve the mental and physical needs of these children during their summer camp experience." Allowing camps to employ licensed mental health practitioners serving children affected by traumatic events and/or mental health conditions would better meet the needs of campers under their care. Unfortunately the bill did not make it through the Assembly, but Frost Valley is hopeful that supporters like Senator Metzger will see it enacted some day.

"Frost Valley is honored to present Senator Metzger with the Champion of Youth Development Award for her support of children's mental health initiatives that would allow camps to hire mental health professionals to assist children and teens during their time at camp," says Jerry Huncosky, Frost Valley YMCA's CEO. "We, at Frost Valley, recognize the importance of Senate Bill S3834, which not only gives a voice to the growing mental health needs of youth, but seeks to address those needs while campers are away from home for weeks at a time when they come to camp. We sincerely appreciate Senator Metzger's advocacy."

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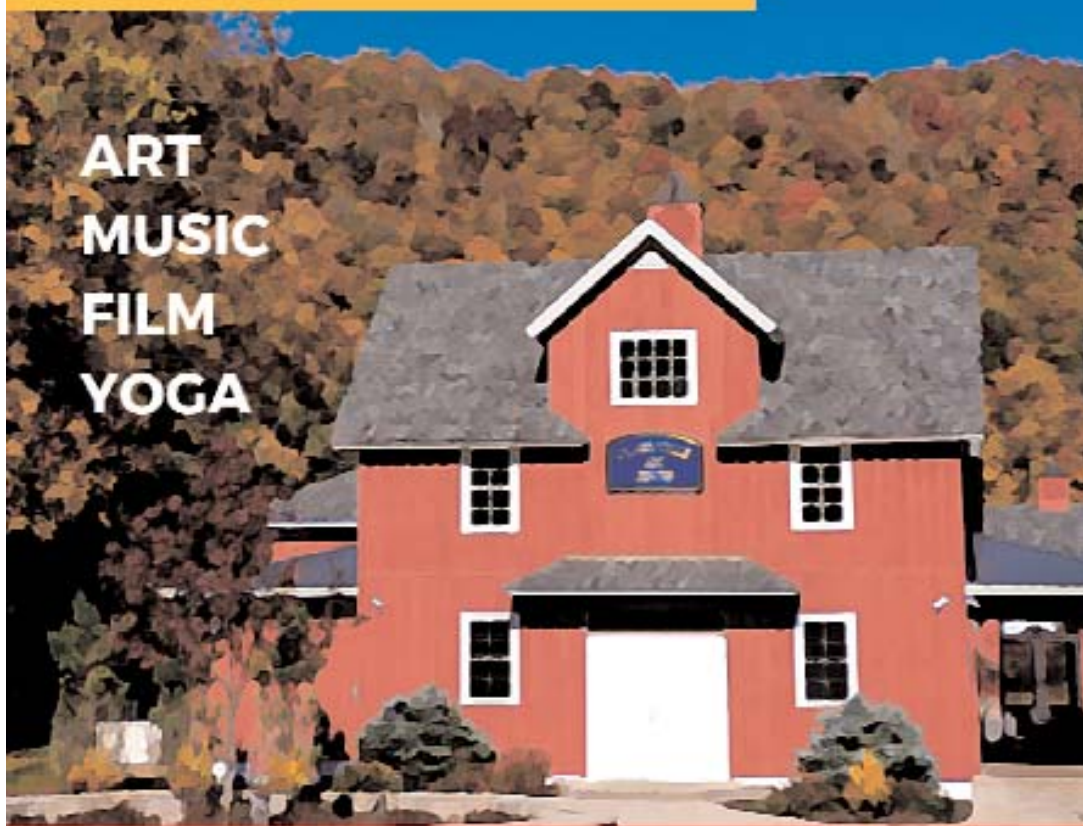
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**Two Artists with the Same Passion**

From Pg. 1) When we met he was still doing his craft as a hobby and utilized our shed as a workspace. This led to the present time, and we are now creating everything together from clocks to shelves or just making plaques. The detail of the expert use of the scroll saw is emphasized in the beauty of the woodwork we do. We sand and stain everything every piece.



We added glass etches to our creations about a year ago. I was skilled in the art of tattoo. This allowed me a new direction for my talent - to put pictures on glass.

One of our favorite projects is our 6 foot grandfather clock with all the animals depicted in very fine detail - the dogs and deer with some birds. This project took us a little over a year.

We are formulating some of our future projects and are planning to design a fighting bucks bench and a lighted fisherman.

We have had special orders for plaques and various articles that have a special or unique meaning to people; for example a friend's gender reveal, perhaps a loss in the family or a special anniversary.

Our unique designs include football helmets with a kid's name or kid's number. We have made conceived pieces that center around the United States flag. To us, it's not about the time it takes to complete a project it's about the passion and art of what we do. Whether it's a simple project or a difficult project we put the same pride and passion into each piece. People are amazed at the work we do and it really help us keep doing what were doing.(Contd. Pg. 11)



## The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

The last gasp of summer this last week had me in the grip of "Spring (Summer) Fever" making doing anything an effort. I just wanted to bask like a kitty in the sun.

