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Sullivan County Legislators Clash on Opinion



County Legislators Nadia Rajsz (District 2), Ira Steingart (District 8), Luis Alvarez, (District 6) and Joseph Perrello (District 7) at Monday afternoon's bi-partisan press conference held on the steps of Sullivan County Court House. They made a statement involving the Sullivan County Legislature regarding its leadership.

After last minute scheduling for a meeting of the Sullivan County Legislators held on Friday, April 23 a difference of opinions began to manifest regarding the adoption of a new ethics code pertaining to a recent county ethics board recommendation that Luis Alvarez, (Legislator District 6) be forced to take 90 days of anger management classes for being "unprofessional" and "rude" to a county employee. The votet passed among the five members who were included in Friday's meeting.

According to Rajsz, "Last week the legislators agreed to have a meeting on Thursday but then it got switched to Friday at 4 p.m., a time when the other legislators couldn't attend.

On Monday, the four members of the Legislature who were not present at Friday's meeting and unable to vote - Democrats Ira Steingart, Nadia Rajsz, and Luiz Alvarez, and Joe Perrello, a Republican - called for a bi-partisan press conference to take place on the steps of the Sullivan County Courthouse. (Contd. Pg. 4)

UC Executive Announces A Green New Deal Plan for Ulster County on Earth Day

With over 30 goals and targets, Ulster County is the first County in New York State and among the first in the nation to release a comprehensive Green New Deal plan

Centering on three focus areas, the bold environmental vision sets both short and long term goals for Ulster County from retrofitting and weatherizing 1,000 Ulster County homes per year to working to ensure that all Ulster County farmers utilize climate smart practices

OLIVEBRIDGE, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today released his Green New Deal plan for Ulster County. Joined by environmental leaders from throughout the Hudson Valley, the report consisting of over 30 goals and targets makes Ulster County the first County in New York State and among the first in the nation to release a comprehensive Green New Deal plan. WATCH THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

"As we continue to emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic, laying the foundations for a green, equitable economy is one of the most critical steps we can take to rebuild, realign and reinvigorate our communities," said County Executive Pat Ryan. "A Green New Deal allows us to stabilize our climate, transition to clean energy and protect and regenerate our natural resources. All while doing the work to undo generations of economic and environmental injustice and create opportunity for everyone." (Contd. Pg. 4)



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.
Romans 12:12

OBITUARIES

Carol A. VanDenberg of Liberty, NY the co-owner of Hillside Greenhouse, Inc. and a lifelong area resident, died Sunday April 18, 2021 at Garnet Health Medical Center, Harris, NY. She was 60. The daughter of Marjorie J. Dexter Denman and the late Carl H. Denman, she was born August 16, 1960 in Monticello, NY.

Carol had been an active community member; she helped coordinate the Sullivan County Soapbox Derby for many years and she was a former Cub Master for Scout Troop 96. She enjoyed reading and spending time with her family.

Survivors include her husband, Dale K. VanDenberg, at home; three sons, Michael VanDenberg and his companion April Wright, Kevin VanDenberg, and Daniel VanDenberg all of Liberty, NY; one grandson, Dustin K. VanDenberg; her mother, Marjorie "Marge" Denman of Bradley, NY; two sisters, Linda Muthig and her husband Dennis of Parksville, NY and Patricia Mullen of Bradley, NY; and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by one son, Johnathan Kyle VanDenberg; and her father, Carl Denman.

A memorial visitation will be private.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home, West St. at Buckley, Liberty, NY. www.Harris-FH.com 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200

Grahamsville has been sold to C.M. Dayton. Possession will be given June 5th. This was formerly the James Slater home and consists of a two family house and garage located on the State Road in the center of the village. Mr. Dayton bought the Briggs' homestead in Grahamsville a few years ago and is making his home there. He conducted a store in Grahamsville for many years.

The water in the Merriman Dam at Lackawack has been drawn down to a very low point to make the final closure of the diversion tunnel. The capacity of the dam when full is 55 billion gallons of water. The old road through the valley is visible now for the last time.

May 3, 1961

Miss Joan Grey, daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Grey, Sundown Road, has been accepted for admission in the department of Secretarial Science at the Agricultural and Technical Institute, Cobleskill, N.Y.

The Sullivan County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution presented to it by the Publicity and Development Committee for the second annual "Operation Facelift" campaign scheduled for the first week in May. Last year a similar campaign was in effect and it served to eliminate many eyesores before the opening of the resort season.

Frank Koscijanski, 70, died suddenly at his home on Saturday. He lived on Thunder Hill for 34 years. Mr. Koscijanski was born April 1, 1891 in Poland. He was married to the former Mary Roman. Survivors are his wife; two sons, Stanley of Olive Bridge and Thaddeus of Middletown; two daughters, Mrs. Wanda Cypert of Grahamsville and Mrs. Helen Elia of Middletown and eight grandchildren.

Theron Hasbrouck, RFD carrier, has just been awarded his safe driving medal for the 19th consecutive year.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greenhall are the parents of a son, James Thomas, born April 28th at the Hackensack Hospital, N.J. Mr. and Mrs. John McGuire are the maternal grandparents. (Contd. Pg. 3)

DAYS OF YORE...**Today's History****May 2, 1951**

Private Milton Kortright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kortright of Woodbourne, is attending the automotive mechanics course at the Common Specialists School, Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He attended Liberty High School and was employed by the S.A. Healy Co. prior to his enlistment in the Army on Nov. 14, 1950.

The Clark Ryan house in

DAYS OF YORE...

**Today's History (From Pg. 2)
May 5, 1971**

Mrs. Nancy Seamon of Neversink, N.Y. will be 100 years old on May 13, 1971. She was married to Charles Seamon in 1900 and he built the present store in Neversink in 1930. Mr. Seamon died in 1936 and Nancy ran the store herself until two years ago when her niece, Jessie Bailey, took over the business. To this day Nancy still lives on the premises and welcomes her many friends who stop in to see her.

Happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edison, 18 years on May 9th and to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon LeRoy, 7 years on the 9th.

The Spencer Quicks, now living in the Wakefield apartment, are building a home on Hastings Drive.

Notification of recent college acceptances includes Keith VanKeuren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson VanKeuren, has been notified of his acceptance at the State University of N.Y. Agricultural and Technical College at Delhi. He plans to major in business administration; Mary Lou Cypert has been accepted in the commercial art program at Sullivan County Community College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cypert.

April 30, 1981

On May 2nd, Scout Kenneth Glen Haag will advance to Eagle Scout. Mr. and Mrs. George Haag of Lows Corners invite friends, neighbors and fellow scouts to help celebrate their son's Eagle Court.

A number of local people attended the stock car races at White Lake on Sunday. Charlie Cross was the announcer. Among the drivers were Terry Chase, Billy Curry and Charlie Howe. Beatrice Curry was one of the competitors in the Powder Puff Derby.

Household Hint:

Prolong the Life of Daffodils in a Vase

Add two tablespoons of vinegar plus three tablespoons of sugar per quart of warm water in a vase. Arrange freshly cut daffodils (or other flowers) in the vase for a cheery longer lasting bouquet.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Cherry Blossom Pink

It's that time again when driving along Route 55 from Sundown to Grahamsville we see all the Kwanzan - Japanese Flowering



Cherry Trees gracing the hillsides, especially near Rocky Hill and Eureka Road.

How did these beautiful trees get there?

In 1910 a shipment of 2,000 Japanese flowering cherries was sent to Washington, D.C. as a gesture of friendship, hoping to smooth over ongoing immigration tensions. Unfortunately, inspectors with the Department of Agriculture under the Taft administration found the trees full of insects and diseases and recommended they be burned. This nearly created a diplomatic crisis! The decision to burn the trees required approval from the secretaries of state and war as well as President Taft himself.

By 1912, Tokyo mayor Yuko Ozaki remedied the situation and sent 3,020 more cherry trees, which the Department of Agriculture accepted. First Lady Helen Taft and Viscountess Chinda, wife of the Japanese ambassador, ceremonially planted the first two trees that still remain standing on the north bank of the Tidal Basin just west of Independence and 17th streets in Washington, D.C.

But Washington was not the only city to receive flowering cherry trees. Flowering cherry trees were also presented as a gift from the Committee of Japanese Residents of New York as part of the Hudson-Fulton Celebration in 1909, a year earlier than those first sent to Washington, D.C., commemorating the 100th anniversary of Robert Fulton's innovative demonstration of the steam-powered boat on the Hudson River and the 300th anniversary of Henry Hudson's discovery and exploration of the river. However, the steamer that carried the original delivery of cherry trees from Japan was lost at sea. The new shipment of trees arrived in New York City also in 1912. They were planted in Clairmont Park, now known as Sakura

Park, on April 28th, of that year.

The Brooklyn Botanical Garden founded in 1910 eventually included The Japanese Hill-and-Pond Garden, designed by landscape architect Takeo Shiota. It was completed in 1915 and was the first public Japanese garden in the United States.

A great feature of the Empire State landscape is that flowering trees like the Kwanzan flowering cherry trees grow well in NY. If you take a ride to Ellenville this time of the year, you will also see a splendid display of these beautiful trees that made their way up to our own local landscape, especially across from the Eagle's Watch, and that was where the trees that are dispersed over Rocky Hill came from.

Quite a few years back, local resident, Raymond Hornbeck planted a few flowering Kwanzan trees that I believe came from near the old Yama Farms in Napanoch. He planted them around their new home. Looking back, that was about sixty years ago! Now those spectacular little trees are full-size filled with clusters of cherry pink blossoms. With the help of little creatures and Mother Nature, the small black fruit of the original trees and their offspring have spread over the hillside and in the valley heading toward Sundown. You can see, the flowering cherry trees adapted quite well in their new location and created their very own natural garden.

Kwanzan cherry trees (*Prunus serrulata*) are members of the rose family. They are flowering trees classified as deciduous that grow to about 25 feet in height in soil with very good drainage. The alternating leaves are ovate to lanceolate shape with serrated margins. They are often reddish-copper as they emerge, turning dark green by summer and yellow, orange or bronze in the fall. With their delicate pink flowers blossoming before their leaves fully emerge, there can be no mistaking them when they are seen.

Kwanzan has not only become a symbol for our whole nation - but a treasured gift, right here in Grahamsville, that will be appreciated for generations to come. Celebrate Arbor Day on Friday; take a ride out to see for yourself and don't forget to bring your camera!

UC Executive Announces A Green New Deal Plan for UC on Earth Day

(From Pg. 1) The report lays out an ambitious agenda over three critical areas to spur transformation across the Ulster County community. Each section is broken down by time frame into immediate efforts that will be launched this year, aggressive interim targets for 2025, and long term transformative goals to reach by 2040.

The "Accelerating the Transition to Clean Energy" section calls for setting new high efficiency and standards for new buildings, retrofitting and weatherizing 1,000 Ulster County homes per year by 2025, and greening 20% of Ulster County's vehicle fleet in the next five years. The "Build the Equitable Green Economy" section builds on the success of the Ulster County Green Careers Academy launched by County Executive Ryan in 2019 by combining low-income home weatherization efforts with job training opportunities, piloting green careers education in middle and high schools, and working to make the Hudson Valley a center for green economy innovation. The final section, "Conserve our Natural Resources and Build Resilience," looks to assess all County roadways for storm resilience, continue Ulster County's efforts in redeveloping foreclosed brownfields, and work to ensure that all Ulster County farmers utilize climate smart practices.

"Beyond confronting the COVID-19 pandemic, counties are also battling the existential challenge of a changing climate. Ulster County is a leader in that fight," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "Now they are taking aggressive climate action by adopting a Green New Deal plan. Ulster County demonstrates the important role local governments can play in preparing for and mitigating climate change by taking actions that protect the environment, boost the economy, and make our state more resilient. We applaud County Executive Patrick Ryan for facilitating an equitable transition to the green energy economy and for becoming the first county in New York State to implement a Green New Deal for their community."

"I am grateful to the leadership exemplified by Executive Ryan in stepping forward to confront the climate emergency," said Tim Guinee, Climate Reality Project. "The sacred obligation of our elected officials is the protection of the health and well-being of their constituents. There is no greater threat to those concerns than the climate-crisis. I look forward to seeing Executive Ryan and the Ulster County Legislature rise bravely to the obligation of their offices by fulfilling the panoply of solutions promised in this 'green' package."

"We applaud the leadership of County Executive Pat Ryan and his team in creating a package of programs that will help Ulster County lead the way as we transition NY's economy to clean energy and transportation," said Betta Broad, director of New Yorkers for Clean Power. "It's especially exciting to see the commitment to creating green jobs here in our county and working collaboratively with community non-profits, SUNY Ulster, and employers to ensure successful training and job placement for young people and other job seekers."

"The Office of Employment and Training housed in the Ulster County Career Center and the Green Careers Coalition are committed to supporting Ulster County residents access efficient hands-on experiences and instructional training leading to green collar job opportunities, as well as support businesses in the green sector to connect with high quality job candidates," said Tomasine Oliphant, Director, Ulster County Office of Employment & Training.

Last week, County Executive Ryan signed an Executive Order that directs a prevailing wage requirement or a Project Labor Agreement for all County-run renewable energy projects. Through key investments in the 2021 Executive Budget, Ulster County is ahead of schedule in achieving the goal set by County Executive Ryan as his first act on taking office of committing Ulster County

to use 100% renewable electricity by 2030. In his 2020 Executive Budget, County Executive Ryan unveiled the Ulster County Green Careers Academy, a new eight-week training program, in partnership with SUNY Ulster, that delivers the skills and expertise necessary to begin careers in the expanding clean technology industry.

SC Legislators Clash on Opinion

(From Pg. 1) Each of the four legislators agreed that Doherty was not communicating information to all legislators equally, and that important decisions were being made without the entire board being present or completely aware of pending decisions. They also suggested that legislative board work on creating a hospitable working relationship among all board members.

According to Steingart, Doherty is not communicating information to his peers and making decisions without the full board's knowledge. "It's been going on for a long time. I think having a meeting, after we agreed upon a time, when he knew several could not make it and not even giving us the reason why he changed the meeting or the opportunity to change when we could meet at a possible time has reached the level of not caring what anybody thinks."

The consensus is that they do not expect Doherty to resign but intend to promote working as a team that can sit down and work together, with respect for each other. Nadia Rajsz, referring to not being able to attend Friday's meeting, emphasized the importance of each legislator on the board working together. "We need to sit down and be informed, be respected. I was not allowed to bring a voice from the constituents who elected me."

Four County Legislators Call Press Conference Sullivan Democrats Call for Doherty's Resignation

Sullivan County, NY - April 23, 2021 - As evidenced by today's County Legislative meeting, County Government has sunk to yet a new low. The Chair of the County Legislature engineered a last minute meeting on a Friday afternoon to ensure that only a quorum of the Republican majority could attend. They then enacted a Code of Conduct without any prior discussion or public input. The Sullivan County Democratic Committee has now sent an open letter to the County Legislature seeking the resignation of Robert Doherty as Chair.

The full text of the letter follows.

IN SUPPORT OF A RETURN TO GOOD AND CIVIL GOVERNMENT AN OPEN LETTER TO THE SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Dear Legislators:

The Chair of the Legislature, selected by your majority vote, is expected to uphold the integrity of that office on behalf of the residents of Sullivan County and the County Legislature. This includes the exercise of proper judgment as to when it is, and when it is not appropriate to speak on behalf of the entire legislature.

