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Battle of Chestnut Woods: Help Unravel the Mystery! Saturday September 5, 1 to 3 p.m. Time and the Valleys Museum, Grahamsville



The 1778 Revolutionary War Battle of Chestnut Woods in Grahamsville is an ongoing mystery. Few records, conflicting memoirs from soldiers who might have been there, and one very scanty official report leave us with many unanswered questions: How many men were actually killed? Why did the soldiers set up camp in such a poorly defended location? What REALLY happened during the battle? In an attempt to unravel some of the mysteries surrounding this battle, the Time and the Valleys Museum is hosting a gathering on Saturday September 5th (the 248 anniversary of the battle) from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville.

Joining the debate/discussion on September 5th are the Town of Neversink Historian, Roger Edwards, Museum Director Donna Steffens, Time and the Valleys Museum researchers Lynn Priebe and Barbara Avenier and Douglas S.

Hart, a descendent of Andrew Gillespe, one of the soldiers at the battle. Attendees are asked to bring their thoughts, questions and any information they might have to help shed light on this enduring mystery. (Contd. Pg. 5)

Headwaters Chamber Music Festival: Music at the Source

By Jenny Lee, resident of Claryville, Town of Denning



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This Labor Day Weekend, follow the music upstream.

At the historic Claryville Reformed Church, the inaugural **Headwaters Chamber Music Festival** will bring world-class classical musicians together for two concerts celebrating the music of Bach, Mozart, Schubert, and **Dvorák** - and the extraordinary natural beauty of the watershed communities that surround us.

The festival is led by classical musician and artistic director **Eli Spindel**, a part-time resident of Denning for the past decade. For Eli, this is more than a series of concerts. It is an invitation to experience the region in a different way: to listen closely, gather together, and discover the connection between great music and the landscape that inspires it.

The theme of the inaugural festival is **Hunting & Fishing**, reflected in two beloved works on the program: Mozart's "Hunt" Quartet and Schubert's "Trout" Quintet. These pieces bring the natural world into the concert hall through rhythm, character, movement, and imagination. (Contd. Pg. 6)

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On the Front Burner: My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.
 Psalm 49:3

OBITUARY

Robin Ann Slater of Grahamsville passed away on August 27, 2026. She was 72.

She was the daughter of the late John and Patricia Bennett Marshalek, born on September 3, 1953, in Topeka, Kansas.

She attended and graduated from Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York. After graduation she moved to the west coast for a brief period and afterwards returned to New York. Robin had an intense love for animals that resulted in her close friends referring to her as the "Animal Whisperer". For many years she worked at Sullivan County Social Services as a caseworker. She later began working at the Grahamsville Library and retired from Ellenville Library. She was an avid reader and loved archery, often placed in the top 3 at any competition she entered. She could also be found kayaking whenever she had the opportunity.

Robin is survived by her devoted husband Gary Slater her sisters Deb (Jim) Rasmussen, of Acworth Georgia, Susan Marshalek of Madisonville Louisiana, Cindy (Carlo) Ferraiolo of Accord New York and her stepmother Barbara Marshalek of Acworth Georgia. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews, as well as several great nieces and nephews.

She will always be remembered for her kind and gentle spirit which will live within us for all time.

Arrangements were under the care of **Colonial Memorial Funeral Home**, for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com

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Lighting of the Red Hill Fire Tower 2026

On Saturday, September 5, 2026, volunteers will place lights in the Red Hill Fire Tower and use spot lights to signal the local community, from 8:30 - 9:10 pm. Volunteers will also be placing lights in the other Catskill Fire Towers as well as most restored fire towers in the Adirondacks.

We encourage the community to come out and flash light signals to the tower. If you flash your lights at us, we will do our best to flash a light back to you.

Some of the locations you can see the Red Hill Fire Tower from are; The parking area off of Rt. 55 on the Merriman Dam of the Rondout Reservoir, Blue Hill Rd., Claryville/Denning Rd. south of the East Valley Farm of the YMCA, Red Hill Knolls Rd., and Rudolph Rd., (one of the nearest locations to the tower.) There will be small signs placed by most of these locations. Please keep in mind that some of these locations are near private homes, so be considerate with your lights and keeping noise to a minimum.

We hope you can come out and show your support for the fire towers.

In the event of rain or zero visibility, the "Lighting of the Towers" will take place on Sunday, Sept. 6, 2026.

If you would like to volunteer at the Red Hill Fire Tower you can contact the Catskill Center or call Doug Hamilton at 845-985-7427.

Stay safe and thank you for your support!

Red Hill Fire Tower Committee

LOOKING BACK

by Beatrice Akerley

Septembers, 1996

During the early 1900's Uncle George and Aunt Hattie Soules owned a farm on the road between Grooville and DeBruce. Aunt Hattie was Dad's sister. The farm was rather large but Uncle George was not a farmer. He had cows, hogs and chickens; plenty for their own use and turkeys that he sold at Thanksgiving time.

Uncle George was a big man, tall and handsome while Aunt Hattie was a small lady with brown eyes and long curly hair which she tried to pile on the top of her head in a ball as was the fashion in those days. The curls were bound to escape though, which as a child I always thought was real neat. They came down in little clusters around her ears.

They both loved music and Uncle George played the fiddle and Aunt Hattie, the piano. They owned a dance hall and held a square dance every two weeks on Saturday nights. The other Saturday nights Emery Keene had public square dancing at White Roe Lake. Uncle George played the fiddle and did the calling as he knew every square dance call there was in the book. Aunt Hattie made beautiful dancing music on the piano. No admission was charged but before each set started, the money collectors received a nickel from each couple on the dance floor. There was usually about twenty couples.

Once each year, Uncle George's family spent a day with our family. They would arrive at about ten o'clock in the morning in Uncle George's huge lumber wagon drawn by his farm horses. They were a large family and mother always served a chicken dinner with all the trimmings, using her best table cloth and silverware. One of the things that stands out in my mind is the beautiful old songs my dad and Aunt Hattie sang together at the piano. Mother and Uncle George would show us kids how "Do You See My New Shoes" was danced in their younger years. We soon learned to do those steps very well.

Do you see my new shoes?

Do you see my new shoes?

With the tips on the toes.

With the tips on the toes.

Papa bought them.

Papa bought them.

Papa bought them for me.

Household Hint:

Use Vinegar to Prevent Discoloration of Potatoes

Prevent discoloration of peeled potatoes by adding a few drops of vinegar to water. They will keep fresh for days in fridge.

Nature Column - L. Comando

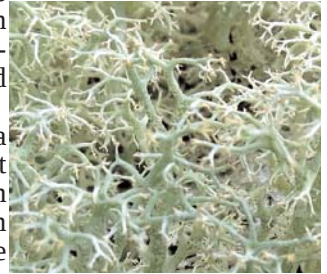
A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman Ladies that we have loved so much and lost... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill, Joyce Lockhart, Jean Helthaler, Karen Curry, Barbara Slater, Shirley Davis, Hulda Vernooy, Carolyn Coombe, Martha Ahrens and Barbara Barkley. And also to the memory of Frank Comando. a/k/a Knarf Adnamoc.

Amazing Little Lichen

With all this rain have you noticed all the lichen that has formed on many of the trees, rocks and even the siding of some buildings?

If you take a walk through the woods and fields keep your eyes opened for lichens growing on rocks, trees and bare dirt. They come in small colorful patches of yellow, orange, green, gray and black that really catch your eye!

Lichens are partner plants, a fungus and an alga cell that live together for mutual benefit (Symbiosis). The fungus supplies the alga with water and minerals while its matted root system embeds the algae safely. In return the green algae cells produce food for the fungus by photosynthesis.



Reindeer Lichen



Shelf Lichen

It is almost a universal rule that lichens are not damaging our trees and do not feed on them, any more than you feed on the chair you sit in. The little amazing Lichens growing on trees are simply using the tree as a home.

Lichens occur in some of the most extreme environments on Earth from the arctic tundra, hot deserts, rocky coasts, to the toxic slag heaps.

They are also abundant as epiphytes (a plant that grows on another plant, but is not parasitic) on leaves and branches in rain forests and temperate woodland. Lichen are "composite organisms" made up of two, or maybe three, completely different kinds of organisms. Every lichen species is part fungus. Usually the other species is a photosynthesizing alga, but sometimes it can be a photosynthesizing bacterium known as a cyanobacterium. Sometimes all three kinds of organisms are found in one lichen.

Lichens reproduce like plants when the fungus develops spores, which surround a few algae that reproduce by simple cell division. The fused packet blows away in the wind. Or when tiny bits of lichen break off and roll to a new starting place. Unless both fungus spores and their algae cells stay together, a new lichen isn't formed.

Lichens are three general types - 1. Crusty ones that grow in flat patches on rocks and tree trunks. 2. Leaf-like ones that grow into tiny ruffled leathery pieces loosely attached to tree bark or rocks and 3. Fruiting ones that grow on stems either upright like Cladonia or hanging down like Old Man's Beard.

Besides being soil makers by slowly crumbling away rocks and logs, lichens are food for insects, slugs, snails and animals. Reindeer moss is really a lichen.

North American Indians taught early white pioneers how to boil a black frilly lichen called rock tripe for emergency food in starving times. In mid-eastern desert countries another lichen is called Bread from Heaven, after it's ground up and dried into flower. Some people think this is the manna that the Israelites ate during their exodus from Egypt.

Making a lichen collection is fun and easy. Air dry each specimen on a tray or press it between blotters for a few days. Then put each one into a small plastic packet, seal it tightly and staple it on a 3"x4" file card where you record the name, where found and the date. Because lichens come in so many colors, a collection makes a very pretty poster board display.

One of the best things about lichens is that they're good indicators of clean air, thriving in colorful patches of orange, yellow, green, gray, black and red only when the environment is healthy.



British Soldiers

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

September 5, 1956

Miss Grace Janet Rae, daughter of Mrs. William Rae of Grahamsville and the late Mr. Rae, became the bride of Mr. William Bowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bowers of Divine Corners, on Thursday afternoon in the Methodist Church in Grahamsville. The Rev. Howard P. West officiated. Upon returning from their honeymoon, they are making their home in Divine Corners. Mrs. Bowers is a teacher at Tri Valley School. Mr. Bowers is a farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stratton of South Hill are the parents of a son, Vernon Edwin Jr., born at Veterans Memorial Hospital on August 25th. Mrs. Stratton is the former Charlotte Coombe.

August 31, 1966

Captain Charles N. Nielsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Nielsen of Neversink, has been awarded U.S. Air Force silver pilot wings upon graduation at Laughlin AFB, Texas. Captain Nielsen, a graduate of Tri-Valley Central High School, attended Orange County Community College, Middletown. He received his B.S. degree in 1964 from the University of Omaha in Nebraska.

September 8, 1976

Louis A. Zanetti, 72, of Boynton Beach, Fla., formerly of Grahamsville, died Saturday in Boynton Beach. He was born August 19, 1904 in New Jersey and was married to the former Lucille A. Schick. He lived in Grahamsville for 35 years. Mr. Zanetti was retired from the New York City Board of Water Resources. He is survived by his widow and two sons: Vincent P. of Milanville, Pa and Jay. V. of Grahamsville; a daughter, Mrs. James Moxley of Boynton Beach; two brothers, five sisters; 10 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

September 18, 1986

The end of an era has come for the former Horseshoe Barn on South Hill Rd. The shop brought delight for antique buffs for many years. The shop was written up in the New York Times and had Bloomingdale's among its customers. The barn itself was moved from Neversink to South Hill before the Neversink Reservoir was built. Vernon Gridley took down supporting beams and numbered them so they could be reassembled. Vernon was Carol Smythe's father. Carol was the owner of the Horseshoe Barn.

