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Lorna Bragg is a 2021 graduate of Tri-Valley High School. She will be attending Northeastern University in the fall, majoring in Mathematics and Political Science. Ms. Bragg hopes to continue onto Law school and believes in using a legal career to make a difference to those in her community.

The scholarship was established in 2016 to honor the memory of Ira Jay Cohen, a lifelong resident of Sullivan County and member of the Bar Association. Mr. Cohen enjoyed a long and illustrious career as both private attorney and public servant, having



Lorna Bragg is a 2021 graduate of Tri-Valley High School

served as Sullivan County Public Defender, Sullivan County Attorney and Sullivan County Treasurer. (Contd. Pg. 4)

FCSD Presents Two STAR Awards Prior to End of School Year



In June, Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz and the Board of Education honored FCSD Staff with the prestigious STAR Award that stands for Staff/Teacher Award Recognition. Benjamin Cosor Elementary School (BCES) Principal Mary Kate Stinehour and FCSD Director of Physical Education and Athletics Suzanne Lendzian nominated BCES P.E. teachers Vanessa Marsilio and Philip Motl for coming to the aid of a fourth grader during an outdoor class on June 10.

As the class was ending on this very hot day, students were lining up to reenter the building. One of the children was in heat distress. Ms. Marsilio shouted out to Mr. Motl to monitor the

rest of the class while she attended to the ill child. The two teachers created a controlled, safe environment, administered emergency first aid to the student, and notified the appropriate school personnel for further assistance. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receive h a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. St. Matthew 10:41

OBITUARY

Jonnelle Jean Marra-Ingber, 50,

of Fallsburg, N.Y., died Friday (July 30, 2021). She was born October 25, 1970, in Batavia, N.Y., the daughter of John O. Marra and Carole A. DiSanto.

Jonnelle was a stay-at-home mom for her daughter Johnni and her triplets Addison, Jaxon, and Brian. She possessed the unfaltering character of a nurse and was often told she would have made a great one. She gave love, support, and kindness freely, and if ever she felt burdened, she never let on. Jonnelle's spontaneous nature, magnetic personality, and infectious laugh touched the lives of everyone who knew her.

Jonnelle is survived by her mother Carole DiSanto, her daughters Johnni Brown and Addison Ingber, her sons Brian and Jaxon Ingber and their father, Adam Ingber, her brother Jamie Marra, her sisters Luanne Marra and Nicole DiSanto, several doting nieces and nephews and her best friend, Amy Nichols.

Jonnelle is predeceased by her father John O. Marra and her daughter Jerica L. Marra.

A visitation was held on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home in Woodbourne, NY. Interment will take place at Grand View Cemetery in Batavia, New York. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family.

Arrangements are under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52, Woodbourne, NY. For more information or to send a message of condolence, please contact the funeral home directly at 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

COLLEGE NEWS:

Robert Worden, Jr. of Grahamsville, NY. recently received notice from Touro College where his is enrolled in the Doctural Program. Based on his academic record in the Spring 2021 semester Robert has earned a place on the Dean's List.

He is being honored for his great accomplishment, his work and success in the program. He was applauded for his commitment to excellence.

Robert expects to graduate in 2022 after which time he will pursue his career as a Doctor of Sports Medicine.

Congratulations Robert!

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

August 15, 1951

Fred Mickelson Sr. and son, Robert were forced off the road on Route 209 near Kerhonkson last Thursday morning when a trailer truck loaded with gasoline which was approaching, swerved into the traffic lane ahead of their 1951 Ford. No one was injured.

The Halls Mills covered bridge spanning the Neversink three miles below Claryville in the Town of Neversink is our last one. It is in superb condition and with only a little care should survive well into the next century for it is on the little traveled route to Blue Hill.

The Merriman Dam at Lackawack which was permanently closed on May 9, 1951 by sealing the diversion tunnel has been gradually filling with water. The level is now well above the inlet into the effluent chamber. It is anybody's guess how long it will take to fill the big storage basin.

Upstate New York reported about half as many new cases of polio last week as in the corresponding week of 1950. The State Health Dept. announced today that 34 cases were reported last week compared with 61 cases in the same week of 1950.

August 16, 1961

Miss Paula Rae Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burch and Mr. Thomas Andrew Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, both of Grahamsville, were married Saturday, August 12 at 2 p.m. at the Lows Corners Baptist Church in a double ring ceremony performed by the Rev. Louis Carlsen. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are both graduates of Tri Valley Central School. Mr. Smith served 4 years in the United States Air Force. They plan to make their home in Middletown where the groom is attending O.C.C.C.

Belated birthday wishes to Mr. Rily Curry who celebrated his 93rd birthday on Sunday, August 13th.

Manville B. Wakefield was named to the post of County Historian by the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors in Monticello on Monday night. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

August 16, 1961 (From Pg. 2)

Mr. Wakefield is replacing Dr. Nathan Weiss of Woodridge who has accepted a college teaching assignment in New Jersey.

The United States Air Force Thunderbirds, flying F-100 Super Sabres, will roar over the Liberty area Wednesday in a series of maneuvers heralded by the sponsor, Liberty Airport Authority, as the most spectacular in Sullivan County history.

August 25, 1971

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shafer are the proud parents of a daughter, Karen Michele, born at Genesee Memorial Hospital, Batavia, N.Y. on July 29th. Mrs. Shafer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frank Sr., former residents of Neversink and is also the daughter of the late James V. Curry of Neversink.

L. Cpl. Mark A. Condon has been promoted to Corporal in the United States Marine Corps. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Condon of Grahamsville. Mark is a 1968 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kelly, 15 yrs. on the 12th; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Denman, 13 yrs. on the 30th; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bowers, 15 yrs. on the 30th; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Arielly, 14 yrs. on the 24th

August 20, 1981

Specialist 4 Stacey Hollenbeck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Amundsen of Grahamsville, has arrived for duty at Manheim, West Germany. Stacey is a military police woman and was previously stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. She is a 1979 graduate of Tri-Valley School.

George E. Sheeley, South Hill Rd., Grahamsville, a former Town of Wawarsing Committeeman and a lifelong area resident, died Monday, Aug. 10th at the Hamilton Ave. Hospital, Monticello. He was 96. The son of the late Jeremiah and Mary Blumnauer Sheeley, he was born Jan. 7, 1885 in South Hills. Mr. Sheeley was a retired farmer.

Good luck to Don TerBush in his new job as Chief Deputy of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William Ohnemus (she is the former Dawn Stephenson) who were married at Kingdom Hall, White Sulphur Springs, on Sunday, Aug. 2nd.

On Sunday afternoon Pete Rock, Mike McNamara and Emily Katz attended the wedding of John Sauchuck to Cathy Stoddard. The wedding was held in St. Peter's Church in Liberty and the reception was at the Stevensville Hotel in Swan Lake.

