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2nd Annual Talent Show to Benefit American Cancer Society at TVCS

Come enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment on April 4th, 2013- 6:30 pm at the *2nd Annual Talent Show to Benefit the American Cancer Society* that will be held at Tri-Valley School in Grahamsville.

For more information contact Lauren Carlsen at (845) 434-6330.

19th Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering

The 19th Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering will be held on Sunday, April 21, 2013 1:00-5:00 pm at the Neversink Fire Hall, Route 55, Neversink NY

Please come and join us with your fiddle and accompanists.

If you don't have someone to accompany you, don't worry. There are plenty of willing and experienced players on hand. Other instruments are welcome as long as your music fits within the primary focus of "fiddle music."

The format will be the same as previous years:

-Upon arrival, each performer/group can sign up for a 15 to 20 minute time slot to perform during the afternoon.

-Practice rooms are available in the building.

-A full sound system with monitors, mics, etc, will be provided (Please bring your own keyboards)

-Admission is free for musicians and immediate family.

-If you have CDs or products that represent you or your group, a table will be available in the lobby for your personal sales (no flea market activity, okay?)

Our community is really looking forward to this event, and we sincerely hope you and/or your group can come and share your music with them.. Come jam with fellow musicians in the back rooms!

For information: Hayes McCardell, 119 Hall Rd, Grahamsville, NY 12740; Cell - 845 901 2192 or Email to hwilburmack@gmail.com

The proceeds from this event will support the Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center, a non-profit support center for women with crisis pregnancies.

Trolling Motors Ok'd for Cannonsville Fishing Boats



A one-year pilot program that will allow for the use of electric trolling motors for permitted fishing boats at Cannonsville Reservoir will begin in April, the first time motorized boats for fishing will be allowed on any of DEP's upstate reservoirs.

Electric trolling motors are powered by a sealed, marine grade battery and do not use gasoline or oil that could degrade the water supply.

Boats and their motors must be steam cleaned by a certified vendor before they are used in the reservoir. If they are removed from the reservoir, they must be cleaned anew before putting them in the reservoir again. Vendors will issue a trolling motor tag after the motor is cleaned.

On March 15, several vendors (above) got a lesson in using a chlorine bath instead of steam cleaner to prevent introduction of aquatic invasives into reservoir waters. Meredith Taylor, DEP's invasives specialist, provided the lesson during a meeting at the CWC.

A DEP Access Permit is needed for anyone boating and/or fishing on City reservoirs.

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TVCS Student to Tour with Sound of America Honors Chorus

The Sound of America Honors Band/Chorus has issued a distinguished honor to 16-year-old Tri-Valley Central School junior Ashley Exner who will be providing her outstanding individual talents this summer singing with this unit as they travel to Europe to perform across six different countries.

Clyde M. Barr, tour coordinator for the Sound of America noted very strongly that acceptance for membership into the performing organization, "is a distinguished honor," and "student musicians apply and are auditioned and carefully screened so that only those students who display excellent character and outstanding musical ability are chosen for membership."

Barr noted, "we believe that this individual as a member of our summer tour will be a credit to you, your community and to the United States of America."

The Sound of America Honor Band & Chorus is celebrating its 37th year in 2013 and is recognized as one of the finest and most successful European Concert Tour programs in existence. (Contd. Pg. 3)



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Never Too Late for Stardom!



Former Neversink resident Mary Mentnech, seated in front of granddaughter Bonnie Lewis, was among interviewees for a new video exhibit being produced for *Time and The Valleys Museum* in Grahamsville.

Videographer Drew Harty of Galene Studios in Treadwell is producing the CWC-funded interactive display about how landmark farm and community agreements between NYC, the Watershed and the environmental community were reached in the 1990s.

The touch-screen display, featuring more than a dozen interviews, will be the concluding segment of the Watershed exhibit at the museum.

A May 22 opening is planned.

Wounded Warrior Xcursion

Catskill Mountain Archers is a not-for-profit organization that offers programs for the general public involved in or interested in the sport of archery. We sponsor outdoor 3D shoots during the summer months, a winter and spring league at the indoor range at Travis Archery in Woodbourne, and a free program for kids on Sundays during the winter and spring leagues.

We are sponsoring a 3D shoot on Sunday, May 5, 2013, at Woodbourne Firemen's Field to benefit the Wounded Warrior Xcursion.

DJ Brian Soller will entertain with music.

We are hoping to raise the funds necessary to send a local disabled veteran on an assisted hunt.

To help us achieve this goal, we are asking local businesses to donate items or services for a penny social style raffle that we will have at the 3D shoot. We are committed to "keeping things local" and feel that your donation will not only help us reach our monetary goal for the Wounded Warrior Xcursion, but will also give your business some well-deserved advertising.

For information and details call (845) 443-3068

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven.
Luke 19:38

OBITUARY

Mr. John Willie Crowfoot, II, 49, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at Vidant Medical Center.

A memorial service was conducted on Sunday March 24 at the Wilkerson Funeral Chapel.

Born in Camden, NJ and a former resident of Sundown, NY, John had made his home in the Greenville area since 2006.

For more than 25 years, John worked as a skilled optician until his health required an early retirement. John will be fondly remembered for his love of family.

He is survived by his: wife of 12 years, Jeanne M. Chenier Crowfoot; daughter, Jordan Marie Crowfoot, of Greenville; son, John Willie "JC" Crowfoot, III, at home; parents, Chris and Virginia H. Crowfoot, of Crown Point, NY; sisters, Dawn Lieberman, of Pine Bush, NY and Christy Brooks and husband, John, of Sundown, NY and Rose Paradies and husband, Dave, of Claryville, NY; brother, Daniel Crowfoot and wife, Becca, of Pine Bush, NY; numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 930-B Wellness Drive, Greenville, NC 27834 or for JC's college fund at Ameriprise Financial Services, FBO:J. Crowfoot, 300 W. Arlington Blvd., Greenville, NC 27858.

Joan M. Allison of Woodbourne passed away on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at Catskill Regional Medical Center surrounded by her family. She was 72.

She was the daughter of the late Clarence M. and Pear M. Burton Roosa, born on July 30, 1940 in Monticello, NY.

Joan was a registered nurse for Loomis Hospital and Walnut Mountain Nursing Home. She was the proprietor of Allison Farm and she did the census for Tri-Valley School District for the past fifteen years until she passed away. She was a member of the Concerned Citizens of Hasbrouck. She liked local history and news.

She was the widow of Myron "Mike" Allison who passed away in 2003. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend to all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by her loving son, Jon Allison and his wife, Christine; three grandchildren: Kacie, Jacob and David Allison, all of Woodbourne and several nieces and nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 30th at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, Woodbourne, NY. The Rev. Roy Shaffer officiated. Interment followed at Sullivan County Veterans Cemetery, Liberty, NY.

Days of Yore...

...Today's History

April 8, 1953 - Douglas Hasbrouck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Hasbrouck of Grahamsville, also Fred Misner of Kerhonkson and Barry Worth of Montgomery have been accepted as students at R.P.I. These three boys are among the 33 who attended the Central Hudson School at Poughkeepsie last summer.

Mrs. Catherine Chisolm Wright, age 70, died Tuesday, April 7th at Grahamsville where she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Potter. Besides her daughter, she is survived by one brother, John W. Chisolm of Neversink; two sisters and two granddaughters, the Misses Patricia and Barbara Potter.

April 3, 1963 - Mrs. William VanWagner of Sundown has announced the marriage of her daughter, Patricia Elaine to George L. Stubblebine of Lackawack. The ceremony took place at the Grahamsville Methodist Church on Friday evening, March 29. The couple will reside in Kerhonkson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dunlop are the parents of a baby daughter born March 28th at Veterans Memorial Hospital. The baby, Patricia Lillian, weighed 7 lbs. Mrs. Dunlop is the former Pauline King.

Mrs. Imogene Booth, 88, of Curry, died at Middletown on Thursday, March 28th after a long illness. She was born February 15, 1875 at Grahamsville, the daughter of William and Arvilla Benson Grant. She married Stanley

Booth on January 23, 1903. Mrs. Booth was member of the Grahamsville Methodist Church. She is survived by several cousins, nieces and nephews.

April 4, 1973 - Airman First Class Robert L. Murry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Murry of Neversink, NY has graduated at Keesler AFB, Miss., from the Air Training Command's basic course for electronic specialists. Airman Murry is a 1972 graduate of Monticello High School.

The wedding of Christine King to Barry Buley was performed by the Rev. Newton Ford on Saturday, March 31st in the United Methodist Church.

April 7, 1983 - Sarah Morton of Rte. 42, Woodbourne, a lifelong area resident, died Sunday, April 3rd at Ellenville Community Hospital. She was 73. The daughter of the late Rufus and Delia Henry Dutcher, she was born April 12, 1909 in Livingston Manor. The widow of John R. Morton, Mrs. Morton was a member of the Reformed Church of Woodbourne, the Woman's Guild of the church, Tri-Valley AARP, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Civil Service Employees Association.

TV Participates at the Ram Relays at Clarkstown North High School

Tri-Valley participated at the Ram Relays at Clarkstown North High School on Saturday March 30. 107 Season Best performances were recorded with the following members placing in the top three in their event.

- 1st Autumn Bender Frosh/Soph Mile
- 1st Caroline Martin Frosh/Soph 100 Hurdles
- 1st Zach Nilsen F/S 110 Hurdles
- 1st Mareena DiMilia Shot Put-Discus-Long Jump-100 hurdles
- 1st Zach Nilsen 300 Hurdles
- 2nd Nathan Bender F/S 110 Hurdles
- 2nd Ali Reynolds High Jump
- 2nd Sabrena Smith 300 Hurdles
- 2nd Girls 4X200 Relay A Team
- 3rd Claire Tierney Shot Put
- 3rd James Tierney F/S 110 Hurdles
- 3rd Sarah Coney Discus
- 3rd Girls 4X200 Relay B Team

The Professional Women of Sullivan County's Scholarship Program is currently offering 10 scholarships for women in SC

Five \$500 Mature Women's Scholarships will be awarded to women who are returning to education after several (or many) years away. The group is looking to honor the courage and determination of women, some of whom may have overcome adverse situations, and are seeking additional education as a means to better their lives and the future for their families. Also, five \$500 Young Women's Scholarships will be awarded to five high school seniors pursuing higher education. The PWSC is particularly looking for young women who excel academically, are well-rounded and are committed to community service and civic engagement.

These applicants may be current students, or students who have been accepted for enrollment in a college or university for the Fall 2013 semester. All applicants must be full-time residents of Sullivan County, and all high school seniors must attend one of the eight high schools in Sullivan County. High school girls can contact their guidance counselor for applications. Women returning to school can contact Helen Rados at 845-866-2565 (leave a message and she will get back to you), or can e-mail her at: professional-womenofsc@gmail.com.