On many occasions, the Chair has exhibited a pattern of troubling behavior, including but not limited to making public and sometimes libelous statements on behalf of the legislature without consent from its members and conducting negotiations outside of the legislative process without the knowledge of its members. Additionally, he has acted in an openly rude and hostile manner to other members of the Legislature, verbally threatening them as well as acting disrespectfully to members of the public. All of this has brought embarrassment and dysfunction to County Government. (Contd. Pg. 25)



The Measure of Time

Mysterious Book Report No. 446

by John Dwaine McKenna

If you're a fan of long, contemplative novels that feature many memorable insights into numerous character's thoughts and memories . . . *The Measure of Time*, (Bitter Lemon Press, PB, \$14.95, 285 pages, ISBN 978-6913394-48-6) by bestselling and award-winning Italian author, Gianrico Carofiglio, is just what you want. It's the sixth volume in his Guido Guerrieri series, and finds the aging courtroom fighter slowly burning out on his chosen profession as a defense lawyer in the southern Italian town of Bari.

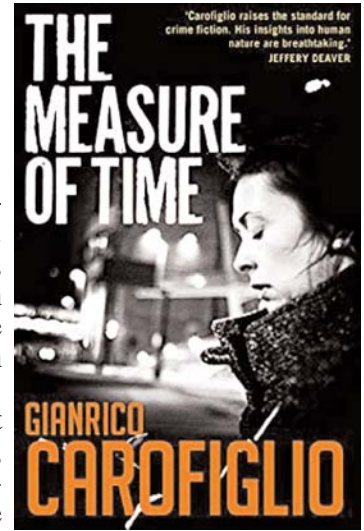
The novel begins with Guerrieri contemplating his age and experiences when a new client named Lorenza Delle Foglie comes in and asks him to handle an appeals case for her son, Jacopo. He's been in prison for the past two years, ever since he was convicted of murdering a local drug dealer in a case involving organized crime, guns, drugs and questionable police tactics. The case appears hopeless when read by Guerrieri and his associates, but he agrees to take it on anyway, because of a brief love affair he had nearly three decades earlier with Lorenza, a teacher and aspiring writer . . . an affair that didn't end well.

The pre-trial investigative work conjures up painful memories and emotions Guerrieri thought he'd resolved years earlier . . . and leave him musing about the many what-ifs and failures he's experienced along the way. Meanwhile, the appeals trial, with its many discoveries, surprises and new testimony, keeps moving forward, relentlessly grinding toward its conclusion with the young man's life hanging in the balance.

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Sullivan County International Airport to Receive \$13,000 from Economic Relieve to Local New York Airports for Operational and Cleaning Costs

Funding Will Help Keep Airports Clean and Combat the Spread of Pathogens; Provide Lifeline For Cash-Strapped Airports Drained By The COVID-19 Pandemic

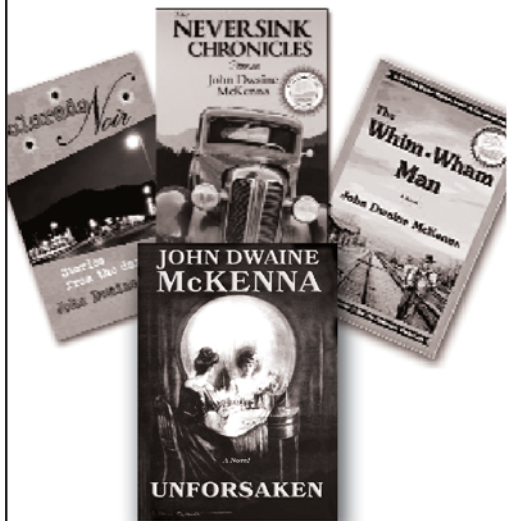
WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Majority Leader Charles E. Schumer and U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced \$12,901,648 in federal funding for seven airports across New York. Secured in the CARES Act championed by the senators, this funding was allocated through the Department of Transportation (DOT) and will serve as a lifeline to local airports struggling to stay afloat after more than a year of limited operations. This funding will help alleviate the cost required to meet increased safety standards and properly sanitize airports, including resources for janitorial services, supplies, and debt service payments. Additionally, this CARES Act funding will provide assistance for rent and minimum annual guarantees to on-airport car rental, parking, and in-terminal concessions. Airports and tourism play an important role in New York's regional and rural economies and have faced ongoing uncertainty as travel decreased due to the pandemic.

"Air travel is vital to the connectivity and success of the Upstate economy, which is why I have fought tooth and nail over the last year to get airports the funding they need to keep services running as air travel picks up again," said Senator Schumer. "Airports serve important functions in many communities, connecting people to the rest of the world and allowing for economic opportunities to land. I will continue to fight for federal funding to keep our airports open and operational and to make sure Upstate New York has the help it needs to revive and thrive."

"As New Yorkers return to air travel, we must ensure our airports are equipped to protect the health of both travelers and transportation workers," said Senator Gillibrand. "Personnel and sanitation costs will be a critical part of keeping airports afloat and aiding our economic recovery. This federal funding will provide New York State's local airports with the resources needed to increase safety standards and mitigate the spread of COVID-19."

Sullivan County International Airport will receive \$13,000 as a result of this funding.

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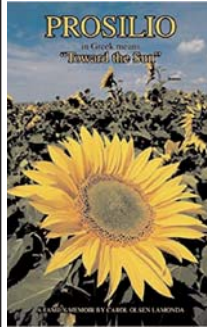
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The Olive Jar

By Carol Olsen LaMonda

Earthly Delights



“There is something infinitely healing in the repeated refrains of nature - the assurance that dawn comes after night, and spring after winter.”

– Racheal Carson

Mother Nature is awakening the frozen earth, so each day is a gift and memory from the past. The snowdrops and many daffodils were transplanted from our old farm house. So was the one forsythia bush that has had its prolific branches replanted into a dozen more blooming bushes. The hyacinths, all twenty four of them, were replanted Easter pots from years past. The bleeding heart and creeping Jenny reminds me of my dear friend MaryAnn who left us way too soon. The pachysandra is from Sue Miller and my daughter-in-law. Lilies came from Judith and the side of a country road. Gloria has shared her perennials with me, and Linda Keyes's daisy/aster/chrysanthemums (dubbed “crazies”) are about to repopulate the Catskills. Many of the flowering trees: the quince, the lilacs, the Rose of Sharon have outlived the friends and family who shared seedlings and shoots with us years ago.

The earth has a way of renewing itself and persevering to bring beauty to us after we managed to survive a long, Covid-ridden winter. Earth Day and week (which really should be celebrated in years) reminds us that we may have neglected our partnership with nature. There are so many simple ways to reuse, repurpose, replenish, recycle, and reduce. Perhaps these five R's should be added to the 3R's of Education.

I think we need to remember that we are guests here along with all other humans and animals and plants. Covid should be a constant reminder that we are all interconnected in a goal to survive. Living in the woods, I feel as though, when I take off my mask from being out in civilization, my fresh air is filtered by the trees and wind as I return to the safe haven of home. I noticed that, if you rearrange the letters, EARTH becomes HEART. If you take away ART, you are just left with “EH!” And if you spell EARTH backwards, it is HTRAE, which means absolutely nothing-- another reminder that we often don't clearly hear what Mother Nature is trying to tell us. We often forget that we are here as protectors of the earth and each other.





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Join the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce for their first-ever Golf Outing & "9-Hole Networking" at the Twin Village Golf & Winter Park. Even if you don't play golf come join us for good food, good fun and prizes!

As many of us are looking forward to getting back out into our communities, and networking with one another, Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament, "9-Hole Networking" serves as an important component of advancing our mission through community engagement. It will provide a great opportunity for vendors and members to network, enjoy the outdoors, and come together for a beautiful day of golf and fun in support of the Chamber of Commerce.

Event participants' well-being, health, and safety at our Golf Tournament are our No. 1 priority, so we are taking all necessary precautions to keep you safe. The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce will be providing face coverings, hand sanitizer, and proper health and safety measures.

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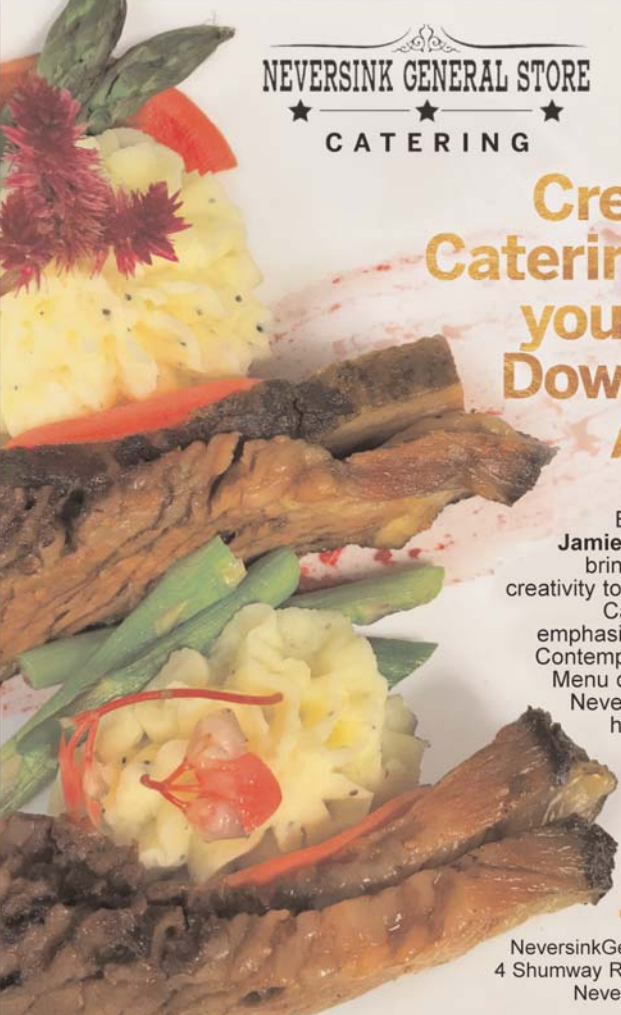
Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Recruitment and Retention Task Force announced a number of RECRUIT NY initiatives that took place this past weekend.

"We are moving forward with a lot of positive energy," affirms Sullivan County Fire Coordinator John Hauschild, who sits on the Task Force with Deputy Fire Coordinator Charlie Rampe, Summitville Fire Chief Robert Hufcut, Rock Hill Fire Chief Brian Soller, White Lake Fire Chief Brendon Cunningham, the Honorable Terry Mullen from the Sullivan County Volunteer Firefighters Association, and Jill Holland from the Fire Districts Association of Sullivan County.

"We formed this group to help the fire service of Sullivan County increase membership - and keep those members - for the benefit and safety of the communities we serve," Hauschild adds.

To that end, the Task Force is launching a new Facebook page, Join Sullivan County Fire, and a new Instagram page, @joinsullivanfire, along with a direct email: joinsullivanfire@gmail.com.

A number of Sullivan County fire departments hosted Open Houses this past weekend inviting anyone who was interested in the fire service, equipment and/or volunteering.



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In Your Face Greg!

Last week's Boys & Girls Clubs of Town of Wallkill Inc held *In Your Face Challenge* with long time club supporter, Greg Goldstein. It was messy, sticky, spicy and most importantly FUN!

Members of the club want to thank everyone for their donation and helping us "challenge" Greg. We're so excited to say that we have raised over \$7,389 to date.

A special thanks to Corey and Prestige Productions for live streaming and emceeding the afternoon. If you missed the live stream you can watch it below.

Thank you so much to Greg for continuing to support our Club Kids.

Link to see videos:

<https://www.facebook.com/townofwallkillbgc/videos/2876021119326970/>



Also a big thank you from the Boys and Girls Clubs to their friends Mark and Christina from The Neversink General Store who sold hand cards for the benefit of the clubs.

Ulster County Executive Ryan Announces Green New Deal for Ulster County Website and Video Series

Website and video series provide information and resources for residents on green career and green business opportunities in addition to showcasing the County's environmental goals

KINGSTON, N.Y. - As a part of his Green New Deal for Ulster County plan, Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that businesses and job seekers can find out more about the County's Green New Deal plan at <https://gnd.ulstercountyny.gov>. The website provides information about the County's environmental goals and resources for green career and green business opportunities. Additionally, the County is releasing two documentary-style mini-films to promote green economic opportunities. The videos feature Bread Alone's Nels Leader, who shares why Ulster County is the perfect place for your green business (WATCH HERE) and Saugerties resident Desireé Lyle, who shares her journey building a green career in Ulster County (WATCH HERE).

County Executive Ryan released his Green New Deal plan for Ulster County. Joined by environmental leaders from throughout the Hudson Valley, the report consisting of over 30 goals and targets makes Ulster County the first County in New York State and among the first in the nation to release a comprehensive Green New Deal plan.

"As we continue to emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic, laying the foundations for a green, equitable economy is one of the most critical steps we can take to rebuild, realign, and reinvigorate our communities," said County Executive Pat Ryan. "A Green New Deal allows us to stabilize our climate, transition to clean energy and protect and regenerate our natural resources. All while doing the work to undo generations of economic and environmental injustice and create opportunity for everyone."



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The report lays out an ambitious agenda over three critical areas to spur transformation across the Ulster County community. Each section is broken down by time frame into immediate efforts that will be launched this year, aggressive interim targets for 2025, and long term transformative goals to reach by 2040.

The "Accelerating the Transition to Clean Energy" section calls for setting new high efficiency and standards for new buildings, retrofitting and weatherizing 1,000 Ulster County homes per year by 2025, and greening 20% of Ulster County's vehicle fleet in the next five years. The "Build the Equitable Green Economy" section builds on the success of the Ulster County Green Careers Academy launched by County Executive Ryan in 2019 by combining low-income home weatherization efforts with job training opportunities, piloting green careers education in middle and high schools, and working to make the Hudson Valley a center for green economy innovation. The final section, "Conserve our Natural Resources and Build Resilience," looks to assess all County roadways for storm resilience, continue Ulster County's efforts in redeveloping foreclosed brownfields, and work to ensure that all Ulster County farmers utilize climate smart practices.

Last week, County Executive Ryan signed an Executive Order that directs a prevailing wage requirement or a Project Labor Agreement for all County-run renewable energy projects. Through key investments in the 2021 Executive Budget, Ulster County is ahead of schedule in achieving the goal set by County Executive Ryan as his first act on taking office of committing Ulster County to use 100% renewable electricity by 2030. In his 2020 Executive Budget, County Executive Ryan unveiled the Ulster County Green Careers Academy, a new eight-week training program, in partnership with SUNY Ulster, that delivers the skills and expertise necessary to begin careers in the expanding clean technology industry.

The Scene Too

-Jane Harrison

I was driving along today and I saw brilliant yellow Forsythia bushes everywhere! Does anything say "Spring" louder? And I'm thinking 'they are a brighter yellow than last year'. Then it dawns on me that last year at this time, I never left the house. I never saw them last year.



Like our musicians and venue owners, having been cooped up over the winter and pretty much the whole of 2020, they are coming forth brilliantly. I get it. 50 degrees? No problem, sure we'll do an outside gig!!

A lot of the scheduled things I'm seeing are way ahead in the summer months. Most of what's around now is only available from the artist's and venue's social media but I will do my best to keep you informed of upcoming gigs for the current week.