Household Hint:

Freshen a musty closet

With all the damp warm weather, do you have acloset that doesn't smell as fresh as you'd like? First, remove the contents, then wash down the walls, ceiling, and floor with a cloth dampened in a solution of 1 cup each of vinegar and ammonia and 1/4 cup baking soda in 1 gallon (3.7 liters) water. Keep the closet door open and let the interior dry before replacing your clothes and other stuff. If the smell persists, place a small pan of cat litter inside. Replenish every few days until the odor is gone.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Funny Little Touch-Me-Nots Jewels of the Wild

The Jewelweed near the pond and along the stream is in full bloom. They're water-repellent, so they look like they're covered with tiny jewels (raindrops) after it rains. The underneath part of the



leaves are very pale. When leaves are underwater, they like silver. The trumpet-shaped flowers hanging from the plants resemble jewels from a necklace. Putting this all together, accounts for its common name, Jewelweed. This time of the year, the little seed pods are beginning to ripen. When they are fully ripe, the seed pods

explode with a

'pop' when you touch them, thus his plant is also know as Touch-Me-Nots.

Jewelweed is an annual, so it only lives for one year. Jewelweed grows from 3 to 5 feet. It has leaves that are oval, round-toothed with lower leaves that are opposite and upper leaves that are alternate.

This herbaceous native plant has a distinctive succulent, translucent, hollow stem. There is a clear watery liquid inside the stems, especially in the nodes..

Jewelweed blooms from July to October. Generally the blossoms are orange with dark red dots.

Spotted Jewelweed is often visited by nectar-loving animals, such as hummingbirds, bees, and butterflies. These animals help pollinate the plant by accidentally taking pollen with them and dropping it off on another plant. Pollination allows jewelweed to grow fruits and seeds.

The seeds are often eaten by Northern Bobwhite and White-footed Mice.

Jewelweed grows in wetlands, especially in the shade. Often it grows in dense stands (many jewelweed plants together). Jewelweed often grows on the edge of creek beds. We can see it all along the Rondout Creek in Sundown. There is plenty of jewelweed in the wild, and it is not hard to find once you learn to identify it.

Some good things to know about Jewelweed are, that when you are out in the field and find you have been exposed to poison ivy, oak, or stinging nettle you can reach for the jewelweed plant and slice the stem, then rub its juicy inside on the exposed parts. This will promptly ease irritation. Poultices and salves from Jewelweed are a folk remedy for bruises, burns, cuts, eczema, insect bites, sores, sprains, warts, and ringworm.

Originally utilized by the Native Americans, the jewelweed plant has long been recognized as both an anti-inflammatory and general folk-medicine. Many tribes, including the Cherokee, Iroquois, Mohegans, and Ojibwas, used this plant to heal such illnesses as poison ivy rashes, nettle stings, hives, burns, and even the measles. Some also turned the plant into a yellow or orange dye.

Jewelweed may not really turn to silver, but it certainly is worth its weight gold if you ever run into a patch of Stinging Nettles, that is also thrives quite well in Sundown along the creek!!



Local Kiwanis Clubs Visits Achieve Rehab & Nursing Facility

The Kiwanis Clubs of Monticello and Woodridge joined forces once more to bring cheer to residents at Achieve Rehab and Nursing Facility in Liberty, New York.



Cards made by members of Aktion Club of Sullivan County

In addition to the Kiwanis Club members, the Monticello High School Key Club, Fallsburg Elementary School K-Kids as well as the Aktion Club of Sullivan County, comprised of individuals from Arc Greater Hudson Valley, New Hope Community and The Center for Discovery, contributed a large amount of beautifully hand- made greeting cards to be distributed with the gifts. They presented little gifts and greeting cards to Achieve Administrator Akiva Shapiro, Director of Nursing Tisha Runyan and Director of Therapeutic Recreations Mary Daniels-Gandy. The gifts included an assortment of solar dancer figures, sun hats, sun glasses, plants, coloring books, Find the Word and Crossword Puzzles, body lotion, playing cards, diaries and little fans.





Assortment of handmade cards distributed to Achieve residents

The main mission of this project was to give back to the community by bringing a little enjoyment to the recipients and letting them know that people were thinking of them.

For more information about Kiwanis Clubs contact Monticello Pres. Marvin Rappaport at 845 -701-1655 or Woodridge Membership Chairperson Sue Kasofsky at 845-434-8052.

Achieve Admin Akiva Shapiro, Therapeutic Recreations Dir. Mary Daniels-Gandy, Nursing Dir, Tisha Runyan, Monticello Kiwanians Kathy Garlick and Sheila Lashinsky and Woodridge Kiwanians Diane Garritt and Sue Kasofsky.



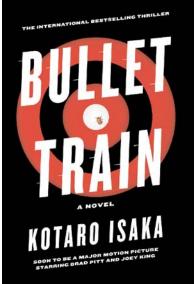
Bullet Train Mysterious Book Report No. 459 by John Dwaine Mc Kenna

Just published—and soon to be released as a major motion picture starring bonny Brad Pitt himself—*Bullet Train*, (Overlook, \$28.00, 432 pages, ISBN 978-1-419-75633-7) by Kotaro Isaka, (translated from the Japanese by Sam Malissa), is a high-energy action and drama-filled robbery, kidnapping and murder mystery combined with a venomous snake creep show . . . told from multiple points-of-view by good, bad and ugly characters . . . all of whom are on board one of Japan's high speed bullet trains, travel-

ing from Tokyo to Marioka. And just like that opening sentence, the pace will leave you breathless.

The novel begins when a man named Yunichi Kimura boards the train in Tokyo with the intention of killing the person who pushed his six year-old son Wataru, off of a five story building . . . leaving him comatose.

The person Kimura's looking for is a rich and sadistic teen named Satoshi Oji. But the evil young genius surprises the grieving father with a stun gun, incapacitates him and ties the older man up with duct tape. Oji then tells his captive that he'll have Wataru killed if Kimura—who seems to have a special skill set—doesn't do his bidding.



As Oji begins tauting Kimura in order to break his spirit and make him easier to manipulate, the focus shifts to a pair of nottoo-bright but vicious and deadly thugs named Tangerine and Lemon, who've just killed more than a dozen people while rescuing the young son of their crimelord boss. They're supposed to bring the boy, and the suitcase filled with cash for his ransom, back home. But they have problems. Huge problems. Life and death type trouble.

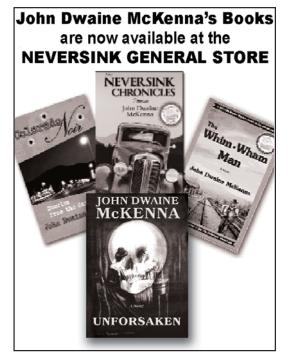
As the narrative shifts back and forth between those points of view \ldots more thugs, thieves and mysteries enter the plot \ldots including a lost bag of cash, an empty bag, multiple corpses and, oh yeah, there's another bag with a missing poisonous snake inside \ldots

If you're a fan of non-stop action and relentless plot twists, *Bullet Train* is a great way to wrap up your summer reading. You won't be disappointed. It's kick-ass!