The deadline for applications is May 17th. The scholarships will be awarded on Wednesday, June 19th at the annual scholarship dinner at Bernie's Holiday Restaurant at 277 Rock Hill Drive in Rock Hill, NY beginning at 6 pm.

The Professional Women of Sullivan County: Formally known as Catskill Mountain BPW, Professional Women of Sullivan County (PWSC) is a non profit, member organization of New York State Women, Inc. and strives "To build powerful women professionally, personally, politically through advocacy, education and information." The group meets on the third Wednesday of each month at locations throughout Sullivan County. To obtain more information about the organization, please contact Helen Rados at 845-866-2565 or professionalwomenofsc@gmail.com

A Round About Tri-Valley

- Carol Furman

George Ratner, formerly of Blue Hill, Claryville, and now living in the state of Oregon, celebrated his 102nd birthday on March 5th. Those of you who knew George when he lived locally may remember him for various reasons. In his prime, George was an excellent gymnast. He may also be remembered for growing the finest cauliflower in the Tri-Valley area. At one time, George was employed as a milk tester and traveled to many local dairy farms to test milk quality. George also was employed by NYC, and worked in their Grahamsville complex near Finches Corners. Thanks to Ward Blade of Neversink who did a little detective work, we have George's present address. George's memory is still very sharp and I'm sure he would like to hear from those who knew him when he lived in our area. His address is: George Ratner, Laurel Hill Nursing Home, 859 N.E. 6th Street, Grants Pass, Oregon 97526.

There will be a roast pork dinner at the Grahamsville Reformed Church from 4:00 - 7:00 pm on Saturday, April 6th. They serve a delicious meal!

Condolences are extended to the Crowfoot Family, formerly of Peekamoose, on the death of John Willie Crowfoot, II who passed away unexpectedly on March 20th in North Carolina. He was 49 years old. John is survived by his wife, Jeanne, and two children. He is also survived by his parents, Chris and Ginny Crowfoot of Crown Point, NY, and siblings, Daniel, Dawn, Christy and Rose. If anyone would like to send a card to the Crowfoots, the latest address I have for Chris and Ginny is 65 Rock Way, Crown Point, NY 12928.

For the second consecutive year John Tenbus of Tri-Valley School has been named the Sullivan County Democrat Coach of the Year. Coach Tenbus led the Tri-Valley Varsity Girls' Basketball team to a 14-6 record. Coach Tenbus took over Andy Taggart's position as coach of the Lady Bears in 2010.

Prayers have been answered for Brianna Worden of Sundown, who had surgery to remove two tumors from. She is in Boston Children's Hospital and seems to be doing well. Thoughts and prayers should continue for Brianna, a Tri-Valley High School student, as she recuperates.

Keil Hornbeck of Grahamsville, is in Westchester Hospital. Keil suffered cardiac arrest and was air-lifted to Westchester where he continues to recuperate. Get well soon, Keil.

Several community residents went on a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster County, PA on March 27th. We saw the story of NOAH as he faithfully embarked on a journey into the storm with all of the animals. What an awe-inspiring performance it was!

Storytime for pre-schoolers will begin the week of April 11th. If you have not registered your child to date, you may do so by calling the Daniel Pierce Library. It's a wonderful program and really helps to prepare your child for the day he or she will start school.

Congratulations to Tri-Valley Junior, Ashley Exner, who received the distinguished honor to travel to Europe to sing with the Sound of America Honors Band/Chorus. Ashley will perform across six different countries. She is currently attempting to raise money to help pay for the trip.

Words of Wisdom: I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is to try to please everyone. (Bill Cosby)

TVCS Student to Tour with Sound of America Honors Chorus (From Pg. 1)

Ashley follows her cousin, Regina Hartman, who sang with this group in 1992 and her aunt, Erica Exner, who performed with this group in 1999.

Ashley will embark on a 23-day concert tour on June 29 for a concert tour of 22 concerts in Paris, Innsbruck, Venice, Verona and Luxembourg and several other historic European cities.

An active member of the school's mixed chorus and band Ashley is also a member of the Future Farmers of America (FFA) where she serves as historian, a member of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and serves as Parliamentarian, a member of the Honor Roll for

every marking period, was a member of the National FFA Chorus this past October in Indiana, have been a member of select choir and women's choir since ninth grade and has participated in Area All-State, Conference All-State and Sullivan County All-County Music festivals.

Ashley lives with her parents, Paul and Leah Exner and brother, Andrew, near Grahamsville.

An Alto, Ashley studied three years with David Trombley and Regina Hartman prepared her for singing with the National FFA chorus. Local Tri-Valley Central School Vocal Musical Director Kevin Giroux has worked providing excellent instructions for her area and all-state singing.

A member of the school band flute section since the fourth grade Ashley has also been active in many musicals and also in the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop.

Sports has also been an active part of Ashley's school activities where she has played junior varsity and varsity basketball, softball and soccer.

Her singing started at the age of five in her local church and she often sings with her mother, Leah, who also plays the guitar at various functions. Five years ago she created the Songs for Soup Charity which has been copyrighted. Ashley sings at various organization where soup is donated and Ashley then donates the soup to local food pantries through the support group FFA.

Each participant in this event is expected to pay their own expenses which are estimated to cost approximately \$8,000. She just completed the first of her fundraising events at McDonald's in Liberty where folks turned in coupon's given them by Ashley and her family and 20 percent of all sales that day with the coupon went to fund Ashley's trip. She plans other fund raising events.

Donations for Ashley's trip are being accepted at 845-436-8407 and email at pexner@hvc.rr.com If you wish to claim a donation through taxes you'll need to write Reference/Ashley Exner in the memo and write it out to Sound of America, otherwise you can write a check out in her name.

Ashley noted that she is able to meet anyone in person if they would like her to explain any of the details and information on her trip.

AARP Driver Safety Program

An AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the South Fallsburg Community Center, Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York on Saturday, April 13, 2013 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, and on Saturday, April 27, 2013 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Please arrive at 8:45 am. NO WALK-INS To Register - Call Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). Please call after 9:00 am in the morning.

Sonny Smith, an AARP-Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

For information, phone Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

The fee is \$17 for AARP members and \$19 for non-members; make checks payable to AARP, and mail to Sonny Smith. Please enclose your phone number with payment. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early.

This course is instructed by a Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (R&SVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging.

Household Hints

Spring Cleaning? Don't Forget to Clear Dirt off PCs and Peripherals

Your computer, printer, fax machine, and other home office gear will work better if you keep them clean and dust-free. Before you start cleaning, make sure that all your equipment is shut off. Now mix equal parts white vinegar and water in a bucket. Dampen a clean cloth in the solution - never use a spray bottle; you don't want to get liquid on the circuits inside - then squeeze it out as hard as you can, and start wiping. Keep a few cotton swabs on hand for getting to the buildups in tight spaces (like around the keys of your keyboard).

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 and Polly Hill.

Coltsfoot; the Son Before the Father

The glow of the coltsfoot's cheerful golden flowers along roadsides and stream banks is a sure sign of spring.

The plant is native to Europe, but also grows widely in sandy places throughout the United States and Canada. Coltsfoot is a low-growing perennial with fleshy, woolly leaves. A member of the Asteraceae (daisy) family, coltsfoot produces a single golden-yellow



flower head that blooms very early in spring. Coltsfoot is a curious herb which seems to grow in 2 distinct stages. Very early in the growing season, the plant develops flat orange flower heads.

The 1 3/8-inch-wide flower heads on thick, scaly, reddish 6-inch stalks appear before the leaves (accounting for the alternate common name son-before-the-father, or filius ante patrem in Latin, as it was known during the Middle Ages). The flower head looks much like that of a dandelion but has a central disk like that of a daisy. Each narrow, petal-like ray flower has a pistil (female organ) but no stamens (male organs). Each disk flower has both stamens and a pistil, but the latter is non-functional. The flowers, which open in sunshine and close in cloudy weather and at night, are usually pollinated by butterflies and bees.

After the flowers die off, rosettes of 6- to 8-inch-wide stalked green leaves arise from the creeping rhizomes. Some early botanists, observing the leafless flowers in one place and the flowerless foliage in another, concluded that they represented separate species.

Both the upper and lower leaf surfaces are at first covered with hairs, but those on top fall off as the leaf expands. The mature leaves are smooth and green above, felty and white below.

The entire plant may grow to a height of 20 inches.

The seed heads are fluff balls like those of dandelions. European goldfinch and American indigo buntings use this down to line their nests, and it is said that Scottish Highlander once used it to stuff pillows.

Coltsfoot was so well known as a medicinal herb in olden times that a painting of its leaf on Paris apothecaries identified them to the illiterate. Coltsfoot is among the collected wild plants in the Balkans, Eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, the former Yugoslavia), and Italy. It also has been a part of Chinese folk medicine for centuries. Extracts of coltsfoot once had been used as flavorings for candies.

Coltsfoot spreads too vigorously for the herb garden; in fact, it is said that the underground stems can remain dormant for years and then sprout exuberantly when the ground is disturbed. If you must have coltsfoot in your herb garden, confine it in a bottomless pot or grow it in a container.

In a week or two you will be able enjoy the yellow polka dotted carpet as it begins to appear along the roadsides in the Catskills. The happy little yellow coltsfoot flowers are just another way for Mother Nature to confirm that Spring has definitely arrived.

Blueberry Culture & Management Class

LIBERTY, NY-As blueberry production continues to rise in New York State, there is an increased interest in getting involved. Cassie Schweighofer, Agriculture Educator for Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County will help enthusiasts get on board with blueberry production at her class on Thursday, April 18, 2013 from 6 to 8:30 pm. The class will cover important topics including site selection, cultivar selection, pollination, insect and disease management, pruning, economics, and marketing. The class will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Cost for the program is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members.

Class size is limited so pre-registration with payment must be made in advanced by calling 845-292-6180. Registration deadline to CCE is Tuesday, April 16th.

Mysterious Book Report No. 93 by John Dwaine McKenna



Existentialism is a word that was often tossed around in discussions on college campuses back in the 60s when we were all busily self-absorbed discovering ourselves. The word existentialism means "a philosophical theory or approach that emphasizes the existence of the individual person as a free and responsible agent determining their own development through acts of will," according to my Oxford English Dictionary. As Popeye the sailor man so simply and eloquently put it; "I yam what I yam." And I yam what I yam because I made it so. This week's MBR No. 93 is an existentialist work of crime fiction that comes from Japan. It won the Oe Japanese Prize for fiction, the equivalent of winning the Pulitzer Prize here in America, and it's the best existentialist novel I've read since Albert Camus and The Stranger way back when. And hey . . . don't let the five and six syllable words keep you from reading this excellent, fast-paced novel about the Japanese criminal class. You'll miss a really good read, as well as an opportunity to peek into contemporary Tokyo through the eyes of a petty criminal who, through what is perhaps his only redeeming quality. That of loyalty, and gets sucked into something way bigger and more dangerous than he realizes.