This past week, CABERNET FRANK'S in Parksville officially re-opened their Thursday Open Mic, hosted by CASWYN MOON AND FRIENDS. And it was a full weekend of live music for them with SCOTT PALERMO AND FRIENDS on Friday night, SIDE F/X Saturday afternoon and STEPHEN CLAIR and his GREAT EFFING BAND Saturday night.

RAFTERS in Callicoon held their Open Mic Saturday afternoon as

rain was predicted for Sunday and these are being held in the outdoor garden (The Nest).

THE JOHNNY JULES BAND was at the WESTERN HOTEL in Callicoon Friday night and at the DANCING CAT in Bethel Saturday afternoon.

It was Saturday night's fare that I was able to make. STEPHEN CLAIR is the guitarist and front man of the trio that make up THE GREAT EFFING BAND. And it truly is. The music is all original but with the hook of the oft-combined sounds of Kinks/Elvis Costello/ 58 Special/Tom Petty/ Dave Matthews creating an updated 20th century Rock and Roll. Each of this trio sings and the expertly blended voices is something I don't hear too often. As a guitarist, STEPHEN CLAIR plays his guitar as it was meant to be played, no electronic special effects just those unique 'pizzazz' moments between the artist and the

instrument. A kind of purity, if you will. I look forward to hearing them again and finding out more about this band.

So here goes.

For this next week:

Thursday, April 29: OPEN MIC at CABERNET FRANK'S; 6:30pm

Friday, April 30: FISHER and KEAN premier their new CD 'PURE LOCAL HONEY' at the HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL, Grahamsville. 6:30pm to 8. \$5 cover

Saturday, May 1: THE JOHNNY JULES BAND with JIMMY SWEETWATER will be at CABERNET FRANK'S, Parksville. 7:30pm to 11:30. Outdoors (weather permitting); no cover

Sunday afternoon, May 2: OPEN MIC at RAFTERS, Callicoon

April 30-May 8: SPRING AWARENESS (a musical); Seely Theatre, SUNY Sullivan Campus. 8pm Mondays-Saturdays, 2pm on Sundays. Reserve your tickets at showtix4u.com/event-details/50086. Suggested donation \$10.

Stay well, stay strong, stay masked and go hear some music! Until next time!

Announcing the Spring 2021 Hammer-In! Spring Hammer-In at The Ashokan Center

May 1, 2021 Olivebridge, NY

Thanks to an overwhelmingly positive response to our poll, the Spring Hammer-In is on! Join us for an exciting day of activities for beginners and experienced metal-smiths alike. You can receive hands-on instruction in our fully equipped Teaching Program, watch professional forging demonstrations, browse the tool flea market and enjoy the company of fellow blacksmiths.

For the safety of our participants, this will be a totally outdoor event under the Ashokan pavilion with masks and social distancing required. Four of our members will be volunteering their time to offer the following demonstrations at a very affordable price. See more about our team on our website at Demonstrator Line-up

Jonathan Nedbor will demonstrate a way to make scrolls with multiple ends. The demo will be about forge welding, scroll forming and layout. The approach used is simple and can be applied to other projects.

Tim Miller will be demonstrating the basics of "French style repousse". This type of repousse is done using hammers and stakes and does not involve the use of pitch or chasing tools. He will make a simple husk form out of sheet brass that can be used in ornamental iron work. This style of repousse is often used in traditional European style work to add additional decoration to scroll work and other forged elements.

A hand axe is a valuable tool for anyone who spends time in the woods, from campers and hunters to trail crews. In this demonstration, Jordan LaMothe will forge an American-style, polled hand axe with a mild steel body, a forge-welded eye, and a high-carbon steel bit. The final product will be a 1.5 - 2 lb. axe head that is ready for grinding and heat treatment. Jordan will also bring several examples of finished axes to display.

Choosing and applying the correct finish to your project is a critical step to a quality piece. Chris Doherty will demonstrate a durable high gloss finish for hand held projects, using only boiled linseed oil and a heat source, including a discussion of preparation for finishing and long term maintenance. (Contd. Pg. 25)

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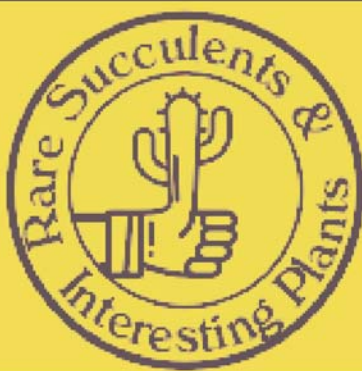
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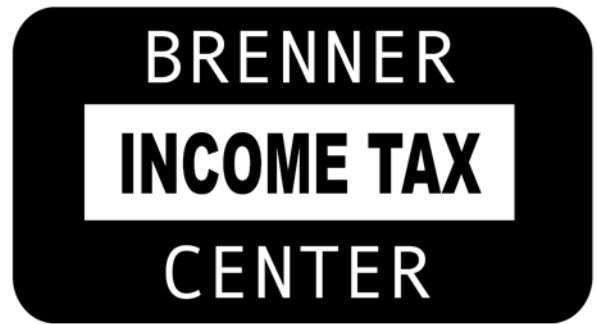
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Tri-Valley Lions Calico Geese Quilt Raffle - June 1, 2021

The Tri-Valley Lions organization is pleased to announce a fund-raising raffle of a beautiful quilt donated to our group by Sally Abrams, President of the Calico Geese Quilters group, which has 45 talented members and meets at the Cornell Cooperative Extension in Ferndale. Per Sally, the Calico Geese Quilters have donated their handmade, gorgeous quilts in the last year to the Sullivan County Veterans Alliance, Foster Children of Sullivan County, Ride to Survive, Allyson Whitney Foundation, The Liberty Fire Department, Cornell Cooperative Extension, and now to the Tri-Valley Lions.

Sally tells us that the quilt donated to the Lions for its raffle is a 60" X 70" Bed Topper, and she hopes "that everyone opens their hearts and wallets to support the Tri-Valley Lions."

The drawing will be held on June 1, 2021, and the winner does not need to be present to win. Raffle tickets are \$5 for 1 ticket or \$10 for 3 tickets. Tickets will be available from Gene Froehlich at 845-439-4921; Mary Lou Vernooy (Membership Chairperson) at 845-434-7781 or Terry Delaney at 845-434-8696.

All funds raised from the sale of the raffle tickets will go right into the Tri-Valley Lions Charity Account so our group can continue its mission to support Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Lions Cancer Awareness, 5 local food pantries, eye tests and glasses for those in our community who are unable to afford these on their own due to lack of insurance, assistance to those in our community that have had catastrophic illnesses, or the misfortune of loss due to fire, The Heart-A-Thon, Diabetes awareness, and so many more causes.

The Tri-Valley Lions group was chartered in 1977 and has been serving our community for more than 40 years. While we have lost many members over the years, we are proud to say that we still have several members who have been with our group since its inception. To those members we lost over the years, we still think about them, miss them, and continue to acknowledge the dedication of all members, past and present, and we know our community is appreciative of the contributions we've made since 1977.

Due to Covid 19, The Tri-Valley Lions group has been unable to perform our major fundraising efforts, which include running the soda booth at the Fairgrounds, our Annual Tri-Valley Journey For Sight and Tag

Day. We look forward to the day we can once again interact in person, open our soda booth, and do our Journey For Sight Walk, which will increase our Charity Account so we can be even more responsive to those who need our assistance. To help get there we hope that all will continue to be tested, get the vaccine when available, wear your mask, practice social distancing, wash or sanitize your hands frequently, and stay home when you are ill.

Thank you for your support and of course we are always looking for new members to join The Tri-Valley Lions. For additional information about the Quilt or raffles or becoming a member of The Tri-Valley Lions, please call Gene Froehlich at 845-439-4921.

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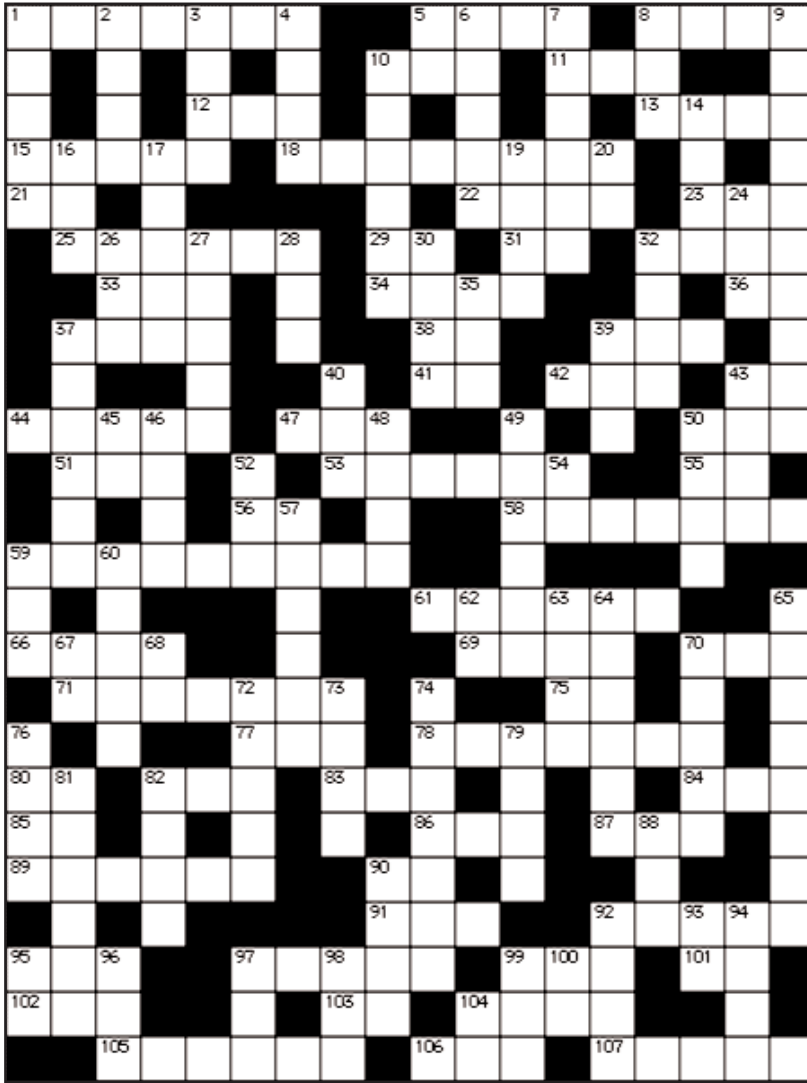
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 - 8 Two-wheeler
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 - 11 Wad
 - 12 Used in conjunction with a negative alternative
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 - 33 Constrictor snake
 - 34 Violent disturbance of peace by a crowd
 - 36 Executive Order
 - 37 Voice vocally
 - 38 Public Relations
 - 39 Revolution
 - 41 Southeast
 - 42 Enjoyment
 - 43 People in general
 - 44 Merchandising
 - 47 Circulating fluid in the vascular system of plants
 - 50 Road-making compound
 - 51 Independent Grocers Alliance
 - 53 Communal
 - 55 Hour
 - 56 I am (contraction)
 - 58 Favorable outcome
 - 59 Praise publicly
 - 61 Rough drawing
 - 66 Forbidden social custom
 - 69 Became the 45th State in the USA
 - 70 Quebec (abbrev)
 - 71 A day in which one works
 - 75 Twelfth letter of the Greek alphabet
 - 77 Yes
 - 78 To see
 - 80 Chemical element argon
 - 82 Central body of the solar system
 - 83 The cartoon character, _____ Abner
 - 84 Consume food
 - 85 Regarding
 - 86 Eisenhower's nickname
 - 87 5th century Warlike Asiatic people
 - 89 Public procession
 - 90 South Dakota
 - 91 Paddle
 - 92 Spherical representation of the Earth
 - 95 Wager
 - 97 Tale
 - 99 Auto
 - 101 "_____ Manchu" type of mustache
 - 102 Epoch
 - 103 Language Engineering
 - 104 Sudden change in a star
 - 105 Act
 - 106 Head covering
 - 107 Furniture used for writing
- DOWN**
- 1 Jumps quickly
 - 2 A toy that unwinds and rewinds
 - 3 Part of the Earth's surface
 - 4 Of long ago
 - 5 Used to link alternatives
 - 6 A variety of
 - 7 The May season
 - 8 Battle Dress Uniform
 - 9 President who first proclaimed Loyalty Day as May 1st
 - 10 Seed bearing part of a plant
 - 14 Long upholstered seat
 - 16 Decay
 - 17 Act of joining together
 - 19 Shed old feathers
 - 20 Common Era
 - 24 Already eaten
 - 26 Runs batted in
 - 27 Uncertain
 - 28 Everyone
 - 30 Bites sharply
 - 32 Scheme
 - 35 Material from which metal is extracted
 - 37 Hit
 - 39 Tote
 - 40 Possesses
 - 43 Armed conflicts
 - 45 Chem element silver
 - 46 Lush valley
 - 48 Pillar or post
 - 49 Woven container
 - 50 At that time
 - 52 Evergreen
 - 54 Chemical element
 - 57 Traditional spring festival honoring workers
 - 59 Portable bed
 - 60 Work
 - 62 Artificial radioactive element
 - 63 Docile
 - 64 Building used for Christian worship
 - 65 Birthright
 - 67 Expression of mild protest
 - 68 Ancient Sumerian city
 - 70 A king's wife
 - 72 Rhythmic movement to music
 - 73 Shout
 - 74 Day of festivity
 - 76 Dwell on
 - 79 Stalk of a plant
 - 81 One who reads
 - 82 Remain
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Finnish May Day Fritters

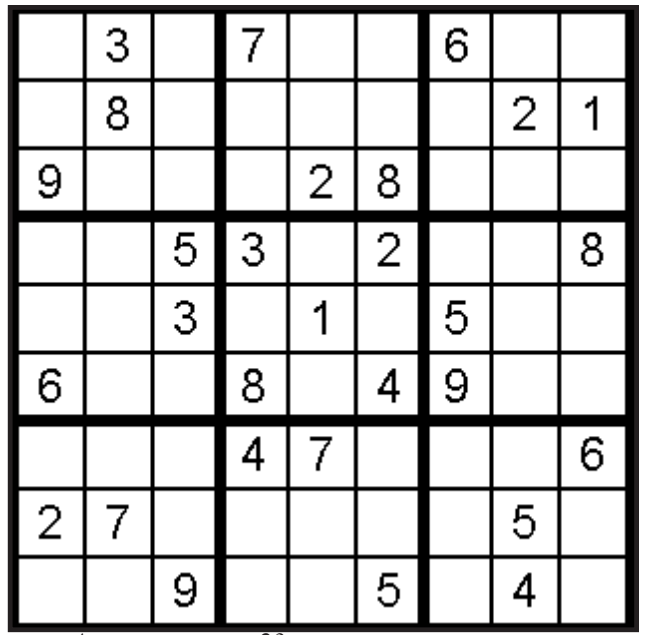
... as small and light as a sparrow's nest, they are a justifiable indulgence on a sunny May Day

- Canola oil for frying
- 2 eggs
- 1 tbsp sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp. salt

In a heavy pot or deep fryer, bring oil to 375°. Level of oil should be about 6" from the bottom.