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Federation for the Homeless Receives "Excluded Workers Fund" Grant

The Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless has announced they have received funding from the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) to implement the Excluded Workers Fund (EWF). The fund will provide financial relief for New Yorkers state-wide who have suffered income loss during the pandemic and were left out of the various federal relief programs, including unemployment and pandemic benefits.

According to Director & Program Administrator Kathy Kreiter, the Federation will provide direct assistance with EWF application submission and preparation of necessary documents. "This fund will provide a one-time payment to workers who have suffered income loss due to COVID-19, but who are ineligible for Unemployment Insurance or related federal benefits"

Kreiter notes. Quoting the NYSDOL, Kreiter stated "The COVID 19 pandemic has created economic hardship on the residents of NYS that will have consequences for the foreseeable future. Without the economic stability provided by steady employment, many NYS residents have faced economic issues including an inability to meet the costs of some of the most basic of needs, such as housing and food." Kreiter added "the EWF gives financial help to New Yorkers who lost income during the pandemic and could not get unemployment, pandemic, or other federal relief benefits." Applications will be available starting in August 2021.

For more information and application assistance, please call Ruby, Federation EWF Case Manager at (845) 794-2604 or email scfh_ruby@hotmail.com

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The Olive Jar By Carol Olsen LaMonda

If you read my column last week, I shared the plan to make a quilt for Pat Martin, a quadriplegic for three decades following a tragic snowmobiling accident injuring Pat and killing her two young sons.

To the right is the almost finished quilt lacking its purple border and stitch-

ing through the batting. It was a labor of love that reminded us, Lois, Sue, Donna, Dianna, Peggy, MaryAnn, and Marie, what can be accomplished with many working toward a common goal. We each contributed fabric and cut, assembled the design, and stitched it together in four and a half hours, all the while sharing hands and conversation.

Let this quilting bee be a reminder of what we need to do to defeat Covid and stitch the pieces of democracy back together.

Alone we are a single drop of water; together we are an ocean!

The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for Ye Olde



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(From Pg. 1) In the words on the award, "Ms. Marsilio and Mr. Motl seamlessly managed the emergency situation, with courage, confidence and true professionalism. Fallsburg is thankful for these quick acting, well trained physical educators."

The second STAR Award was a recommendation from BOE member Ms. Fiorella Muscia to the Guidance Department Counselors at the Jr.-Sr. High School-Mr. Joe Levner, Ms. Sonja Ferreira and Ms. Merryl Giarrizzo. "During this pandemic year," said Ms. Muscia, "I have seen them work day and night effortlessly to provide guidance and structure to our students.'

"As a parent I have had two of these counselors call me anytime of the day to discuss my children's courses, and I have seen them make video conference calls with my child in regards to classes/grades etc. I've also seen them working and making calls even after work hours to other families in our district to help them and answer any questions or concerns they may have."

The counselors have certainly provided the resilience,

Award, the BOE member noted, "The definition of a Star is a light that shines bright and our three counselors exemplify that." Ms. Marsilio and Mr. Motl merit that description as well.

Sullivan County Bar Association Announces Scholaraship Recipients

(From Pg. 1) The Scholarship is awarded to two students who have a stellar academic record and who demonstrate a belief in the importance of dedication and public service. Applicants were asked to submit their academic credentials along with a personal essay. The winners each received an award in amount of \$750.00 to go towards their continued education.

"It is with great pleasure that we congratulate the recipients of this year's Scholarship and wish them the best as they move forward in their careers" said Amy Davidoff, Chair of the Scholarship Committee and Present of the Sullivan County Bar Association.

VENDORS WANTED

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

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

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



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The Aletheia Piano Trio closes Shandelee Music Festival's 28th Sunset Concert Series on Saturday, August 21

SHANDELEE, NY - For the final concert in their 2021 Sunset Concert Series, the Shandelee Music Festival welcomes back The Aletheia Piano Trio, an ensemble named for the Greek concept of sincerity.



Celebrating their approach to realizing musical works as well as their connection to each other and to their audiences, The Aletheia Piano Trio has been called an "outstanding ensemble" by the Palm Beach Daily News. "Their joy and camaraderie shone through, and their energy and expressivity are simply dazzling," said the Reading Eagle, and again in the Palm Beach Daily News the group was praised for "Confidence and understanding of musicians beyond their years."

Comprised of Fei-Fei (piano), Francesca dePasquale (violin), and Juliette Herlin (cello), the Aletheia Piano Trio was formed in 2013 at the Juilliard School, and quickly gave debut performances at the Rose Studio and Alice Tully Hall at Lincoln Center and the Terrace Theater at the Kennedy Center.

Highlights of recent performances include Friends of Chamber Music (Reading, PA), Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach, and the Busan Maru International Music Festival (Korea). Upcoming appearances include a 10-city concert tour of China.

Members of the trio have performed as featured artists for the Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, Bravo! Vail music festival, Olympic Music Festival, Manhattan Chamber Players, Jupiter Symphony Chamber Players, Music@Menlo, Music in the Vineyards, Philadelphia Orchestra Chamber Music series, Colburn Chamber Music Society, Yellow Barn, and Les vacances de Monsieur Haydn.

In addition to their studies at Juilliard, the trio has attended the Perlman Music Program Chamber Music Workshop, performing as an ensemble and with artists such as Itzhak Perlman, Roger Tapping, and Donald Weilerstein.

The Saturday, August 21 concert will feature the music of Beethoven, Schumann and Dvo_ák and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor. All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. And a virtual concert ticket is available for \$20. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277. Or purchase your tickets and get more information online at www.shandelee.org.

The Mike Fahie Jazz Orchestra performs at The Shandelee Music Festival on August 19

August 19 SHANDELEE, NY - Jazz and classical music fans are in for a very special treat on Thursday, August 19, when the Shandelee Music Festival presents the Mike Fahie Jazz Orchestra.

"An Evening of Jazz" will feature selections re-imagined and orchestrated by Mike Fahie, including works by Chopin, Debussy, Bartók, Bach, Tchaikovsky, Stravinsky and Puccini. Mike Fahie is a jazz trombonist, composer and educator, as well as an indemand sideman. He is the lead trombonist of Darcy James Argue's Secret Society, a three-time Grammy nominated ensemble, principal trombonist of the Gramercy Brass Orchestra of New York, and a member of the Gramercy Brass Quintet. He is also a regular member of the Dan Pugach Nonet, the Emilio Solla Tango Jazz Orchestra, and the Pedro Giraudo Jazz Orchestra.