The Thief, (SOHO crime, PB, \$14.95, 211 pages, ISBN 978-1-61695-202-0) by Fuminori Nakamura, was first published in Japan in 2009 where it drew immediate attention and acclaim, soon becoming a best-seller and winning a number of awards, including the aforementioned, Oe Prize. It has just been translated into English by Satoko Izumo and Stephen Coates. In it we're introduced to an unnamed, first-person narrator know only as the thief, a pickpocket who lives from minute to minute, committing crimes of opportunity against prosperous looking passers-by. After lifting the victim's wallet and removing the cash, he self-analyzes his victims by rifling the contents

of their wallets . . . which he then dumps into the nearest mailbox like any honest citizen, knowing it will be sent by the postal service to the police, who'll return it to the owner. The thief is a man with nothing. He has no friends or family, no name, no job, no future. When a criminal acquaintance named Ishikawa offers him an "easy and lucrative" job as part of a five man burglary team, he accepts. The job goes smoothly, but the next day the thief learns that the victim, a prominent politician, was murdered after he was robbed, and the thief realizes he's in over his head and under the control, of a master criminal with an army of killers at his beck and call.

The prose is sharp and economical, the action is fast and relentless, and the conclusion is chilling. The novel transcends genre and recommends itself to all adult readers, teens and up. As for myself . . . I hope we don't have a very long wait before his next book is translated into English . . . I'm not going to miss a single one! He's that good.

Hey! It's spring already and we're back on daylight savings time. Why do we go through the bother of setting our clocks ahead or back . . . it doesn't really save any time, does it. There's still just twenty-four hours in a day, right? Why even keep track of time in the first place? It goes on regardless . . .

The answer to these, and many other profound questions can be found in your public library. (You didn't think I'd forget did you?) Our libraries are a national treasure. They're uncensored, free and open to any and all knowledge seekers. Become a patron. Read more and learn more. Don't surrender to ignorance. Hello and many thanks to all of our friends on Facebook and Twitter, who've visited us at our websites: johndwainemckenna.com and rhyolitepress.com

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SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

By: Mark McCarthy, Town of Neversink Supervisor

Notice As I am sure most of you are aware, there have been several break-ins throughout the area over the past few months. Please be vigilant and report any unusual or suspicious activities to the police:

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Reminder The Town Hall will be closed on May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

Assessor's Office Many of you have heard that there are changes for the STAR program due to the NYS budget and that you will have to re-apply. Please be aware that this information does NOT affect your exemption for this year (2013). You will NOT have to re-apply this year. We will keep you informed next year on the process that the State will require as we find out ourselves. As always, if you have any questions feel free to contact the Assessor's Clerk M-F, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM or the Assessor Tues. & Thurs. evenings by appointment.

Cell Tower AT&T is saying that we will have cell service by June 2013.

Dept. of Motor Vehicles The DMV will be at the Town Hall from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on April 11th, May 16th, June 13th and July 11th. Please note: the DMV no longer accepts credit card payments at the town hall; they will accept checks only.

Lifeguard Applications for the 2013 pool season are available at the Town Hall and are due back by May 3rd.

Neversink Renaissance is looking for an individual or group to volunteer their "green thumb" to maintain the flower gardens at the Neversink Transfer Station. Call Dave Moore at 985-2746 for further information.

Spring Clean-up We are still waiting for the Sullivan County Legislature to decide if they are going to sponsor Spring Clean-up.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-2262 ext. 301.

Take a bow, partners!

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will receive the 2013 "Exemplary Source Water Protection Award" from the American Water Works Association at AWWA's Annual Conference & Exposition in Denver in June.

The award recognizes organizations that protect drinking water at its source by setting ambitious goals and implementing programs that are effective and innovative. DEP Deputy Commissioner for Water Supply Paul Rush will accept the award at the conference.

Founded on the notion that the most cost-effective way to provide high quality water is to protect it at its natural source, many of these programs are implemented by partners including the CWC. Each year, water and public health professionals come from around the globe to study the City's source water protection strategies. A key element of the success of the program has been the devel-

opment of strong relationships with watershed communities, locally-based organizations, environmental groups, and federal, state, and local government agencies.

The CWC is a key partner, providing septic remediation, storm water controls, community wastewater solutions and other water protection programs.

The City has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs since 1993, when the Environmental Protection Agency first issued the City a waiver from the federal requirement to filter tap water. A 1997 Memorandum of Agreement allowed the City to move ahead with three key components of its source-water protection strategy: acquisition of vacant land in the watersheds to minimize pollution; regulatory controls to ensure water protection; and a series of City-funded partnership programs to address existing and potential sources of contamination.

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The Olive Jar - Carol LaMonda

The Tax Man Cometh

After the long, gray winter we all had, everyone I know is longing for spring. Spring, however, means different things to different people.

To my husband it means he will put away the skis and gear for another year as Belleayre Ski Center enters its final week of all-week skiing. The slopes will be open on weekends for a while.

To the kids, it is sign-ups for Little League and soccer. For teenagers, it's track, baseball practice and the home stretch of another school year.

For grown-ups, it is the time to sit down and do taxes or deliver all the information to an accountant. Tax forms remind me of the ponderous bureaucracy of government. What do other governments do? I think I would prefer a flat sales tax even if it were high. I think it would foster a sense of economical spending. Perhaps we would reconsider our lifestyle of excess. Everyone needs a house, car, health care and food, so there would have to be a reasonable exemption for singles and adjusted for families. Then a tax of 15 to 20% or more on purchases might cover our taxes.

I guess there is a reason I taught English because I have no idea whether or not my idea would raise enough capital to provide services. It just seems illogical to have such a complex tax structure with so many loop holes and exceptions. I have a Masters in Reading, and I admit how confusing the forms and the directions are. I, like, many just consider April 15 as a necessary hurdle or speed bump to maneuver. It is always a flip of the coin to guess whether I will owe taxes or receive a refund. It is rather like a trip to Monticello to play slots. Hmm. That makes me think, is that a loss or a contribution to the State of New York?

Spring, to me, means I can open a window and let the fresh air blow in, stirring up six months of wood-stove soot that has collected on every horizontal surface. Happy spring to all. May there be a tax refund and warm breeze in your future.



RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES - Fred Perry-Owner of Reservoir Music Center 711 Route 28, Kingston, NY 12401

Rock music criticism lost a true original last week. Paul Williams, the man who founded *Crawdaddy* magazine from his college dorm room at the age of 17, passed away March 27, from complications arising from a bicycle accident that occurred in 1995! He was 64.



Paul Williams, iconic founder of *Crawdaddy Magazine*

Crawdaddy, whose first issue hit the streets in January, 1966, a full 18 months before the first issue of *Rolling Stone*, was the first national magazine of rock criticism, and Williams was the first journalist to take Rock n Roll seriously as an art form and write about it as such! The writing style Williams pioneered created modern rock criticism as we know it! *Crawdaddy* influenced every Rock magazine to follow it, and I'm sure that even writers like Hunter S. Thompson had to be aware of it!

Williams championed young writers like Jon Landau (now Springsteen's manager and producer), Sandy Perlman (producer of *The Clash*), and Richard Meltzer! We used to breathlessly wait for each issue like it was *The Word of God* Himself! It's difficult to understand how important *Crawdaddy* was at the time, living today in our always connected universe! Magazines like *Crawdaddy* were the distributors of information and the counter cultural lifeline to suburban hepcats in the making! They built bridges between regional scenes and brought record company attention to artists who otherwise would probably never get any. When a new issue came out, it was the highlight of our week!

More than most rock writers, Williams lived the lifestyle, hanging out and partying with his subjects like *The Grateful Dead*, *Jim Morrison*, *Brian Wilson*, and *David Crosby*! After *Crawdaddy's* initial 2-3 year run (Williams' stats), Paul moved to Mendocino, where he ran *Timothy Leary's* gubernatorial campaign, going with Leary to meet John and Yoko at their Toronto Bed-In for Peace, where he and Leary appeared as part of the background party for "Give Peace a Chance" and the song, "Come Together" was written overnight, based on Leary's campaign slogan, "Come together, join the party".

Williams was the author of more than 25 books on music, counterculture lifestyle, and memoirs of his own life. He struck up a friendship with the Science Fiction author, Philip K. Dick, after writing a widely seen and highly regarded article on Dick in *Rolling Stone*, which many people, including Dick himself, credited with the revival of interest in his work. After Dick's death in 1982, Williams was named the literary executor of his estate, and oversaw Hollywood deals that led to "Blade Runner", "Minority Report", "Total Recall", "The Adjustment Bureau", "A Scanner Darkly", and others, all based on Dick's work!

In the 1990's, Williams returned to the helm of *Crawdaddy*, which he ran again for 10 years before selling out to Wolfgang's Vault in 2006! The entire *Crawdaddy* archive is now available on Wolfgang's Vault!

In 1995, Paul suffered a spill on his bicycle, which incurred traumatic brain injuries that began a long slow decline, and from which he never recovered. He is survived by his wife, singer-songwriter *Cindy Lee Berryhill*, and their son. The financial burden on the family has been crushing, as Williams, like most self employed artists, lived without any structure of institutional support. Donations can be made on Williams' website, www.paulwilliams.com/donations.html. While there, you can read up on Paul's complete bio and accomplishments, which are too numerous to fully list here. If you can't make a donation, please, at least, light a candle for this man! He created something out of nothing that helped change the world for the better! A true original! RIP Paul! And thanks for the memories!

We also lost record producer Phil Ramone this week. Ramone worked with Sinatra, Dylan, Paul Simon, Billy Joel, Paul McCartney, Tony Bennett, Aretha Franklin, Elton John, and Ray Charles, among others. He garnered the usual GRAMMYS, Emmys, and Lifetime Achievement Awards that one would expect from a producer of his stature. Ramone was 79.

Wow! As I mentioned last week, we are on the cusp of an amazing summer of music, and it continues this week! In the next two weeks, there are over 30 live shows that I'm recommending! That averages out to over 2 a day, so you should be able to find something to your liking!

Wednesday, April 3 - Hooray! We're in April, Spring has sprung, and the weather is warm! Good vibes! Tonight is the second and last night of THE BLACK CROWES at The Capitol Theatre in Port Chester! The Crowes are doing things with open tunings that rival The Rolling Stones! Catch 'em if you can! Also tonight at The Cutting Room in Manhattan, original Sex Pistols bassist, GLEN MATLOCK, teams up with TOMMY RAMONE, original Ramones drummer, producer, and writer, for an unusual pairing that should be very interesting, to say the least. Finally, influential Arizona based band, THE MEAT PUPPETS, who counted Kurt Cobain as a fan, are at The Mercury Lounge in Manhattan for the first of two shows. Tonight's show is an early one, starting at 6:30. Tomorrow is at a more normal time, 9:30.

Thursday, April 4 - Second MEAT PUPPETS SHOW at Mercury Lounge. Also in the city, Cheap Trick lead singer ROBIN ZANDER at BB King's, and The CAROLINA CHOCOLATE DROPS at Bowery Ballroom. Upstate in Woodstock, at The Bearsville Theater, LINDSEY WEBSTER begins a month long Thursday night residency that is sure to pull 'em out of the woodwork!