Whisk together eggs and sugar lightly, then stir in milk. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Stir into the batter until any lumps are removed. Transfer batter to a gallon-sized freezer bag; seal bag and then snip off one corner leaving a 1/8" hole. Lower a metal soup ladle into the oil until the ladle is about half-way filled with oil. With your other hand swiftly pipe the patter in a swirly lattice pattern into the ladle until the 'bird's nest' half fills the ladle. Lower the ladle completely into the oil; the fritter will float immediately to the top of the pot. Allow to cook until golden, then flip over to brown the other side - about 15 seconds per side). Remove the fritter and drain on a plate lined with paper towels. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve warm

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Answer on page 23



Arbor Day Cryptogram

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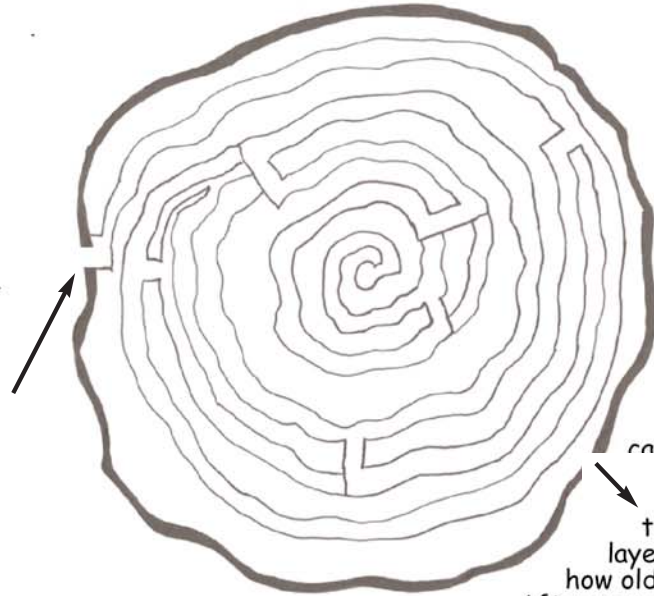
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-Joyce Kilmer

Kids' Arbor Day Fun Page

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Aurora is helping her Dad plant some trees. What are 5 differences between the two pictures?



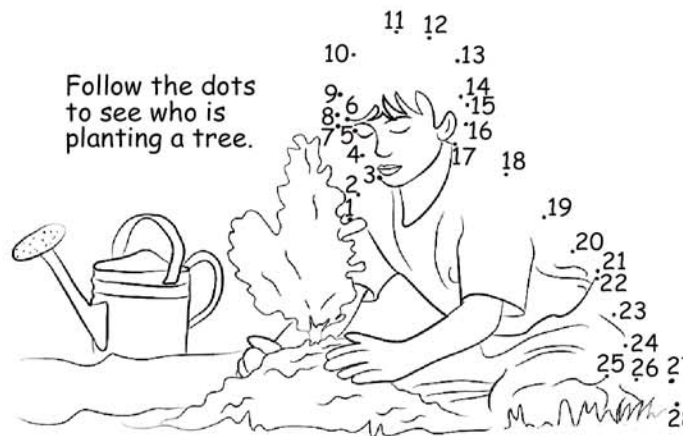
If you count the rings, you can tell the age this tree. Each year a tree adds a new layer. Can you tell how old this tree is? After you count the rings to the center, can you find your way back out of the tree?

Arbor Day Wordsearch

Z K P Z L G I W T U R V
 L N U X H Z D R O B R A
 C U K K T R E E I A E M
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- TREE
- OAK
- MAPLE
- LEAF
- ROOTS
- SHADE
- BRANCH
- SEEDLINGS
- PINECONE
- TWIG
- TRUNK

Follow the dots to see who is planting a tree.



CRYPTOGRAM KEY

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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING,
BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
AT GRAHAMSVILLE
TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK

MARCH 19, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Secondary School Lower Library in said District at Grahamsville, New York, on:

Tuesday, May 4, 2021
At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2021-2022 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the VOTE upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2021-2022 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Main Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 19, 2021. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. For 2021, there are three Board seats available which are three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Kimberly Botsford
Brent Clarke
Kathy Poppo

Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the public at the Annual Budget Hearing on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 11, 2021, and Wednesday, May 12, 2021, in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 13, 2021, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 18, 2021. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote. (Contd. Pg. 19)

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES (From Pg. 18)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING,
BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
AT GRAHAMSVILLE
TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK
MARCH 19, 2021

Potential voters who are concerned about appearing for personal registration due to COVID-19 risks, may register online at the Department of Motor Vehicles voter registration website at the following URL: <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>. Potential voters may also register by downloading a Voter Registration Form from the New York State Board of Elections website(<https://www.elections.ny.gov/VotingRegister.html#VoteRegForm>), completing it, and mailing it to the Sullivan County Board of Elections at the address listed on the second page of the form.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (845) 985-2296, ext. 5102 and normapena@trivalleycsd.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on April 22, 2021. Military Voters who are not currently registered to vote may apply to register as a qualified voter by filling out a Military Voter Registration Application, which can also be obtained by requesting an application from the District Clerk. Military Voter Registration Applications must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2021. Military voters may indicate a preference for receiving a military voter registration, military ballot application, or military ballot by mail, fax, or e-mail in their request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. The School District will transmit military ballots to military voters no later than April 23, 2021. Completed military ballots must be received by the School District by 5:00 p.m. on May 18, 2021 in order to be counted.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee Ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 11, 2021) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 17, 2021), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee Ballots must be received in the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee voter ballots have been issued will be available for public inspection during regular office hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the District Office until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications as a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for such challenge. Such written challenge will be transmitted by the District Clerk to the inspectors of the election on the day of the vote.

Please be advised that due to the ongoing and dynamic nature of the response to the Coronavirus pandemic, the dates and procedures relating to school elections may be subject to change pursuant to the Governor's executive authority or through legislative enactments.

By order of the Board of Education
Norma Peña, District Clerk
Dated: March 19, 2021

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Tri-Valley Central School District Budget Vote and Board of Education Election

Annual Budget Hearing: Tuesday, May 4, 2021, 7:00 p.m., Secondary School Library Lower Level and via YouTube Live

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

Budget Vote/Board Election: Tuesday, May 18, 2021, 1:00 - 8:00 p.m., Main Downstairs Gymnasium, Tri-Valley CSD, 34 Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, NY 12740

Absentee Ballots: Absentee Ballot Applications/Ballots available upon request.
Email: absenteeballots2021@trivalleycsd.org

Personal Voter Registration: Personal Voter Registration will be held on Tuesday, May 11 and Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m., Administration Building over by the Iatauro Sports Complex Football Field/Track.

THIS IS NOT A PERMIT

**New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Notice of Complete Application**

Date: 04/20/2021

Applicant: SULLIVAN COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
64 FERNDALE LOOMIS RD
LIBERTY, NY 12754

Facility: FROST VALLEY YMCA
2000 FROST VALLEY RD
OLIVEREA/DENNING, NY 12462

Application ID: 3-5120-00001/00041

Permits(s) Applied for: 1 - Article 15 Title 5 Stream Disturbance
1 - Section 401 - Clean Water Act Water Quality Certification

Project is located: in DENNING in ULSTER COUNTY

Project Description:

The applicant proposes to stabilize an eroded section of streambank. This action will create approximately 950 linear feet of stream disturbance to West Branch Neversink Creek [Water Index Number D-1-83, class C(T)]. The project will utilize root-wads, bioengineered riprap, and bioengineered soil lifts. In addition, the project will restore a horse trail/maintenance road that runs alongside the streambank. The project is located approximately 0.3 miles southwest of the Frost Valley YMCA entrance on Frost Valley Road.

Availability of Application Documents:

Filed application documents, and Department draft permits where applicable, are available for inspection during normal business hours at the address of the contact person. To ensure timely service at the time of inspection, it is recommended that an appointment be made with the contact person.

State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Determination

Project is not subject to SEQR because it is a Type II action.

SEQR Lead Agency None Designated

State Historic Preservation Act (SHPA) Determination

The proposed activity is not subject to review in accordance with SHPA. The application type is exempt and/or the project involves the continuation of an existing operational activity.

Availability For Public Comment

Comments on this project must be submitted in writing to the Contact Person no later than 05/13/2021 or 15 days after the publication date of this notice, whichever is later.

Contact Person

ALYSSE DEVINE
NYSDEC
21 S Putt Corners Rd
New Paltz, NY 12561

CC List for Complete Notice

Frost Valley YMCA
Brian Drumm, NYSDEC
Joseph Damrath, NYCDEP
Brian Orzel, USACE
Town of Denning
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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE:

NOTICE CONCERNING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA (Pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law)

Notice is hereby given that assessment inventory and valuation data is available for examination and review. This data is the information which will be used to establish the assessment of each parcel which will appear on the tentative assessment roll of the Town of Denning, which will be filed on or about May 1st, 2021. The information may be reviewed, by appointment, in the Assessor's Office at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville NY 12725. An appointment to review the assessment information may be made by telephoning the Assessor at 845-626-4342.

Dated: 20th, day of April, 2021

Michael B. Sommer
Sole Assessor
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Cahill Climate and Community Investment Act for Earth Day

Albany, NY - Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) today announced the introduction of Assembly Bill 6967, The Climate and Community Investment Act (CCIA), the companion to Senate bill 4264-A, recently introduced by Senator Kevin Parker. Advancing the goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), this legislation provides the necessary pollution fees and green energy funding to ensure that New York fully transforms the economy to one that is ecologically sound, while protecting and investing in the communities most impacted by climate change and environmental discrimination.

"I strongly believe that this bill will solidify New York as an environmental justice leader and serve as a model for other states to follow," said Cahill. "Through this act, we will fulfill our promise to future generations, our children and grandchildren, and leave for them an economy that is responsible and stable, an earth less burdened by pollution and a public health unthreatened by dangerous air contaminants."

"I am proud to sponsor this legislation," said Senator Parker. "The CCIA is the necessary corollary to the CLCPA, and it is essential to bring the goals of CLCPA into fruition. The legislation provides climate justice for Black, Latinx and low-income New Yorkers, who have often faced the brunt climate pollution. And, as we begin to emerge from the devastating economic impacts of COVID-19, the CCIA will provide good, green jobs that will serve as a catalysis for our economic recovery. It is imperative that my legislative colleagues act to pass this significant legislation."

In 2019, the legislature passed the CLCPA, which put New York on a path to be the leader among states in the fight against climate change. The law mandates an 85 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. In order to make that law more than merely aspirational, the CCIA would provide the funding and authority to make the goals of the CLCPA a reality.

The CCIA will impose a fee of \$55 per ton of greenhouse gas emitted by the state's largest polluters, which is estimated to produce \$15 billion in revenue each year over the first ten years after the law is enacted. These funds will be dedicated to several initiatives that will ensure New York meets its pollution reduction goals.

UC Executive Pat Ryan Submits Comment to NYS Opposing the Proposed Danskammer Power Plant

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today submitted comments urging the New York State Siting Board to reject Danskammer Energy LLC's application for repowering and expansion of the Danskammer Generating Facility and urged them to ensure that all energy infrastructure projects are consistent with New York's goals under the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.

"Danskammer is the wrong project at a pivotal time for our community. It offers an outdated dirty energy solution to a problem that requires a modern, clean energy solution in an area known for its historical roots in the environmental movement," County Executive Pat Ryan writes. "Ulster County is committed to leaning into the new green economy, from transitioning our county operations to 100% renewable energy by 2030, turning brownfields into solar fields, and training a new generation of workers in the expanding clean technology industry. We need to be going all-in on clean energy, battery storage, and energy efficiency and creating sustainable, family-supporting jobs within these industries."

"County Executive Ryan has put Ulster County at the forefront of confronting the climate crisis and taking advantage of the burgeoning green economy by investing in renewable energy utilizing local labor," Scenic Hudson President Ned Sullivan said. "This will mean more jobs and cleaner air for Ulster residents today, and a brighter future for their children and grandchildren. Scenic Hudson is grateful to County Executive Ryan for speaking out strongly against the proposed Danskammer power plant and embracing a clean-energy alternative for the site that won't pose a threat to public health and our planet. We look forward to supporting him in any way we can,"

The proposed facility would be located on the Hudson River in the Town of Newburgh and would replace the current facility. It has been estimated that the new facility would emit more than ten times the annual emissions of harmful nitrogen oxides, ozone, particulate matter and greenhouse gases than the current plant. On Sunday, County Executive Ryan declared the week Ulster County Earth Week.

Ed Sykes Retires as IDA CEO; Board Appoints John Kiefer Incoming CEO

Edward T. Sykes, Chief Executive Officer of the County of Sullivan Industrial Development Agency, announced his retirement effective April 16, 2021. Appointed to the IDA Board in 1996, Ed will remain a board member and serve in his newly appointed position of Vice Chair.

"We are grateful to Ed for his commitment to the IDA and the advancement of meaningful projects during his tenure as CEO. As of December 2020, the IDA's approximately 70 active projects have created 2,560 new jobs in Sullivan County," said IDA Chairperson Suzanne Loughlin.

"I have always enjoyed my work with the IDA and am proud of our achievements in facilitating economic opportunities here in Sullivan County," said Mr. Sykes. "I look forward to continuing to work with the board and its newest members, Craig Fleischman and Sean Brooks."

Today, the IDA Board appointed John W. Kiefer to fill the role of CEO. Mr. Kiefer, a Sullivan County native, is a seasoned executive with extensive experience in finance and commercial banking. Since returning to Monticello, John has worked with the Sullivan County Revolving Loan Fund, enabling the growth and development of dozens of businesses in the County.

"I believe good things come from collaborative efforts and building on ideas one brick at a time. Miracle grand events seldom happen and when they do, they are often not all that was expected," said Mr. Kiefer.

"We welcome John aboard and look forward to working with him as we continue to advance job opportunities and the economic welfare of the people of Sullivan County," said Loughlin.

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

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

St. Mark's UM Church
68 Clinton St., Napanoch

**YARD AND CLOTHING SALE
CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



Sundown United Methodist Church

Covered Dish Supper

5:30 pm

To be Announced

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall



Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Saturday Thrift Sale

9:00 am to 12 noon
To be Announced

Thrift Sale Luncheon
9am-12 noon
11 am - 12:30 pm
To be Announced



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

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday morning 8:50 am; Tuesday morning 8:50 am; Wednesday morning No Mass; Thursday afternoon 5:45 pm; Friday morning 8:50 am and Saturday morning 8:50 am.