I did some of that, between my 'Fall Cleaning'. I learned early up here that the summers are so short that the traditional 'Spring Cleaning' was fruitless, but since the cold will keep me inside a lot from now on, deep cleaning this time of year makes sense to me.



Last Wednesday though, I did dine with Lil Scoles, Bill Griesbeck and several very interesting others in Claryville and was delighted by an impromptu Country Music concert in the livingroom that includ-

ed Johnny Jules and Bobby D from the JOHNNY JULES BAND. Personally, I think these four, with the addition of Dave D'Arcy on bass could really do an entire eve of this music that this whole area is so fond of. Something to think about. And that's Wilbur the dog. What a sweetie she is! (yes, SHE. Hey, my first cat was named Irving and she was wonderful!)



This coming weekend, CABERNET FRANK'S gets the prize for the best line up. Friday night, the 27th, THE JOHNNY JULES BAND will be in Parksville. Theirs is a Bluesy, Country-ish eclectic mix that is delightful enough to keep them booked and in high demand. Then Saturday night, the 28th, my favorite Brit, RICH YOUNG, is back in the states. Although Rich is a solo musician, he is booked into 10 gigs (like always) in

the time he's here, from Manhattan to Pennsylvania and always, always with a stop in Parksville. With any luck, the beautiful and highly talented SUSAN DEVITA will join him for song or two!

Also, on Saturday, from 1pm to 6pm, HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL of Grahamsville will be hosting a fundraiser for LEE STACKHOUSE and his family. I'm a newbie up here but even I have met Lee and can say one of the nicest men I've met. This is what smaller towns should be, all pulling together to support a man who never thought twice about helping someone. I'm gratified to see so many offering to donate things to sell as well as the number of people who are indicating they will stop by. There will be music from the opening of the doors to 6pm. Please stop by and contribute what you can for this most worthy cause.

In the midst of this, is the CLARYVILLE ARTS FESTIVAL September 28th (4pm-8pm) and September 29 (12pm-8pm). Sorry, but when I first heard about this, I was skeptical. How many artists could there be? Well, as it turns out, quite a few! It won't be just local artists but will include those from the city. Neither will this be just paintings. The exhibition will include musical performances, documentary shorts, photography, sculptors, potters...and so much more. The more I learn, the more interesting it sounds and not at all what I was expecting.

See you at one or all of this whirlwind!  
Until next time....

### Shandelee Music Festival ends 2019 season with internationally acclaimed Borisevich Duo

BETHEL, NY: The Shandelee Music Festival's (SMF) 26th concert season comes to a close at the Bethel Woods Event Gallery on Sunday, October 6 with "An Afternoon of Chamber Music" by the internationally acclaimed Borisevich Duo.

The concert is part of "P.L.A.Y. the Classics," a collaboration between SMF and Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, and will feature the works of Grieg, Tchaikovsky, Franck and Waxman.



Nikita Borisevich started playing the violin at the age of five, and won the prestigious All Russian Competition in Perm when he was just 15. He received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the legendary Moscow Conservatory, and completed graduate diplomas as well as a second Master of Music Degree at the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore. He has performed in Germany, the Czech Republic, Austria, Latvia, Russia, Spain and across the United States on renowned stages such as the Kennedy Center (Washington D.C.), the Great Hall of the Moscow Conservatory (Russia), Manuel de Falla Auditorium (Granada, Spain) and Shriver Hall (Baltimore).

Award-winning pianist, Margarita Loukachkina, made her debut at the age of 15, performing Grieg's Piano Concerto with the Williamsport Symphony. She studied at the prestigious Gnessin School of Music, and was accepted with scholarship to the Peabody Conservatory at the age of 16. She has since performed solo and chamber music recitals across the U.S., Russia and Europe. She holds Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from the Peabody Conservatory, where she is currently a Doctoral Candidate. Nikita and Margarita have won numerous international competitions as individuals, and have collectively performed on world renowned stages such as The Kennedy Center, Grand Hall of Moscow Conservatory, Shriver Hall in Baltimore and Manuel de Falla Auditorium in Granada, Spain. The Borisevich Duo was a recipient of the inaugural Young Artist Development Series Award at The El Paso Pro Musica Festival in collaboration with Peabody Conservatory.

William Riddle, Artistic and Executive Director of the Venetian Arts Society, FL said, "Nikita and Margarita gave a magical and diverse performance with extraordinarily nuanced artistry, virtuoso fireworks and ensemble collaboration."

The Borisevich Duo will perform on Sunday, October 6 at 3 p.m. at the fully accessible Bethel Woods Event Gallery, 200 Hurd Road in Bethel, NY. The concert will be followed by a specialty dessert reception.

Tickets are \$35 for General Admission, \$30 for SMF Members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. More information about the SMF, along with an opportunity to become a member, sponsor a concert and purchase tickets is available at [www.shandelee.org](http://www.shandelee.org) or by calling 845-439-3277.