Corinna Marie Akerley and Harlan Nile Decker were married July 6 at the Oneco Methodist Church in Bradenton, Fla. The bride is the daughter of Mr. John E. Akerley of Neversink and Ms. Berthann Edwards of Bradenton, Fla. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Buley of Grahamsville. The bride graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and Sullivan County Community College. She is employed as a secretary for a law firm in Sarasota, Fla. Her husband attended Tri-Valley Central School and is employed by Well Craft Boats in Bradenton. They are living in Bradenton.

September 1, 1996

The Cross/Osterhout Family held their reunion on August 24th at the Neversink Firehouse. We presented a 'piece of the past', the beginning of the Cross/Osterhout family, by celebrating the 220th Anniversary of Noah Cross and Rachel Osterhout. The bride was Maxine Patten Getty, the groom, Wayne Hughes, both descendants of Noah and Rachel. Others acted as witnesses, all in costume.

Tri-Valley Playground exceeds volunteer goal; needs Construction Captains soon! The community playground Committee needed 500 volunteers with its construction project October 16-20. Well, Tri-Valley-ans, you did your young ones proud! Some 615 individuals signed up to the with the 'barn-raising' style event this fall. What a great show of support. The committee has asked us here at The Townsman to express their warmest thanks

to all of you you agreed to make this project happen.

The winner of the Claryville Quilt Raffle were: First prize - Elena Borskein; Second Prize - Muriel Cypert.

Sept 7, 2006

Denning Day at Claryville Fire Hall was held on Sept. 16. There was fresh farm produce for sale. Visitors also learned how first time home buyers can get matching dollars for a down payment; and much more. From 4 to 6 pm a cookout for County Sheriff Candidate and State Senator Candidate was held.

The Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Fall Show will be held September 16-17 and the 21st Annual Giant Pumpkin Party will be held on October 7th.

The Neversink Republican Committee will hold a dinner and have "An Evening of Comedy" on September 30th at the Neversink Fire Hall. On the menu - roast beef or chicken - \$25 per person.

Music by Gary TerBush. A visit by special appearance by a comedian is to be announced!

Youth Outdoor Exp will be held on Saturday 9th at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds.

The district is holding its Annual Trout Stocking Program. If you are interested in stocking your pond, the District will accept orders until September 15th. Rainbow, Brook and Brown Trout are being offered.

There are 260 extra doe tags being offered at 8 DEP hunting areas. The extra tags were obtained by the DEP through the State's Deer Management Program. "Our foresters have observed considerable deer browsing in many areas, and seedlings have been depleted," said NYS Commissioner Lloyd. "By reducing the doe population we can reduce the overall deer population and maintain a healthy forest with the overall goal of protecting water quality."

If you have an outdoor furnace/outdoor boiler which was in existence on May 4, 2006 be sure to register the device with the Code Enforcement by September 18th. If it is not registered by this date, it will be removed.

News from Tri-Valley Lions- our member meeting was held at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds - a clean up night at the Soda Booth on August 8. In spite of the total rain out, it was a successful year at the Fair Soda Booth on the 17th, 18th and 19th. We'll be serving soda at the Youth Sportsman Show on Sept 9th. On the 16th and the 17th of September, you will find us serving at the Booth for the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Show at the Fairgrounds.

To end the great events held in Grahamsville, we will be at our Soda Booth on October 7th for the Giant Pumpkin Party.

September 1, 2016

Well-know musician, Dave Tryston provided free live music at the Farmers' Market held at the Neversink General store this past

An old-fashioned Chicken BBQ, prepared especially well was held at the Sundown UM Church - and the weather was perfect too!

Alice Kelder a long time resident of Grahamsville passed away on August 22. Alice was 92 years old.

Congratulations to SUNY Professor Thomas Lambert for receiving the Sullivan County Historical Society's 2016 "History Maker" Award. Tom, a local resident recently retired after 43 years of teaching!

The Centennial anniversary of Frost Valley's Forstmann Castle was celebrated with a "100th Anniversary Castle Gala" on August 27th.

Tri-Valley retirees met at the Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall on August 25th. Cal Parrow, a form TV High School Principal who retired in 1980 was the longest retired individual to attend.

Battle of Chestnut Woods: Help Unravel the Mystery!



(From Pg. 1) The Battle: British Loyalists and allied Native Americans plunder houses and granaries, burn buildings and kill and capture citizens in Pinebush, a small settlement along Minisink Road (St. Rt. 209) in Ulster County on the morning of September 5th, 1778. Lt. John Graham from Fort Honk (Napanoch) volunteers to pursue the raiders with about seventeen militiamen. They travel up the Rondout and Chestnut Creeks, stopping at Chestnut Woods (Grahamsville). The raiders surround the militia on all sides and open fire. Lt. Graham and several militiamen are killed. Grahamsville is named after Lt. Graham.

Admission to the program is FREE and includes entrance to the Museum's exhibitions, including the new exhibition The Great Fear: Frontier Life During the American Revolution and the 1930s Catskill Farm with over 15 buildings. For more information visit our website timeandthevalleymuseum.org, email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or call 845 985-7700.

Current Exhibitions:

- **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 a section on the Lenape Native Americans, early area settlers, farming, local industries and more.
- **Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story**, an engaging exhibition on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, includes why New York City needed water, a description of the three water systems, the heartache of the people who had to give up their homes and how the complex system was built.
- **NEW! The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution** an immersive and interactive exhibition on the dangerous frontier life during the Revolution in Orange, Ulster and Sullivan Counties, including native, loyalist attacks and patriot attacks, the hardships of settler life, Native life before and after contact and the Battle of Chestnut Woods. It includes audio, video, games and hands on activities.
- **1930s Catskill Family Farm** is an outdoor, open air experience with over 15 early farm buildings all illustrating life on a Catskill family farm during the 1930s, about to be removed for the building of a NYC reservoir. Building include a farm house, 1870s barn, sap house, sawmill, chicken coop, workshop with WORKING waterwheel and many more with hands on activities, video and audio.



The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. It is open to the public on Saturday and Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m. through September or by appointment. Adults admission is \$10, Children under 16 \$5, and children under six are free. Museum members are FREE. Free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members through our status as a Blue Star Museum. 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. Volunteers are always welcome and needed! Email or call us for more information.

Headwaters Chamber Music Festival: Music at the Source

(Contd. Pg. 1) Heard in the intimate setting of the historic Claryville Reformed Church, they promise an experience that is both musically extraordinary and deeply rooted in place.



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The husband and wife duo of cellist Julian Schwarz and pianist Marika Bournaki met as students at the Aspen Music Festival in 2006.

They perform internationally and teach at Shenandoah University in Virginia.

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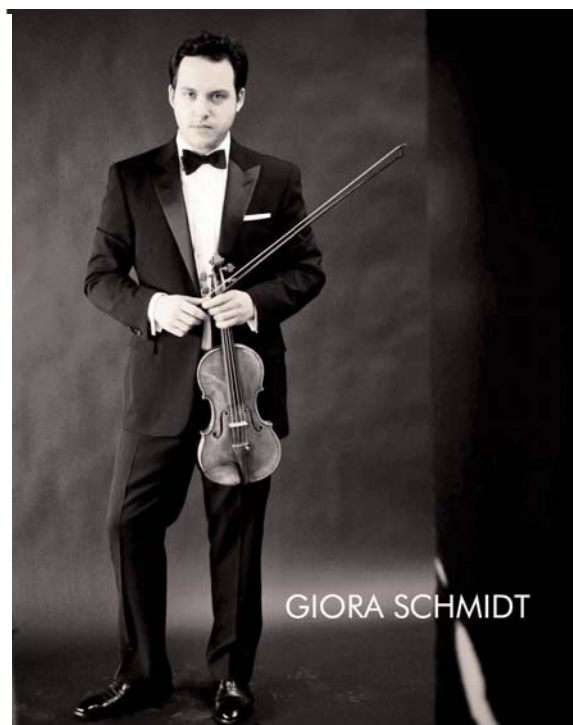
Anna Brathwaite-McGregor

Anna Brathwaite-McGregor is a violinist and music educator based in Brooklyn. She is a graduate of Boston University and the Yale School of Music

There is something particularly fitting about gathering for chamber music in a watershed community. Chamber music is intimate. It asks musicians to listen to one another, respond to one another, and create something together. A watershed works in much the same way: countless streams and tributaries coming together to form something larger than any one of them.

The hope is that the Headwaters Chamber Music Festival can become something bigger than two concerts. By bringing exceptional musicians and audiences into the area, the festival aims to shine a light on the beauty of the Catskill headwaters and spark curiosity about the rivers, forests, farms, communities, and people that make this region so special. The Headwaters Chamber Music Festival hopes to make music part of the conversation about this place, its beauty, and its future.

Come for the incredible music. And stay to discover - or rediscover - the remarkable landscape and communities of the Catskill watershed.



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Legacy Mysterious Book Report

Blood Victory

Mysterious Book Report No. 416

by John Dwaine McKenna

Have you ever driven down the Interstate Highway and noticed all of the trucks cruising along with you . . . then wondered what's inside of them? Maybe even speculated about what they're doing, or where they're going, maybe even asked yourself *What happens after they get there?*

Perhaps you've been too busy with other, more pressing concerns than to day-dream like that, but not NY Times best-selling author Christopher Rice. He's written an electrifying Sci-Fi thriller entitled *Blood Victory*, (Thomas & Mercer, PB, \$15.95, 318 pages, ISBN 978-1542014717), in which an ordinary woman named Charlotte Rowe becomes the unwitting test subject for a secret experimental drug. It gives her super-human strength and the ability to instantly heal any sickness or wound, no matter how grievous or life-threatening. Unfortunately however, the effect is only temporary. After three and a half hours, like Cinderella, Charlotte Rowe returns to her everyday self.

The drug, which cost hundreds of millions of dollars to develop, is owned by a group of tech moguls who're hoping to sell it and make billions of dollars from governments looking to develop armies of near-invincible soldiers. But the drug, which is called Zypraxon, has a nasty side-effect. Charlotte Rowe is the only human test subject who's still alive after being injected with it. All the others killed themselves immediately after being inoculated. That makes "Charley" as she likes to be called, immensely valuable to the Consortium who financed Zypraxon's development . . . and she's agreed to field-test it if allowed to do so on her own terms. Her terms are based on a series of childhood traumas and they're simple. She wants to be the bait that attracts serial killers of women. Charley's willing to allow herself to be captured by one of the known monsters-as identified by the consortium, whose resources stretch far and wide-then be taken to a killing site where the killer will learn that not all women are helpless. Not by a long shot.

And remember those ubiquitous white box trucks we started the article with? The ones that seem to be everywhere? That's what a psychopath named Cyrus Mattingly drives around in . . . and it's a rolling chamber of horror. The truck is where he plans to break Charley's spirit, as well as her mind, by terrorizing her while he drives to a rendezvous with a mysterious person he calls Mother . . . where the real terror will begin in this twisted, utterly fascinating dive into the other side of normality. It'll leave you with goose bumps that'll last for at least a week!

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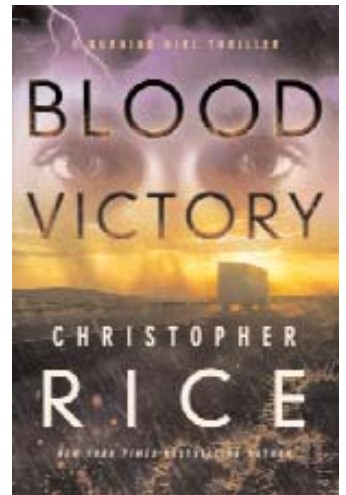
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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

School Shopping

The upcoming weekend of Labor Day is always a reminder that a new school year is beginning.