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



Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches

**House Worship Plan
Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link**

Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>
Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740

Dial by your location
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+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.
The next meeting will be a Seventh-week gathering. If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

Grahamsville Reformed Church

The Church with a friendly welcome

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

Claryville Reformed Church



Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041

Worship Services @ 10:00 am

Church Hall available for rent
Call - 845-985-2041 for information

St. Augustine's Chapel
Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY

Sunday Mass - 9:30 am
Holy Days 5:30 pm

Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, Pastor

Loucks Funeral Home

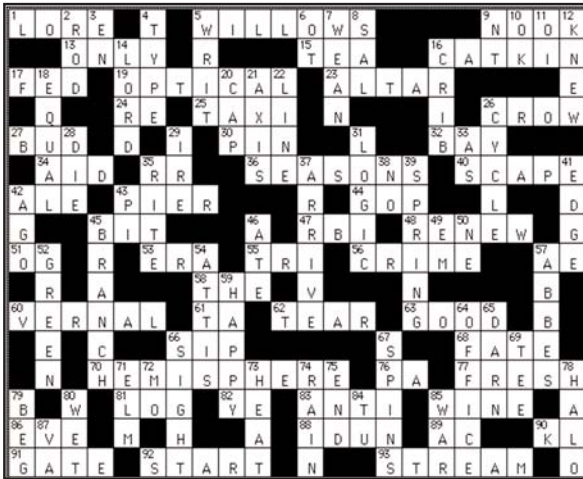
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AL-ANON MEETINGS- <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>
 Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
 Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne
 Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main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

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

Ans to last week's Crossword



May 1st Community Day with Blacksmithing & Northeast Blacksmiths Association Spring Hammer-In

Community Day Hike our trails, enjoy live music, try your hand at hammering in the Ashokan forge, and see demos by volunteer smiths from the Northeast Blacksmith Association's Spring Hammer-In!

10am-2pm

\$15 Adult | \$7.50 Youth | Free Under 5

Lunch included! Learn More and Register

Learn all about the traditional art of forging hot steel at the Northeast Blacksmiths' Ashokan Spring Hammer-In. An exciting full day of activities for beginners and experienced metal-smiths alike. Come for this totally outdoor event where you can try your hand at this ancient craft.

9am-8pm Hammer-In Event \$40 - Learn More and Register

https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Announcing-the-Spring-2021-Hammer-In.html?soid=1132235123880&aid=XI4gtecq8ks&mc_cid=9d868a79ac&mc_eid=75e1bf6433

SUNY Sullivan Theater Program Performance Notice

The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program is proud to announce performances for *SPRING AWAKENING* Book and Lyrics by Steven Sater, Music by Duncan Sheik, based on the play by Frank Wedekind.

SPRING AWAKENING, directed by Jessica López-Barkl, Associate Professor of Theater and Speech/Theater Program Director at SUNY Sullivan.

A literal or figurative world war is the theme of SUNY Sullivan's 2020-2021 Theater Season. We will examine plays where war occurs in the micro- or macrocosm.

When:

SPRING AWAKENING will play April 30-May 8, 2021, Wednesday-Saturdays at 8 PM and Sunday at 2 PM.

Where:

o Reserve Tickets at: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/50086>



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Time and the Valleys Museum 2nd Annual Take Out Chicken Barbeque

The 2nd annual Take Out (contactless!) Chicken Barbeque will be held on Saturday, May 22nd, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum parking lot, 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55), Grahamsville NY.

The BBQ includes Murray's Chicken, BBQ'd to perfection by the Neversink Fire Department, delicious sides (baked beans, baked potato, corn bread, coleslaw and brownie) by Chef Jaime of Neversink General Store and ice cream from Gillette Creamery. It also includes a trivia booklet for activities to do at home after your delicious BBQ. Enjoy a delicious dinner, support the Museum and never leave your car!

Tickets for the Chicken Barbeque are \$13 per meal and are available on line: www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org, or by sending a check to: Time and the Valleys Museum, P.O. Box 254, Grahamsville NY 12740. A limited number of tickets will also be available at the door. Please call 845 985-7700 or email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org for more information.

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

CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

- 5/4/21 Claryville Fire District 6:30 pm Warren Cole Hall in Claryville
 5/1/21 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Turkey Dinner** 4 - 7 pm (Church Hall) (See ad on pg. 23 for details)
 5/2/21 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - Regular
 5/5/21 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm (App submission Dt. 4/21/21)
 5/9/21 Claryville Fire Dept **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 am until noon
 5/11/21 Town of Denning Town Board and Business meeting at Denning Town Hall 6:00 pm (Please note: 2nd Tuesday)
 5/15/21 Boy Scout Troop 97 **Fish/Chicken & Chips Dinner** 4:30-6:30 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds (See ad on pg. 29 for details)
 5/18/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
 5/20/21 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
 5/22/21 Time & the Valleys Museum **Chicken BBQ** 4- 6:30 pm (See Pg. 39 for details)

Save the Date!

Matthew Bertholf's 10th Anniversary Memorial Horseshoe Tournament Sunday, July 11, 2021
 Neversink Fire Department Pavilion.

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.

PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION FOR UPDATES ON OPENINGS

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

Weekly Update Ulster County Legislature April 26 - April 30, 2021

Monday, April 26

- o 12:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board Meeting, Hosted by WebEx, By Phone Dial 1-408-418-9388, Access Code 132 513 1277#, Password: 1234#
- o 7:00 PM - Climate Smart Committee, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 941 7494 7702, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656

Tuesday, April 27

- o No Meetings

Wednesday, April 28

- o 9:30 AM - Ulster County Soil & Water Conservation District, at 271 Main Street, New Paltz, NY 12561
- o 2:00 PM - Special Meeting of the Ulster County Industrial Development Agency, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 3:00 PM - Electrical Licensing Board, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 835 0192 6937, By Phone Dial (929) 436-2866
- o 3:30 PM - Ulster County Housing Development Corporation, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Webinar ID: 814 0452 7384, Passcode: 477616, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 4:00 PM - Special Meeting of the Ulster County Industrial Development Agency, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 4:30 PM - Criminal Justice Reform Task Force, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 988 1042 6830, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 6:30 PM - Environmental Management Council, Powered by Zoom Meeting. Meeting ID: 974 4254 9615, Passcode: 278571, Dial In (929) 205-6099
- o 7:30 PM - Fire Advisory Board, Powered by Zoom Meeting. Meeting ID: 842 2452 2995, Passcode: 159165, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o Special meeting of the Ulster County Industrial Development Agency

Thursday, April 29

- o 6:30 PM - Caucus: Democrats, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 959 3310 0167, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656

Friday, April 30

- o No Meetings

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Sullivan Democrats Call for Doherty's Resignation

(From Pg. 4) The Executive Committee of the Sullivan County Democratic Committee condemns District 1 Legislator Robert Doherty for his defamatory and unsubstantiated statements and actions, which have placed the County in jeopardy and caused harm to both members of the public and his fellow legislators.

This Committee condemns District 1 Legislator Robert Doherty for dishonestly issuing statements of the legislature that did not represent the views of even a majority of the legislators, placing the County in harm's way and causing pain and anguish to his co-workers, and members of the public.

In the event that District 1 Legislator Doherty refuses to resign the chairmanship, we strongly urge that each of the eight (8) remaining legislators immediately move to amend the Charter of the County of Sullivan, to allow for the recall of the Chairmanship, and remove District 1 Legislator Doherty as Chair.

It is the will of our Committee that all Legislators, whether they are Democrat or Republican, be encouraged to select a new Chair, based solely upon their values and their commitment to ethical and honest government, regardless of their party affiliation, it being the sincere hope of this Committee that Sullivan County Government return to functioning in a professional, honest and ethical manner.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven Vegliante, Chair
On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Sullivan County Democratic Committee.

DEC Announces Additional \$500,000 for Statewide Effort to Improve Food Scrap Recycling and Prevent Food Waste

\$2 Million Total to Bolster New Regulations to Reduce Landfilling of Food Scraps and Connect Hungry New Yorkers with Edible Food

DEC Accepting Public Comments on Proposed Food Waste Regulations until April 27

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that DEC is adding \$500,000 to the \$1.5 million previously announced to help reduce food waste and combat food insecurity statewide. These funds, now totaling \$2 million, support the Food Donation and Food Scraps Recycling Act, which goes into effect in January 2022, and are part of a statewide effort to increase food donations to hungry New Yorkers and encourage food recycling to help prevent the landfilling of food scraps. The announcement was made during the State's week-long celebration of Earth Day 2021.

"This significant boost in funding comes at a critical time when many New Yorkers are struggling with food insecurity during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic," Commissioner Seggos said. "In addition to helping to address hunger in our communities, reducing food waste benefits the environment by creating useful compost and decreasing the amount of materials that would otherwise be sent to the landfill, eventually creating methane gas that contributes to climate change."

Feeding New York State Executive Director Dan Egan said, "Feeding New York State and our 10 member food banks are grateful to DEC for this grant, which gives us the tools we need to educate food waste generators on their waste-reduction obligations and connect potential donors to the charitable food network. We look forward to continuing and strengthening the great partnership we have built with the DEC. Together we will reduce waste, mitigate environmental effects and, most important, feed our neighbors in need."

In January, DEC proposed new draft regulations to strengthen

the Food Donation and Food Scraps Recycling Act. These regulations implement requirements for all designated food scrap generators to donate excess edible food and send food scraps to an organics recycler if one is available within 25 miles of the generator. The regulations will drive increased food donations, helping New Yorkers in need and creating jobs to assist organizations and institutions that handle food donations. The act also requires generators to recycle food scraps by using organics recyclers such as composting facilities to reduce the amount of food scraps that would otherwise end up in landfills and ultimately produce methane, a potent greenhouse gas. DEC is accepting public comments on the draft regulations until April 27.

Comments on the draft regulations can be submitted by email to FoodScrapsLaw@dec.ny.gov or by mail to: ORRS-Part 350, NYSDEC, Division of Materials Management, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7253. Please include "Comments on Proposed Part 350" in the subject line of the email.

New York State has taken decisive action to combat food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic, including the launch of the Nourish New York program and a pilot partnership with HelloFresh to provide fresh meals to veterans, military families, and eligible New York City residents, among other initiatives. In July, Governor Cuomo announced \$1.5 million in funding for Feeding New York State to support its network of 10 regional food banks, as well as local farms to help provide milk and produce to food insecure New Yorkers in response to the increased need for food bank services during the COVID-19 pandemic. These resources bolster the more than \$4.3 million announced by the Governor last year for projects across the state that will help prevent hunger and reduce the disposal of food waste through food donation and recycling.

Announcing the Spring 2021 Hammer-In!

(From Pg. 11)

*A separate demo area will be setup for the general public to observe an informal forging demonstration. Please consider volunteering for a 1.5 hour session to help promote our craft and organization and sell your projects!!
Fun for the whole family!

Our popular Teaching Program provides an opportunity to learn and practice basic forging skills in a safe and well supervised environment. Five working forges and ten forging stations will provide a memorable hands-on experience and an opportunity to bring home a hand made project.

Tailgaters welcome!

Tool and equipment vendors are welcome to "tailgate" their wares at no additional charge. There will also be a fun tool and equipment raffle on Saturday, and a gallery to showcase your latest and greatest work!

Learn More and Register

https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Announcing-the-Spring-2021-Hammer-In.html?soid=1132235123880&aid=XI4gtecq8ks&mc_cid=9d868a79ac&mc_eid=75e1bf6433

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Upcoming Events

Ashokan Sword Seminar, September 17-19, 2021

The New England Bladesmith Guild will be at Ashokan this year hosting it's once every 5 years sword specific seminar. As program and registration details become available they will be posted on the New England Bladesmith Guild website.

Northeast Blacksmiths Assn. Fall Hammer-In September 24-26, 2021

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	June 5 TBA

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ROAD CLOSURE

North Branch, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Town Highway 37 (Peters Road), in the Town of Fremont, to replace County Bridge 431. The bridge is located approximately 1.6 miles north of the intersection of County Road 121 (North Branch Road) and Pleasant Valley Rd.

This section of Peters Rd. is scheduled to be closed to all traffic starting at 8 a.m. on April 19, 2021, and will remain closed for approximately 8 weeks.

The Catskill Mountain Classic Car



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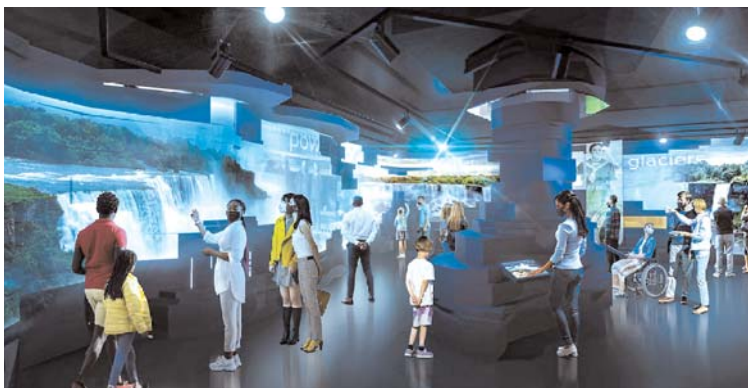
Town of Hardenburgh Ulster County Wilderness Rescue



On April 17 at 4 p.m., DEC's Central Dispatch was contacted by Ulster County 911 regarding an injured hiker in the Beaverkill Valley area of the Balsam Lake Wild Forest. The caller's hiking companion had broken their ankle while descending Balsam Lake Mountain. Forest Ranger Martin arrived on scene at 4:50 p.m., and assisted EMS with administering first aid and packaging the 50-year-old man from Chester. The hiker was evacuated to the trailhead via UTV and transferred to an ambulance that delivered him to a local hospital at 7:30 p.m.

New Gateway to The Niagara River Corridor Will Serve As A Starting Point For Adventure

*Public-Private Partnership to Be Supported By \$8
Million Grant from Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation*



Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the design for a new, \$46 million state-of-the-art visitor center in Niagara Falls State Park. The new facility will be a gateway to adventure along the Niagara River Corridor, greatly improving the visitor experience, complementing nature, increasing the length of visits within the park in all four seasons, and enhancing awareness of nearby recreational and cultural offerings. The Governor also announced that the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation has committed \$8 million in grant funding toward the construction of the Welcome Center. The Welcome Center is a signature project of Governor Cuomo's NY Parks 100 initiative announced in this year's State of the State proposals.

"New York is home to some of the nation's greatest parks and outdoor recreational opportunities that attract visitors from all across the globe, and Niagara Falls State Park is no exception," Governor Cuomo said. "This new visitor center continues the stunning transformation of New York's most famous and most visited state park, welcoming the millions of tourists who visit each year while highlighting the unique history and beauty of the park and the entire Western New York community."

The new facility would provide expanded space for peak-time visiting and include areas for ticketing, interpretation, dining and retail operations. The building will replace a 35-year-old structure that is no longer capable of hosting the 9 million visitors a year the park receives.

"Niagara Falls is a wonder of the world unique to Western New York," Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul said. "With a rich legacy as the oldest state park in the United States, New York continues to invest in this landmark gem to bolster regional tourism, economic recovery and showcase this awe-inspiring attraction for future generations."

The new 28,000-square-foot visitor center will include new ticketing and information desks, interpretive museum space including an immersive experience and exhibits highlighting a diversity of topics including natural, industrial and Indigenous American history; new concession spaces; restrooms and associated support spaces. The glass, steel and concrete facility has been designed to complement nature and include a rooftop solar array, green roof elements and a separate restroom building. Enhanced site amenities include new accessible paths; plantings; outdoor exhibits, and interpretive and wayfinding elements. The existing 7,000-square-foot regional administration building immediately adjacent to the facility will be adapted to include a multi-purpose community room, regional archives and offices for Niagara regional interpretive staff.

The \$8 million grant from the not-for-profit Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation, created after the 2014 death of Wilson, the former owner of the Buffalo Bills and a co-founder of the American Football League, continues Ralph Wilson's remarkable legacy of support for tourism, parks and outdoor recreation, trail development, and community revitalization in Western New York.