Fahie has played numerous Broadway shows including "The Lion King," "Porgy and Bess," "Priscilla Queen of the Desert," "Ragtime," "In The Heights," and "Elf." He has appeared on a number of recordings and movies, and performs with various rock and pop bands.

As a dedicated educator, Fahie is the jazz trombone instructor at the New England Conservatory in Boston, and has been on the faculty of the United Nations International School for over 15 years. He was a finalist for the pres-



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The Mike Fahie Jazz Orchestra has played in many venues around New York and the Northeast, and Mike's current focus with the group is called "Urban(e)," re-imaginings of great classical pieces for the jazz orchestra, including music by Bartok, Chopin, Bach and others.

Fahie's musical travels have brought him to almost every American state and Canadian Province, as well as to Mexico, Barbados, Costa Rica, Colombia, Brazil, Great Britain, France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Germany, the Netherlands, Turkey, China, Indonesia, and Thailand.

Terrell Holmes in "All About Jazz" calls Fahie "a daring, inventive player;" and Thomas Conrad writing in "Stereophile" said Fahie is "...an erudite, witty composer and a trombonist with serious chops..."

The Thursday, August 19 concert will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor. All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. And a virtual concert ticket is available for \$20. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277. Or purchase your tickets and get more information online at www.shandelee.org.



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3 actors. 37 plays. 97 minutes. They said it couldn't be done. Or. . . maybe they said it shouldn't be done. Either way, we're doin' it! Three madcap 'scholars' in tights perform the entire Shakespeare canon in this hilarious irreverent romp.

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Shakespearean scholars...). It's a "Welcome Back" celebration of Theatre's return!

August 13th - September 5th Previews Friday August 13th at 8pm with an Opening Night celebration following the Saturday August 14th at 8pm performance.





The Scene Too -Jane Harrison

Yes. Yes, I did go here on Sunday. I went primarily because I had heard there would NOT be any live music this year which was abhorrent to me. My information was wrong.

There WAS live music. Did I see any of it? No. So, this will be a very short column.

I had an appointment at 10am so I didn't head to Monticello and THE BAGEL FESTIVAL until 11am. My first mistake. I spent a solid hour searching for a place to park, even four to five blocks off Broadway. As many events that have required being creative in finding parking, I came up empty. So I went and did something else and came back at 1pm. This time, it only took 45 minutes but I found one. I was committed (or maybe I should have been committed). It was within 2 blocks and I felt myself lucky.



As I walked, I was following a gentleman in a wheelchair who was fully masked. His companion was not. It did not hit me right then. I came onto Broadway by the car show. It was a great collection of unique autos from restored antiques to customized newer ones. I ran into this gentleman who I know to be a stagehand at



Bethel Woods showing his lovingly customized motorcycle. This seemed promising.

And I have to say, it was marvelous to see hundreds of people milling as far as one could see. Good for Monticello, the small businesses on Broadway, and the vendors who lined the streets.

I headed up to the MON-TICELLO BAGEL BAK-ERY, because hey, that's why we're all here. If you haven't indulged in their bagels, I cannot tell you how deprived you have been. These are the absolute best bagels I have ever eaten and I'm quite sure why this little bagel shop has survived as other new businesses have come and gone.

But as I exited with my prize is when I woke up. I saw the same gentlemen in the motorized wheelchair with his mask making a right turn to travel between buildings to leave. That's when I took a really good look around. He, myself and one other person were masked. Yes, it was outside but the distance between people, at best, was about 24 inches, mostly it was maybe 6. My mask protects you from me...not from whatever you may have. A few weeks of "back to normal", even I forgot. CoVid and the Delta variant cases are on the rise in Sullivan County. I left.



Bottom line is this guy. This is the only live music I saw this weekend. His name is MIKE DUNCK-LEY and he was set up in the shade on the sidewalk on Main Street in Hurleyville. He is part of the HURLEYVILLE UKELELE OR-CHESTRA and told me he was out there practicing (like a true troubadour).

Stay safe, my friends, mask up and bless those that don't....but stay a good distance away.

Until next time....







What's Up in the Catskills I read a greeting card the other day that said, "Summer

I read a greeting card the other day that said, "Summer should get a speeding ticket." How true! It always seems to go by so fast. The truth is, we're only halfway through it. The official midpoint happens this Saturday. Even so, there's still a lot of summering to do in our Sullivan Catskills. Let's make the most of it, shall we?

Arts and culture take center stage this weekend. Start the weekend Friday night at Bethel Woods with seven concerts this month, August, including James Taylor, Dead and Company, Harry Connick, Jr., and others.

If you can't get enough music, head over to Shrewd Fox Brewery Saturday where from 5 - 8pm you can sip on beer and cider and listen to some good music with friends.

Or, try musical theater at Forestburgh Playhouse that will present *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*. Before you go, check out Samuelle Green's In the Absence of Gravity and Other Restraints and Kathleen Anderson's Tuning Compositional Strategies at Delaware Valley Arts Alliance in Narrowsburg.

Catskill-icious food and beverage scene has something for every palette, from ice cream to pizza, mac and cheese to gyros, and handcrafted beer, spirits, cider and wine. Get it in your belly!

There's so much more to explore the rest of the summer and miles to go before you sleep. But sleep you must so you can enjoy all the other fun. So, pick the type of place where you want to lay your head — full-service resort, camping, charming inn, or vacation rental — and book it! When you're settled in, make sure you check out our calendar of events on our website and Facebook page, too it's packed with music, outdoor adventure and plenty of other fun you don't want to miss a thing including *Movies in the Park* at Morningside Park. That's where The Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre features movies at dusk and yoga before each flick. Popcorn and refreshments will be available to purchase.

We can't wait to see you! <u>Remember though to pack a</u> <u>mask.</u> Our Sullivan Catskills businesses are committed to Catskills Confidence and because we just can't be too careful these days, some may ask you to wear a mask to help protect you, their employees, and our residents.

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Roberta Byron-Lockwood President/CEO Sullivan County Visitors Association

Leading Champion for Survivors of Domesatic Violence, Gillibrand Pushes to Include Funding for Violence Against Women Act Programs in Reconciliation Package

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is calling on Senate leadership to include funding for the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) programs in the upcoming reconciliation package. The pandemic caused the rates and severity of incidents of domestic violence to increase across New York and the entire nation. Social isolation, economic uncertainty, and general anxiety about the virus added layers of stress for many families and increased the risk of domestic violence and violence against women. Many victims of sexual harassment and abuse experienced financial abuse, isolation, and were in need of medical and housing assistance while under quarantine during the pandemic. The VAWA programs have not received any supplemental funding since the onset of the pandemic, which has made it increasingly difficult for service providers to meet the increased need for crisis intervention, legal services, and transitional housing.