### Two Artists with the Same Passion

From Pg. 9) If you want to get in touch with Tina from M & T Woodworking and Glass, you can contact her by email at [tinamizerek@yahoo.com](mailto:tinamizerek@yahoo.com) or phone her at 845-428-0394. If you wish to contact Michael, his email is [mfish1983@hotmail.com](mailto:mfish1983@hotmail.com) and phone at 845-707-5434

**Ed Notes:** Over the past several years we have met quite a few local artists with varied and unique talent who create dolls, pottery, quilts, knitted and crocheted items, fabric creations, quilts, various types of wood carvings, jewelry, and so many other original creations.

Last week we met Tina at the Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale - and she inspired us to start a new project. We are looking for local artists and crafters, like Tina, who wanted to show us the beautiful piece of artwork that she and Michael have been creating. They will be featured as *The Townsman Artists/Crafters of the Month*.

If you wish to be part of this circle of artisans, please send us a bio explaining your art, why you chose that particular art, and a little about yourself (yourselves) along with a few pictures of your artwork or creations to: [tvtownsman@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsman@yahoo.com).

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If you want the chance to be our featured artist for a month and become part of our local legacy or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at: [tvtownsman@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsman@yahoo.com).

Linda Comando  
Editor

### Legislator Samuelson Elected President of Statewide County Association's Board



Monticello, NY - Sullivan County proudly announces that District 1 Legislator Scott Samuelson has been elected the Board President for the NYS Association of Counties (NYSAC), the influential advocacy and support organization for New York State's 62 counties.

The appointment was made official yesterday in front of more than 600 attendees of NYSAC's annual Fall Seminar, held for the first time at Resorts World Catskills in Monticello.

"NYSAC wields a powerful voice in Albany and around the State, so Scott will play a significant role in major legislation and decisions that affect Sullivan County and its siblings," remarked Sullivan County Manager Josh Potosek, who has worked closely with the legislator in both Samuelson's current role and as past chairman of the Legislature. "To have a member of our hometown team at the helm of such a prestigious organization is an incredible honor, not just for Scott, but for the entire County. I look forward to working with him to advance our interests at a Statewide level."

"I am humbled, thrilled and privileged to be asked to take on this leadership role, and I thank my colleagues, both locally and throughout the State, for their confidence, support and collaboration," said Samuelson. "While my job will be to protect and advocate for counties' interests across New York, rest assured I will not forget my home County as I carry out my duties. Indeed, we kicked off my term with the annual convention right here in our backyard, showcasing all that Sullivan County can offer to groups looking to host their events in our beautiful corner of New York State."

Samuelson has served two terms on the Legislature since 2012, representing the towns of Bethel, Cocheton, Highland and Tusten, and has been an active member of NYSAC's Board for much of that time. He lives in White Lake with his husband Eddie Dudek.

**RAINING DELUSIONS, A Catskill Novel, by New Paltz Author Michael Gold, Scheduled for Reading/ Book Signing**

ELLENVILLE, NY, September 16, 2019 - In the first of two



October back-to-back, weekly book reading/signings celebrating local authors, the Ellenville Public Library has invited Michael Gold, formerly of Greenfield Park, now New Paltz, to share his RAINING DELUSIONS, A Catskill Novel, on October 2 from 6:30pm to 8pm.

According to Gold, "Raining Delusions" is a work of fictionalized stories woven together about those who grew up in a tiny community in the Catskills, and how they related to families, friends, lovers, life's experiences, obstacles and fate." Some of the events, he explains, are based on memories, fragments of information, really of village life and the eccentric way people communicated with one another - the Borscht Belt way. They cover the gamut of raw obscenities, conflict, digs, spontaneous humor, passion, grief, revenge, war, politics, compassion, sarcasm, depression, celebration and love, spanning four generations of larger than life characters, of emotional cyclones, hurricanes, earthquakes, volcanoes, tornados, firestorms and tsunamis, all hitting you at once.

In her book review, Hester Mundis, former head writer for THE JOAN RIVERS SHOW, herself an author/co-author of 25 books, four-time Emmy-nominated daytime TV writer and stand-up comic, wrote "RAINING DELUSIONS is brilliant. You write unsparingly and are fearless with you bawdy, ribald, shameless, often hilariously poignant dialogue and charter descriptions. (Eat your heart out, Woody Allen)."

"Michael grew up only a few miles north of our library, up Route 52 in Woodridge. For us, he's a local boy who made good. RAINING DELUSIONS is a joy to read," says Kristin Fowler, library director. "We're also pleased to showcase his art photography next summer in our Gallery. We can't wait."

Besides RAINING DELUSIONS, Gold is the author of EARN THAT VOTE, a grassroots political guide; CAMPAIGN COMPANION: The Essential Handbook For Winning Elections; MODERN AMERICAN MANNERS: Dining Etiquette for Hosts and Guests, co-authored with Fred Mayo; and a contributing photographer for a four-book children's series, WHERE'S THE SCIENCE HERE?, written by Vicki Cobb.

As a commercial photographer, he has worked on assignments for The New York Times Magazine; Opera News; Fortune; Travel & Leisure; Esquire; National Lampoon; Reader's Digest; and special sections for Woodstock Times, New Paltz Times and Saugerties Times. He is currently the official photographer for The Bop Island Jazz Festival in Woodstock, NY.