The visitor center is a signature project in the Governor's NY Parks 100 initiative, which renews the historic commitment to investing and expanding the State park system by committing at least \$440 million over the next four years. This critical period of revitalization will culminate in the 2024 celebration of the 100th anniversary of the State Park Act, which first created our nation-leading State park system in 1924 under Governor Al Smith. NY Parks 100 will continue crucial investments in park infrastructure while enhancing opportunities to reach the full range of New York State's recreational and cultural offerings, including local parks and trails, regional flagship parks and historic sites, and vast wilderness parks. The initiative will focus on creating places to recreate locally, relieving overcrowded parks, welcoming new visitors, and protecting New York State's environmental and historic legacy. This new plan will ensure people from all communities and across all ages and abilities can fully experience our outdoors, our culture, and our heritage.

The building is being designed by GWWO, a national leader in visitor center development. Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2021 and wrap up in time for the 2023 tourism season. (Contd. Pg. 32)

Gillibrand: USDA's Extension of Universal Free School Meals Sets the Stage for Lawmakers to Make Critical Flexibility Permanent

Up to 12 Million Children Nationally Live in Households Where They May Not Always Have Enough to Eat

WASHINGTON, D.C. --- U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, welcomed the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)'s announcement that it would extend universal free school meals through the 2021-2022 school year. Previously, the USDA extended child nutrition program waivers that provided universal free school meals through September 30. Senators Gillibrand and Murkowski (R-AK) recently announced a bipartisan bill to expand the USDA Summer Food Service Program, which provides low-income children with nutritious meals during the summer, after school, and when school is closed for vacations or emergencies.

"Extending universal free school meals through the next school year gives millions of families the peace of mind they need about where their children can continue getting a healthy and reliable meal. I welcome the USDA's announcement, which sets the stage for lawmakers to go further and make universal free school meals a permanent reality because no matter the circumstances, none of our children should ever go hungry."

New Gateway to The Niagara River Corridor Will Serve As A Starting Point For Adventure

(From Pg. 31)

State Parks Commissioner Erik Kulleseid said, "Niagara Falls is New York's very own Wonder of the World, and it should reflect that grandeur to people from all walks, internationally, nationally and locally. This project will not only serve to welcome, orient and educate visitors to the park, it will serve as a jumping off point to many other regional attractions - which will mean longer visitor stays and more opportunities for all of our tourism partners."

President & CEO, Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation David O. Egner said, "A new and reimagined Niagara Falls State Park Welcome Center along the Shoreline Trail has tremendous potential to strengthen the area's growing tourism economy, creating more jobs and enhancing the quality of life for area residents. The \$8 million grant for this project also builds upon the Foundation's broader efforts to catalyze economic development in Western New York and improve access and connections to public spaces and trails throughout the region. We look forward to the future Welcome Center being a world-class destination the residents of New York and the region can be proud of when it welcomes an estimated 9 million visitors annually from across the world."

State Parks will issue a Request for Proposals from potential partners for a 10 plus year agreement beginning in 2022 to operate food, beverage, retail and recreational concessions throughout Niagara Falls State Park, including space in the new Visitor Center. The new agreement would offer 7,300-square-feet of "white box" space to be built out by the next operator for concessions and support areas. Once issued, information on the RFP will be posted here.

This project will complement the \$150 million revitalization of Niagara Falls State Park landscape. Launched in 2011, the Niagara

Falls State Park landscape revitalization plan was a multi-year commitment to renew the park in a manner that better reflects noted park designer Frederick Law Olmsted's vision for the landscape. The plan renovated the park's major viewing areas including Luna Island, Prospect Point, Lower Grove, Three Sisters Islands, North Shoreline Trail, Luna Bridge, and Terrapin Point with new pedestrian walkways, enhanced landscaping, new benches, light posts and railings. The interactive Cave of the Winds pavilion, which highlights the natural and cultural history of Niagara Falls, opened in 2017.

Removal of the Niagara Scenic Parkway in the city of Niagara Falls provides unprecedented access to the Niagara Gorge by connecting the city to its waterfront for the first time in a generation and is the largest expansion of Niagara Falls State Park since the creation of the park. Niagara Falls State Park is a state and national treasure. Created in 1885, it is the oldest state park in the nation, attracting over 9 million visitors annually



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Psychic Self-Defense: Giant Wooden Stake for Destroying Psychic Vampires

A Conceptual Installation by Nina Isabelle



Art Life Institute is excited to present *Psychic Self-Defense*, a new work by process-based artist, Nina Isabelle, on exhibit for the month of May.

Motivated by the failure of dialogue, the dissonance between form and content, the imposition of objects in space, as well as the deficiencies of literal language, Nina's projects highlight how modes of psychic imprinting and cerebral interpretations come together to organize perception in ways that can inform and solidify new possibilities.

Nina was rereading Dion Fortune's book *Psychic Self-Defense*:

The Classic Instruction Manual for Protecting Yourself Against Paranormal Attack, published in 1930 at the same time she was grappling with how to move a nearly-dead forty-five foot tall white pine tree on her property that would have been hazardous to nearby structures if it fell. Although daunted by the task to take the pine down, once the job was completed, Nina saw an opportunity to use the tree as a tool for psychic self-defense by turning it into a huge wooden stake.

Nina designed, built, and activated the tree into a large healing sculpture for neutralizing the effects of psychic vampirism and other unhealthy energetic connections that impact our well-being. The eleven-foot long trunk carved to a point, is a giant cleansing machine; it targets energetic fields and tethers that become attached to our etheric bodies over time. It's meant to obliterate unhealthy energies and connections, and prohibit vampiric energies from sinking their fangs into the multiple

dimensions of our psychic, physical, mental and emotional spheres.

Additionally, *Psychic Self Defense* is intended to be an aid for our times; to destroy the parasitic relationship dynamic vampires establish and maintain with our bodies against our will and most often, without our awareness. The exhibit includes photographs, drawings, video, sound art and a written directive for people who want to interact with the sculpture and have their own healing experience by standing in front of it and connecting with its design.

Open Reception: Saturday, May 1st 6-9pm

Mid-Month Healing Session: May 15th 6-9pm

Closing Reception: Monday, May 29th 6-9pm

Nina will offer brief healing sessions with the *Psychic Self-Defense* healing sculpture on each of the above dates. Email nina@ninaisabelle.com to sign-up for a session. There are seven available slots per date.

Gallery hours: Friday - Sunday 3pm - 6pm or by appointment

The Art Life Institute is a performance art incubator, gallery space and exhibition venue located in the historic Rondout neighborhood in Kingston, New York. For more information: info@artlifeinstitute.com,

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

195 Abeel Street, Kingston NY 12401

COVID-19: Physical distancing and mask-wearing must be observed. Gallery space limited to 20 visitors at a time.

Artist Bio

Nina Isabelle is a process based artist working with perception, action, language, and phenomena. Her practice is a method to sort and solve the inconsistencies of language, perception, memory, and phenomena. She makes paintings, drawings, photographs, video, sculpture, sound, performance and writing as inquiries into how sensory perception functions as the impetus for action, reaction, response, and choice making in art and life practices. She often crosses and merges disciplines as she explores how sensory experiences form concepts, inform thought progressions, compel action, and the unconscious and conscious impact these variables have on decision making processes used to construct meaning and worlds.

Her work has been presented at The Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts in New York City, The Queens Museum as part of Emergency Index Documentation Discussion, Judson Memorial Church, Grace Exhibition Space, and ABC No Rio in Exile at Bullet Space in NYC with Feminist Art Group, as well as at Para//el Performance Space and The Ear in Brooklyn, NY. Internationally, her projects have been presented at Czung Institute for Contemporary Art in Gimpo, South Korea, The Unstitute in Catalunya, Spain, Bangkok Underground Film Festival in Thailand, and NA Gallery in South Korea, as well as nationally at The San Diego Art Institute, The New School's exhibition at The Bushwick Collective, Roman Susan in Chicago, IL, and CX Silver Gallery in Brattleboro VT, among many others. Isabelle received her Bachelor's in Art from Westminster College and graduated with honors in 1999. She credits the progression of her process and approach to the lives and work of artists, writers, and thinkers including Susan Langer, Linda Montano, Hilma af Klint, Sasha Morgenthaler, Ray Eames, Käthe Kollwitz, Louise Bourgeois, Nelson Goodman, Noam Chomsky, Paavo Pylkkänen, and Willard Van Orman Quine.

In 2018 Isabelle founded Three Phase Center for Collaborative Art Research & Building in Stone Ridge, NY where she facilitates, collaborates with, and documents the work of process based conceptual and performance artists.

Website: www.ninaisabelle.com

Instagram: @nisabel www.artlifeinstitute.com

Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, May 9

Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$9

Children Ages 5-11: \$5

Under 5 Yrs. Free

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The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program to Perform *SPRING AWAKENING*

The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program is proud to announce performances for *SPRING AWAKENING* Book and lyrics by Steven Sater, Music by Duncan Sheik, based on the play by Frank Wedekind.

SPRING AWAKENING, directed by Jessica López-Barkl, Associate Professor of Theater and Speech/Theater Program Director at SUNY Sullivan.

A literal or figurative world war is the theme of SUNY Sullivan's 2020-2021 Theater Season. We will examine plays where war occurs in the micro- or macrocosm.

When:

SPRING AWAKENING will play April 30-May 8, 2021, Wednesday-Saturdays at 8 PM and Sunday at 2 PM.

Where:

Reserve Tickets at: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/50086>

Who:

Virtual Playbill (link embedded)

Please Contact Jessica López-Barkl with any questions
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SPRING AWAKENING synopsis: (from Musical Theater International website) It is Germany, 1891, a world where the grown-ups hold all the cards. The beautiful young Wendla explores the mysteries of her body and wonders aloud where babies come from... until Mama tells her to shut it and put on a proper dress. Elsewhere, the brilliant and fearless young Melchior interrupts a mind-numbing Latin drill to defend his buddy, Moritz - a boy so traumatized by puberty that he can't concentrate on anything... not that the Headmaster cares. He strikes them both and tells them to turn in their lesson. One afternoon, in a private place in the woods, Melchior and Wendla meet by accident and soon find within themselves a desire unlike anything they've ever felt. As they fumble their way into one another's arms, Moritz flounders and soon fails out of school. When even his one adult friend, Melchior's mother, ignores his plea for help, he is left so distraught that he can't hear the promise of life offered by his out-cast friend, Ilse. Naturally, the Headmasters waste no time in pinning the "crime" of Moritz's suicide on Melchior to expel him. And soon, Mama learns that her little Wendla is pregnant. Now the young lovers must struggle against all odds to build a world together for their child.

This celebration of rebellion provides the perfect opportunity to feature performers of all types, as well as the creative flexibility with the use of costumes, set pieces

and lighting. Featuring a pop rock score, this is an ideal show for talented vocalists with strong acting abilities. Join this group of late nineteenth century German students on their passage as they navigate teenage self-discovery and coming of age anxiety in a powerful celebration of youth and rebellion in the daring, remarkable *Spring Awakening*.

Steven Sater - Book and Lyrics



(From Musical Theater International website) Steven won Tony Awards for Best Book and Best Score, the Drama Desk and Outer Critics' Circle Awards for Best Lyrics, the Grammy Award for Best Musical Show Album, as well as the London Critics Circle Award and the Olivier Award for Best New Musical for *Spring Awakening*. Tony nominee -- Best Musical Revival for

Deaf West Production. Other Musicals: *Alice By Heart* (National Theatre of London: Connections; forthcoming from MCC). *The Nightingale* (New York Stage & Film, La Jolla Playhouse), *Nero* (Magic Theatre, NY Stage and Film); *Prometheus Bound*, (music by Serj Tankian, directed by Diane Paulus., ART) *Some Lovers* (music by Burt Bacharach, the Old Globe; forthcoming at The Other Palace). Plays include the long-running *Carbondale Dreams*;

Perfect for You; *Doll* (Rosenthal Prize); *A Footnote to the Iliad* (NYSF, Chester Stage); *Asylum* (Naked Angels), *Arms on Fire* (Steppenwolf New Play Prize, Chester Stage), *New York Animals* (Bedlam), and a reconceived musical version of Shakespeare's *Tempest* (Lyric Hammersmith). Current work includes: *Murder at the Gates* (music by James Bourne, the Huntington Theatre), *Painted from Memory* (music by Burt Bacharach & Elvis Costello, co-written with Chuck Lorre, La Jolla Playhouse). (Contd. Pg. 36)



The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program to Perform *SPRING AWAKENING*

(From Pg. 35) Additionally, Sater works as a screenwriter, and has created television projects for HBO, Showtime, FX, and NBC. He is currently creating a potential series with Paul Reiser for London's Channel 4. Sater also works as a lyricist with various pop composers -- his songs have been recorded by artists from Shirley Manson to Michael Bublé. He has teamed up with Spring Awakening collaborator Duncan Sheik and Waitress librettist Jessie Nelson on the new musical *Alice By Heart*, making its debut at MCC Theater in New York City in January of 2019.

Duncan Sheik - Music (From Musical Theater International website) In



addition to writing the music for *Spring Awakening*, which received a critically acclaimed Lincoln Center American Songbook Concert staging, Grammy award nominated singer-songwriter Duncan Sheik collaborated with Playwright Steven Sater on *The Nightingale*, a musical based on the Hans Christian Andersen classic which premiered during the 26th annual O'Neill Music Theater Conference at the Eugene O'Neill Theater Center. Sheik has composed original music for the Public Theatre's Shakespeare in the Park production of *Twelfth Night* and for *The Golden Rooms of Nero*, which recently debuted at Cornell University and opened at the Magic Theater in San Francisco earlier this year. His self-titled debut album, which was an enormous popular and critical success, introduced the hit singles "Barely Breathing" and "She Runs Away," and spent 30 weeks on the Billboard 200. Other albums include "Humming," "Daylight," "Phantom Moon" with lyrics by Steven Sater and his latest, "White Limousine", which was released in January of 2006. Film Soundtracks: *Great Expectations*, *The Saint*, *Teaching Mrs. Tingle*, *Three to Tango*, *What a Girl Wants*, *Transamerica* and *A Body Goes Down*. Sheik recently composed and produced the original score for the feature film "A Home at the End of the World", directed by Michael Mayer and starring Colin Farrell. Sheik has teamed up with Sater and Waitress librettist Jessie Nelson on the new musical *Alice By Heart*, making its debut at MCC Theater in New York City in January of 2019. He is also collaborating with Pulitzer and Tony-winning playwright Lynn Nottage on a musical adaptation of *The Secret Life of Bees*, which will begin performances at the Atlantic Theater Company in May of 2019.

Frank Wedekind - Original Playwright

Benjamin Franklin Wedekind, usually known as Frank Wedekind, was a German playwright. His work, which often criticizes bourgeois attitudes, is considered to anticipate expressionism and was influential in the development of epic theatre.

Elevator Pitch

(From Musical Theater International Website) An angsty rock musical adaptation of the seminal play about the trials and tribulations of growing up. The winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, told by Duncan Sheik and Steven Sater through

what Entertainment Weekly called, "the most gorgeous Broadway score this decade," *Spring Awakening* explores the journey from adolescence to adulthood with a poignancy and passion that is illuminating and unforgettable. The landmark musical is an electrifying fusion of morality, sexuality and rock and roll that is exhilarating audiences across the nation like no other musical in years.