"It is now evident that the pandemic caused the rates and severity of incidents of domestic violence to increase across the country. For far too many, staying at home was not safe - Congress has a duty to protect victims and survivors of domestic violence," said Senator Gillibrand. "The federal government has the ability to provide critical resources for programs that support sexual assault service providers, law enforcement, and transitional housing programs, as well as for organizations that address the needs of communities of color and underserved populations. We must expand resources for providers of domestic abuse and sexual assault survivor services in the upcoming reconciliation package so they are better equipped to meet this unique and growing challenge."

Senator Gillibrand is a leading advocate in the Senate for women and sexual assault survivors. In July of 2021, <text>

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Gillibrand announced her bipartisan and bicameral Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault & Sexual Harassment Act, which would stop perpetrators from being able to push survivors of sexual harassment and assault into the secretive, biased process of forced arbitration. This important legislation would invalidate forced arbitration clauses that prevent sexual assault and sexual harassment survivors from seeking justice and public accountability under the laws meant to protect them. In April of 2020, Gillibrand pushed Congress to include support for victims and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in the second phase of COVID-19 relief legislation. Prior to passage of the CARES Act in March of 2020, Senator Gillibrand called on the Trump administration to ensure that organizations that help victims and survivors of domestic abuse and sexual violence have the funding and resources needed to provide these critical services during the coronavirus pandemic. While the CARES Act did provide more than \$45 million in support for domestic violence and sexual assault service providers, law enforcement, and transitional housing programs

This letter was signed by Senators Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Mazie Hirono (D-HI), Cory Booker (D-NJ), Maggie Hassan (D-NH), Tina Smith (D-MN), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), and Ron Wyden (D-OR).

It is supported by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, National Alliance to End Sexual Violence, National Network to End Domestic Violence, Jewish Women International, National Domestic Violence Hotline, Tahirih Justice Center, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Black Women's Blueprint, and Casa de Esperanza: National Latin@ Network.

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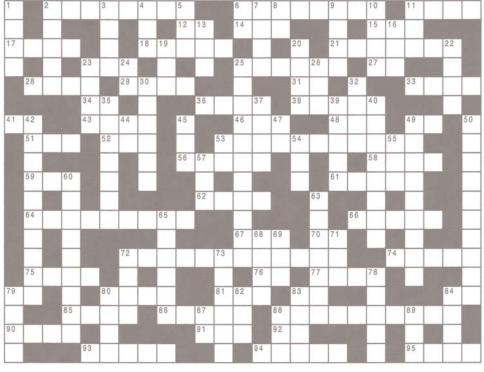
The Hunt is open for ages 12 and under and will happen on Friday & Saturday from 10am-4pm and on Sunday from 10am-1pm.

Entry forms will be handed out at the Parks & Rec booth. Completed entry forms must be returned no later than 1pm on Sunday to qualify for the grand prize drawing of a boy's bike and a girl's bike. Drawing will be held at 1:30 pm at the Center Stage. See Ya at the Fair



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In a large bowl, beat milk and eggs together. Combine flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt. Stir into the egg mixture until smooth.

While covering the funnel hole with one hand, pour in 1 cup of batter. Start from the center in a swirling motion to make a 6 or 7 inch round. Fry on both sides until golden brown. Remove and drain on paper towels. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar and serve warm.

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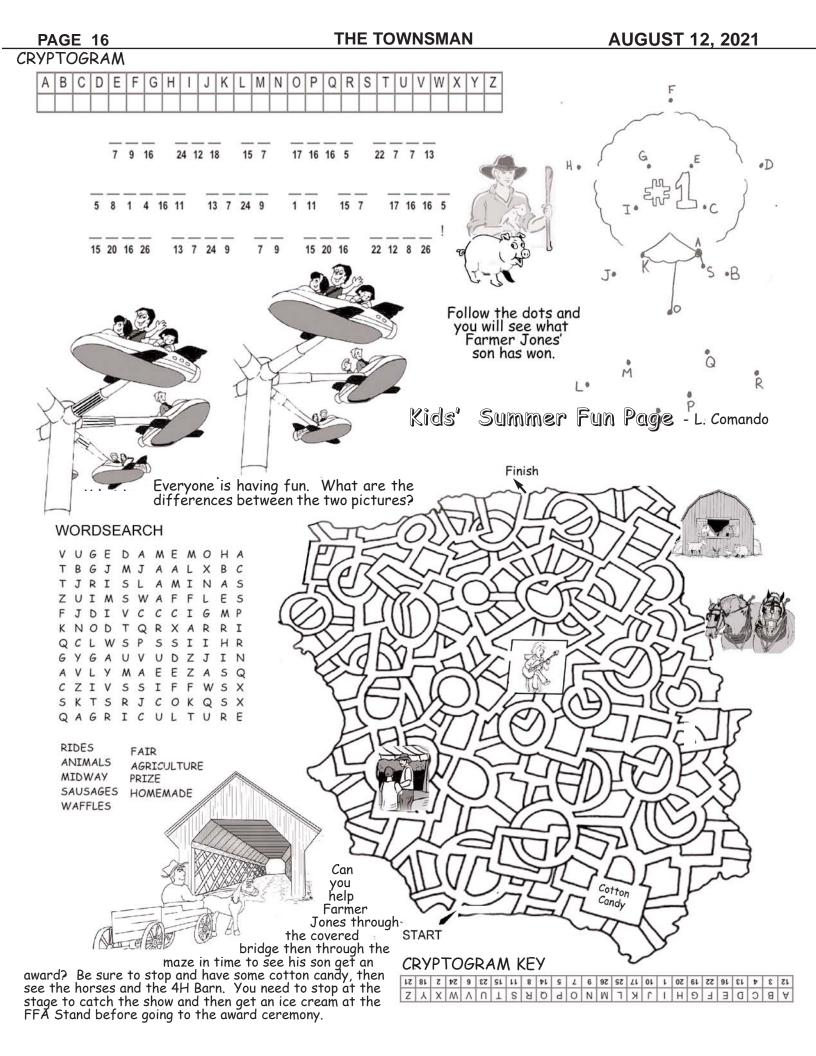
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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

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Fallsburg CSD Board of Education Meeting

August 12, 2021 August 25, 2021

DEC Confirms Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease in Two Ulster County Deer Disease is Not Transmissible to Humans; New Yorkers Encouraged to Report Sick or Dead Deer to DEC

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today confirmed that two white-tailed deer in the town of Esopus, Ulster County, died after contracting Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD). DEC is currently following up on reports of several other dead deer in Dutchess, Ulster, and Westchester counties.

EHD virus is an often fatal disease of deer that is transmitted by biting midges, small bugs often called no-see-ums or 'punkies.' The disease is not spread from deer to deer and humans cannot be infected by deer or bites from midges.