He has also produced a number of videos, including I was Born To Fish: Lee Wulff on The Beaverkill; Grief: How To Help Children Feel, Deal and Heal; How To Tape and Interview Your relatives; with Co- producer Dorothy Shapiro, Team BMW; for BMW North America, and Taking The High Road; a two tape biography of the late Lawrence H. Cooke, Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals, also co-produced with Dorothy Shapiro.

Michael was one of 102 writers worldwide, invited to Yale's first Writer's Conference in 2013, one of 12 in the historical Fiction group. As a photographer/artist, he has had 21 one-man exhibits in New York City, Philadelphia, Boulder, the Hudson Valley and the Catskills. He has also been included in group shows in the Catskills and at MIT, in an exhibit entitled The Metropolitan Middle Class. He will have an upcoming November exhibit on "American Flags, Unexpectedly" in the Gardiner Public Library.

Gold's reading will be following on October 8 at 6:30pm by Carol Bergman and her murder mystery/thriller.

The Ellenville Library is located at 40 Center Street, Ellenville, NY. For more information, call 845-647-5530.

**Monticello Library to host 1st Community Clothing Swap**

On Saturday October 12th, the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello, NY will celebrate the Great Give Back Day by hosting its 1st Community Clothing Swap. The Great Give Back is an initiative that began in Suffolk County. The mission is to provide opportunities for library patrons in New York State to participate in meaningful, service-oriented experiences. By hosting this clothing swap we hope to give parents in our area the opportunity to give & receive gently used clothes at no cost.

We know that children grow quickly and keeping up with their growth spurts can be expensive. Please bring clean, children's clothes, in good condition to the library between 10:00-11:00am on October 12th. Our dedicated volunteers and staff will sort the clothing into sizes ranges. Beginning at 11:00am, anyone who has brought clothing to swap can start to shop the selection. Anyone who does not bring clothing to swap can still shop

between 2:00-3:00pm. We believe this event is a great way to reduce consumerism and recycle items that are still in great condition. We invite you to keep this event as "green" as possible by bringing a reusable bag to fill with your new-to-you children's clothes. We are accepting children's clothing, shoes, & even Halloween costumes, so take this opportunity to clean out your closets!

The library is located at 479 Broadway in Monticello, NY. Parking is available along Broadway and in the lot behind the building on Prince Street. Any questions can be directed to Cheryl Jones at cshelton@rcls.org or 845-794-4660 ext. 8.

**DEC Forest Rangers and Staff Battled Two Northern California Fires**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today welcomed home a team of 20 wildland firefighters from the ranks of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Forest Rangers and other DEC programs who helped battle and contain wildfires in Klamath and Plumas National Forests in California. The team of firefighters began their assignment in California on Sept. 9 and arrived back in the Capital Region last night.

"When communities and states need help, New York always steps up," Governor Cuomo said. "I'm proud to welcome back these courageous firefighters, who helped battle dangerous wildfires in California and who epitomize New York State's values of sacrifice and service to others."

The Lime Fire on the Klamath National Forest in Siskiyou County grew to encompass more than 1,800 acres and took hundreds of firefighters to contain. Officials believe the fire was sparked by a lightning strike on Sept. 4 and spread due to high winds. The Walker Fire also started on Sept. 4 at the Plumas National Forest and was the second fire the crew helped to support with suppression efforts. The fire is currently 97 percent contained and grew to 54,600 acres in size. Since it started, a total of 1,073 personnel has been assigned to the Walker Fire and its cause remains under investigation. Additional information on these and other fires can be found at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/>.

New York State's crew created control lines with hand tools and chainsaws and used intentional fire to contain the spread of wildfire and protect threatened homes. Responding New York crew members included Rebecca Ferry, Division of Fish and Wildlife and Kevin Slade, Forest Ranger, Crew Boss, both from Ulster County.

DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos said, "I commend DEC's Forest Rangers and staff for their sacrifice and bravery over these past two weeks in helping to contain these wildfires and protect precious natural resources and communities. New Yorkers should be proud of the work our fire crews do to battle these blazes, which gives them expertise to fight wildfire here at home. For nearly 40 years, New York has stood ready and willing to assist our sister states in emergencies."

In 1979, New York sent its first firefighting crew to assist western states with large wildfires. On average, one or two crews have been sent as needed to assist with wildfires every year since. In addition to helping contain the national wildfires and minimize damage, these crews also gain valuable experience that can be utilized fighting wildfires and managing all-risk incidents in New York.

All personnel and travel expenses for the New York crews are either paid directly by the U.S. Forest Service or reimbursed to New York State based on a mutual aid agreement between states and federal land agencies.