Why It's For You

Have you ever felt misunderstood? Have you ever felt isolated from the rest of the world? Have you ever felt at war with authority? Do you love rock music? Do you wish that you could re-experience your adolescence?

Why We Chose It

SUNY Sullivan produces a contemporary, a classic, and a musical every year. In this uncertain time, we were forced to look at shows that have the option for streaming. We had hoped to produce *CABARET*, but the licensing agent could not secure the streaming rights. Therefore, we looked at the titles available, and this landmark rock musical that explores the war that young people wage against their headmasters in their isolated world of a prep school. The feelings of confusion, isolation, ideation of suicide, invisibility of youth, and desire, are universal themes that our students connect with, especially in recent months of sheltering in place.

Digging Deeper

In short, a musical about rebellion is timely in the shadow of



BLM protests and for our traditionally-aged students to have a cathartic experience after months of isolation and angst.

How SHAKESPEARE IN ISOLATION applies to college classes and life-long learning

History: Twilight periods in history, the German Empire (a precursor and canary in the mine for WWI and WWII);

Psychology: Adolescence, Authority, Desire, Suicide

Literature: August Strindberg's late plays, *Spring Awakening* by Frank Wedekind, *The Hairy Ape* by Eugene O'Neill, *Machinal* by Sophie Treadwell

Music: Alternative Rock, Folk Rock, Wild Beasts, Radiohead, Björk,

Social Science: Gender politics, Social Class, Sexual Politics, Religion, Teacher/Student politics

Theater: German Expressionists, Postmodern Theater, Musical Theater

Film: *Spring Awakening* (1929 silent film), Expressionist film: *Nosferatu*, *Faust*, *Metropolis*

Art of Ideas/Philosophy: Postmodernism, Expressionism

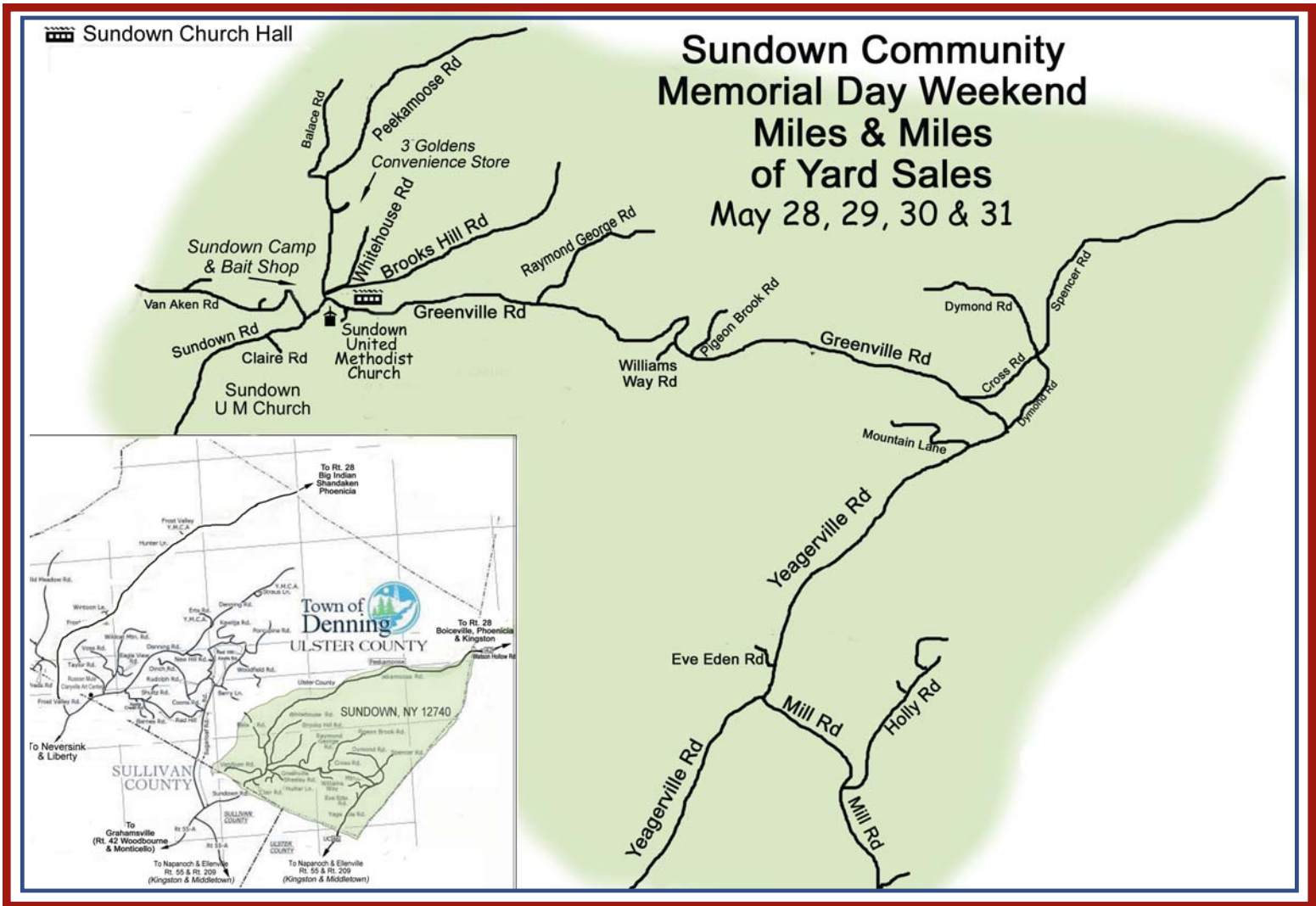
Design: Art Nouveau

Science: Conservation movements, Sound engineering (reinforcement and amplification),

Health Sciences: Vaccine history, teen pregnancy, suicide prevention

Math: Algebraic equations for power with sound amplification and master electrician for sound reinforcement

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In 2016 a few of the Sundown residents put some ideas together and we decided we would celebrate our **1st Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales**. It was a huge success and the idea grew into the start of a 'tradition' and a lot of fun over the next few years. Like most activities last year, we did not hold the **4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale**, however, this year we will do our best and we will have a **4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale!** Please be sure to maintain all of the COVID safety precautions whether holding a yard sale or attending the various yard sales.

If you live in the Sundown community and are planning on a Yard Sale over the Memorial Day weekend, please download the map/information form. Go to: <http://thetownsmen.com> and click on **Sundown Community**. Print out the form, make an "X" on the map locating where you will hold your Yard Sale then fill in the rest of the form and mail it to us at: **The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740**, or send us your information by email to: tvtownsman@yahoo.com.

For all our friends and family in neighboring communities, we also invite you to join us. If you are planning a **Yard Sale** over the **Memorial Day Weekend**, please fill out the form. To download go to: <http://thetownsmen.com> and click on the link **Friends and Neighbors** of the Sundown Community. We will list the address where your sale will take place (be sure to include your zip code for those who use GPS), include the dates, times and anything special about your event. Mail it to: **The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740**, or send us an email at tvtownsman@yahoo.com with your information.

Please get us your information by **Friday, May 14, 2021** so that we can post all the Memorial Day Yard Sales in the **May 20th and 27th issue of The Townsman**. Please feel free share this information with your friends and neighbors. Let them know they too can be part of this year's **4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale**

NAME & TELE # (only if we need to get in touch with you; not for publication): _____

ADDRESS WHERE YARD SALE WILL BE HELD: _____

Dates & Time of your Yard Sale: _____

Additional information about your Yard Sale: _____

Blue Mountains trout news
Newsletter of the Ashokan-Pepacton
Watershed Chapter of
Trout Unlimited, #559
P.O. Box 119, Phoenicia, NY 12464
April 2021



Early season on Esopus trib, where wild brook trout are found

April Zoom meeting: On April 28th at 7 PM the chapter will host a virtual Zoom meeting. Our guest speaker this month is Rick Little of Shadecreek Flies. This is a different program than listed in last month's newsletter, but should be very interesting. It's titled "Fly Fishing in Maine is Wicked Fun."

Rick will discuss the West Branch of the Penobscot, Rapid River, Roach River, East Outlet (headwaters of the Kennebec River), and Grand Lake Stream highlighting some of the wonderful rivers that Maine has to offer. Rick has spent hundreds of days fishing these waters and will talk about the rivers, his style of fishing, plus flies and techniques that have been successful. His program is filled with photos of these great rivers and flies used. For anyone who has fished these waters, the program should spark many great memories. For those who have not fished these rivers yet, but want to give them a try, this program will provide information that will give them a head start when they venture out onto the water. Join Rick for a discussion about some beautiful country and fascinating fishing opportunities.

A separate email on this meeting, and how to join, will be sent out prior to the event, but for now mark your calendars. At our May 26th virtual meeting we are hoping to have Linda Zimmermann who has a program on Mysterious Stone Sites in the Hudson Valley. **Ashokan pump storage proposal:** By now hopefully you read on April 12th, 2021 Premium Energy Holdings (PEH) withdrew their application before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to study a pumped storage project on New York City's Ashokan Reservoir. The project was known to FERC by docket number P- 15056.

To all our members and readers, to all those folks who contacted FERC, participated in any of numerous community virtual meetings, who took the time to express their concerns about this ill-conceived proposal, CONGRATULATIONS. This was a great, swift, and sweet victory for us all!

FERC received almost 1,500 negative comments and objections regarding this proposal. And the project's service list includes some eighty-eight parties, plus the applicant PEH. In addition to numerous private citizens who requested intervention status, so did the following: the City of New York; New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC); U.S. Department of the Interior; the Towns of Olive, Shandaken, Woodstock, Marbletown, Hunter; Ulster County Comptroller's Office; Ulster County Planning Department; Greene County Department of Economic Development; Onteora Central School District; Coalition of Watershed Towns; Catskill Center for Conservation and Development; Riverkeeper, Inc.; Catskill Mountainkeeper; the Ashokan Center, Inc.; American Whitewater; Appalachian

Mountain Club; Catskill 3500 Club; New York-New Jersey Trail Conference; Northern Catskills Audubon Society; Dette Flies; Theodore Gordon Flyfishers; The Coalition to Save Catskills Preserve; Woodland Community Association; New York State Council of Trout Unlimited; plus others. Hopefully one realizes what a diverse group of government bodies and agencies, non-profits, special interests, and private citizens quickly came together acting in unison for the good of a common cause. And in some cases, newly formed citizen groups came about, just as the result of this issue.

For Trout Unlimited's part we were greatly assisted, and led, by the New York State Council. The Council was one of the first intervenors before FERC. We owe a special debt of thanks to Bill Wellman, Council Chairperson of the Hydro Committee and Larry Charette, Council Chair for leading the way and knocking on doors for us.

The chapter was also assisted by Regional Council Chairs Roger Olson and Pat Crisci. We worked with the Catskill Mountains Chapter, and received support from other chapters including New York City TU and Mid-Hudson. Not only did the chapter submit comments to FERC, we worked with other groups and agencies, plus requested assistance from NYS DEC. In retrospect, on this particular issue Trout Unlimited was quickly running on all cylinders especially considering all of this happened in a little over two months' time from when a FERC permit was initially requested.

Possibly this project came under unbearable pressure starting on Thursday April 8th. NY Senator Michelle Hinchey held a press conference at the Ashokan Center, involving numerous parties, highlighting project issues before the general public; our chapter participated. Later that day, both the Town of Olive and New York City filed their negative comments with FERC. On April 12th NYS DEC intervened with FERC while filing a series of questions the applicant would have been hard-pressed to answer. As noted above, also on April 12th Premium Energy Holdings withdrew its application before FERC regarding the Ashokan pumped storage proposal.

Just to quickly reiterate and summarize one last time, what was at stake here was the drinking water of over nine million New Yorkers, basically 40% of New York City unfiltered water. The proposal had serious environmental issues, sought to displace local residents, negatively impact the local economy, plus take Forever Wild New York Forest Preserve lands protected by the state constitution. Some say potentially the proposal could have been precedent setting. From the beginning it was ill-conceived by a west-coast company that never showed any initiative to reach to those affected by their proposal. Once again, thank you one and all who helped bring about this major victory.

Esopus Creek NYS DEC R3 Biologist Bob Adams oversees Ulster County and the Esopus Creek specifically. He recently addressed chapter members at an earlier virtual meeting this year. Bob developed a pilot web survey/diary for Esopus anglers this season. He is hoping to recruit 20-30 anglers who regularly fish the Esopus Creek--- tributaries don't count at this time--- to help us evaluate the software. Bob is especially interested in the ease



of use, functionality, and overall satisfaction with this type of survey. It will also provide a sense of what anglers are willing to provide and for how long. For this season at least, DEC will not use this survey to evaluate the new regulations, and more specifically catch rates or angler satisfaction. DEC plans on addressing these items next season with a traditional creel. However, if this method seems promising, Bob may include a web-survey to accompany/compare with angler intercept results in 2022. (Contd. Pg. 39)

Blue Mountains Trout News

Newsletter of the Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter of Trout Unlimited, #559 April 2021

(From Pg. 38) That said, the one question that will be monitored and valuable for 2021 is the rating for stream access (with an optional discussion bubble). This will allow anglers to describe any issues they are seeing at our Esopus Public Fishing Rights (PFRs) or DEC access sites. Bob hopes for a real-time sounding board for access-related issues.

The survey might seem a little long; so, if it becomes clear anglers will not take the time to fill it out, DEC may make it more compact. Initially, DEC thought the more the better. The survey can be accessed via phone, tablet, or pc at the following address: <https://arcg.is/15X1GL> Thanks for participating. In collaboration with the Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program, and in partnership with the Arbor Day Foundation, the Catskill Mountains Chapter organized a tree planting project on Bush Kill Creek, along Watson Hollow Road in West Shokan next Saturday, April 24th, from 10 AM to 2 PM, upstream of the Olive town office building. They have asked folks to pre-register by contacting chapter President, Ted Hoover at 845-598-4763 or email catskillmountaintu@gmail.com Park by the town office, meet/sign-in streamside, wear a mask, bring your own tools, social distance, lunch will be provided.

Acid rain report: Jody Hoyt reported in March there were 7 measurable storms as recorded in Boiceville, NY. These had a 5.8 weighed pH with 3.59 inches of equivalent liquid precipitation, including 0.6 inches of snow. By comparison in March 2020 there were 9 such events with a total of 5.02 inches of liquid precipitation, including 7.5 inches of snow and 5.6 weighed pH.

NYS Trout Stream Sportfishing Regulations: As of April 1st, New York has a new set of Trout Stream Sportfishing Regulations. Information on these found here: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/122602.html> Plus anglers can download, or request a paper copy of the new regs at the bottom of the forementioned link.

Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program (AWSMP): Recently chapter members participated in several AWSMP Working Group meetings including: Stream Ecosystem and the Stakeholder Council. Check the AWSMP website below for more information on these groups and AWSMP services in general.

APW TU chapter website: Kudos to Stephanie Blackman for redesigning, refurbishing the chapter website, from input/help from others. If you haven't checked it out yet, best do so now: <http://apwctu.org/>

Treasurer's report: Jody Hoyt reports as of the end of March the chapter had \$12,882.56, with \$12,094.88 in the General Operating Fund and \$787.68 in the Conservation Fund. During this month we received a net donation from former member Ken Babineau for a landscape watercolor of the Esopus Creek, that Lois Ostapczuk donated to the chapter. Not reported in the March ending month is a \$50 donation that we also received from Herb Brooks, a Croton Watershed Chapter member and second-home owner in the Esopus Creek watershed, for our Ashokan pumped storage project efforts. Thank you one and all.