Friday, April 5 - There is so much going on this weekend that I'm really feeling a bit overwhelmed, but, duty calls, so here we go! If you missed THE BLACK CROWES at The Capitol Theatre, you'll have a second shot tonight and tomorrow at Terminal 5 in Manhattan. My recommendation however, is to save The Crowes for tomorrow, and opt for MARS BONFIRE at The Bitter End on Bleecker Street. Mars who? Bruno? No. Mick Mars? No. Mars Bonfire, the man who wrote "Born to be Wild", who I have never heard of doing a live performance before. ever! Historically, this blows away everything this week! If you happen to be in Connecticut this weekend, there's a cool double bill at Mohegan Sun Casino. ERIC CLAPTON with THE WALLFLOWERS opening!

Saturday, April 6 - The iconic LEONARD COHEN is at Radio City Music Hall, BLACK CROWES finish up at Terminal 5, LIVING COLOR at Irving Plaza, ex-Captain Beefheart guitarist, GARY LUCAS, at Joe's Pub, all in Manhattan, and LOW CUT CONNIE brings their Jack White approved rock n blues to The Rock Shop in Brooklyn. In Woodstock, The Bearsville Theater continues their great series, BEARVILLE SESSIONS #6, which will focus on the roots of rock n roll. If you're upstate and you want some schoolin', this is for you!

Sunday, April 7 - GREEN DAY at The Barclay Center in Brooklyn is a show that a lot of people have been looking forward to. So is LEONARD COHEN at Radio City Music Hall, which reprises tonight. So is The YEAH YEAH YEAHS at Webster Hall. Slide guitar master, SONNY LANDRETH, at Brian's Backyard Barbecue in Middletown, probably not so much, but it'll be a great show none the less.

Monday, April 8 - Here's another biggie - FLEETWOOD MAC at Madison Square Garden!

Tuesday, April 9 - Mandolin master, CHRIS THILE with BRAD MEHLDAU at Bowery Ballroom and RICKIE LEE JONES at City Winery.

Wednesday, April 10 - RICKIE LEE JONES concludes her engagement at City Winery, and SONNY LANDRETH is at BB King's. Sonny is doing several other shows in the north-east this month, so check your local listings for more info.

Thursday, April 11 - A show starts a four night run tonight at The Beacon Theater called MY BROTHER MARVIN with ZEOLA GAYE. Don't know if this is Marvin's brother

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or sister, don't know if it will be singing or talking, but I do know that it will be interesting, either way.

Alright, that wraps up another week. Don't forget to tune in every other Monday night to The Little Delaware Jamboree on WIOX, 91.3 FM, and on the web at www.wioxradio.org, where I do an on air version of this column, and more, as John Madeo's guest. My segment usually airs at 8:30, but the entire show is worth a listen.

Have an amazing week!

State Budget Controls Spending and Encourages Job Growth

State Senator John Bonacic (R/C/I - Mt. Hope) voted in support of the State budget, which prioritizes State spending and provides increases in State aid to education to all Schools in his Senate District.

The budget has passed the Senate over the past three days and is expected to receive final passage in the State Assembly tomorrow. The budget contains the lowest middle class tax rates in 60 years, controls spending, avoids tax increases, and provides tax relief to middle class families. The State budget reflects key priorities of Senate Republicans:

A Budget we can Afford that Meets the Priorities of Families Across New York: Maintains a cap on State spending - keeping increases below 2% - the third year in a row to do so; Focuses on education - which Senate Republicans successfully worked to add nearly \$1 billion in new funding for; Increases aid to localities - including a \$75 million increase in the CHIPS programs for local roads and bridges - the first such increase in five years; Authorizes Tax Rebate checks for middle class families with children.

"Controlling spending is key to growing New York's economy and making life more affordable for our families," Senator Bonacic said.

A Budget that Helps Businesses Grow

- Reduces energy taxes; Enacts workers' compensation and unemployment insurance reforms; Enacts a tax credit for businesses that hire Veterans; Reduces taxes on manufacturers; Enacts the Market NY program to help get NY farm products to market.

A Budget that Supports Education

Two years ago, Senator Bonacic led the effort in the State to establish a tax structure that reduced taxes for the middle class, while ensuring the highest earning New Yorkers paid their fair share. Thanks to that effort, which Governor Cuomo and the Senate and Assembly eventually embraced, the State is able to provide substantial increases in aid this year to local schools.

Increases in aid to our local schools are as follows:
Delaware County Schools: \$3.3 million more in school aid
Orange County Schools: \$14.6 million more in school aid
Sullivan County Schools: \$4.5 million more in school aid
Ulster County Schools: \$8.2 million more in school aid

Of the 28 schools that serve students in Senator Bonacic's District, half received an aid increase of 5% or more, and 75% of schools received an increase in State aid of 4% or more.

"More school aid is the key to smaller class sizes with more qualified teachers. Thanks to bi-partisan cooperation, Senate Republicans have led the effort to increase aid to our local schools," Senator Bonacic said.

For the third year in a row, the State Legislature adopted a budget by the April 1 deadline. Meanwhile, in Washington, partisan gridlock has failed all Americans. "Bi-partisan government is working in New York. Governor Cuomo and Senate Republicans are partnering to address priorities across our State. We need to continue this bi-partisan effort to achieve results that New Yorkers want and deserve to make New York stronger," Senator Bonacic said.

SC Philatelic Society April Meeting

The next meeting of the Sullivan County Philatelic Society will be held on April 7th at 1:00 pm in the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center, 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY. Our guest speaker will talk on "What's Going on in Stamp Collecting; Its Changes from one Phase to Another".

We will also have a business meeting after the talk as well as our door prizes and give aways. Refreshments to be served during the meeting.

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"Resilient Communities" focus of Ashokan conference

The 4th Annual Ashokan Watershed Conference on Saturday, Apr. 27 will focus on "Designing Resilient Watershed Communities."

Held at the Ashokan Center in Olivebridge, the conference will feature a presentation on "New Trends for Sustainable Catskill Communities," examination of stream management and flood mitigation projects in and near the hamlet of Phoenicia, a session for municipal officials on how to craft a strong floodplain

management ordinance and another on changes in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) since the passage of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012.

There will also be a session on how to create a rain garden, followed by a tour of the Ashokan Center's rain gardens. A hike to Cathedral Gorge and a fly tying class are optional afternoon offerings. FMI: 845-688-3047.



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Yoga: If you own a body and can breathe, then you can learn yoga. An open mind and a clean bill of health from your doctor are all you need to begin. No previous yoga experience necessary. Classes will run on Fridays from 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm, the fee is \$64.00 each session. Classes run: April 5th to May 24th

Tai Chi Chuan: Tai Chi Chuan has been recognized for thousands of years as both a method of self-cultivation and an unsurpassed form of self-defense. It is gentle and easy to do. It can help calm the emotions, focus the mind, and strengthen the immune system. Classes will run on Wednesdays from noon to 1:00 pm, the fee is \$64.00 each session. Classes run: April 10th to May 29th

Zumba: Ditch the workout, join the party! Are you ready to party yourself into shape? That's exactly what the Zumba program is all about. Zumba is an exhilarating, effective, easy to follow, Latin inspired calorie burning dance fitness party that is moving millions of people toward joy and health. Class will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm, the fee is \$64.00 each session. Classes run: April 15th to May 9th and from May 20th to June 17th

2 Mile - Walk Live: classes are conducted by a certified WALK LIVE leader using the indoor walking techniques established and proven through the many years of success of Leslie Sansone's Walk at Home Program. The WALK LIVE classes create a synergy among walk class members through a group class environment, which provides ongoing support, motivation, and inspiration to not only to begin to walk, but to continue to walk for health and weight loss. The classes are ideal for those who have had little or no physical activity in a long time, great for those who are fit and active, but like adding new activities to their routines, perfect for the young or elderly, and equally enjoyed by men and women! This class will run on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:15 pm to 5:15 pm and from 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm, the fee is \$64.00 each session. Class series run on: April 17th to May 13th and from May 20th to June 17th

Dr. Barbara Hackett Blakey Receives 2013 NYSAWA Leadership Award



LIBERTY: On March 17th, Dr. Barbara Hackett Blakey, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction at Sullivan County BOCES, was awarded the 2013 NYSAWA Leadership Award.

NYSAWA (New York State Association for Women in Administration) recognized Dr. Blakey and a handful of other recipients, at their Annual Conference,

for being models of the NYSAWA's mission. The Association's mission is to promote gender-balanced leadership and advancing equity and diversity in schools.

Cancer the Enemy American Cancer Society Relay for Live of SC; The FORCE fighting behind the lines fighting to find a cure and eliminate this deadly foe

Every year there are thousands of Relay For Life events in the United States as well as 22 other countries. Money raised through Relay For Life goes to: Research grants and research programs, Prevention programs, Community/patient support programs, Detection and treatment programs, and construction of Hope Lodges.

On Saturday, June 1, 2013 at Sullivan County Community College we will be holding the 17th Relay held in Sullivan County. Over the years the event has grown, changed venues and raised money to defeat cancer. We walk to celebrate survivors, to honor caregivers, and we hold dear the memories of cancer victims. We spend 18 to 24 hours taking turns walking, enjoying the company of other relayers, being entertained by an all night DJ plus a lot of donated local talent, games and activities for young and old.

It is an absolutely wonderful experience from the opening ceremonies, through the luminary ceremony and on to the closing ceremony on Sunday morning. Although all of this has been going on for so long it seems to be a very well kept secret.

Most Relays are a town event or a college event but ours is a county event. My greatest wish is to get as much of our county involved as possible. In a large county as ours reaching to

Roscoe, Callicoon, Bloomingburg, Wurtsboro, Claryville and all points in between, I can only dream of the impact we could make if the county could pull together for this, ONE DAY, ONE NIGHT, ONE HOPE event. There are so many ways to be part of this event with as much or as little involvement as any one wishes.

Of course my wish is that this year's Relay for Life will exceed all previous years but to do this we need more teams, more volunteers, new ideas and people with a passion and a reason to want to fight this war we are in against this terrible disease. If cancer has not touched your life either personally, through a family member, friend, co-worker or acquaintance you are a very lucky person. For those of you who have been touched in anyway, here is a chance for you to feel a sense of accomplishment a feeling of helping and giving back.

If you are not able to commit then PLEASE just come to the event and check it out it's free and it's fun. Join us now in the war against cancer become a soldier in this very important battle.

On Tuesday April 9th there will a meeting, anyone is welcome to attend and learn more. There is no obligation or commitment, just listen and learn what this is all about.

For more information please contact: Tina Eckert at 845-440-2509 or Gayle Irving at 845-701-5319. Or visit us on line at www.relayforlife.org/sullivancountyny.