Not for me, but it still stirs those old feelings of getting ready for school as either a teacher or student. How different things are today from when I was the age of my granddaughter who is beginning her Junior year. Fast rewind to 1959 when I was shopping for my school supplies for my Junior year.

Here were my preparations for the new school year:

1. Make sure my red, Freeport Red Devils, gym suit still fit.
2. Get new sneakers or buy new shoe laces for my white Keds sneakers.
3. Find my slide rule.
4. Buy a new blue canvas three-ring binder.
5. Buy dividers and loose-leaf paper.
6. Get a new black and white swirled composition book.



7. Gather brown paper bags to cover my text books.

8. Find my book bag with the handle or carry my books in the crook of my left arm if book bags were not cool this year.

9. Re-use my old metal Elvis lunchbox with matching thermos, or if that was not cool enough, get more brown paper lunch bags.

My most important preparation was calling my best friend Joanne and Sandy to see what they were wearing that next day.

For under five dollars I was good to go back then. Today back to school shopping is a major investment.

The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "**Toward the Sun**," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!**

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News From Time & the Valleys Museum # 30

Lynn M. Priebe

This coming Labor Day weekend will be an unusual one at the Time and the Valleys Museum (and the Daniel Pierce Library). After we at the museum host a September 5th commemorative program on the 248th anniversary of the Battle of Chestnut Woods on Saturday, the building will be closed Sunday and Monday to enable work to be done on the parking lot.

A panel of experts will discuss the event that took place at the confluence of the Pepacton Brook and Chestnut Creek. We will gather in the library reading room to shed light on that long ago day. The participants include museum researchers, the Neversink historian Roger Edwards and a descendant of one of the militia members who participated in the battle.

The Battle of Chestnut Woods was only one event in a year of traumatic encounters between settlers of the frontier and their militia protectors against Native American and Loyalist forces. The year 1778 saw a change in the character of warfare in New York. The first years of the war were dominated by the movement of large armed forces and battles such as the events on Lake Champlain and the battle for New York City in 1776 and the British attempt to control the state to split the colonies in two in 1777. After the failure of this campaign with the surrender of British General Burgoyne at Saratoga, the strategy of the British in New York State transitioned to harassing boarder settlements. Loyalist forces and their Native allies carried out frequent attacks on the frontier with two goals - obtaining supplies for the British army and spreading fear among the settlers. Because of the need to protect the settlements, it was hoped that Washington would send Continental Troops to aid the local militia, thus weakening his forces.

The year of 1778 was particularly deadly. It was during

this brutal year of attacks and counterattacks that the Battle of Chestnut Woods took place.

The season of fighting began after Joseph Brant, Mohawk war captain, established his headquarters at Oquaga on the upper Susquehanna River early in the year. From there he raided Cobleskill in May. In early July the deadliest attack by Native Americans during the Revolutionary War took place when the Wyoming Valley settlements on the lower Susquehanna in Pennsylvania were attacked by Natives (not commanded by Brant), along with John Butler's Rangers. They destroyed the settlements and massacred at least 376 men, women and children. The news of this vicious attack spread to the New York frontier and caused great fear. After other attacks at Lackawack and on the Pepacton or East Branch of the Delaware, Governor George Clinton, who was also commander of local militias, established a new fort at Honk Falls and manned it with about 300 men. This was the setting for our Sullivan County battle at Chestnut Woods.

When a small settlement called Pinebush, just above Kerhonkson, was attacked, buildings burned, two men murdered and two others taken captive, the Ulster Militia from Fort Honk responded quickly.

The battle took place later the same day when militia under Lt. John Graham was surprised by Natives. Exactly what happened there has long been a mystery. Our panel will address many of the questions about that day. How many troops were sent and what were their names? How many were killed and where were they buried? Who commanded the Native force?

The best account of what happened came from Colonel John Cantine's report to Governor Clinton four day later, but there are other accounts which will be considered by our panel to help us learn more of what took place.

Join us on Saturday. Perhaps you can add more to the story. We are always, as I often say, looking to solve history's mysteries.



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Claryville, N.Y. - Frost Valley YMCA invites families, friends, and outdoor enthusiasts to celebrate the beauty of autumn at the 2nd Annual Frost Valley Fall Fest on Sunday, October 4, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Set against the vibrant backdrop of peak Catskills foliage, this all-ages festival offers a full day of seasonal fun featuring live entertainment, local food, hands-on activities, and artisan vendors.

Guests can spend the day exploring Frost Valley's beautiful campus while enjoying activities including archery, apple cider pressing, tractor rides, nature exploration, inflatable play areas, face painting, balloon artistry, interactive games, arts and crafts, and supervised hatchet throwing. Throughout the festival, families are encouraged to move at their own pace, discovering new experiences around every corner.

This year's festival also features a vibrant lineup of local artists, makers, and community organizations. Visitors can browse handcrafted goods, artwork, jewelry, candles, bath and body products, home décor, specialty gifts, and more from dozens of regional artisans and small businesses.

Live entertainment will take place throughout the day with performances by The Defending Champs, Mekayla Rayne, The Vivid Chill, Fruitbodies, A Couple of Wanderers, and Goodnight, Gracie, creating a festive soundtrack from morning through late afternoon. Guests can enjoy a variety of seasonal food and beverages from regional vendors, including barbecue, fresh cider, apples, pumpkin treats, baked goods, kettle corn, coffee, and local craft beverages from



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Visitors looking to extend the experience can turn Fall Fest into a full weekend getaway by staying overnight at Frost Valley. Cabins, lodges, yurts, and other accommodations are available, with overnight guests receiving complimentary Fall Fest admission and access to additional weekend programming. To reserve an overnight stay, email reservations@frostvalley.org or call (845) 985-2291 ext. 450.

Additional photos and interviews are available upon request. Please contact Associate Director of Marketing Joseph Geidel at jgeidel@frostvalley.org.

About Frost Valley YMCA: Frost Valley YMCA is a destination for engagement in community, nature, art, and recreation for people of all ages and walks of life. As a leader in camping and outdoor education, we provide transformative experiences that inspire growth, connection, creativity, and resilience for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds, and are the antidote to screen-focused lives. Nestled on 5,500 acres in the scenic Catskill Mountains, just 2 hours from New York City, Frost Valley offers year-round opportunities for engagement in nature, adventure, personal growth, and creativity through diverse programs and experiences. Throughout, we instill in young people the skills to thrive, help people connect to themselves and others, and provide a sense of community and belonging.

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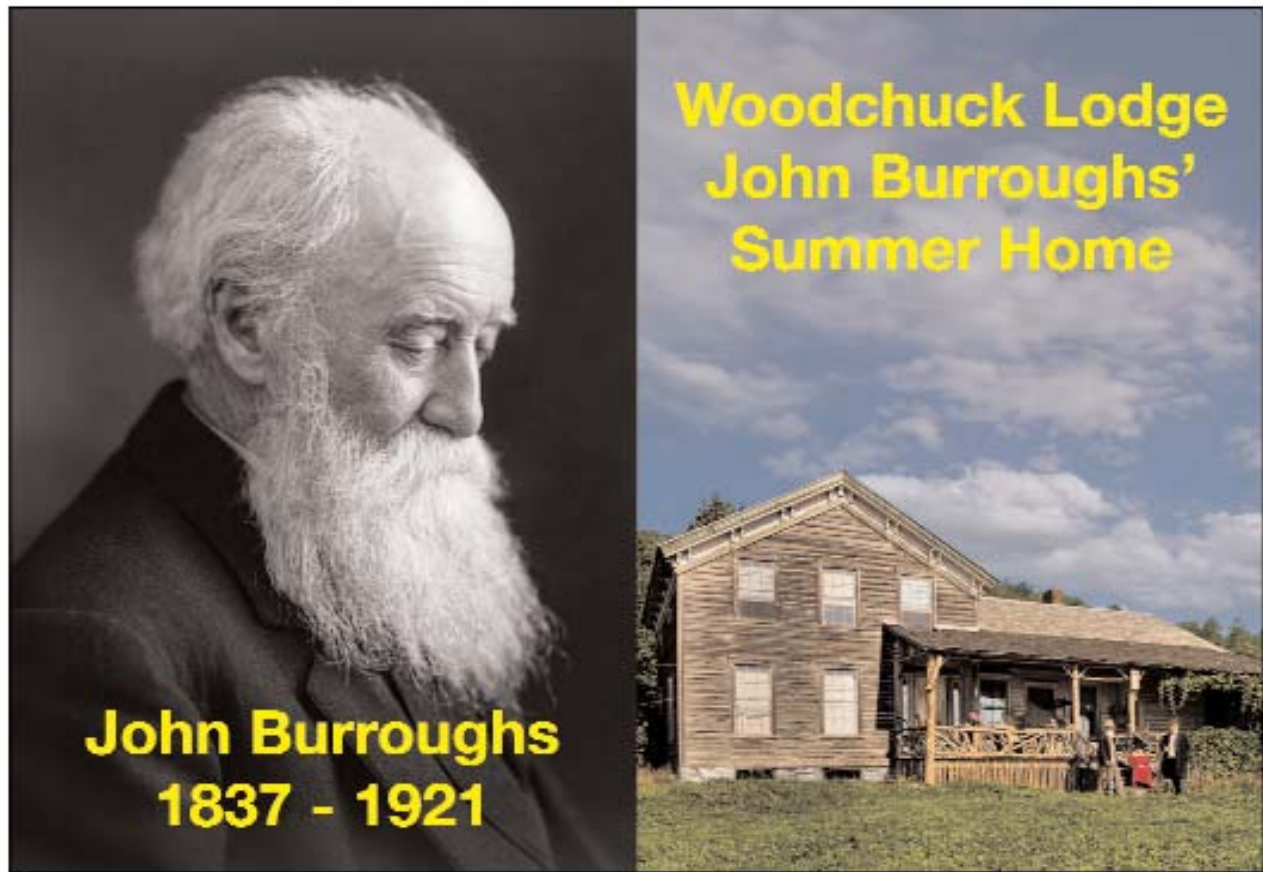
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MEETING AGENDA

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At SAID meeting any and all interested person(s) will be heard either for or against.

A copy of the proposed law is available in the Town Clerks Office during normal business hours.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD
Nancy Parrow
Town Clerk
August 24th, 2026

8/27; 9/3

LEGAL NOTICE**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING****TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 6-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, a **Policy Committee Meeting** of the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District will be held on **Thursday, September 10, 2026, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.**, prevailing time, in the Tri-Valley Central School District Secondary School Lower Level Collaboration Space.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District will hold a **Board of Education Meeting** on **Thursday, September 10, 2026, at approximately 7:00 p.m.**, prevailing time, at the Tri-Valley Central School District Secondary School Lower Level Collaboration Space.