**CAS to Present Two Concurrent Photography Exhibitions**

Lorie Novak's Above the Fold is a trans-media project where front-page sections of The New York Times from the beginning of the Kosovo War in 1999 to the present are categorized by the content of the photograph above the fold, creating a physical manifestation of contemporary trends/biases of American media and culture. In Novak's studio there are over 7,000 front page sections of The New York Times sorted into 33 categories suggested by the photographs that appear above the fold. There are 3 components to the project: an installation, series of photographs, and digital animations. In the installation, next to each of the stacks, there will be a small screen playing a chronological slideshow of the front pages of that pile. Photographs of the individual stacks are printed to the actual size of the newspapers. Each print is 6-feet high corresponding to the height of the tallest pile, U.S. Presidents. In analyzing the front-page images over the years, the artist saw history repeating itself in recurring image tropes. Allowing her to classify the papers according to the subject matter of the photograph above the fold as a means to examine how news is visualized and transmitted as well as the politics of representation. (Contd. Pg. 15)

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**High Holy Days Worship at Agudas Achim**

The High Holy Days are upon us again. Every year at this time people of the Jewish faith are asked to reflect on their life. Agudas Achim of Livingston Manor welcomes anyone wishing to share this season of introspection and faith to become part of our community in prayer and reflection. All who feel drawn to faith and worship are encouraged to join us for the soul piercing blasts of the shofar. High Holiday Prayer reconnects us, our heritage and God. Those choosing to join with us are asked to make an appropriate donation helping us to fulfill our mission to be an open and welcoming community.

Agudas Achim is affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism. However, preserving a traditional atmosphere for our services High Holy Day worship is essential. Rabbi Fredric Pomerantz and Cantor Cathy Barr will lead Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. His warm personality and her beautiful voice will create a special opportunity for introspection and atonement during the Days of Awe. Our historic synagogue helps create an environment which enhances the prayer experience.

The congregation conducts an annual non-perishable food drive to benefit the Livingston Manor food pantry. Donations should be brought to services. We join with other Reform congregations which hold similar drives to remind us of our obligations to those less fortunate. Also we hold a communal Yom Kippur break-fast.

For more information about the high holidays or the Agudas Achim call (845) 439-3600 and leave a message. You can also contact Bob Freedman at (845) 439- 5708 or Judy Siegel at (845) 292-2552. Hebrew School registration is now open, please contact Dimona Galli, our educational director for details (845) 292- 4949. Additional information about Agudas Achim is available on our website, or emailing [agudasachim@hvc.rr.com](mailto:agudasachim@hvc.rr.com). The building is located at 587 Old Route 17, Livingston Manor. The sanctuary is handicap accessible.

**High Holy Days Worship at Agudas Achim**

**Holiday Service Schedule**

Rosh Hashanah			
Evening	Sunday	September 29	8:00 pm
Morning	Monday	September 30	10:00 am

**Unveiling of Historical Marker:**

Monday	September 30	12:30 pm
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**Yom Kippur**

Kol Nidre	Tuesday	October 8	7:30 pm
Morning	Wednesday	October 9	9:30 am
Yiskor will follow Morning Prayer no earlier than 11:30 am			
Nilah			4:15 pm

Community Break-fast will be held following services 6:45 pm

Please contact Megan Blumenthal at (845) 866-8183 or Phyllis Blumenthal at (914) 799-4499 or Karen Blocker at (845) 796-0892 to make a reservation, volunteer to help or to bring something.

**Youth Programs - Parents must accompany children under 7**

September 30	Young children for ages 3-8	11:00 am
October 9	Older children for 6-12	11:30 am

**Special Dining Opportunity**

The Claryville Reformed Church will host their annual dinner on Saturday, October 27th from 4-7 PM.

The menu includes roast pork and gravy, roasted potatoes, green beans, red cabbage, sautéed onions, sauerkraut, salad, applesauce, rolls and butter and your choice of beverage and homemade desserts with vanilla ice cream. Your dinner will be served on a real "china" plate and remains a real bargain at only \$12 for adults and \$5 for 5-8 year olds. Takeouts are also available.

This is the church's only major fund raiser each year and helps to support the food pantry that serves 8 plus families each month. The Claryville Fire Department and the Tri-Valley Lions are generous supporters of the pantry as well.

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**Claryville Church  
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Sat October 27th, 2018

4-7 pm



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9 am - 3 pm  
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9/19 9/26, 10/3; 10/9-15

**Artists Who Fished the Catskills**

The public is invited to a presentation Saturday, October 26, 1-3 PM at the Phoenicia Library by author Ed Van Put, together with his wife, Judy, on artists who fished the Catskills and the art found in fly-fishing. The Catskill Mountains have played a dual role in history. They not only attracted our country's earliest and foremost trout fishermen, but also many of our first and finest artists. The presentation focuses primarily on the artists from the Hudson River School of landscape painters, including Thomas Cole, Asher B. Durand, and Worthington Whittredge.



There are many beautiful landscape paintings some of which may be familiar, while others will allow the viewers to appreciate what these artists found as they hiked and traveled, particularly in the fall, through the Catskill Mountains. Their paintings brought the public closer to nature and, as such, spurred tourism and an appreciation of the environment.

Judy will present the program and explain how fishing and art often overlapped, after which Ed will answer questions about the subject or on fishing in general. Ed is the author of "Trout Fishing in the Catskills, the comprehensive history of Catskill fishing" as well as "The Beaverkill: The History of a River and its People." Judy is a longstanding member of the NYS Outdoor Writers Association and has written two fishing columns for newspapers in the region:

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The show is sponsored by the Roscoe Kiwanis Club with 100% of the proceeds going directly to Kiwanis which supports the students of the Roscoe Central School District.