The EHD virus was first confirmed in New York in 2007 with relatively small outbreaks in Albany, Rensselaer, and Niagara counties, and in Rockland County in 2011. From early September to late October 2020, a large EHD outbreak occurred in the lower Hudson Valley, centered in Putnam and Orange counties, with an estimated 1,500 deer mortalities.

Once infected with EHD, deer usually die within 36 hours. EHD outbreaks are most common in the late summer and early fall when midges are abundant. EHD symptoms include fever, hemorrhage in muscle or organs, and swelling of the head, neck, tongue, and lips. A deer infected with EHD may appear lame or dehydrated. Frequently, infected deer will seek out water sources and many succumb near a water source. There is no treatment or means to prevent EHD. The dead deer do not serve as a source of infection for other animals.

EHD outbreaks do not have a significant long-term impact on deer populations, but deer mortality can be intense in small

Tri-Valley CSD Board Meeting

Thursday, August 12, 2021 Anticipated Proposed Executive Session will be at 5:00 pm. in the Secondary School Library Upper Level Regular Meeting #3 will be at 6:00 p.m. in the Secondary School Library Lower Level. This meeting will be broadcast on our YouTube Live channel, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkl224vKQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live

> Next Scheduled August Meeting August 26, 2021

Sullivan County ROAD CLOSURES

Jeffersonville, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Town Highway 17 (DeWitt Flats Road), in the Town of Callicoon, to replace County Bridge 241.

County Bridge 241 is located approximately 0.3 miles east of the intersection of State Route 52 and DeWitt Flats Rd and will be closed to all traffic starting 8 a.m. on June 1, 2021, remaining closed for approximately 4 months.

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will post a detour route using DeWitt Flats Rd, State Route 52, Briscoe Rd. (CR 144), Huff Rd., Hubert Rd. and East Hill Rd.

Hortonville, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will close a portion of Town Highway 5 (**Beechwoods Road**) in the Town of Delaware to repair County Bridge **455.** This section of road will be closed to traffic starting at 8 a.m. on Monday, July 12 and will remain closed for approximately four (4) weeks.

The Sul-livan County Division of Public Works will post a detour route using Schwartz Rd. (Town Highway 41), Buddenhagen Rd. (TH 4), Radio Tower Rd. (TH 57), and Beechwoods Rd. (TH 5).

geographic areas. EHD is endemic in the southern states where there are annual outbreaks, so some southern deer have developed immunity. In the northeast, EHD outbreaks occur sporadically and deer in New York have no immunity to this virus. Consequently, most EHD-infected deer in New York are expected to die. In the north, the first hard frost kills the midges that transmit the disease, ending the EHD outbreak.

Sightings of sick or dying deer should be reported to the nearest DEC Regional Office or Environmental Conservation Police Officer. DEC will collect samples from deer and analyze data from deer reports to determine the extent of the outbreak. In addition, DEC has alerted Department of Agriculture and Markets veterinarians in the region to be aware of the disease and to report suspicious cases among captive deer.

For more information, visit Cornell University's Wildlife Health Lab website.

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Chairman Donaldson Reappoints Carl Brown and Appoints Pastor Donald Mapes, Jr. to the Human Rights Commission

KINGSTON, NY-Chairman David B. Donaldson announces the three-year reappointment of Carl Brown and the appointment of Pastor Donald Mapes, Jr. to the Ulster County Human Rights Commission.

Carl J. Brown has served on the Ulster County Human Rights Commission since 2013 and as chair since 2019. Mr. Brown is the vice president of the Ulster County Community Action Committee Board of Directors. Chairman Donaldson said, "I am very pleased to reappoint Carl Brown to his third term on the Human Rights Commission. Carl has a long history of fighting for the civil rights of all people. I am confident that Carl will continue to advance the Commission's goal to prevent discrimination and encourage respect and tolerance among all residents and thank him for longstanding commitment to promote and protect the human rights of Ulster County residents."

"I am committed to serving the community with respect to all who live in the community. I will fight and advocate for any and all policies that help combat racism and the unfair treatment of humans in our county," said Commissioner Brown.

Ulster County Human Rights Commissioner Tyrone Wilson stated, "Carl Brown's reappointment by Chairman Donaldson is gratifying to myself and the other commissioners. Carl has dedicated himself to this work for many years and has a deep passion for helping others in need." Commissioner Wilson adds, "Carl's ardent advocacy, leadership, and dedication to protect human rights is like no other-and is why he stepped up and has served as the chair of the Commission since 2019. I look forward to our continued partnership as we set forth to bring positive change to Ulster County." Pastor Donald J. Mapes has been a resident of Kingston, NY, for over 65 years. He is the director of education at the Savona V. Roberts Christian Education Academy, where he and his wife are also instructors. He travels to South Africa, Jamaica, and Haiti to lead ministry teams to build homes and churches, and to help establish orphanages.

Pastor Mapes served on the Kingston Community Development Block Grant Board from 1994-2000 and on the Zoning Board of Appeals from 2014-2017. He currently serves on the Kingston Police Commission. Mr. Mapes has built deep connections to community youth as a junior league football and Biddy league basketball coach for more than 21 years.

"Ulster's diversity is Ulster's strength," said Chairman David B. Donaldson. "I am honored to appoint Pastor Donald Mapes to the Ulster County Human Rights Commission. Pastor Mapes is an integral part of our community and a longstanding liaison between the Kingston Police Department and the Black community. He has led important community discussions that address racial division, trust, and policing to help heal divides between law enforcement and the citizens they serve." Chairman Donaldson adds, "Pastor Mapes will bring a compassionate voice of unity and healing to the Ulster County Human Rights Commission."

"I am grateful for the opportunity to serve on the Ulster County Human Rights Commission. As a longtime resident of Ulster County, I have endeavored to foster positive change for all people," said Pastor Donald Mapes. "Human rights is an issue dear to my heart." The Pastor adds, "We are our brother's keeper. When one is violated, we all are violated. What affects one of us affects all of us-we are better together. As a member of the Human Rights Commission, I welcome the challenge of bringing dignity and honor to all human beings regardless of color, stature, and economic differences."

Ulster County Human Rights Commissioner Tyrone Wilson states, "It is a great honor to have an on-the-ground and dedicated community leader who has devoted his life to addressing injustices in our community join the Human Rights Commission. Pastor Mapes will be a great asset." The Commissioner adds, "Our constituents have inherited a "true commissioner" who will surely fight the fight for all.

"Carl J. Brown, chair, Ulster County Human Rights Commission, shares, "Pastor Donald Mapes is a lifelong member of the community and brings a wealth of lived experience, kindness, compassion, and a non-judgmental approach to every situation."

"Chairman Donaldson, Commissioner Wilson, and I are confident that Pastor Mapes' active community engagement will help the Commission create, maintain, and foster innovative programs to eliminate racism in Ulster County," says Carl Brown. "The Pastor's years of giving and preaching within his ministry will be an invaluable source of inspiration to the Commission, and most importantly, to the community we serve."