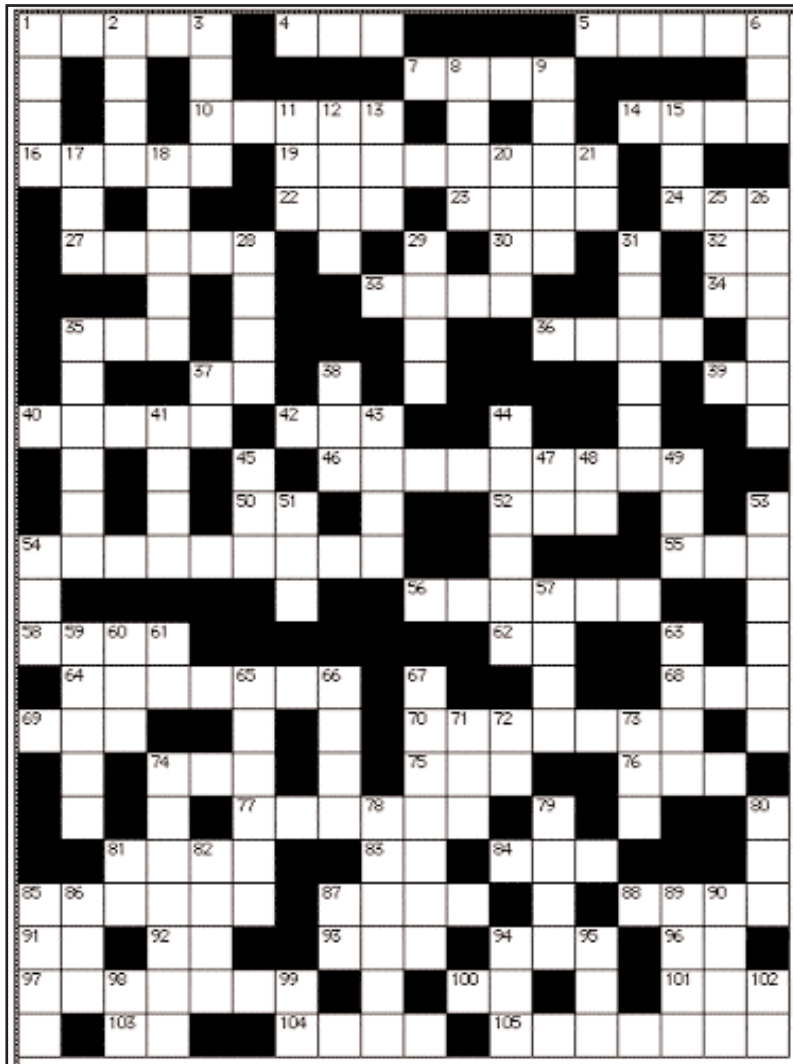
The meetings shall be held at the time and place stated above.

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Tri-Valley Central School District

Heather Bonnell

Tri-Valley Central School District Clerk

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4 Between sunrise and sunset
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16 Gratifying; self-respect
19 Avoiding waste
22 Adult human male
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27 Scheme
30 Nearby
32 Exclamation of

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33 Violent disturbance of peace by a crowd
34 Emergency Room
35 Legume commonly used for replacement of animal protein
36 Bird wing movement
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39 People in general
40 What was donated to the Grahamsville Reformed Church in 1970
42 Circulating fluid in the vascular system of

plants

46 Anti-corporate; Progressive
50 I am
52 Immoral act
54 Praise publicly
55 Curve
56 Rough drawing
58 Restaurant bills
62 Brit's thank you
64 Day in which one works
68 Self-esteem
69 Purse
70 To see
74 Central body of the solar system
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76 Anger
77 Relating to the Celts

81 Like

83 Road
84 Occupation
85 Pottery maker
87 Peruse
88 Part of the ear
91 Overeaters' Anonymous
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93 Beam of light
94 Auto
96 Southeast
97 Supervisor of the Town of Shandaken
100 Not any
101 August sun sigh
103 Title used for a woman before her surname

104 Where the sun rises
105 City where the first Labor Day holiday was celebrated

DOWN

1 Live Action Role Playing
2 Knife used in the Philippines
3 Russian female who developed the philosophy of "objectivism"
6 Bow
8 Totem
9 Send to press
11 Rapid Eye Movement
12 Person who refuses to join a union
13 Long period of time
15 Sun

17 Despicable character
18 Harmony
20 Water-filled ditch surrounding a castle
21 Common Era
25 Bitter beer
26 Laborer
28 Monarch
29 Money reward for services
31 Flat surfaces
35 Come to an agreement
37 Indefinite article
38 Possesses
41 Land measure
43 Pillar or post
44 Woven container

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51 Expressing permission
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54 Portable bed
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60 Mire
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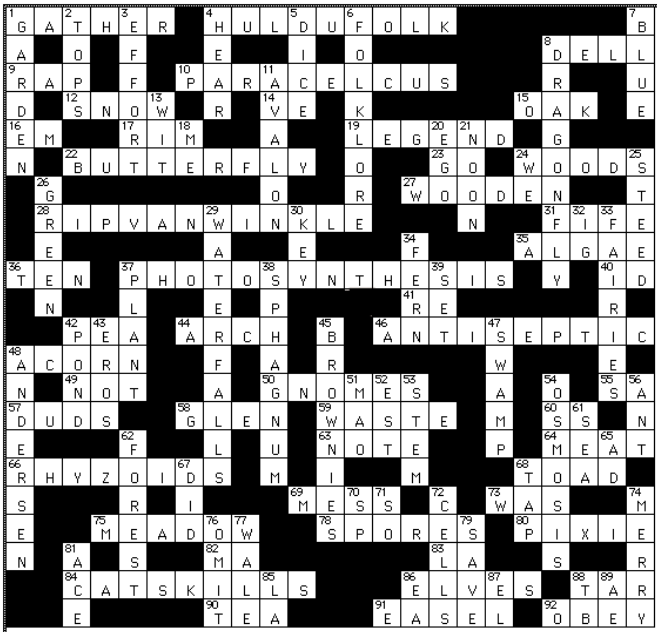
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The Wurtsboro Board of Trade 2026 event dates are as follows:

Halloweenfest

Saturday October 31st 12-3pm

Joy to Wurtsboro

Saturday November 28th 1-4pm

Music & Farmers Market in the park will run every Thursday, starting June 11-Sept 24 from 5pm-8/8:30pm.



Daniel Pierce Library Hours

Monday - 9:00 - 4:00
Tuesday - 9:00 - 7:00
Wednesday - 9:00 - 4:00
Thursday - 9:00 - 7:00
Friday - 9:00 - 4:00
Saturday - 9:00 - 12:00
Sunday - Closed

\$126 Million in Unclaimed Funds Returned in March Comptroller DiNapoli handing over Unclaimed Funds check

The Office of the State Comptroller returned \$126 million in unclaimed funds to its rightful owners during the month of March. From uncashed payroll checks to forgotten bank accounts, Comptroller DiNapoli is dedicated to putting money back into the pockets of the people and organizations it belongs to.

https://www.osc.ny.gov/unclaimed-funds?utm_content=20260411&utm_medium=email&utm_source=weekly+news

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VETERANS always **Free** search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County
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2026 LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

9/2	Town of Neversink Planning Board -7 pm (Application Submission Due Date 8/21/2026)
9/5 & 9/6	Headwaters Chamber Music Festival Claryville Reformed Church (See Pg 36)
9/7	Town of Neversink Holiday - LABOR DAY
9/8	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm (<u>Note change of date</u>)
9/9	Denning Business Meeting 1:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
9/9	Denning Town Board Meeting - 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
9/9	Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
9/16	Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. 7:30 pm Grahamsville Fire Department Firehouse – <i>Meeting before the show</i>
9/17	Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting–6:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
9/17	Neversink Fire Commissioners' Meeting 7 pm
10/7	Town of Neversink Planning Board -7 pm (Application Submission Due Date 9/25/2026)

SAVE THE DATE!

Sept. 8th **Neversink Association Inc Annual BYO Picnic & Meeting** (See Pg. 17)

Saturday, September 19th • 10 am - 6 pm **Neversink-Rondaout Antique Machinery Association's
28th Annual Tractor Show** • Grahamsville Fairgrounds

Daniel Pierce 40th Annual Pumpkin Party -October 3, 2026 Parade 11 am • Pumpkin Party 12 noon- 4 pm

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

Town of Denning - <http://www.denningny.gov>
Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

UC Legislative Weekly Update

for the Week of

August 31, 2026 - September 4, 2026

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

No Meetings Monday, August 31**Tuesday, September 1**

o **4:30 PM - Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream
o **5:30 PM (or immediately following Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee)** - Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts, and Agriculture Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

Wednesday, September 2

o **5:00 PM - Ulster County Community Services Board People w/ Developmental Disabilities, Mental Health, & Substance Abuse Subcommittees**, in the Ulster County Department of Mental Health, 368 Broadway, Suite 401, Kingston
o **5:00 PM - Energy, Environment and Sustainability Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream
o **7:00 PM - Ulster County Planning Board**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Thursday, September 3

o **4:00 PM - Health, Human Services & Human Rights Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream
o **5:00 PM** (or immediately following Health, Human Services and Human Rights Committee) - **Housing and Transportation Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream
o **5:15 PM - County Executive Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 10 of 2026**, A Local Law Opting Ulster County Into The Partial Real Property Tax Exemption Authorized by Real Property Tax Law § 457-a, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
o **5:30 PM - County Executive Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 11 of 2026**, A Local Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption Of The County Portion Of The Real Property Taxation For Surviving Spouses Of Police Officers Killed In The Line Of Duty In Accordance New York State Real Property Tax Law Article 4, Title 2 Private Property, Section 471, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

No Meetings Friday, September 4

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GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO HOST PARADE SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

The Grahamsville Fire Dept. will host the 97th Sullivan County Volunteer Firefighter's Association Parade on Sept. 12, 2026. The parade will step off at 1PM, with line-up starting at Noon.

Grand Marshal will be John Hauschild, Sullivan County Fire Coordinator (53-1). Division Marshals are active Past Presidents of the Grahamsville Fire Dept: Joseph Pond, Joseph Barkley and Charles Barnard. The parade will honor the 250th anniversary of the United States and commemorate the 25th anniversary of 9/11.