Call for Entries - Kingston Sculpture Biennial

Call for entries for Kingston Sculpture Biennial in Kingston, NY (Rondout Area). The 10th Kingston Sculpture Biennial aims to create a concentrated installation of artworks along the Lower Broadway median and the beautiful Rondout Waterfront Walkway with the intention of creating a dialog between the artists and the community. The theme is "Texture of Place", and we are leaving it open to interpretation. Please visit www.askforarts.org and click on the link for the biennial to download an entry form. Entry forms should be sent to the curator, Sarah Bachelier: Kingstonsculpturebiennial2013@gmail.com

Deadline for Submissions: May 17, 2013 (The Biennial will run July thru October, 2013)

Get Moving and Get Healthy!
Monticello - This April, the Adult & Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a new series of fitness classes to help people get

Masala Bhangra. Masala is Hindi for spicy and Bhangra is a folk dance from India. The Masala Bhangra workout is an exercise-dance routine that modernizes the high-energy folk dance of Bhangra by blending traditional Bhangra dance steps and the exhilaration of Bollywood moves. This unique dance mixes cardiovascular with fun and is suitable for participants of all age and fitness levels. Class is held on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm, the fee is \$64.00 each session. Classes run: April 20th - May 29th

To register for any of the fitness classes, please contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm or visit us at scboes.org, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

"Facets" Paintings by Madelon Jones at Alliance Gallery

"Facets," an exhibit of paintings by Madelon Jones opens with a reception on Friday, April 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Delaware Arts Center's Alliance Gallery in Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit will be on view through May 11, 2013.

"My inspiration comes from nature and is expressed through the abstraction of form and color," explains printmaker/painter Madelon Jones, a resident of Youngsville, NY. "Painting is a wondrous journey for me."

For this exhibit, Jones has created a series of paintings on paper that reveal the mind of an artist who has worked as a printmaker, and has become adept in the use of embossment, encaustic, painting and collage. Jones' abstractions are layered and complex.

"While the work is abstract, it often evokes the familiar feel of landscape and continually surprises me," Jones says. Her imagery has an ageless quality and defies categorization, but, Jones continues, "sometimes I see in it reflections of the ancient world, the colors of the southwest, the hills of Tuscany, or the plains of the Serengeti."

Jones graduated from UCLA's art school with a BFA in painting and did graduate work in New York City at New York University, School of Visual Arts and The Printmaking Workshop.

Jones' paintings and monoprints have been shown in galleries throughout New York City, including Ceres Gallery, Amos Eno, and Ten Downtown, as well as in Carrie Haddad Gallery in Hudson, NY and throughout the Catskills. Her work can be found in museums, private collections and corporate headquarters throughout the world. Jones' last solo exhibition at the Alliance Gallery was in 2008.

"Free and open to the public, the exhibit is sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY, and is made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibit call (845) 252-7576 or visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org.

Belleayre Music Festival 2013 Calendar of Events

Saturday, July 6 at 8 p.m. Country Music Icon Dwight Yoakam. Tickets: \$95/76/66/56/26 lawn.

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Saturday, July 20 at 8 p.m. Classic Rockers The Doobie Brothers. Tickets: \$95/76/66/56/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344.

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Saturday, July 27 at 8 p.m. Belleayre Festival Opera Bizet's "Carmen." Tickets: \$76/66/56/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Thursday, Aug. 1 at 8 p.m. Belleayre Jazz Club - Latin Dance Party - Sammy Figueroa Latin Jazz Explosion. Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Friday, Aug. 2 at 8 p.m. Belleayre Jazz Club Latin Jazz with Pedrito - The Pedrito Martinez Havana Quartet. Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Saturday, Aug. 3 at 8 p.m. Hot Latin Jazz with Paquito D'Rivera & the Dizzy Gillespie Big Band. Tickets: \$66/56/46/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Friday, Aug. 9 at 8 p.m. Belleayre Jazz Club - Bill Charlap Trio. Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Saturday, Aug. 10 at 8 p.m. - Kenny Barron's All-Star Band. Tickets: \$66/56/46/36/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Saturday, Aug. 17 at 8 p.m. - Broadway at Belleayre Ben Vereen. Tickets: \$66/56/46/36/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Friday, Aug. 23 at 8 p.m. - Comedy in the Catskills II - Belleayre Comedy Club - Harrison Greenbaum. Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Saturday, Aug. 24 at 8 p.m. - Comedy in the Catskills II - Rita Rudner. Tickets: \$66/56/46/36. Tent seating only. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

Saturday, Aug. 31 at 8 p.m. - Belleayre Festival Orchestra presents The Music of Pink Floyd with a full rock band and Brent Havens conducting. 40th Anniversary of "Dark Side of the Moon." Tickets: \$66/56/46/36/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

The Catskill Fly Fishing Museum First Art Exhibition

The Catskill Fly Fishing Museum in Livingston Manor will hold the first art exhibition in its newly added Wulff Gallery. The event, entitled Audubon and Friends Too, in conjunction with the Sullivan County Audubon Society, will showcase paintings, photography, sculpture and encaustics from a group of 28 artists. The show will run from May 4th to June 16th with a reception May 3rd from 4-6 pm. This is a must-see for anyone with an interest in birds, butterflies other wildlife and fly fishing. The Museum and gallery are open 7 days a week with access through the gift shop on weekdays. Admission is free. There will be

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an accompanying Craft show with artists displaying their bird, butterfly and wildlife wares on June 15th from 10-4 pm. The Pavillion at the Fly Fishing Center presents an ideal location. For directions and additional information go to www.catskillflyfishing.org. Or call 845-439-4810.

The CAS Arts Center & SC BOCES present the CAS Sullivan County High School Art Show - A new exhibition of work by Sullivan County High School Students

Livingston Manor, NY - The Catskill Art Society, in partnership with SC BOCES, proudly presents the annual CAS SULLIVAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ART SHOW, a new exhibition of work by Sullivan County High School Students, running April 13 - May 5, 2013 at the CAS Arts Center, 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor. This exhibition, appearing throughout the gallery, will present the work of high school students from all eight of the county's districts (Eldred, Fallsburg, Liberty, Livingston Manor, Monticello, Roscoe, Sullivan West and Tri-Valley) plus student work from SC BOCES. This annual exhibition celebrates the creativity and expression of our region's youth.

The show presents three hundred artworks in ten media categories: Black & White Drawing, Color Drawing, Black & White Photography, Color Photography, Painting, Ceramics & Glass, Digital Art, Design, Mixed Media/Printmaking, and Sculpture. CAS puts together an outside jury panel of artists and experts - different each year - that award a first and second place ribbon in each category. Blue Ribbon winners receive complimentary enrollment in a CAS art class series and Red Ribbon winners receive a \$50 scholarship for any CAS class. Students will also be invited to the Arts Center to select a Student Prize award in each category as well.

CAS also hosts an exhibition postcard contest each year. This year's winner is a photograph by Anna Dexheimer, a student at Tri-Valley Central School.

Gallery hours for this exhibition are Thursday - Saturday from 11am-6pm, Sunday 11am-3pm or by appointment. The CAS Arts Center is wheelchair accessible.

The Catskill Art Society & SC BOCES will host an opening reception for their new exhibition on Saturday, April 13 from 2-4pm. All are welcome and light refreshments will be provided by SC BOCES.

About Catskill Art Society

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

ASK for Music

The Arts Society of Kingston located at 97 Broadway, Kingston, NY will host on Friday, April 19th, 8 PM the following lineup:

The Cupcakes <http://www.lynhardy.com/thecupcakes.html>;

Ron Renninger <http://www.ronrenninger.com/>; and

Paul Maloney <http://www.paulmaloney.com/>

The cost is \$6

CWC Offers Flood Assistance for Non-profits

Non-profit organizations and museums that sustained structural damage during Tropical Storm Irene have until April 30 to apply for a CWC grant to pay for repairs. Not-for-profit (501-c-3) organizations and State-chartered museums that own buildings in the New York City Catskill or Delaware Watersheds are targeted for the program.

In 2011 and 12, the CWC provided more than \$3 million in grant aid to businesses that suffered flood damage. In January, the CWC Board opted to allocate some remaining funds to non-profit organizations and history centers. They are invited to apply for reimbursement of up to \$10,000. Forms may be obtained by contacting the Economic Development office at the CWC, 845-586-1400.

Department of Environmental Protection Welcomes Anglers as Trout Season Begins - April 1 Marked the Start of New Electric Trolling Motor Pilot Program on Cannonsville Reservoir

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today reminds anglers that its upstate reservoirs and several other properties will be open for fishing when the season begins April 1. Twenty-two City-owned reservoirs and lakes, covering roughly 33,500 acres, will be open for fishing from shore or with fishing boats. Most offer fishing opportunities for cold-water species such as trout and warm-water species such as smallmouth and largemouth bass. New York's trout season generally runs until October 15. However, the trout fishing season on certain New York City reservoirs is open year-round or closes later than October 15. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation outlines statewide fishing regulations on its website at dec.ny.gov.

"Spring has brought another trout fishing season to our upstate watersheds, including streams and rivers where early innovations contributed to the strong and unique heritage of angling in North America," DEP Commissioner Carter Strickland said. "We are excited to offer expanded fishing opportunities on dozens of reservoirs and streams, including the new pilot program that allows for the use of electric trolling motors on fishing boats at Cannonsville Reservoir."

April 1 also marks the start of a new pilot program that will allow electric trolling motors for fishing on Cannonsville Reservoir. The electric trolling motors can only be affixed to row boats or jon boats for the purpose of fishing. Electric trolling motors must be powered by sealed, marine grade batteries and cannot use gasoline or oil. In addition, the pilot program requires that electric trolling motors must be steam cleaned by a certified vendor, not exceed 55 pounds of thrust, and their batteries cannot exceed 12 volts. Motors can be stored along with boats at the reservoirs, but the batteries must be removed after each use. Those using trolling motors must also follow state regulations that require boaters to have a whistle, hand lantern, and anchor on board. They must also register their boats with the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

The one-year pilot comes after last year's successful expansion of the recreational boating program, and it marks the first time that motorized boating of any kind will be allowed on a City reservoir. DEP will continue to monitor water quality throughout the trial period to ensure the electric trolling motors do not affect the drinking water supply. More information about the pilot program can be found on the Watershed Recreation page on the DEP website, nyc.gov/dep.