The show will be held at the Tennenah Lakes Wolff's 1910 Restaurant in beautiful Roscoe, NY 12776

There will be TWO Dates:

Saturday, November 2nd with doors opening at 5:30 and appetizers starting at 6:00pm.

Sunday, November 3rd with doors opening at 1:30 pm and appetizers starting at 2:00.

**Price includes: Appetizers, Dinner, Salad, Bread/Butter, Dessert, Coffee/tea/soda and THE SHOW!!**

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"Streamside" for the Towne Crier and "Hook, Line & Sinker" for the Catskill Mt. News. Both are recipients of the New York State Council of Trout Unlimited's Professional Communications Award.

The presentation is sponsored by the Jerry Bartlett Memorial Angling Collection at the Phoenicia Library located at 48 Main Street, Phoenicia, NY 12464. The library is fully accessible. Seating is limited. For more information, phoenicalibrary.org or catskillanglingcollection.org or call (845) 688-7811.

**Come Together**

There is still time to catch the groundbreaking show, Come Together, a multi-media artists exhibit, at the Liberty Museum and Art Center, at 46 South Main Street in the village of Liberty. The show runs through September until October 13th.

Coming together... at Woodstock -Janis Joplin; in the pursuit of space travel - an astronaut; in the elimination of injustice - a tribute to the survivors of Auschwitz, are dollmaker, Naomi Hurst's themes this year. Jim Karpowicz celebrates the bungalow colony life of Sullivan County with his massive artifact-rich wall-hanging creation, Weiner's Bungalow.



Fabric designer Hoodie Crescent shows her paintings from the 60's: Blooming Women, three-dimensional wall art that is at once tactile and humorous. Included

in the show is her astonishing award-winning three-dimensional quilt created for a breast cancer awareness competition. Ms. Crescent introduces her new book, "The Ghobbls, Look at Yourself in the Air", a book of daily thought exercises for self-realization. Ms. Crescent's collection of bags, dolls, pillows featuring her fabrics will be on sale throughout the exhibit.

Tate Billings is back with his thought provoking "love" bird-houses and with new versions of his enormously popular hidden-scroll treasure chests, which sold out last year. Matt Sherman's wooden sculptures, many with recycled materials, challenging and humorous, are in the exhibition. Textile artist Buff McAllister has brought her tapestries evoking natural harmony and bags (mini-tapestries to go) for sale at this show.

Joanna Hartell's montages and one photo, Blue Merlin, will astound you. Sue Petri has returned jewelry and framed art pieces that show off her drawing and painting skills. Claire Coleman's popular collages and prints this year feature chickens and fish.

Exhibiting for the first time this year, metalworker Jon Hadden has creatively forged iron into a candlestick, a wall hanging and A table.

Nearly everything on display is for sale and the show culminates with an all-day sale on Sunday, October 13th, at which the artists will be bringing much more of their work. The Museum is open Thursday through Sunday from noon until 4PM. Admission is free. For additional information, call show organizer Naomi Frumess at (845) 807-6656 or email her at nfrumessfnp396@gmail.com.

**Catskill Art Society will present a joint exhibition from Robyn Almquist and Claire Coleman**

The exhibitions will be on view Friday, October 25 - Sunday, October 27, 2019. In an unexpected contrast, Robyn Almquist will present her muted polaroid photos amidst Clair Coleman's colorful portraits.

Almquist's "Recent Memories" series is created with her Polaroid camera. The process combines planning and unpredictability, in doing so, the opposing forces yield interest and beauty. Polaroid photography has its own unique aesthetic that is both personal and universally nostalgic. The quality of the photo is dependent on available light, and then, complete darkness and careful storage is needed while the unstable emulsion develops. It captures an instant, but requires

patience as the image reveals itself. The goal is to create images that are timeless pieces of original art, resulting in a very small, perfectly framed photograph.



In her "The Beauty Series," Coleman's subjects or forgotten people reach into the future, shedding some of their mystery, to become accessible. Somewhere in the stoic faces and stiff postures, there is a living person looking out at us, sharing their story, silently. These works are studies, collages, and paintings of found object antique portraits

and wig busts. The artist has pigmented the black and white photos with color, adding some of her signature collage.

Robyn Almquist, "Recent Memories" Claire Coleman, "The Beauty Series" Open hours: Friday, October 25 11am - 5pm - Saturday, October 26 11am - 6pm • Sunday, October 27 11am - 3pm Opening Reception: Saturday, October 26 4pm - 6pm

About the Catskill Art Society

The Catskill Art Society is a non-profit cultivating public interest, participation, and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists. Located in Livingston Manor, the renovated 4,500+ square foot facility includes a designated fine arts gallery, a large multi-purpose space, a pottery studio, a painting studio, and a digital arts lab.

For more information, please visit [www.catskillartsociety.org](http://www.catskillartsociety.org).

Funding for CAS is provided in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.