About the Ulster County Human Rights Commission

The Ulster County Human Rights Commission exists to foster respect for the rights of all citizens and to explore opportunities for improving relations among all people of Ulster County. Services include telephone consultations with individuals who believe that their human rights have been violated in any of the following areas: employment, housing, public accommodation, education, or credit. The Commission also assists in resolving Human Rights complaints when parties are open to mediation.

In addition, the commission assists in filing complaints with the New York State Division of Human Rights for individuals who believe that they have been discriminated against because of their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital or familial status, or arrest/conviction record.



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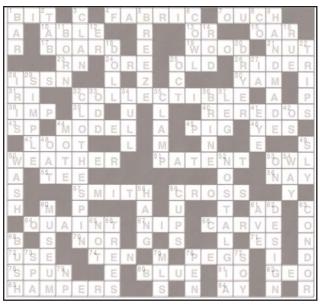
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Ans to last week's Crossword





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Community Driver Safety Programs Defensive Driving Classes

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

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

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

SC Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Fish Stocking Program

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



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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.

LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/10/2 8/11//21	Town of Denning Town Board and Business meeting at Denning Town Hall 6:00 pm (Please note: 2nd Tuesday) Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - Regular
8/13/21	Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift Sale - 9 am - 12 Noon
8/14//21	Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift Sale - 9 am - 12 Noon
8/13-15	Grahamsville's Little World's Fair
8/15/21	Claryville Fire District AllYou Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon
8/17/21	Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm- Submissioin date 8/3/2021
8/19/21	Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm
8/21/21	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale - 9 am - 12 noon
8/28/21	Claryville Fire Dept Annual CraftFair 10 am - 4 pm
94/21	Grahamsville Reformed Church Ladies Aid Bake Sale 9 am till sold out
9/7/21	Claryville Fire District meeting 6:30 pm Warren Cole Hall in Claryville

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Grahamsville Little World's Fair - August 13th thru the 15th

Neversink Parks & Rec Yard Sale/The Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Annual Tractor Show & Swap Meet September 25th and Sunday, September 26th

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

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

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

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Update For The Week Of August 9 - August 13, 2021

Monday, August 9

o 5:00 PM - Community Services Board, at 239 Golden Hill Ln, 2nd floor Conference Room, Kingston

o 6:30 PM - Ulster County Board of Health, at 239 Golden Hill Ln, 2nd floor Conference Room, Kingston

Tuesday, August 10

o 4:30 PM - Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Board Meeting, in the Department of Economic Development Conference Room, 3 Development Ct, Kingston. Members of the public may also attend at 604 Bradford Ct., Boynton Beach, FL 33436

o 5:00 PM - Ways & Means Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

o 6:30 PM (or immediately following Ways & Means) - Caucus: Democrats, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

o 6:30 PM (or immediately following Ways & Means) - Caucus: Republicans, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

Wednesday, August 11

o 5:00 PM - Ulster County Executive Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 4
of 2021, A Local Law Authorizing Participation In The Hunting Pilot Program For 12
- 13 Year Old Deer Hunters, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston
o 6:00 PM - Commission on Reapportionment, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

Thursday, August 12

o No Meetings

Friday, August 13

o No Meetings

The First Friday of the Month Book Discussion Group

The group meets at the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m.

Refreshments are provided by its members.

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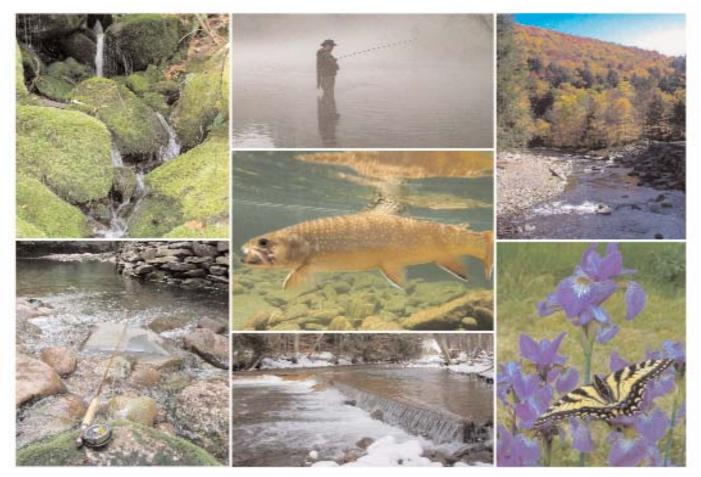
Grahamsville Reformed Church Ladies Aid Bake Sale

Saturday, September 4, 2021 9 am till sold out

Homemade pies, cakes cookies, brownies and assorted goodies!

Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall 845-985-7480

God Bless you and thank you for your continued support!



The Neversink Association, Inc. To conserve the flora and fauna of the Neversink River

Like us on Facebookl

If you would like to receive information from us email us at <u>neversinkassociation@gmail.com</u>

ANNUAL BYO PICNIC & MEETING

Sunday, September 5, 2021: noon Location: Claryville Fire Department, 1500 Claryville Rd

DUES REMINDER -\$20/household, \$10 individual. Mail to: Neversink Association, PO Box 134, Claryville, NY 12725

- <u>Tracey Testo</u>, NYSDEC, will speak on deer browse and forest regeneration (known as AVID)
- Update on Neversink River West Branch Stream restoration.
- 3. Update on Neversink River fishing.

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Governor Cuomo Announces \$9 Million in Grant Awards to Galvanize More than 770 Live Performances Across Every Region of NYS

To Date Nearly \$30 Million of New York's \$105 Million Investment in the Arts Distributed through the New York State Council on the Arts
NYSCA Distributed Close to \$2 Million Dollars to Statewide Community Regrant Partners to Spur Live Performance in Local Communities

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the first of four rounds of grant awards to 438 performance organizations across New York State. In this round, 773 grants were awarded through the "Restart NY: Rapid Live Performance Grants" program, developed by the New York State Council on the Arts. In addition, nearly \$2 million was distributed to NYSCA's Statewide Community Regrant partners to support performances in local communities around the state. In total, nearly \$9 million was awarded through NYSCA's Restart NY program.

To date, nearly \$30 million of the State's historic \$105 million investment in the arts has been distributed through NYSCA's Restart NY: Rapid Live Performance Grants, NYSCA's Statewide Community Regrant partners, and through multi-year awards.

"The pandemic has deeply impacted New York's unparalleled artistic community, specifically live performers, performance organizations and venues," Governor Cuomo said. "NYSCA's accelerated grants are a powerful affirmation of our commitment to support the return of arts and culture. This investment in our artistic industry will pay dividends through the economic activity generated by our creative ecosystem, which will continue to flourish and inspire us as we work together to reimagine our future."