In addition to reservoirs, there are more than 191 miles of stream frontage on city lands in the watershed, including in areas where public access to water is otherwise difficult. Some open parcels that offer good fishing include:

- Tremper Kill Unit: Comprises 202 acres and includes 1,580 feet of frontage along the Tremper Kill, less than three miles north of where it empties into the Pepacton Reservoir. Access is off Route 1 in Andes, Delaware County. A DEP access permit is not required.
- Maplecrest Unit: Comprises 632 acres and includes 3,123 feet of frontage on the Batavia Kill. Access is off County Road 40 in Windham, Greene County. A DEP access permit is not required.
- Fall Clove Road Unit: Comprises 340 acres and includes 1,612 feet of frontage along the Fall Clove, about four miles north of where it empties into the Pepacton Reservoir. Access is off Fall Clove Road in Andes, Delaware County. A DEP access permit is not required.
- East Bramley Mountain Unit: Comprises 162 acres and includes 2,494 feet of frontage along an unnamed tributary of the Little Delaware River. Access is off East Bramley Mountain Road in Bovina, Delaware County. A DEP access permit is not required.
- Roaring Kill Unit: Comprises 143 acres and includes 2,177 feet of frontage along the Roaring Kill in the Schoharie Reservoir Basin. Access is off Mink Hollow Road in Hunter, Greene County. A DEP access permit is not required.
- Van Aken Road North: Comprises 23 acres and includes 1,733 feet of frontage along the Bear Kill, just upstream of the City's Grand Gorge wastewater treatment plant. Access is off Van Aken Road in Roxbury, Delaware County. A DEP access permit is required.
- Slater Road Unit: Comprises 17 acres and includes 1,412 feet of frontage along the Chestnut Creek, just more than 3 miles west of where it empties into the Rondout Reservoir. Access is off Slater Road in Neversink, Sullivan County. A DEP access permit is required.

Fishing on all City-owned reservoirs and lakes requires a free permit that can be obtained on the DEP website. Those with questions about permitting may also e-mail recreation@dep.nyc.gov or call (800) 575-LAND. Those fishing on streams that run across City-owned land should carefully check signs in those recreation units to determine whether a permit is required, or if that unit is a public access area that allows recreation without a permit.

DEP will also support an outreach effort on April 1 to educate fishermen and other outdoor recreationalists about the threat of invasive species. The outreach effort is being coordinated by the Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership (CRISP) with support from at least 20 trained volunteers from several agencies, including DEP. Volunteers will be stationed at fishing access points in the Ashokan, Delaware, and Schoharie basins to inform fishermen about common invasive species such as zebra mussels, didymo, and the emerald ash borer, and ways to prevent spreading them. Invasive species of animals, plants, and microbes that are not native to North America can cause economic and environmental damage that result in an estimated \$120 billion in damage each year in the United States. Some invasive species could threaten water quality by killing trees that naturally filter water, clogging intake pipes or introducing harmful algae or toxins into the water. To protect

against the threat of invasive species, DEP requires all boats to be steam cleaned before they are used on reservoirs.

The breadth of fishing opportunities on City land underscores DEP's concerted effort to open more City property in the watershed for recreation and boost the local tourism economy. There are currently 114,833 acres of city land open for recreation in the watershed, including the aforementioned reservoirs and more than 52,000 acres that are open for use without a permit. Increasing recreation opportunities in the watershed was among the goals outlined in "Strategy 2011-2014," a comprehensive strategic plan that identified 100 initiatives to make DEP the most efficient, cost-effective, and transparent water utility in the nation.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than 9 million residents, including 8.3 million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam, and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$68 million payroll and \$153 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with over \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

SC Federation for the Homeless Receives Stewart's Grant

The Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless has received a \$500.00 grant from Stewart's "Holiday Match" program. Stewart's has been collecting and matching donations in their shops from Thanksgiving to Christmas since 1986. Half of all monies collected and disbursed comes from their customers.

In keeping with the parameters of the grant, the Federation will use this money to supplement the bi-weekly food pantry which directly supports children and families in the Sullivan County community. Last year the Federation provided 8138 pantry bags- each bag provides 3 meals a day for 3 days, which is the equivalent of 73,242 meals. Kathy Kreiter, Program Administrator at the Federation said "This generous donation will certainly help us continue to assist our area friends and neighbors in need."

The Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless is committed to developing individualized and community wide plans for disadvantaged people to break the cycles of poverty that cause homelessness and hunger. For more information, please call Kathy at (845) 794-2604.

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Cahill Secures Final Budget Funding of Local Interest: Groups Include Belleayre Mountain, Catskill Mountain Rail Trail, and the Catskill Interpretative Center

(Albany, NY) As part of the budget agreement passed Thursday, Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) announced that a number of important local organizations and projects will receive funding from New York State. Appropriations include a \$1 million carve out for Belleayre Ski Center, \$2 million for the Catskill Mountain Rail Trail along with a guaranteed public comment period, and \$1 million for the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretative Center. Statewide provisions such as a \$936 million overall increase in State Aid for schools, and the increase of base aid to community colleges by \$150 per full-time equivalent student to \$2,422 represent a strong investment in education. The partial restoration of Office for People with Developmental Disabilities funding to direct providers will also reduce untenable cuts to local organizations.

"Securing funding for these causes was a top priority this budget season," Cahill said. "Over the past three years, we've had to deal with unprecedented economic problems, extraordinary budget gaps and growing needs at every level. I'm pleased that we met those challenges this year with a fair, on-time budget, allowing all stakeholders to view and air their concerns about the bills before they were voted on."

School Funding

Overall school aid was increased by \$436 million over the Governor's proposed budget, bringing the total increase to five percent. A portion of this increase was directed toward High Tax Aid, a funding stream which had been earlier cut by the Governor would have and cost the Ontario Central School District seven percent of their total State Aid. Thanks to the restoration, Ontario's received a slight overall funding increase for the year. Every school district in the 103rd Assembly district also saw their funding increase over the executive budget proposal, including Rondout Valley which was set to receive a decrease.

"This increase in State Aid is a good first step on a long road toward a higher, more predictable level of funding for education. Schools are on the verge of not only facing fiscal insolvency, but are also at risk of becoming educationally bankrupt. The increase in State Aid saves schools from having to cut many important programs without having to turn to local property tax payers for more support. Balancing the budget on the backs of students is shortsighted and I am pleased that this budget takes positive steps in the other direction to protect public education," said Cahill.

"The community, school board, and school district lobbied our elected representatives and Governor and we are glad that the initial proposed cut of \$500,000 is now back in the State Education budget. However, New York State Schools are still receiving 2009 state aid amounts. This fact combined with the tax levy cap is providing an environment where many of our School Districts will become fiscally and educationally insolvent," said Ann McGillicuddy, Ontario Board President.

Belleayre

The final budget includes language that ensures Belleayre Mountain Ski Center will continue to receive adequate funding in light of its 2012 transfer to the Olympic Regional Development Authority. A total of \$1 million was directed toward the Shandaken facility including a \$500,000 portion of the funding ORDA received as a part of the New York Works program.

"This language fulfills a commitment I demanded for those in the Catskills who rely on Belleayre's success for their livelihood," said Cahill. "The funding stream assures that our interests will not be put behind other ORDA facilities and that it will receive the attention it deserves."

"Cahill has been a long time supporter of Belleayre and we appreciate his effort and continued attention that has resulted in this funding stream. This has been a transition year, but the future is bright for the region that depends on the economic health of the Ski Center," said Joseph Kelley, Chairman of the Coalition to Save Belleayre.

Rail Trail

This \$2 million grant will help the Catskill Mountain Railroad become an even greater a rail and trail resource which already draws tourism to Ulster County. The provision also includes language which requires an open comment period so that the concerns of the community about the future of the railroad and the importance of this trail can be heard.

"The long discussed Catskill Mountain Rail Trail

will finally have the opportunity to become a reality with this and another \$1 million appropriation I have already secured. This great resource will improve rail trail access to unprecedented levels. I look forward to the day when this project spans from Kingston straight through the heart of the Catskills," Cahill said.

Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretative Center

A \$1 million appropriation will aid in the construction of the 2,000 square foot Catskill Interpretative Center, recently renamed in honor of Maurice D. Hinchey in recognition of the former Congressman's environmental stewardship in our area. It will serve as a physical and virtual gateway for visitors and residents to learn about the plethora of recreational and cultural activities available in Catskill Park and the Catskill Region. Similar centers have already proved to be a tremendous success in other places, including the Adirondack Park.

"I'm thrilled about this funding. Once completed, this center will provide a great service to the Catskill community. I appreciate all the Assemblyman has done on this issue," said Sherret S. Chase, Chair of The Friends of the Catskill Interpretative Center.

"Each year visitors come to this area in droves, yet the Catskill Park is the largest state or national park without a visitor center anywhere in the United States. This funding is a strong step toward turning these building plans into a brick and mortar facility that will provide up to 400 regional jobs and will significantly increase visitation," Cahill said.

Aid to Community Colleges

To bolster New York's higher education system, the final budget increases state support for Community Colleges to \$2,422 per Full Time Equivalent (FTE). This \$150 addition is the second consecutive increase in community college base aid.

"Investing in community colleges and their valuable workforce development programs is one of the most effective ways to rebuild our economy. Additionally, providing more state funding to these institutions encourages counties to keep their commitment to operating our community colleges and takes some of the pressure off property tax payers and students alike," Cahill said.

"We're simply delighted that the Assembly and Senate agreed to add \$150 per FTE student in base aid. We greatly appreciate the fact that the Legislature is trying to support SUNY's 'rational base aid plan' that will bring the State's share of community college operating funds back to the one-third level of total operating costs throughout the state." Don Katt, President of SUNY Ulster.

Office of People With Developmental Disabilities

In the Governor's 30-day amendments, a \$120 million or six percent cut was made to OPWDD and was concentrated specifically on direct providers. The legislature successfully fought for a partial restoration of these funds in the final budget, where the cut was whittled down to \$90 million. The Budget also establishes a stakeholder workgroup to develop alternative savings actions to mitigate the impact of these rate reductions on consumers.

"Because of the negative impact these harsh cuts would have on local groups like Ulster-Greene ARC and the Anderson Center for Autism, I worked to mitigate them. While the final result still hurts, it is my hope that we have reduced layoffs and stemmed a dramatic reduction in the quality of care that people with developmental disabilities could receive in the Hudson Valley. I have a long history of standing up for those with disabilities and will continue to fight on their behalf," Cahill said.

Conclusion: "This year's budget represents the Legislature's commitment to restoring funding to pre-Great Recession levels without forgetting the important lessons lean times have taught us about consolidating services, eliminating what is unnecessary, and respecting taxpayers. I look forward to future years of economic growth in New York State," said Assemblymember Cahill.

Gillibrand Urges President to Exempt Bulk Shipments of Apples from Double Inspection; Exemption Would Eliminate Costly After-Hours Inspection Procedures; Save \$450,000 Annually If Double Inspection Was Eliminated

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a newly appointed member of the President's Export Council, today urged the President to exempt bulk shipments of apples to Canada from double inspection. Fixing this would help New York apple growers streamline operations and save money. Exempting bulk shipments of U.S. apples to Canada from double inspection required by the Apple Export Act would offer growers immediate savings

of approximately \$300 per truckload, and allow growers to create their own distribution schedules, eliminating costly after-hours inspection procedures.

"New York State is home to some of the world's best apples and hardest working growers," said Senator Gillibrand. "Our farmers play a vital role in the economic development and food security of the state. The double inspection of our apples to Canada is an impediment to New York apple exporters. The elimination of the expensive and unnecessary second inspection would put money back in our local growers' pockets."