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**2019 Upcoming Events**

Sat., Oct 19 • 3 - 6 pm **Trunk or Treat & Stuff the Bus!** At Grahamsville Fairgrounds  
Nov 1 - 3 - Kartrite Hotel **Indoor Water Park Sleepover**  
Sat., Nov. 30 **Transportation to Palisades Center** in West Nyack - Leave Town Hall at 8:30 am return approx 5 pm  
Dec 7 - **Transportation to NYC**  
Dec. 13 5 pm **Judging for House Decorating Contest (Submit form to Parks & Rec by Dec 10 to participate)**  
Dec. 15 - **Gingerbread House Decorating Contest** 2-3 pm at the Neversink Town Hall; **Elf Workshop** 3:30 at Daniel Pierce Library & **Tree Lighting and announcing winners of House Decorating Contest at 5 PM at Bi-centennial Park**  
Dec. 13 5 pm **Judging of House Decorating Contest**  
Check out flyers on table outside parks & rec office door.  
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**Daniel Pierce Library**  
hours of operation

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Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday and Monday: Closed  
If you have any questions,  
please call the library at 985-7233.

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

**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., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.

**2019 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall**

10:00 am - 2:30 pm

January 10th	May 16th	September 12th
February 14th	June 13th	October 10th
March 14th	July 11th	November 14th
April 11th	August 15th	December 12th

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- 9/28/19 **Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon** 9 am to 3 pm
- 10/1/19 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale (9am-12noon) & Luncheon (11am-12:30pm)**
- 10/1/19 **Denning Town Board Meeting - Sundown Church Hall 6 pm**
- 10/2/19 **Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm**
- 10/5/19 **34th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade**
- 10/5/19 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper 5:30 pm - Church Hall**
- 10/8/19 **Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting 6 pm**
- 10/8/19 **Claryville Fire District Meeting - 6:30 pm**
- 10/9/19 **Town of Neversink Board Meeting**
- 10/14/19 **Town of Neversink Holiday - COLUMBUS DAY**
- 10/15/19 **Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm**
- 10/15/19 **Neversink Fire District Meeting - Budget meeting at 7:30 pm followed by regular meeting**
- 10/16/19 **Neversink - Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting 7:30 pm**
- 10/17/19 **Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm**
- 10/19/19 **Grahamsville UMC Saturday Thrift Sale (9am-12noon)**
- 10/20/19 **Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7 - 12 Noon**
- 10/29/19 **Town of Neversink Parks and Rec Meeting**

**Save the Date!**

**Oct. 5, 2019 - 34th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade**  
**Oct. 12 - Fundraiser for Brianna Worden at Russian Mule 3 pm with Albi and Paul Austin**  
**Oct 19 Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish Fry 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm** To purchase tickets contact Neil Terwilliger at (845) 798-3328.

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**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.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Daniel Pierce Library's  
34th Annual  
Giant Pumpkin Party  
and Children's Parade  
October 5, 2019

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**New Citizens to Take Oath in Ulster County**

Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack announces another naturalization ceremony at the historic Ulster County Courthouse on Wall Street in Kingston on Friday, September 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Approximately 50 new citizens will take their Oaths of Allegiance accepting the responsibilities of an American, while also gaining the rights and privileges afforded to most Americans by birth. "The Ceremony is a community event," states Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack. "New citizens are welcomed by their friends, families, elected representatives, and public service agencies."

Participating in the program will be Kingston Post #150 American Legion Color Guard & VFW Joyce-Schirick Post #1386 Color Guard, the Wiltwyck Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the New Paltz VFW Auxiliary, VFW Joyce-Schirick Post #1386 Auxiliary, the Ulster Literacy Association, the Woodcrest School Choir, The League of Women Voters of the Mid-Hudson Region, The Kingston Rotary Club, Congressman Antonio Delgado, Senator Jennifer Metzger, Senator George Amedore, Senator James Skoufis, Senator James Seward, Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, Assemblyman Chris Tague, Ulster County Executive Patrick K. Ryan, Ulster County Comptroller Adele Reiter, and Ulster County Legislative Chairwoman Tracey Bartels.

Presiding over the ceremony will be the Honorable Julian D. Schreiber, Justice of the Supreme Court. Judge Schreiber will be the keynote speaker welcoming our 50 participants as newly naturalized American Citizens.

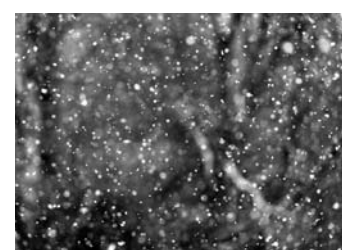
For further information about the ceremony or other programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please call County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040.

**CAS to Present Two Concurrent Photography Exhibitions**

(From Pg. 12) Lorie Novak is an artist and Professor of Photography & Imaging at Tisch School of the Arts, NYU and Associate Faculty at The Hemispheric Institute. She is the founder and director of Future Iamemakers ([www.futureiamemakers.photoandimaging.net](http://www.futureiamemakers.photoandimaging.net)), a free participatory photography project for New York City high school students. Her photographs, installations, and Internet projects explore issues of memory and transmission, the relationship between the intimate and the public, and the shifting cultural meanings of photographs. Her work has been shown in numerous solo and group exhibitions, and her photographs are in many museum permanent collections. She lives and works in New York City and Masonville, NY.