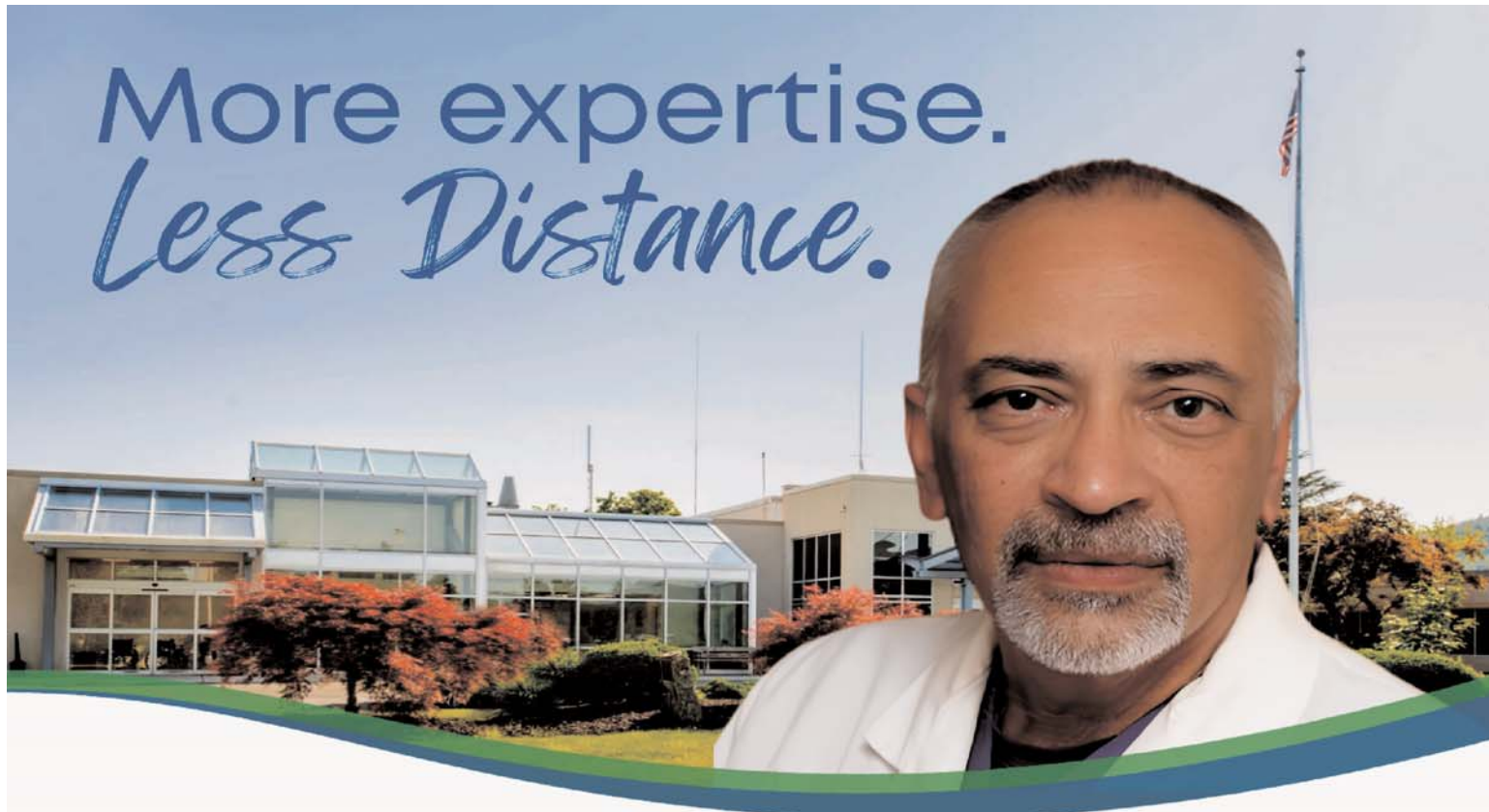
Line-up will be on Route 42 from Little Hollow Rd to the Route 42 Park. Route 42 and Big Hollow Rd (from Rt. 42 to Little Hollow intersection) will be closed to traffic starting at 9:30AM until the parade passes. The detour for this section will be Hall Road to Big Hollow Road to Little Hollow Road. Route 55 will be closed from the intersection of Rte 42 and Rte 55 to the Fairgrounds starting at 1PM until the parade passes.

The parade ends at the Fairgrounds where there will be post parade activities. These will include bounce houses, fire department tug of war competition, award ceremony, food and beverages. All are welcome to come out and support the firefighters, EMS, color guards and bands. The post parade activities are open to the public.

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This year's gathering is designed on a more personal scale, allowing guests to linger over dinner, reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and enjoy a relaxed evening of warm hospitality and easy conversation.

Catch & Conserve celebrates the people who care about the Center and the remarkable heritage it exists to preserve - anglers, collectors, craftspeople, historians, longtime supporters, and all who share an appreciation for the traditions and stories that have shaped Catskill fly fishing.

Saturday, September 26, 2026

6:00-9:00 PM

The Roscoe Mountain Club

Seating for this year's gathering is highly limited.

Tickets start at \$250, with sponsorship opportunities available.

Space is limited for this year's gathering.

Join us for a memorable evening in support of the Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum.

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September Is Here and The Forestburgh Playhouse is Gearing Up For *The In The Works - In the Woods Festival*

Have you gotten your tickets to In the Works - In the Woods Festival yet? In just a few weeks, the Forestburgh Playhouse will welcome crowds to a jam packed weekend full of brand new theatrical works and community celebration.

Starting September 18, theatre-goers will get access to a stellar lineup of moving, witty, and engaging new works, and get a glimpse into what it takes to produce a show. For instance, step into the writing room of a new play entitled *Hut, Hut, Hike* by Kenneth Jones, and discover the story of a college football star that has to rewrite the carefully planned playbook of his life when he is forced to bridge the world of sports and the arts.

Peek behind the curtain and discover *The Homefront*- a new musical by Jenny Stafford, Malika Oyetimein, and Sam Salmond. This piece transports you to the tail end of World War II to experience the true story of strength and resilience about the earliest stages of a feminist revolution in the American workforce.

Also featured is our new Theatre for Young Audiences work, entitled *The Color of Things* by Grace Oberhofer and Lisa Mongillo- A whimsical musical comedy about an 11-year-old girl who must restore color to her town after two villains drain away every hue-and every spark of joy.

You can't miss the sensational Catskills Cab Lab featuring *Thawed Out*, starring Lauren Chapman and *Wandering Man*, starring Ian Coursey.

For our Passport holders, the Festival provides exclusive access to certain events such as our one-woman show written and starring Stacey Scott entitled *Upstaged*. Passport holders also get access to the 'Off the Cuff' series, which will give you insights into the Broadway industry, intimate stories, and casual conversations with Broadway icons. This year's talkbacks will feature Jeanine Tesori, Tony award-winning Composer and Musical Arranger (*Shrek: The Musical*, *Thoroughly Modern Milly*, *Fun Home*, *Kimberly Akimbo*) and David Loud, acclaimed Music Director/Conductor, pianist, and Actor (*Ragtime*, *Steel Pier*, *Curtains*, *Merrily We Roll Along*).

Our wonderful local vendors are gearing up for the Festival as well! Come experience the local community that makes the Forestburgh Playhouse home and get a taste of the wonderful food, drinks, and various goods that help fuel the Festival.

Don't miss this amazing opportunity to experience art being made in real time. With the Festival beginning Friday, September 18, audiences have just a few more weeks to gather friends and family for the In The Works- In The Woods Festival.

Festival Passports are available now-and many events have limited seating.

We can't wait to welcome you back to Forestburgh for a weekend filled with creativity, discovery, and the thrill of witnessing the next generation of theatre before the rest of the world.

Mark your calendars: September 18-20.

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Paige Turner Stars in *Drag Me to the Movies* at the Forestburgh Playhouse September 26

Forestburgh, NY - Lights, camera... desperation! NYC's "Showbiz Spitfire" Paige Turner returns to Forestburgh on Saturday, September 26 for her 9th season with an all-new, ALL-LIVE sung cabaret that's ready for its close-up. She's conquered Ptown, the theater, cruise ships, food courts-and even television-but there's one thing missing from her glittering résumé: a starring role on the silver screen.

In *Drag Me to the Movies*, Paige takes you on a hilarious, high-energy journey through the films she should have been cast in, proving that life is just one long audition. From iconic classics to modern blockbusters, she reimagines herself in the roles that got away... or were never offered in the first place.

Featuring show-stopping songs from *Grease*, *Titanic*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Mommie Dearest*, *Star Wars*, and more, this cinematic cabaret is packed with Hollywood glamour, campy twists, and Paige's signature wit.

"Paige Turner always sells out, so plan in advance!" said Producer, Franklin Trapp. "You're in for a hilariously campy evening featuring all of the roles and songs you know and love.

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Tickets are on sale now and going fast! Don't miss your chance to witness the Carol Burnett of the drag world!

For tickets and more information, visit www.fbplayhouse.org or call 845-794-1194.

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The Forestburgh Playhouse

Founded in 1947, the Forestburgh Playhouse has served as a beacon of the arts in the Sullivan Catskills for over 75 years. Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Franklin Trapp, the Playhouse continues to deliver high-quality theatre productions and foster the development of new works. With a mission that encompasses professional theatre, arts education, and youth programming, the Playhouse attracts over 30,000 patrons each summer and is a proud pioneer in the resur-

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Hello, September!

There's a certain magic to this time of year-the days are still warm, the evenings are beginning to cool, and the market is caught somewhere between summer's abundance and fall's first hints. Tomatoes and corn are still having their moment, while squash, peppers and apples are quietly reminding us that a new season is on its way.

Come savor these last golden weeks of summer, discover what's new, and enjoy a Wednesday afternoon at the market. September has arrived, and it's looking delicious.

Wednesday, September 2nd, 3 - 7 PM

Mountainview Parking Lot

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Meet Your Favorite Mushroom

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Take 10

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What's for Dinner?

Make Wednesday your dinner night at the market and let someone else do the cooking. Grab something delicious from VanRoy's Caribbean Grill, La Ruta Del Sol, or Land of the Tamal, find a spot to sit, and enjoy dinner outdoors while you listen to the music and take in the market. Vegan and Gluten Free Options are Plentiful SNAP, FreshConnect, and Market Bucks distributed/accepted

This week at the Market Music by: Maribyrd

Affectionately described by her peers as "NJ's Joni Mitchell", Maribyrd is a singer/songwriter, born and raised in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains of Northern NJ. Her live performances range from intimate and acoustic, to dynamic full



bands, and everything in between. Both fronting her own projects and accompanying other artists, she plays acoustic guitar, mandolin, a little bass, and has both a gift and a passion for harmonies. "Ethereal" and "floating" are words commonly used in regard to her vocals. Byrd started playing music as a teenager, self taught on her mom's old acoustic guitar...that's when she started writing. Maribyrd's debut album "Joe's Basement" was recorded in 2002, and is peppered with some of the most talented musicians in the north Jersey music scene. After exploring a variety of career paths, performing occasionally, the call to sing finally became too loud to ignore, and 13 years later, she found herself back in the studio.

Citizens Concerned About Plastic Pollution

CCAPP works in Ulster County on the issue of plastic pollution - encouraging action to reduce the use and limit production of single-use plastic through education, advocacy, and collaboration. CCAPP is an affiliate of Beyond Plastics, a national grass-roots organization working to end plastic pollution.

This Week's Vendors

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Saturday, October 3rd

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Parade Details:

Date: October 3, 2026

Theme: Fall into Reading

Parade Start: 11am

Staging Location: Tri-Valley School
(Moore Hill Road Entrance)

Staging: Parade staging begins 10am

Parade Route: 1.5 miles down Route 55



Please click here to register for our 40th Anniversary Parade!
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DEC Forest Rangers - Week in Review Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

Town of Keene Essex County –Wilderness Rescue: On August 18 at 1:42 p.m., Ray Brook Dispatch connected Forest Ranger Ezumah with a caller worried about their friend who made suicidal statements during a camping trip along the Boquet River. Rangers Ezumah and Odell proceeded to the camping group's coordinates. When Rangers reached the 21-year-old from New Hampshire, they convinced them to hike back to the trailhead, New York State Police transported the subject to the hospital. The incident was clear at 6 p.m.

If you or someone you know needs mental health assistance, help is available. Call or text 988 for New York State's free 24-hour hotline. You can also call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK.

Town of Inlet Hamilton County Wilderness Rescue: On August 18 at 7:35 p.m., the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office requested Forest Ranger assistance for a group of hikers lost on Black Bear Mountain. The four hikers ended up on Bug Lake Trail and needed help finding their way back to the Black Bear Mountain trailhead. Ranger Hanno located the subjects, escorted them out of the woods, and gave them a courtesy ride to their vehicle. The incident was clear at 9:23 p.m.

Town of Keene Essex County –Wilderness Rescue: On August 18 at 9 p.m., Essex County received a 911 text from a hiker uninjured but stranded near the junction of the Big Slide and Brothers trails. The 14-year-old's father stated the hiker needed assistance back to the trailhead. At 1:30 a.m., Forest Rangers Ezumah and Foutch located the hiker from Ballston Spa and provided food, water, and a headlamp. They escorted the subject to their father who was waiting at the trailhead. The incident was clear at 5:35 a.m.

City of Rochester Monroe County –Public Outreach: On August 19, Forest Ranger Raffaldi-Smith and Smokey Bear visited children in the summer camp program at Full Heart Child Care. The theme for the week was "The Great Outdoors." During the visit, the campers learned about Forest Ranger duties and campfire safety. They also sang happy birthday to Smokey.