The Apple and Pear Export Act of 1933 requires that all exported apples are inspected. However, pears have been excluded from the law since 1999. The elimination of apples from this antiquated law would enable apple farmers to have more control over their work schedules and would eliminate expensive after-hours inspection procedures.

Last year, 1.5 million bushels of New York apples were exported to Canada. Eliminating the double inspection method would save New York apple exporters \$450,000 annually and speed up the global exportation process for more than 500,000 bushels of New York apples. New York is the second highest producer of apples, behind Washington State. In 2010, New York produced 1.26 billion pounds of apples, generating approximately \$227 million in revenue.

POLITICAL SLANT - Frank Comando - TODAY'S WORLD OF NUKES

They're not going to ask me to get under a desk again as they did in the nineteen-forties and fifties, when Armand Hammer of Occidental Petroleum, lent the Russians the money to develop the technology for the atomic bomb, are they?

Today's nuclear world for the Obama administration hears no such cries, but the harsh realities for U.S. strategists are the cries of two threats, Asia and the Middle East.

American officials and international nuclear experts believe that North Korea's weapons capabilities are far more advanced than Iran's. Korea's might, is a result of decades of covert atomic work, that is now close to mastering the technology to mount one of its estimated dozen nuclear warheads atop medium-range missiles, that are capable of striking U.S. allies South Korea and Japan.

Iran, by comparison, has no atomic bombs in its military arsenal, nor the ability to deliver them, say U.S. and United Nations experts. Iran says its nuclear program is strictly for civilian purposes, although the Obama administration has charged Tehran with trying to develop nuclear weapons.

"By many estimates, North Korea will have the ability to deliver nuclear weapons using long-range ballistic missiles to distant targets within four to five years," said Evans Revere, a former senior State Department official who follows Korean affairs at the Brookings Institution. "This will drastically change the security environment in Asia."

North Korea also is able to produce dozens more nuclear bombs by employing two separate programs to create weapons-grade fuel-plutonium and highly enriched uranium, said U.S. and U.N. officials.

Iran has so far only developed uranium-enrichment technology. The U.N. is concerned, though, that Tehran could begin separating plutonium from spent fuel produced by a nuclear reactor Iran is building in Arak.

"Everything we fear Iran will do in the future, North Korea largely already has done," said David Asher, who led efforts in the George W. Bush administration to counter Pyongyang's financial and proliferation networks. "If we applied one-third of the pressure on North Korea that we do on Iran, there would be huge strategic consequences."

However, in recent months, the White House has changed tack by enacting new economic sanctions against North Korea, both bilaterally and through the U.N., in response to nuclear and long-range missiles tests it conducted since December.

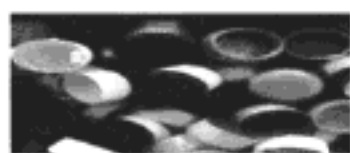
In recent days, the Pentagon has also deployed advanced bombers and stealth fighter jets over the Korean peninsula in a bid to dissuade Pyongyang from threats to strike U.S., South Korean, and allied targets in Asia.

By the way, Pyongyang, literally means "Flat Land" or "Peaceful Land." It doesn't seem right.

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Regional Energy Symposium in Delhi

"Efficiency and Savings for Now and the Future," a regional energy symposium, will be held Saturday, Apr. 20 from 8:30 to 3:30 at SUNY Delhi's Catskill Hall. The event will highlight energy conservation improvements and practical alternative energy applications for homes and small businesses. Lectures, exhibits, tours of renewable energy projects on the SUNY Delhi Campus and the new Sidney Federal Credit Union facility in Delhi will be offered. Sponsored by Delaware County IDA, SUNY Delhi, New England Wood Pellets, the Delaware County Electric Cooperative, GEMS and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County, which will be on hand to discuss the CWC-funded Catskill Grass Energy Project. Registration required by April 5. Contact Kelly Blakeslee, Delaware County Department of Watershed Affairs, 607-746-8914; kelly.blakeslee@co.delaware.ny.us.

A. G. Schneiderman Issues Tips To Help Consumers Avoid Deceptive And Fraudulent Practices This Tax Season

With the deadline for filing personal income tax returns less than one month away, Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today issued tips to protect New Yorkers from tax preparation scams. The Attorney General also asked taxpayers to notify his office of any suspected fraudulent schemes designed to steal personal and financial information from consumers.

"Taking advantage of innocent people in this tough economy is shameful, and will not be tolerated by my office," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "New Yorkers who are trying to obey the law by filing their taxes on time should not have to worry about being ripped off by tax scammers covertly charging them excessive fees, or peddling other cons. Tax season is stressful enough. That's why my office is helping provide New Yorkers the information they need to make sure they don't get ripped off by scam artists."

Each year, Attorney General Schneiderman's offices throughout the state receive complaints from consumers about tax preparation schemes. Some scammers prey on seniors or college students by impersonating tax authorities, soliciting follow up information on a tax form, and collecting identification numbers and social security information, which is then used to steal people's money or identities. Others have even gone to the extreme of using "spoofing technology" to make their caller ID numbers come up to look like they are from the IRS.

Taxpayers should be alert to tax preparation businesses that advertise low fees to get the customer in the door, but then increase the final fee by hundreds of dollars claiming the tax return was more complicated than anticipated, or to a tax preparer who electronically withdraws more than the agreed upon fee without notice to the consumer.

As taxpayers look for help in filing their taxes, Attorney General Schneiderman issued the following tips for consumers:

- Use recognizable and established companies;
- Check the tax preparer's qualifications;
- Check the tax preparer's history through the Better Business Bureau (www.bbb.org);
- Ask for a written estimate of all fees;
- Avoid those who base their fees on a percentage of your refund;
- Make sure the tax preparer is accessible, even after the April due date;
- Never sign a blank return;
- Review entire return before signing;
- Make sure the preparer signs the tax form and includes a Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN);

- Avoid "too good to be true" promises;
- Consult New York's "Consumer Bill of Rights Regarding Tax Preparers."

Consumers should also beware of refund anticipation loans (RALs) and refund anticipation checks (RACs). RALs are often marketed as "instant" or "24-hour" refunds but are actually high cost loans that come with fees and interest that reduce the amount of any refund. New York State's General Business Law section 372 (known as the Consumer Bill of Rights regarding Tax Preparers), requires RALs to be marketed as loans - not refunds. RACs are temporary bank accounts established on behalf of a taxpayer into which a direct deposit refund can be received but these also come with fees that will reduce the consumer's refund. The tax preparer must give the consumer a written disclosure that explains:

- You are not required to take out a refund anticipation loan or refund anticipation check in order to receive your tax refund
- The amount of fees and interest you will have to pay if you take out a refund anticipation loan or refund anticipation check
- The amount you will receive after the fees and interest are deducted
- The annual percentage rate of interest that you will be charged
- The amount your refund will be if you don't take out a refund anticipation loan

Consumers can avoid the costs of refund anticipation loans and checks by filing their return electronically and having refunds either mailed or directly deposited into their own bank account.

The Attorney General is also reminding New Yorkers that there are Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites where consumers can get their tax returns prepared free of charge. For more information about how to qualify and identify a VITA location site go to:

www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=107626,00.html.

Consumers whose income is \$57,000 or less may qualify for FreeFile and can use free tax preparation and free e-filing software. Information on free e-filing is available at:

www.tax.ny.gov/pit/efile/freefile.htm.

Some additional websites with helpful information include: Internal Revenue Service; www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc254.html; www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=120129,00.html NYS Consumer Bill of Rights Regarding Tax Preparers;

www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/memos/income/m08_7i.pdf; NYC Department of Consumer Affairs; www.nyc.gov/html/dca/html/home/home.shtml

Attorney General Schneiderman is urging New Yorkers to be vigilant consumers and to report instances of fraud to his Office. Consumers who feel they've been victims of any tax preparation scams are urged to file complaints by visiting the Office's website or calling 1-800-771-7755.

CCE Board Opts to Furlough Staff to Absorb Recent Budget Cuts

LIBERTY, NY - The public is being asked to help keep the doors open full-time at Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County following a 20% cut in funding by the Sullivan County Legislature, due to its financial challenges. This request for community support comes after a unanimous vote at the March 26th CCE board meeting to approve staff furloughs of one day per week beginning in mid-April.

"We need immediate help from families, farmers, homemakers, and everyone touched by Cooperative Extension if we want to keep providing services at the same level," said CCE Board President Joan Howard. "We're talking about our core, traditional areas of 4-H, agriculture, and family and consumer science. We know times are tough for everyone, but please consider making a special donation at this time."

A weekly furlough of employees will begin mid-April 2013, announced CCE Executive Director Greg Sandor, as a result of the over \$83,000 reduction to the county's contract for programs approved last week.

"I am not prepared to cut any one program right now. Instead, I am planning on reducing staff hours across the board, including my position, and then we will spend the next month looking closely at each program and will begin cutting programs after this 30 day period," said Sandor. "More importantly, by only cutting staff one day per week, they will be able to keep their current positions and retain the excellent benefit package that Cornell University provides to all our local county CCE employees."

This furlough policy will require staff to take one day a week without pay, and affects all employees. All CCE programs and activities at the Gerald J.

Skoda Extension Education Center in Liberty will be suspended one day each week beginning in mid-April, until further notice.

"If 1000 people donate \$100 each, it will keep staff on full-time and our doors open five days a week for the rest of the year, giving us time to seek additional resources," said Sandor.

The Cooperative Extension Board of Directors approved the new policy at a meeting on Tuesday evening, in lieu of layoffs. However, the board will review the decision in 30 days and make additional cuts to programs, if warranted.

CCE traditionally faces a difficult cash-flow situation since it is required to provide many of its services before it is reimbursed. Coupled with a federal cut of \$33,000 due to Congress's failure to reauthorize the Farm Bill, CCE is facing a total loss of over \$116,000 for the year. With the first quarter already gone, the board felt it was necessary to take immediate fiscal action.

The cuts also put other funding at risk, including a \$50,000 capital improvement grant secured by Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther to make major improvements to the Education Center. That funding must be spent up front and then reimbursed. CCE was hoping to obtain additional matching grants as well, but now the entire plan is in doubt. Ironically, the \$100,000 in building improvements would be made to a facility owned by Sullivan County and come at no cost to the county.

The board had planned to announce a 2014 Centennial Year Fund Drive this summer to celebrate the institution's 100th anniversary in Sullivan County. Now the board is issuing an emergency appeal and will kick-off the fund drive in June. The money raised will be used first to reopen the office 5 days a week.

Additional funds will assist staff in carrying out the visionary plans in advancing CCE's role in economic development, including: a business-incubating commercial kitchen, projects spotlighting maple syrup production, greenhouse demonstration, and woodlot management, as well as sustainable, energy efficient infrastructure for the CCE building. Donations received will continue to support the vital programs of agriculture, 4-H youth development, and family and consumer science that have established the foundation of CCE education in Sullivan County for the last century.