Sarah van Ouwkerk's landscapes are inspired by Rebecca Solnit's book, *A Field Guide To Getting Lost*, and her background in painting. The work explores the concept of losing oneself in their surroundings. The photographs are created with layers of snow, rain, fog and water, and the spaces in between, with the majority of the work created in Sullivan County. These photographs are part of an ongoing exploration of one's place in the environment. It is intended to be a continuation of study that originated with a portfolio of horses, and evolved into landscape. Working with the same ideas of isolation and freedom, the images grapple with the senses and how one relates to their surroundings as an abstract reality.

Sarah van Ouwkerk is an artist and Professor of Photography at Pratt Institute. The New Museum, Frazier Museum, CNN television and Dorfman



Projects at the Affordable Art Fair are among the venues that have exhibited her works. Her photographs have also been published by Rizzoli, Harmony House, and the University of California Press.

Whether interpreting nature, the figure, or personal histories, Sarah van Ouwkerk's photographs explore the role of landscape as a way of seeing the world, either imagined or real. Sarah's visual explorations begin with a curiosity and evolve into expansive studies; her background in painting influences the palette and informs the atmosphere of the images. She lives and works in New York City and Cohecton, New York.

**Saturday, October 26, 2019 - Artists Talk and Opening Reception**

CAS will host an Artists Talk at 4pm, followed immediately by a free Opening Reception from 5-6pm. Refreshments will be served and admission is free and open to the public.

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Starting At 6:00 AM Tuesday October 1, 2019 On TCM, Comedy, Romance, Musical's...



**THE GIRL MOST LIKELY** (Musical, 1958) **D: Mitchell Leisen. Cast: Jane Powell, Cliff Robertson, Keith Andes, Tommy Noonan, Kaye Ballard, Una Merkel.** Musical remake of *TOM, DICK AND HARRY* Choreography by Gower Champion, C - 99 m TV-G • 9:45 AM **LOVE IS**

**BETTER THAN EVER** (Comedy, 1952) **D: Stanley Donen. Cast: Elizabeth Taylor, Larry Parks, Josephine Hutchinson, Tom Tully, Ann Doran, Elinor Donahue, Kathleen Freeman.** Forgettable froth involving talent agent Parks and dance teacher Taylor. Mild MGM musical, but Liz looks terrific. Gene Kelly has an unbilled cameo. B/W - 81 m TV-PG. • 11:15 AM **BY THE LIGHT OF THE SILVER MOON** (Musical, 1953) **D: David Butler. Cast: Doris Day, Gordon MacRae, Leon Ames, Rosemary DeCamp, Mary Wickes, Billy Gray.** Set in post WW1, this Booth Tarkington story finds returning soldier MacRae and fiancée Day readjusting to life. Ames wonderful as father thought to be romancing French actress, and Wickes delightful as family maid. Merv Griffin pops up in the closing scene. This old-fashioned musical was a sequel to *ON MOONLIGHT BAY*. • 6:00 PM **TEN THOUSAND BEDROOMS** (Musical, 1956) **D: Richard Thorpe. Cast: Dean Martin, Anna Maria Alberghetti, Eva Bartok, Dewey Martin, Walter Slezak, Paul Henreid, Jules Munshin, Marcel Dalio, Dean Jones.** Dean Martin's first film without Jerry Lewis seemed to spell doom for his career; it's a lightweight but overlong musical romance with Dino as a playboy hotel-manager in Rome. CinemaScope. • 8:00 PM **THE THREE FACES OF EVE** (Drama, 1957) **D: Nunnally Johnson. Cast: Joanne Woodward, David Wayne, Lee J. Cobb, Nancy Kulp, Vince Edwards.** Narrated by Alistair Cooke. Academy Award tour de force by Woodward is chilling, as young woman with multiple personalities, and three separate lives. Johnson also produced and wrote the screenplay. CinemaScope

**Quiz:**

In **"THE THREE FACES OF EVE"**

1. Who played Eve White/Eve Black/Jane?
2. Who played Dr. Curtis Luther?

**What's Going on in *The Gnome Neighborhood*<sup>tm</sup>**

**SUNDOWN**

Sept. 28 - Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon - Sundown Church Hall

Oct. 5 - **Covered Dish Supper** Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

**GRAHAMSVILLE**

Oct. 1 - Grahamsville **UMC Thrift Sale** (9am-12noon) & **Luncheon** 11 am-12:30 pm

Oct 19. - Grahamsville **UMC Saturday Thrift Sale** (9am-12noon)

**CLARYVILLE**

Oct 12 - **Fundraiser** for Brianna Worden at the **Russian Mule** 3 pm. See page 8 for details

Oct 20 - Claryville Fire Dept. **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 a.m. - 12 Noon

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**CHURCH BAZAAR**



Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon  
 September 28, 2019  
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
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**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**  
 2. Lee J. Cobb  
 I. Joanne Woodward  
**Answers:**