Town of Broome Schoharie County –Water Rescue: On August 19 at 1:09 p.m., Schoharie County 911 received a call about a boater stuck in vegetation on Vlaie Pond at the Franklinton Vlaie Wildlife Management Area approximately 150 feet from shore. The boat's motor seized up from the weeds. Forest Ranger France put on swift water gear, waded into the water, and assisted the 68-year-old from Broome with a throw rope. With the assistance of Schoharie County Sheriff's Deputies, New York State Police, and Livingston Fire Department, Ranger France pulled the subject to shore. Ranger France went back to the boat and paddled out of the weeds and transported the boater to the boat launch. The incident was clear at 2:10 p.m.

Town of Orwell Oswego County –Water Rescue: On August 21 at 2:45 p.m., Forest Ranger Vaile responded to a call for an injured cliff jumper at Salmon River Falls. Ranger Vaile assisted

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the Oswego County Ropes Rescue Team, DEC Environmental Conservation Police Officers, New York State Police, Oswego County Sheriff's Deputies, and the Orwell and Ringgold Fire Departments. They used a high angle rope rescue to get the 21-year-old from Fort Drum out of the water. Once extracted, Mercy Flight flew the patient to the hospital. The incident was clear at 3:15 p.m.

Town of Webb Herkimer County Rescue: On August 22 at 3 p.m., Assistant Forest Ranger (AFR) Wolff encountered a camper with severe hip pain at the Stillwater Boat Launch. The 71-year-old from Auburn was setting up a campsite and tripped on a root, landing on their hip. The subject crawled to their boat and managed to make it back to the launch. AFR Wolff provided ice but discovered the camper could not move their leg at all. At 4:30 p.m., Old Forge Volunteer Ambulance arrived. Ranger Maxwell and AFR Wolff helped get the patient off the boat and into the ambulance. The incident was clear at 5 p.m.

Town of Webb Herkimer County Wilderness Rescue: On August 22 at 4 p.m., Forest Rangers Maxwell, Quinn, Stone, and Waligory responded to a call for a hiker with an unstable ankle injury approximately halfway up the Bald Mountain trail. Old Forge Fire Department arrived first and packaged the 67-year-old from Texas. Rangers assisted firefighters, Old Forge EMS, and Inlet Police with the carryout to an Old Forge Ambulance. The incident was clear at 6:15 p.m.

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

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Friday, October 9th

Universal Pre-Kindergarten Story Hour

Our "Story Hour on the Road" program visits the three UPK classes at Tri Valley Central School (Children will be registered at school.)

Tuesday, October 13th

*Registration is open to Tri-Valley residents.
Please register online @ danielpiercelibrary.org*

Join Us to Celebrate Our Nation's 250th Anniversary!

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Lydia is an expert on our local birds of prey and her presentations are enlightening and entertaining. By dissecting the pellets, we will learn what the local owls eat, often leaving us with fully-intact skeletons of their prey.

Joining Lydia will be wildlife rehabilitator Ellen Kalish of the Ravensbeard Wildlife Center with one of her rescued owls. Ellen is the region's leading expert on the rehabilitation of wild birds and is an engaging and inspiring speaker.

Everyone interested in our local wildlife and the mysteries of nature is encouraged to attend. The meeting is held at 20 Crystal Street in Monticello. There is no charge and refreshments will be served. Children are welcome.



The Catskill Exotic Bird Club, an association of parrot owners, breeders and those interested in and who love and are loved by pet birds, celebrates its 41st anniversary this year. We meet the second Thursday of each month at 20 Crystal Street in Monticello, and the public is always invited.

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Balkan Mountains Music Festival

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On **Saturday, September 19**, the Phoenicia Library will celebrate the music and dance of the Balkan peninsula with a FREE festival of musical and choral groups playing and singing odd meters and unusual scales and harmonies in a gorgeous setting at Glenbrook Park in Shandaken.

Festival Schedule

2:30 pm - Doors

3:00 pm - Dedication of Renovation of Glenbrook Park

3:30 pm - Driftwood Chorus

3:45 pm - Dance Instruction by Noel Kropf with Live Music by Mac & Cheez Balkan PowerTrio

4:30 pm - Niva - Traditional Macedonian Dance Music

5:50 pm - Ronski Boji - Modern Roma Music

6:30 pm - Bourbon and Breastmilk Community Choir

Everyone is welcome to join this free event.

Balkan Mountains Music Festival

Saturday, September 19, 2026

3:00 pm - 7:30 pm

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For performer info, contact Matthew "Max" Fass at matthewfass@gmail.com

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About the Artists

Noel Kropf is a producer, organizer, and sound coordinator for the Zlatne Uste Golden Festival, having helped lead and shape the festival since 1996. His dance workshops are known for being welcoming and accessible to all, combining clear instruction with contagious enthusiasm. Noel emphasizes the communal, inclusive nature of folk dance, helping beginners and experienced dancers alike participate with confidence.

MacN'Cheez Balkan Power Trio is an acoustic ensemble dedicated to performing traditional and contemporary folk music from the southern Balkans, infusing their performances with influences from Roma and Ottoman cultures.

Niva is a Brooklyn-based, all-women ensemble dedicated to performing and preserving traditional Macedonian roots music. The group specializes in an authentic presentation of North Macedonian folk repertoire, featuring rich vocal harmonies and the signature sounds of local instruments. Their instrumentation foregrounds the kaval (shepherd's flute), tambura (long-necked lute), tapan (bass drum), and powerful group singing.

Ronski Boji is a New York City-based Romani ensemble led by percussionist Seido Salifoski. Its name translates as "Romani Colors," and the group draws on the communal, high-energy spirit of Balkan Roma wedding music-rhythm-forward, celebratory, and made for dancing.

Bourbon & Breast Milk, a community choir in the Mid Hudson Valley, brings village songs from the Balkans, the Caucasus, and Ukraine to life, sharing their cultural richness with local friends and neighbors.

More Information

- o Phoenicia Library: <https://phoenicialibrary.org/>
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ROSH HASHANAH EVE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

6:45 Evening Services
7:15 Community Holiday Dinner

ROSH HASHANAH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

10:00 Morning Services
11:00 Children's Program

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

9:30 Morning Services
11:00 Children's Program
11:15 Shofar Blowing
6:00 Tashlich at American
Legion Park

YOM KIPPUR

SEPTEMBER 20-21

YOM KIPPUR EVE

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20

7:00 Evening Service

YOM KIPPUR DAY

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21

10:00 Morning Services
11:00 Children's Program
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7:36 Yom Kippur Ends | Break-Fast



THE RHINEBECK JEWISH CENTER INVITES YOU TO THE

ROSH HASHANAH Community Dinner

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Your voice and stories are crucial to my work as your Representative. Whether it's talking to you at a community event or when you call my office, I immensely value hearing from each and every one of you.

Here's some of how I fought for you and a more affordable, safe, and free Hudson Valley for us all last week:

I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! AFFORDABILITY TELEPHONE TOWN HALL TONIGHT

I pick my fights in Washington based directly on what matters to you, my community. It's the most important part of this job.

That's why I am inviting everyone in the Hudson Valley to join my Telephone Town Hall TONIGHT.

Since Trump took office for the second time, our community has borne the brunt of his harmful, cost-raising policies; from tariffs to healthcare cuts to this reckless war in Iran. Every fight we've won, we've won together. That's why I look forward to taking your questions, listening to your concerns, and discussing with our community where we go from here.

Every single day, I promise to fight for you and against anyone who would do you harm.

Join tonight by dialing (833) 980-3644 at 5:30pm, or go to [PatRyan.house.gov/live](https://patryan.house.gov/live) to watch live!

Read more

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/next-week-congressman-pat-ryan-host-affordability-telephone-town-hall-war-iran>

DEMANDING ACCOUNTABILITY AS TRUMP'S IRAN WAR REACHES SIXTH MONTH

From Day 1 of this reckless war in Iran, Trump and Hegseth have lied to and betrayed the American people on every level.

They lied about the timeline, lied about the cost, and left hardworking Americans to foot the bill for a war they never wanted in the first place.

18 brave American Patriots have died because of their utter incompetence, and hundreds more have been injured while their families are left in the dark.

The entire war has been a total fiasco - and instead of ending it, the chickenhawk President and unfit SecDef are doubling down on a losing strategy.

I'm going to keep fighting everyday, with every fiber of my being, to end this war, bring our troops home, and hold everyone accountable - especially Hegseth - for this historic disaster.

Read more

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/total-fias->

[co-war-iran-reaches-sixth-month-congressman-pat-ryan-blasts](#)

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

Last week, we celebrated Women's Equality & all the brave women who have fought for women's equal protection under the law, strengthening our democracy & nation.

From protecting reproductive rights, to pushing for equal pay, we must continue the fight for forward progress & equality.

THANK YOU TO RHINEBECK AND DUTCHESS COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS

I want to thank the Rhinebeck Fire Department, Dutchess County Fair EMS, Empress Emergency Medical Services, and New York State Police for their swift action during a medical emergency at the annual Dutchess County Fair last Friday.

Their quick actions and coordination helped get someone the critical care they need. This incident demonstrates the critical importance of immediate CPR, early defibrillation, and coordinated emergency medical care.

HUDSON VALLEY PARENTS: LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS TO ENTER MY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE & AMERICA 250 ESSAY CONTEST!

Today is the last day to submit to my Summer Reading Challenge and America 250 Essay Contest!

Details are below, click this link to submit!

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/hudson-valley-students-i-want-hear-you-one-week-left-enter-congressman-pat>

Ryan's Second Annual Summer Reading Challenge is open to Hudson Valley students grades K-8. Participating students track their reading, and all those who complete five or more books before August 31st will receive a Congressional Certificate of Achievement.

Ryan launched his America 250 Essay Contest in July in celebration of the country's 250th anniversary. The contest is open to all Hudson Valley high school students (grades 9-12), and submissions are due on August 31st. Participating students can pick between five prompts to reflect on America's history and explore their hopes and visions for our country's future. All participants will be recognized with Congressional Certificates, and the winner will be invited for a Capitol tour and to meet with Congressman Ryan in Washington, DC.

US SERVICE ACADEMY INFORMATION SESSION

At West Point I learned how to live a life grounded in duty, honor, and country.

Nominating the next generation of leaders is an incredible privilege.

To learn more about the service academy application process, join my information session Sept. 19th from 11am-2pm. (Contd. Pg. 62)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 61)

More information

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-hold-fourth-annual-fall-service-academy-information>

If you're interested in finding YOUR path to service, reach out to my office!

Learn more here

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-opens-application-window-us-service-academy-nominations-0>

BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

My team was excited to bring the CARES Van to the New Paltz Farmers Market!

If you need help with Medicare, getting your IRS tax return, and more, join my team at this evening's CARES Van event for one-on-one assistance with federal programs.

If you need help navigating a federal agency, but can't join an event, please call my team at (845) 443-2930.

GRANTS CORNER**Featured Funding Opportunities**

Charge Ready NY - Large Public Sector Project Program

This funding opportunity, administered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), provides funding to public sector entities including New York State agencies and authorities, local governments and state or city university systems, to install Level 2 charging stations on publicly-owned land for use by the general public. Selected projects will be awarded a minimum of \$1 million and a maximum of \$15 million to install electric vehicle chargers at one or more sites.

Proposers may request up to 80 percent of eligible documented purchase and installation costs of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE). Proposers must also work with original equipment manufacturers, white-labeled models and network service providers approved by NYSERDA through RFQL 5312: Charge Ready NY 2.0 Equipment and Network Qualification Process to be eligible for and receive funding.

Proposals are due on October 20, 2026, 3:00 p.m. ET. A complete list of all eligibility rules and evaluation criteria can be found at the solicitation summary on NYSERDA's website.