"We are committed to continuing to provide the great resources of Cornell University to Sullivan County. We will not waiver on this," promised Sandor. The new director is enthusiastic that the public will respond with support.

Members of the board will be at CCE on Tuesday, April 2 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. to answer questions about the furlough, budget, new projects, and the 2014 Centennial Year Fund Drive. Individuals with questions may also contact the board at sullivan@cornell.edu.

Assemblywoman Gunther Announces Inclusion of "Prescriber Prevails" in Budget

Monticello, NY - Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther announced today that the 2013-14 New York State budget will expand the ability of health care providers to have final say over which medication their patients will receive - a practice known as prescriber prevails. In 2011, this practice was changed to give Medicaid managed care health plans this authority.

In 2012, prescriber prevails was restored for atypical antipsychotics for patients with a history of mental health illness. This year's expansion will include several classes of drugs, including anti-depressants, anti-retrovirals, anti-rejection drugs, and anticonvulsants.

"Many medications, particularly those for treating mental illness, are not clinically interchangeable," said Assemblywoman Gunther. "It often requires several attempts to find an appropriate drug regimen that stabilizes an individual's condition. For individuals with serious and persistent mental illness, providers must be able to select from a full range of drug options. The decision regarding what's best for a person should remain in the hands of the doctor, not a health plan or insurance company."

The Executive Budget proposed to eliminate prescriber prevails for all drug classes under Medicaid Fee-For-Service and atypical antipsychotics for Medicaid managed care. Under current law, a prescriber's professional judgment prevails when prescribing an atypical antipsychotic medication that is not on a managed care plan formulary or requires prior authorization.

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www.townofneversink.org (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Father's Day Brunch Cruise -Saturday, June 15... \$20 residents/\$39 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, April 23.

FLEA MARKET- Saturday, July 13. DETAILS:With both new and used items something for everyone. Reserve your table now. \$15 per space must be paid no later than Tuesday, June 25.

Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Yankees Baseball Game - Thursday, July 25, \$12 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, May 28.

Community Yard Sale, Crafts & Vendor Fair Saturday, July 13, 2013 They are presently seeking vendors that include Home Party, Craft and Yard Sale Vendors. The cost is \$15. Contact Jamie Brooks at 985-2262 xt 312 to reserve your spot by May 13, 2013.

Trolley Tour-Luncheon-Entertainment-Shopping Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2013. \$40 pp residents; \$59 pp non-residents.

FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1-4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.

Walking Club Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 Grahamsville Fairgrounds



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011. Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday and Monday: Closed

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

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS -

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

Kiwanis Club Annual Opening Notary Public Review Course

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Notary Public Review course. Classes will be held on April 8th and 10th from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello. The fee for this class is \$72.00 each session. This fast-paced course is a review of topics including notarial acts, professional ethics and conduct, and principles of notarizing action along with test-taking tips and handouts. The applicant for licensure must be at least 18 years of age and a U.S. citizen at the time of application.

For more information or to register, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the

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- 4/6/13 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
4/6/13 Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall Roast Pork Dinner 4-7 pm - 985-7480
4/9/13 Town of Denning Audit/Business Meeting - at 7 PM - Denning Town Hall
4/10/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
4/11/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
4/13/13 Corned Beef Hash Breakfast Sundown Methodist Church Hall - 7:30-9:30 am.
4/13/13 Annual Honeybee Class & Seminar Beginning Bee Keeping Call 647-6759 Jim Kile for info
4/16/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)
4/16/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
4/17/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m
4/20/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church - Thrift Sale Only - 9 am - 1 pm
4/20/13 The Community Shepherds Committee will be meeting at the Daniel Pierce Library 10 a.m.
4/21/13 Claryville Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon
4/30/13 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm
5/1/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:30 pm
5/1/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting
5/7/13 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00pm Sundown Church Hall

Save the Dates!

Saturday, May 4th, 2013 for the Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk and Tag Day -- in memory of Donald Ter Bush, Charter Member and President of the Tri-Valley Lions, who passed away July 16, 2012- Sign-in 8:30-9:00 Wal at 9 am at Grahamsville 1st Aid Building

June 5 - Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic 6-8 pm on the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville

July 14- The second annual Matthew R Berthoff Horseshoe Tournament Neversink Firehouse

Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival sponsored by the EWOCOC -Saturday August 10th-Vendor applications are available now. Coordinator is Dianne E Turner (aka "Mother Blueberry")

2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Date to be announced.

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting every second Monday of each month. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.

Town Board meets every second Tuesday of each month. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.

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.

hours of 8:30 am and 7:30 pm or visit www.scbores.org. For program updates, like us on Facebook and follow us on twitter.

LPN Program at Sullivan BOCES Holds Open Enrollment for Sept. 2013 Session

LIBERTY: Are you interested in pursuing a career in nursing? Do you want to advance your career or obtain a job in healthcare where the demand is great and the opportunities are abundant? Earn good money in a career you enjoy, helping people.

The Licensed Practical Nursing Program at the Career and Technical Education Center of Sullivan County BOCES is now accepting applications for the September 2013 class.

Set yourself on the fast track. Call (845) 295-4941 for an application and testing appointment. Entrance exams will be held on April 15th and May 14th.

The Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Program prepares both high school and adult students for career opportunities in a variety of settings including: home health care agencies, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, outpatient clinics, nursing homes, dialysis centers, and doctor's offices. The New York State LPN to RN articulation provides students the opportunity to receive college credit towards a registered nursing degree upon successful completion of the LPN program and licensure.

The BOCES LPN Program provides students with both the theory and the clinical experience needed to pass the National Council Licensing Exam for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). Students enrolled in the program must pass each content area of the program and all practical clinical requirements. In addition, students must complete a minimum of 1,188 hours of instruction and be recommended by the LPN faculty for entrance to the licensing examination.

For more information on the programs available through the Career and Technical Education Center visit our website at scbores.org or call 295-4152. For program updates, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Learn the Basics: Canning at Home

LIBERTY, NY- Food preservation at home CAN be easy and fun with a little instruction! A workshop on how to successfully and safely can foods at home is offered on Tuesday April 16, 2013 by the Master Food Preservation Team of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.

SueAnn Boyd and Erica Ferber, CCE Nutrition Educators, will guide the workshop with topics including why and when "hot pack" is preferable, canning safety, and the proper procedure for hot water bath canning. Participants will be sent home with a prepared food sample. The workshop will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis

Road in Liberty, NY. This is the first of many food preservation workshops.

All class materials are covered with a registration fee of just \$25.00. Class size is limited so pre-registration with payment is required in advance. No refunds will be issued. Registration and more information can be attained by calling 845-292-6180.

Golf League Seeking New Teams

The traveling Community Golf League is seeking new teams for the 2013 season.

The league plays Thursday evenings at Grossinger's, The Monster, Kutscher's and Tarry Brae. The cost to join the league is \$75 which covers the meal at the start of the season, awards and prizes at the end of league play. The league format is a two-man team, handicapped scoring and each week playing on one of the four league courses. Weekly golf cart golf course fees range from \$19 to \$22 per golfer.

The league starts the middle of April and ends in the middle of September.

For information contact Aaron at 845-798-5278 or Joe at 845-866-6679.

Caregiving: Bathing without a Battle

LIBERTY, NY- Caregivers experience many challenges in their work but bathing doesn't have to be a battle! Caregiver Resource Center of Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County will present "Bathing without a Battle" with materials tailored to a 'person-centered' approach to bathing an individual with confusion or chronic illness. The class will be held on Monday, April 15, 2013 from 5:30 to 7 pm at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. The class is free and a light supper will be served. All must pre-register by April 8 by calling 845-292-6180. Bathing can become a struggle, causing distress and discomfort, for both the individual coping with a dementia or chronic illness and the family caregiver trying to help. There are approaches that can help your loved one to safely, soothingly bathe- returning it to a pleasant experience.

This free educational presentation is hosted by the Caregiver Resource Center with assistance from The Alzheimer's Association. The caregiver program is co-partnered between Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County and Office for the Aging, funded by the NYS Caregiver Program.

Kiwanis Club Annual Opening Season Breakfast

On Sunday, April 7, 2013 Roscoe Kiwanis Club will host its annual Breakfast from 7:00 am - 12:00 pm on Sunday, April 7th 2013 at The Roscoe Community Center (former Kirchner building)

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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia
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(Crime, 1944)**



The film is an American movie classic with believable dialogue throughout, an insurance salesman Fred MacMurray gets seduced by the alluring Barbara Stanwyck into plotting a her husbands death. A genius of a murder plot followed by a subsequent investigation by Fred's colleague, played by the immortal Edward G. Robinson. The film is directed by Billy Wilder, and starring Barbara Stanwyck, Fred MacMurray, Edward G. Robinson, Porter Hall, Tom Power, Fortunio Bonanova, Jean Heather, Bess Flowers, See it, on TCM! Sunday April 7, 2013 at 3:30 PM, 108 min, Rated TV-PG, **Quiz: 1.** Which actor's character appeared in a Looney Tunes Cartoon as a baby gangster, with a cigar, and in a crib? **2.** Who was the great character actor who played "Sam Gorlopis?"

What's Going On In The Gnome Neighborhood™ This Week?

CATSKILL MOUNTAIN ARCHERS -
Catskill Mountain Archers of 332 Clark A Road Woodbourne, New York 12788 (845) 443-3068, will sponsor outdoor 3D shoot, and an indoor range at Travis Archery in Woodbourne. A free program for kids, a shoot May 5, 2013, to benefit the Wounded Warrior Excursion. We are hoping to raise the funds necessary to send a local disabled veteran on an assisted hunt, see press front page.

- GRAHAMSVILLE -
Roast pork Dinner - Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall, April 6, 2013, 4:00 to 7:00 PM, enjoy see flyer.

- SUNDOWN -
Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper 5:30 PM April 6, 2013, yummy. Do not forget the thrift sale on April 20, 2013, Grahamsville Methodist Church

- LIBERTY -
(4/5) Penny Social benefiting the Sullivan SPCA Penny Social Liberty Fire House Friday April 5th the Sullivan County SPCA will host a Penny Social at the Liberty Firehouse, Sprague Ave. Doors will open at 4pm and calling will begin at 7pm. Proceeds will benefit the Sullivan County SPCA. Everyone gets a free hot dog and juice drink with \$2 paid admission. For more information, call (845) 292-4251

- ACCORD -
Do you have some gasoline or oil in your veins? Then go to Accord Speedway Opening Night Racing, on April 12, 2013 at 5:00 PM, for information call, 845.626.3478, or <http://www.accordspeedway.com>

- GARDINER -
Mohonk preserve grand re-opening celebration Celebrate Mohonk Preserve's 50th Anniversary at their newly renovated Visitor Center. Ribbon cutting Saturday April 27, 2013, at 4:47 PM, see new features and exhibits, ongoing activities 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM free. Mohonk Preserve 3197 State Rte 55, Gardiner, Tel, 255-0919, www.mohonkpreserve.org

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