Your input needed: Trout Unlimited's fiscal year ends March 31st and our chapter needs to file an Annual Report that includes the 18 months of active that occurred prior to the end of March. Our chapter treasurer Jody Hoyt needs to compile all volunteer hours incurred by chapter members in support of the chapter, NYS

Council, or TU National. Attending general meetings do not

count, but board meetings and travel time count.

Items like fund raiser planning and execution, tree planting, preparing meeting minutes, East Branch Delaware temperature study, fly tying instruction, brook trout study, newsletter prep time, committee activities, attending other meetings while representing TU, AWSMP's Family Fun and Fish Day, Trout in the Classroom, plus all associated travel count. This is simply a list of examples, and is not all inclusive. Be generous with yourself! It all counts! Hour totals, by event, should be emailed to caphoyt@aol.com **Jody needs your input by May 1st.** Thank you.

Membership: As of this newsletter, our membership stands at 124 members. This month we welcome Andrew Chader of Rye and Russell Walker of Chichester. Welcome! As always new TU members can join for half the "regular" membership fee, or \$17.50, of which the chapter receives a \$15 rebate from National Membership forms: http://www.apwctu.org/pdfs/TU_membership_brochure2018_web.pdf

For membership Questions, contact me at: Tailwaters@Hvc.rr.com

Newsletter: This issue was sent electronically to all chapter members and friends that we have valid email addresses. If you received this and would rather not, please hit REPLY and write REMOVE and hit SEND.

Beyond our watersheds and other news: April/May 2021 virtual New York State Conservationist features trout: <https://cloud.3dissue.com/129417/129610/151833/AprMay2021NYSConsMag/index.html>

To help whet your appetite about our April chapter Zoom meeting, check out the 20 inch Maine wild brook trout former chapter member, and now fulltime Maine resident, Heidi Nute recently caught and released, using a streamer.

If you're into history and Adirondacks trout fishing, you'll probably enjoy this new book by Robert Streeter, *The Greats of Adirondack Fly Fishing*. I know I did. The author has written other books on fishing and used to pen a column for the *Albany Times Union*. His website is www.robstreeter.com Kevan Best's monthly YouTube pick, the Cinberg, FYI: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E4X8w3J71eU>

It's a dry fly I often use myself for summer brook trout, but last season watched a fishing buddy seduce several large Esopus rainbows using his version of an Isonychia Cinberg, while I looked on.

Useful links:

Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter Trout Unlimited: <https://apwctu.org/>

Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program: <http://ashokanstreams.org/>

CWC Watershed Currents: <https://cwconline.org/watershed-currents-e-news/>

Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District: <http://www.dcsxcd.org/Stream%20Program.htm>

Esopus Creek hatching chart: <http://www.catskillanglingcollection.org/>

NYC DEP Reservoir Levels-Releases:

https://www1.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/drinking_water/release_channel_levels.shtml

Rondout Neversink Stream Program: <http://www.rondoutneversink.org/>

Until next time,
Ed Ostapczuk

April 18th, 2021

Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop



ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY SALE
30% OFF EVERYTHING

FRIDAY, APRIL 30TH

(Rain date Friday, May 7th)

9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Location: Hospital Parking Lot

NYAPT Reminds Drivers to Always Stop for Stopped School Buses to Keep our Students Safe

The New York Association for Pupil Transportation (NYAPT), a statewide organization dedicated to the support, development, and representation of professionals responsible for the safe and efficient transportation of our school children, is supported Operation Safe Stop Day - an annual event to promote school bus safety and educate the public about the dangers of illegally passing a stopped school bus when its red lights are flashing.

This year's Operation Safe Stop took place on Thursday, April 22. It is a cooperative project supported by NYAPT along with the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, the New York State Education Department, the New York State School Bus Contractors Association, the student transportation industry and state, county, city, and local law enforcement agencies.

According to NYAPT's own statewide surveys, an estimated 50,000 drivers in New York illegally pass stopped school buses every day school is in session, endangering students and putting their lives at risk. During Operation Safe Stop Day law enforcement throughout New York state will be following school buses and issuing tickets to drivers who illegally pass them.

"Keeping children safe when they take that school bus to and from school each day is our top priority and we urge drivers to do their part to keep our students safe," said NYAPT President and Transportation Director at Cossackie-Athens School District, Ted Nugent. "We ask the public to avoid all distractions while driving, to be aware of school buses that are on our roadways, and to always stop when they see those red lights flashing on a school bus. Student lives depend on all drivers following the law."

New York State Vehicle and Traffic law requires all vehicles to come to a full stop when approaching a school bus stopped with red lights flashing. Those lights indicate that a child is either boarding or disembarking a school bus. New York state law prohibits the passing of a school bus that is stopped with red lights flashing regardless of your direction of travel, or even if there is a multi-lane or divided highway.

Albany County Sheriff Craig D. Apple Sr. added, "We need to continue to work hard on protecting not only our most valuable but our most vulnerable resource and that's our school age children. Young kids have many worries regarding school, and traveling safely to school shouldn't be one of them. So please slow down and watch for school buses either stopping or about to stop. Don't be one of the 50,000 who illegally pass stopped school buses daily in New York."

Penalties for a first-time offense include a fine from \$250 to \$400, five points on your license and the possibility of 30 days in jail. A second conviction within three years will result in a \$600 to \$750 fine and up to 180 days in jail; while three or more convictions will result in a fine from \$750 to \$1,000, mandatory revocation of your driver's license and up to 180 days in jail.

NYAPT chapters throughout the state held Operation Safe Stop Day events on April 22 to promote the county's roll-out of a stop arm camera school bus safety program. Suffolk County is the first county in New York to implement the use of special cameras mounted on school buses to record drivers that illegally pass a stopped school bus.

The stop arm camera law in New York automatically levies fines to the owner of any vehicle that illegally passes a stopped school bus at \$250 for a first violation and up to \$300 for subsequent violations. The stop arm program in Suffolk County utilizes camera technology supplied by BusPatrol America and is expected to go live on May 1, 2021.

"NYAPT commends Suffolk County's elected officials, school superintendents, boards of education, school transportation directors and school bus contractors for supporting and implementing this new technology to help keep our students safe," said NYAPT's Operation Safe Stop Committee Chair, Nicole Dolce of the Eastchester Union Free School District. "Other counties throughout the state will be following suit with their own stop arm camera programs, and we're optimistic that this will be another effective tool to ensure the safe transportation of our students."

NYAPT also noted that the 2.3 million children who ride school buses in New York State are driven by qualified and well-trained school bus drivers on routes carefully planned for safety, that buses are maintained at the highest of safety standards, and that school transportation officials are doing their best to keep students safe when they are on or near a school bus.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, students are 70 times safer riding a school bus to school versus a private car. See www.nhtsa.gov

Ed Notes:

Giving Credit to Author of "This is Timeless"

It was pointed out to us by one of our readers that the poem that was included in last week's issue of *The Townsman*, "This is Timeless", was actually written in 2020 by Catherine M. O'Meara.

According to *Fat Check*, "O'Meara posted this poem to her blog *The Daily Round* on March 16, 2020. The poem went viral, racking up thousands of shares as it circulated on social media. On March 19, *Oprah Magazine* dubbed O'Meara, a former teacher in Madison, Wisconsin, the "poet laureate of the pandemic," writing:

"And the people stayed home," has been shared countless times, on countless backgrounds, with countless fonts, since its first posting. It was most widely popularized by Deepak Chopra, and has since been shared by everyone from Bella Hadid to radio stations in Australia. The poem has become shorthand for a silver-linings perspective during the coronavirus outbreak - the hope that something good can come out of this collective state of "together, apart."

Thank you to all; the person who submitted the article and pictures, the person who pointed out the facts, and to Catherine O'Meara for her words of hope.



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We are sorry to announce the closing of **Sundown Camp and Bait Shop**. It has been a pleasure working with our many customers throughout the years. We will certainly miss you all!

We still have quite a bit of fishing, hunting and camping supplies. We also have a large chest freezer, glass cabinets and some peg boards for sale. If you are interested in taking a look at what we have, please call Jim at 845-985-7560.

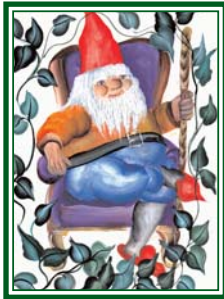
Thank you all for your many years of support for Sundown Camp and Bait!!

MOVING SALE Odds & Ends Crocks • Antiques • Furniture – May 1, 2 & 3, 2021- Opens 10 am. From Rt 55a follow the signs on Yeagerville Road to Eve Eden Rd



Sell your handcrafted items online from your own little virtual shop at the Gnome Home Mall. Interested? Send an email to: thegnomehome@yahoo.com
 Visit: <http://www.gnomehomeinc.com>

4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale!
Good News!
 There is a growing interest in having the **4th Annual Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale** this year. If you are interested and want to be included on our Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale Map in the May 20 & 27, 2021 issue please send us an email with your information to: tvtownsman@yahoo.com

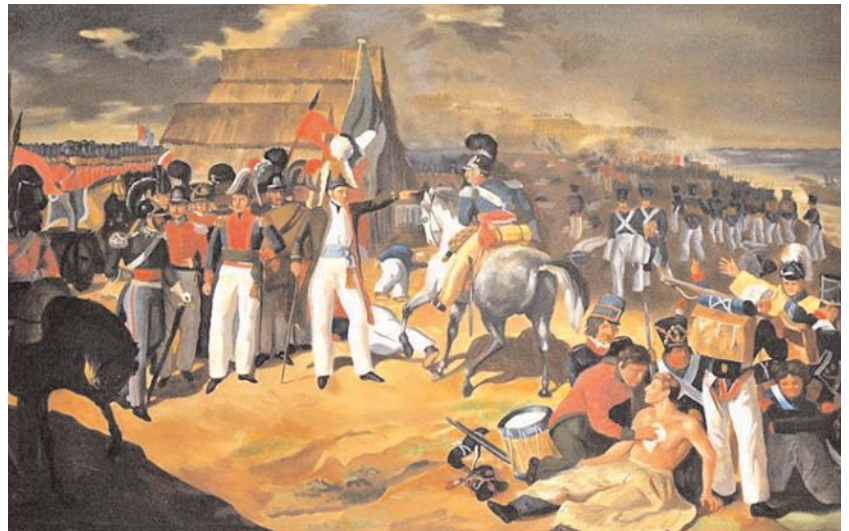


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Real History of this battle on pg 42, in Spanish and English

On May 5th, 1862, a few thousand Mexican soldiers put their lives on the line against the world's largest and most powerful army in one legendary battle for freedom and for Mexico. This film chronicles the story of Mexico's Battle of Puebla, the most important battle in Mexico's history. When the unbeatable French army invades Mexico to set up a monarchy, General Ignacio Zaragoza must defend the people. **Directed by Rafa Lara and starring Angelica Aragon, Kuno Becker, Liz Gallardo.**

"True patriotism hates injustice in its own land more than anywhere else." – Clarence Darrow.

"Latinos have fought in all of America's wars, beginning with the Revolutionary War. Many Latinos are fighting and dying for our country today around the world today, just as several of their ancestors fought for freedom in Mexico over a century ago." – Joe Baca.

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CINCO DE MAYO: **LA BATALLA**

(ENGLISH SUBTITLED)
(2 h 6 min / 2013R)

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Poco después del fin de la Guerra de Reforma, el ejército de Benito Juárez resulta triunfador y entra a la ciudad de México. Los pocos conservadores restantes son exiliados o inician una guerra de guerrillas. Mientras tanto, en París, Francia, un grupo de conservadores mexicanos (José María Gutiérrez de Estrada, José Manuel Hidalgo y Juan Nepomuceno Almonte - hijo ilegítimo de José María Morelos y Pavón) tienen audiencia con el emperador Napoleón III durante la ópera de Don Giovanni, a quien le explican la situación de México. Lleno de ambición, este decide enviar una expedición a México al mando del general Ferdinand Latrille (William Miller), conde de Lorencez, quien acepta gustoso de la nueva empresa. Meses después se reunirían los mandatarios de Francia, España y Reino Unido en Londres para organizar una invasión a territorios mexicanos.

En enero de 1862, Juan (Christian Vázquez) y Artemio (Javier Oliván), dos vigías del puerto de Veracruz, avistan una gran flota emergiendo de la niebla. Eran los barcos españoles provenientes de Cuba. Enterándose de la invasión, las tropas mexicanas en el puerto son rápidamente retiradas para reagruparse en el camino a la capital. Las tropas europeas en Veracruz comienzan a padecer de vómito negro por la humedad y el relieve. Mientras, en la capital, el presidente Juárez envía al delegado Manuel Doblado a parlamentar con el general español, Juan Prim (Ginés García Millán), quien siente que la invasión en sí no era muy buena idea. No así pensó el diplomático francés Dubois de Saligny (Álvaro García Trujillo), quien entendía la encomienda del emperador y esperaba el arribo de Lorencez. Una vez en México, Lorencez y Saligny revelan las intenciones de marchar hasta la capital junto con el Gral. Almonte y declaran rota la alianza tripartita.

El general Ignacio Zaragoza (Kuno Becker) se despidió de su moribunda esposa mientras es nombrado encargado de la defensa nacional y parte a Orizaba, donde comienza a reunir al ejército de Juárez.

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S **ON AMAZON**

CINCO DE MAYO: **THE BATTLE**

(English Subtitled 2 h 6 min / 2013R)

Shortly after the end of the Reform War, Benito Juárez's army is triumphant and enters Mexico City. The few remaining conservatives are exiled or start a guerrilla war. Meanwhile, in Paris, France, a group of Mexican conservatives (José María Gutiérrez de Estrada, José Manuel Hidalgo and Juan Nepomuceno Almonte - illegitimate son of José María Morelos y Pavón) have an audience with Emperor Napoleon III during Don Giovanni's opera, to whom they explain the situation in Mexico. Full of ambition, he decides to send an expedition to Mexico under General Ferdinand Latrille (William Miller), Earl of Lorencez, who gladly accepts the new company. Months later, the representatives of France, Spain and the United Kingdom in London would meet to organize an invasion of Mexican territories.

In January 1862, Juan (Christian Vázquez) and Artemio (Javier Oliván), two lookouts from the port of Veracruz, spotted a large fleet emerging from the fog. It was the Spanish ships from Cuba. Upon learning of the invasion, Mexican troops at the port are quickly withdrawn to regroup on the way to the capital. European troops in Veracruz begin to suffer from black vomit from moisture and relief. Meanwhile, in the capital, President Juárez sends delegate Manuel Doblado to talk to Spanish general Juan Prim (Ginés García Millán), who feels that the invasion itself was not a very good idea. Not so thought the French diplomat Dubois de Saligny (Álvaro García Trujillo), who understood the emperor's entrusting and awaited the arrival of Lorencez. Once in Mexico, Lorencez and Saligny reveal the intentions of marching to the capital along with Gral. Almonte and declare the tripartite alliance broken.

General Ignacio Zaragoza (Kuno Becker) bids farewell to his dying wife while appointed in charge of national defense and left for Orizaba, where he begins to assemble Juárez's army.

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