NYSERDA will host a webinar on September 15, 2026, 3:00 p.m. ET to provide more details on the solicitation, project requirements and the application process.

Weatherization Assistance Program

The NYS Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) is the largest residential energy conservation program in the country. NYS WAP assists income-eligible homeowners and some renters* in our state by reducing heating and cooling costs through energy-conservation measures, while also addressing health and safety issues in their homes.

Households with incomes at or below 60% of state median income are eligible for assistance. Program services are available to both homeowners and renters, with priority given to senior citizens, families with children, and people with disabilities.

If a household contains a member who receives Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) benefits or certain other forms of public assistance, the household is automatically eligible for NYS WAP services. Applications are accepted from renters, homeowners, and rental property owners. Potential program participants apply by contacting the WAP provider that serves their area.

HFFI Food Access and Retail Expansion Fund (HFFI FARE Fund)

The HFFI FARE Fund is a program under America's Healthy Food Financing Initiative, a program of USDA Rural Development.

The HFFI FARE Fund will fund projects that create or expand the following types of business models:

SNAP Authorized food retailers located in eligible underserved areas that will sell an assortment of Staple and Perishable foods directly to consumers

Post-harvest food retail supply chain enterprises that will distribute Staple and Perishable foods to SNAP authorized food retailers located in eligible underserved areas

Funding Levels:

Grants from \$20,000 - \$250,000 for planning and implementation projects

Technical Assistance up to \$75,000 per project for early-stage planning, predevelopment, and business assistance contractual soft costs

If invited to submit, full applications are due no later than 11:59 PM ET, October 30, 2026. Award notifications will be made no earlier than January 2027.

New York Providing Local Access to Essential Sustenance (NY PLATES) Capital Grant Program

Last week, Governor Kathy Hochul announced that funding is available from the new \$10 million NY PLATES Capital Grant Program. This funding will support food banks and other organizations that provide emergency food assistance in building the modern facilities, equipment, and infrastructure needed to serve more families across the state.

The application period for the NY PLATES capital grant program will open on July 8, 2026, and applications must be submitted by August 20, 2026. Awards are expected to be announced no earlier than October 20, 2026.

National Park Service: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program

The ORLP Program supports the creation and improvement of local parks and outdoor recreation spaces in qualifying urban areas of 25,000+ residents or in areas administered by Federally recognized Tribes.

ORLP funds: Land acquisition, New Park development; and Renovation of existing outdoor recreation facilities. Awards range from \$300,000 to \$15 million.

Applications are due to NPS each year by November 1 at 11:59 PM ET.

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The Trust for Public Land is working in partnership with the NPS to launch a new, no cost ORLP Technical Assistance Program. In 2026, TPL will provide potential applicants with:

- ORLP application support webinar series
- One-on-one ORLP applicant support
- Self-serve resources for ORLP applicants

Additional Resources

Hudson Valley Regional Council Grants Guide

Each month, the Hudson Valley Regional Council publishes its Grants Guide focused on federal, state, and local funding opportunities related to economic development, water, clean energy, resilience, and sustainability. Each grant listing features the deadline, eligibility, and a short description including the amounts municipalities are eligible to apply for and any required match. To subscribe to the grants guide, please email elaferriere@hudsonvalleyrc.org.

If you want to stay up-to-date on all of that my office is doing, I encourage you to follow along on our social media channels: Facebook and Twitter.

Please remember that my office is always here to help if you have a question or need assistance. You can reach us using the contact information above and below and we will do everything we can to connect you with the resources you need.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!



Fort Drum Selection for Army Janus Nuclear Energy Program

Fort Drum has been selected as one of just five initial Army installations for the Janus Program, bringing next-generation nuclear energy technology to Upstate New York.

I fought to bring Project Janus to Fort Drum because our servicemembers need secure, around-the-clock power to carry out their mission. Through this program, Fort Drum will receive a 1-megawatt commercial microreactor to strengthen the installation's energy resilience and advance American leadership in nuclear innovation.

This major investment will support Fort Drum and the 10th Mountain Division while ensuring one of our nation's premier military installations remains mission ready.

Releasing My 2026 Tax Plan to Deliver Relief for New York Families, Workers, and Small Businesses

Hardworking New Yorkers should be able to keep more of the money they earn. As a member of the House Ways and

Means Committee, I have worked to deliver tax relief for workers, families, seniors, farmers, and small businesses, and my 2026 Tax Plan builds on those efforts. The plan focuses on expanding opportunities to save for retirement, supporting Main Street businesses, encouraging investment in our communities, and helping family farms remain in the family for the next generation. Our tax code should reward hard work and create opportunities to save, invest, and grow, not send more of your hard-earned money to Washington.

To view my full 2026 Tax Plan, click here.

<https://tenney.house.gov/issues/tax-plan>

Unveiling My 2026 “Make Voting Great Again” Plan to Strengthen Election Integrity

Confidence in our elections depends on clear rules, secure voting, and transparent administration that every American can trust. My 2026 Make Voting Great Again Plan advances commonsense safeguards including proof of citizenship, voter identification, accurate voter rolls, paper ballots, and clear Election Day deadlines while working to prevent noncitizen voting and foreign or private interference in election administration. As founder and Chair of the House Election Integrity Caucus, protecting the sacred right of every eligible American citizen to vote remains one of my top priorities. Elections must be free, fair, secure, and transparent so Americans can have confidence that every lawful vote is counted accurately.

To view my full 2026 Make Voting Great Again Plan, click here.

<https://tenney.house.gov/issues/make-voting-great-again>

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

H.R. 1189, the National Plan for Epilepsy Act: This bill would establish a coordinated national strategy within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to prevent, diagnose, treat, and ultimately cure epilepsy. The bill would also establish a National Epilepsy Advisory Council and require regular reporting to Congress to evaluate federal investments and progress in epilepsy research, treatment, and care. With millions of Americans living with epilepsy, improving coordination across the federal government can help advance research and ensure resources are used effectively. This legislation strengthens our nation's response to epilepsy, supports the development of new treatments, and improves care and outcomes for patients and families.

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This Week with Claudia (From Pg. 63)

H.R. 8925, the Job Corps and Skilled Defense Workforce Act: This bill would strengthen coordination of the federal Job Corps program with the workforce needs of the defense industrial base, helping prepare young Americans for skilled careers that are critical to our national security. America's defense industrial base depends on a reliable pipeline of skilled workers to build and maintain the ships, aircraft, weapons, and other systems our Armed Forces need. This legislation expands career opportunities for young Americans, strengthens the skilled trades, and ensures our defense industrial base has the workforce needed to support military readiness and national security.

H.R. 5800, the Standardized Assessment for Fluency in English for Drivers (SAFE Drivers) Act: This bill would require applicants for commercial driver's licenses (CDLs) to demonstrate English language proficiency before receiving a CDL. Specifically, it would require the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to establish a uniform English proficiency assessment that tests an applicant's ability to read and understand highway signs, communicate with law enforcement and the public, respond to official questions and instructions, and complete required reports and records. Ensuring commercial drivers can understand road signs and communicate effectively with law enforcement is essential to maintaining safety on America's highways. This legislation establishes consistent nationwide standards for commercial drivers and ensures that those operating large trucks and other commercial vehicles have the English proficiency needed to safely navigate our roads.



FIGHTING FOR ANSWERS FROM NYSEG

NYSEG screwed up our bills and instead of owning up to their mistake, they're charging us extra and refusing to answer basic questions. How many people were impacted by the billing error? When did NYSEG find out about it? How much are these new charges going to cost us? We still don't know because NYSEG refuses to say.

That's why I filed a motion to hold NYSEG

accountable and demand transparency. Making already uncertain utility bills even more unpredictable just makes things all the more challenging for families trying to balance their household budgets. Upstate New Yorkers deserve better and I'm not going to stop fighting for the answers we need.

Read More: <https://www.wxhc.com/riley-demands-answers-from-nyseg-over-billing-error-that-could-leave-upstate-customers-with-extra-charges/>

I met with upstate New Yorkers

Here in Upstate New York, we take care of each other. At a time when so many families are struggling to make ends meet in the face of rising costs, the folks at Cooperstown Food Pantry are doing incredible work to fight hunger in our community.

It was great to stop by to meet the team and help pack some bags for neighbors in need.

Life is just too expensive right now, and every Upstate New Yorker is feeling it. I held a roundtable with the United Way in Ithaca to hear directly from folks about how the affordability crisis is impacting them.

I'm going to keep fighting to lower costs and make our economy actually work for working people.

It was great to see so many folks out at the Chenango County Fair! I had a blast meeting neighbors and celebrating the best of Upstate agriculture.

Spent an awesome day at the Delaware County Fair! It was great to meet local farmers, hear their stories, and learn more about the hard work that goes into feeding our communities. A great celebration of everything that makes Upstate special.

It's no secret that Upstate New York grows the best apples and presses the best cider - and that's probably because we've had a lot of practice. It was great to stop by Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard, which has been in the business for 166 years, and see their historic water-powered mill in action!

I enjoyed meeting the team, learning more about Fly Creek's history, and hearing about the opportunities and challenges facing small businesses like this one.

Making sure Upstate's heroes have the resources they need to thrive is one of my top priorities. It was great to meet Chenango County vets who have given so much to defend our freedom. I'm proud to have their back.

As always, to stay up to date with the work I'm doing, follow along on my official social media pages at @RepRileyNY on X, Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok. If there's anything my team or I can do to help you, please don't hesitate to reach out.

With gratitude and high hopes,
Josh Riley Signature



Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute! Here's what she's been up to this week:

1. Fighting President Trump's Tariffs

President Trump announced a new 50% tariff against Canada, one of New York's strongest allies and economic trading partners. This is a continuation of the president's misplaced priorities and cost-increasing chaos, and Kirsten is fighting back.

This week, she introduced legislation that would end these costly tariffs and refund Americans for duties they have already paid. It's past time for President Trump to stop the political games, get back to the negotiation table, and make a deal that lowers costs and strengthens our economy.

Read more.

https://www.mymalonetegram.com/top_stories/ny-vermont-senators-plan-to-introduce-bill-to-repeal-tariffs/article_dfb5c958-634b-5aef-a6af-ea100a3091a6.html

2. Helping build safe housing

New York's future depends on affordable, high-quality housing in every borough.

Kirsten visited NYCHA's Red Hook East Houses in Brooklyn, which she secured \$5 million in federal funding to renovate. These renovations will help create safer buildings, modernized plumbing, and the dignified homes New York families deserve.

3. Expanding NICU care

New York families need high-quality, reliable healthcare from day one.

This week, Kirsten joined doctors and nurses at

Richmond University Medical Center on Staten Island to celebrate \$2 million in federal funding that she secured to support their NICU expansion. She enjoyed touring the facilities and seeing firsthand how this expansion will help support growing families.

Read more. <https://www.silive.com/news/2026/08/its-good-news-sen-kirsten-gillibrand-tours-rumc-nicu-provides-2-million-in-federal-support-for-unit-expansion.html>

4. Supporting NY farmers

After their contracts were suddenly canceled earlier this year, New York's Concord grape farmers faced difficult decisions for their current crop.

This week, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced that it is heeding Kirsten's call to purchase surplus Concord grape juice to use in federal nutrition programs. This deal is a win for farmers, families, and New York's agricultural economy, and Kirsten was proud to get it done.

Read more. https://www.weny.com/news/washington-dc/usda-stepping-in-again-to-support-lake-erie-s-concord-grape-industry-following-exit-of/article_5d2773fb-9d09-549c-bc0b-0be1b0ad79ca.html

5. Visiting a Hindu temple in Queens

During her trip to New York City this week, Kirsten was grateful to visit the Hindu Temple Society of North America in Flushing and tour their temple.

6. Helping veterans

An Albany County veteran contacted Kirsten's office for assistance with canceling and receiving a refund for his ex-wife's Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP). Despite submitting all required documents, he was repeatedly told his paperwork had not been received and could not fix the problem on his own.

After Kirsten's team contacted the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) on his behalf, the agency canceled the SBP and refunded \$10,000 back to the constituent.



Oberacker Statement on Riley Ducking Debates

Oberacker has agreed to multiple debates hosted by media outlets and organizations across the district

SCHENEVUS, NY - Senator Peter Oberacker, candidate for Congress in New York's 19th District, released the following statement after Congressman Josh Riley not only failed to respond to the Oberacker debate challenge issued earlier this month, but has also failed to agree to even one debate in front of NY-19 voters defending his record.

Senator Peter Oberacker said, "With nine weeks until Election Day, Josh Riley won't agree to a single debate. I've accepted multiple debates from various organizations across the district because voters deserve to see us defend our records and lay out our vision for the future.

"Riley can use one to explain why he won't order his money manager to divest from NYSEG's parent company. While New Yorkers suffer, Riley profits. You have to wonder what else he's afraid to answer for; maybe it's why he's never in the district he purports to represent. I'm ready to debate Josh Riley anywhere, anytime."

For more information:

<https://www.peterformny19.com/>

Governor Hochul Announce Joint Emergency Water Relief Effort with AFYA Foundation to Support Puerto Rico During Water Shortage Crisis

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced a joint water relief effort with the Afya Foundation, a Westchester-based humanitarian relief organization, and corporate donors to supply Puerto Rico with 26 emergency drinking water pallets in the midst of an ongoing severe water shortage. The Governor is committed to providing direct relief to Puerto Ricans during this emergency, with rapid humanitarian response efforts as well as community-led emergency operations currently underway.

"New York shares an everlasting bond with Puerto Rico, one that's founded through a shared cultural identity, resilience and trust," Governor Hochul said. "In times of crisis, New Yorkers will always act - that's why we're

delivering immediate aid today and coordinating with our state agencies and local partners to provide long-term assistance. Puerto Rico exemplifies strength and resilience, and I am committed to uplifting affected residents during this emergency."

The emergency pallets will be distributed in San Juan and surrounding municipalities following the combined effects of the island-wide drought emergency and Puerto Rico's aging water infrastructure affecting nearly 500,000 residents from receiving purified drinking water. The 26 pallets will contain 1,900 cases with 45,000 individual bottles of clean drinking water, totaling more than 5,900 gallons of emergency supply.

AFYA Foundation CEO Danielle Butin said, "When disaster strikes or a community faces an urgent crisis, New Yorkers don't stand by - we act. Puerto Rico is facing a severe water emergency, and AFYA is proud to lock arms with Governor Hochul, and our generous corporate partners, to deliver immediate relief. Sending these pallets of drinking water directly from New York to families in need is a testament to what we can accomplish when state government, non-profits and the private sector move swiftly together."

The Afya Foundation has been accepting donations at their warehouse in Yonkers, with the distribution made possible by corporate donors. The City of Yonkers' Office of Emergency Management and Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano also partnered with Afya to donate nearly 100 cases of bottled water.

City of Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano said, "Yonkers and Puerto Rico share a deep bond, and when families on the island need help, we respond. Thank you Governor Hochul for leading the charge and reminding Puerto Rico that New York stands with them, and thank you to the AFYA Foundation and our Office of Emergency Management for helping get this water where it is needed most."

The principal water supply system to Puerto Ricans living in the San Juan metropolitan area has been affected by mandatory rotating water shutoffs since August 7, 2026. An island-wide drought emergency was declared shortly after, activating the National Guard to haul, purify and distribute water. In addition to the island-wide drought emergency, the Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority's (PRASA) aging water infrastructure has resulted in 50 to 60 percent of its purified drinking water to leak before reaching consumers.

Supplying the emergency pallets was made possible in collaboration with the following partners: Liberty Coca-Cola Beverages of New York, The Sanders Firm, Eric Sanders, Dos Maria's Restaurant, Aisling Irish Community & Cultural Center, the Westchester County Correction Officers Benevolent Association, City of Yonkers Council Member John Rubbo and the Youth Sports Education (YSE) Foundation.

Senator José M. Serrano said, "Access to safe drinking water is a fundamental right. During this humanitarian crisis in Puerto Rico, it is so important that we support the communities in need. Thank you to Governor Kathy Hochul, AFYA Foundation, Coca-Cola and Distritos for your commitment to helping provide critical resources to the people of Puerto Rico."

Costume March

Saturday, October 3

1:00 pm



No Registration Required

The Costume March will take place at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Pavilion immediately following the parade. No registration is required, and participation is free of charge.

For more information, please email:
Deirdre McHugh at dmchugh@rcls.org

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

We hope to see you there!



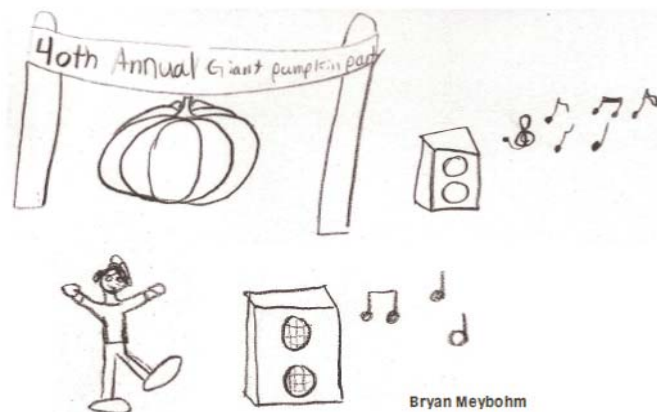
MUSIC and ENTERTAINMENT

Starting off the morning this year, we are excited to celebrate our 40th Anniversary with a parade!

During the parade, enjoy some of the best young musicians that the Tri-Valley School Band has to offer. Under the baton of band director, Matthew Weyant, the TVCS band will perform a wonderful selection of instrumental music.

In the afternoon, we will welcome back Jesse Noren to provide musical entertainment. Jesse, a Sullivan County native, is a solo acoustic guitarist and vocalist who performs a mix of cover songs and originals. We hope that you look forward to his performance as much as we do!

Following the parade, don't forget to stop by the pavilion to enjoy our Children's Costume March!



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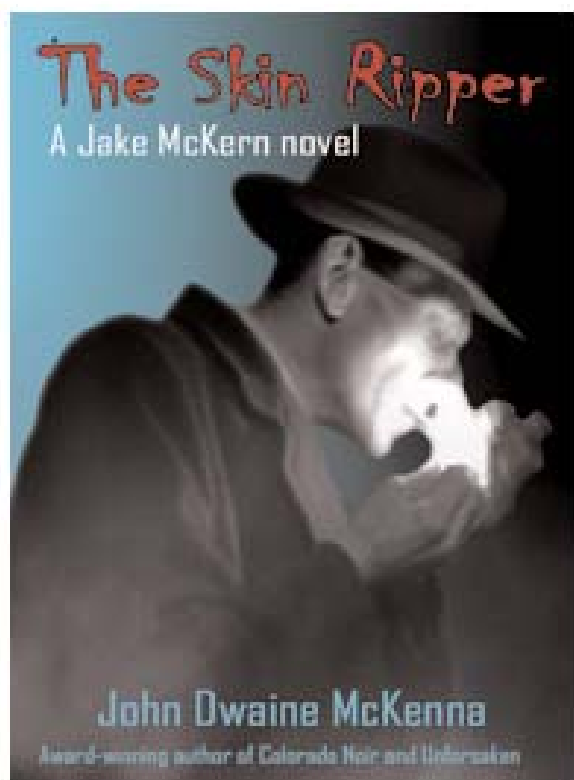
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AUG 14 - SEPT 13

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THE
70s
Beehive
MUSICAL

STUDIO
SEPT 18 - OCT 4

LADY DAY
AT EMERSON'S BAR & GRILL

MAINSTAGE
OCT 9 - 25

FLAWLESS



Our Spring Open Garden Days wrapped up on June 10th, and we loved sharing the gardens with old friends and many new ones. Thank you for helping spread the word about native plants, and we hope you'll add more of them to your own gardens.

Our Open Garden Days for Summer 2026 will be July 24-26; August 1-3, 21-24 and 28-31; and September 5, 7 and 15. All tours are by appointment.

Reserve your tour now by email at flyingtrillium@gmail.com. Visit Flying Trillium's website for more information.

<https://www.flyingtrillium.com/> Flying Trillium is located near the Neversink Reservoir in Sullivan County, New York.

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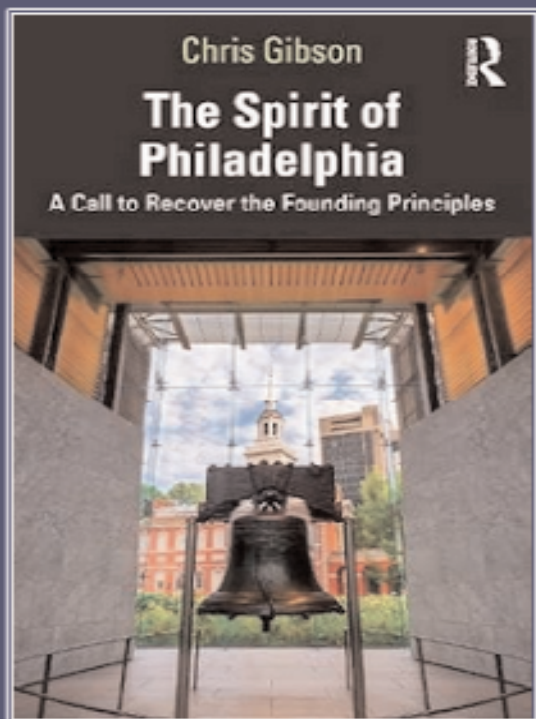
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The Spirit of Philadelphia

By Chris Gibson

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Greetings again from Kinderhook,

I hope your summer has gone well. I'm reaching back out to you to share the news that our website has been refreshed and updated. It now features four new essays on the Founding era recently published by the Hoover Institution of Stanford University as we look forward next year to celebrating our 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. One of those essays is on the significance of the Battle of Saratoga, which proved to be a turning point in the Revolutionary War. You can now read those essays for free on our website here.

<https://www.thespiritofphiladelphia.com/events>

We've also added links to some of our recent TV, radio and podcast appearances, relevant media coverage, and an updated listing of upcoming events (all of these can be found on the "media & events" page). All of the new items are marked with a green "NEW" banner. We've also updated the "what people are saying" section of the home page to include several new endorsements of the book by Americans from across the ideological spectrum.

As always, I'd welcome your thoughts and feedback on any of these items and/or your reactions to my new book. You can reach me by sending an email message from the "contact us" page on the website.

Finally, I hope you are enjoying the beautiful color as our leaves change across the region and country - it's shaping up to be a beautiful fall!

Sincerely yours,
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Directed by Richard Quine. Starring Mickey Rooney as Eddie Shannon, Dianne Foster as Barbara Mathews, Kevin McCarthy as Steve Norris, Jack Kelly as Harold Baker, Harry Landers as Ralph, Jerry Paris as Phil, Paul Picerni as Carl, and Dick Crockett as Don

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Answer to last week's Knarf's Trivia Question:
Obsessive Compulsive Disorder

This weeks' Trivia question: Who plays Bobby Boucher's overprotective mother in *The Waterboy*?