The 773 grants administered by NYSCA will support the return of live performance, an area that has been profoundly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In a rapid response to the field's urgent needs, the application period and approval process was achieved in an unparalleled, expedited timeline. Through the Restart NY: Rapid Performance Grants program, NYSCA will administer this vital aid to catalyze the return of near-term live performances. At least 60 percent of each grant award will provide compensation for artistic and or creative professionals.

Mara Manus, NYSCA Executive Director, said, "This is an extraordinarily challenging time for the arts and culture sector, and we recognize that it calls for responsive action. The goal of our Restart NY: Rapid Live Performance grants program is to quickly provide needed funds to support performance organizations, artists and creative professionals that have been unable to produce live, in-person performances for more than a year. These awards reflect NYSCA's FY2022 priorities with 75 percent of grants awarded to organizations with operating budgets of less than \$1 million. The arts, including live performances, drive our state's economy and cultural tourism, inspire audiences, and bring communities together - the NYSCA team is excited to welcome back live performance statewide."



In June, NYSCA announced its FY2022 opportunities and goals, which includes four rounds of funding. The agency opened the application process for Restart NY: Rapid Live Performance Grants on June 16, 2021 and the application period closed on July 1, 2021. The NYSCA Council swiftly awarded grants to performance organizations in every region.

Katherine Nicholls, NYSCA Chair, said, "This is an important first-step on a multi-faceted road to recovery for our sector. The State's historic investment of \$105 million for arts and culture charged us to respond to the needs of the sector after more than a year of hardship. Council is proud to support artists, cultural professionals and performance organizations with expedited funding. We recognize Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature for their unwavering commitment to the recovery of the arts."

Restart NY: Rapid Live Performance grantees span every region of the state, and performances will be open to the public.

About the New York State Council on the Arts

The New York State Council on the Arts preserves and advances the arts and culture that make New York State an exceptional place to live, work and visit. The Council on the Arts upholds the right of all New Yorkers to experience the vital contributions the arts make to our communities, education, economic development, and quality of life.

Through its core grantmaking activity, the Council on the Arts awarded more than \$40 million in FY2021. Through the statewide grants and regrants program, Council on the Arts funding reaches all 62 counties throughout New York State. This funding supports the visual, literary, media and performing arts and includes dedicated support for arts education and underserved communities. The Council on the Arts further advances New York's creative culture by convening leaders in the field and providing organizational and professional development opportunities and informational resources.

Created by Governor Nelson Rockefeller in 1960 and continued and expanded to the present day with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature, NYSCA is an agency of the Executive Branch of New York State.

For more information on NYSCA, please visit www.arts.ny.gov, and follow NYSCA's Facebook page, Twitter @NYSCArts and Instagram @NYSCouncilontheArts.

Young Frankenstein the Musical

(South Fallsburg, NY) The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is so excited to be bringing their first musical in over a year for its 2021 Season by bringing you Young Frankenstein, The Musical. The curtain will go up, and the lights will shine over a live pit band at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg on August 13th and run for six performances through August 23rd.

Produced by Heather Strauss and Directed by Amy Phillips, Young Frankenstein, The Musical brings you two weekends of new lighting and sound, song, costumes, and dance all performed by our local group of award winning community actors. The hilarious comedy by the brilliant playwright Mel Brooks, along with Tom Meehan, will be brought to life by Musical Director Amy Phillips, Pit Director Lauren Bernard, Choreographer Kim Schneeberger and Pit Band Jeff Yeoung, Leon Hilfstein, Dr. Jay Solomon, Kerry Maloney, Nancy Wegrzyn and Alan Charney. Stunning you with outrageous antics and laughter are the wonderful cast members, Thomas Caputo, Alexis Costa, Jean Eiffert, Yves Delphin, Lyric Hemion, Lordesa Hunt, Taylor Lamerand, Nicole Lavere, Victor Maxwell, Melissa McTague, Keith Prince, Anna Puleo, Erin Roberts, Kristopher Rosengrant, Amber Schmidt, Lori Schneider, Teri Schwartz, Heather Strauss, Harold Tighe, Chelsea Walz, and Julia Wysokinska. For a full list of cast members bios please visit our Facebook or website.

Performances will be on Friday and Saturday, August 13, 14, 20, 21 at 8:00 pm and Sunday, August 15 and 22 at 2:00 pm at the Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg. General Admission is \$18 Adults, \$15 Seniors (60+), Students (with Valid ID), Military and Veterans. Advance Sales online or purchase tickets at the Box Office one hour prior to curtain for any performance. Appropriate COVID-19 protocols will be followed, requesting attendees to please wear masks. For additional information, visit us at www.SCDW.net or call (845) 436-5336.

A World Premier At The Forestburgh Playhouse!

Hey Gang! Let's put on a show in the barn! The Forestburgh Playhouse is proud to present the World Premiere of the Revival of Babes in Arms. Acclaimed Playwright/Screenwriter, Douglas Carter Beane (Xanadu the Musical, Cinderella, To Wong Fu) has created a fresh, witty and fabulous new script for this show, which already has one of the most famous song lists on Broadway (My Funny Valentine, Johnny One Note, Lady is a Tramp and more!). Douglas has assembled a Broadway team to work on the show and give it its first run in our very own barn theatre! Comedy, dance, amazing songs and more--Babes in Arms is a must see!

WHEN: August 24 to September 4

WHERE: Forestburgh Playhouse

HOW DO I GET TICKETS? Call 845-794-1194 or

CLICK HERE https://www.fbplayhouse.org/2021-summer-season/babes-in-arms

Glykokokalos: Collected Works Now Showing at Rafter's Tavern

A collection from the late master painter Yiannis Glykokokalos (1937-2017) is now showing at Rafter's Tavern in Callicoon through August 29, 2021.

Local Honesdale resident for decades and co- founder of the Wayne County Arts Alliance, Glykokokalos who was born and raised on the island of Lesbos in Greece, notably was one of the members of the New York Expressionist movement of the 1960's. What was known as the 10th Street Scene of co-operative artist-run galleries, peers included Willem & Elaine De Kooning. Glykokokalos's work has shown at the Brata Gallery, one of the most famous of the 10th Street Co-op galleries, as well as St. John the Divine Cathedral, and the Betty Parsons Gallery. Prolific artist that he was, 800 paintings of his have been sold worldwide. His combination of texture and color present abstract and figurative works that are bold, bright, and dynamically grounding or uplifting. This showing, presented by his wife Pauline, include work that is available for purchase.

Is located at 28 Upper Main St, Callicoon, NY 12723 rafterstavern.com (845) 887-9882

UC Executive Pat Ryan Announces Major Economic Development Plan in the Town of Wawarsing at site of former Schrade Knife Company

Pat Ryan announced that Cresco Labs, a vertically integrated cannabis and medical marijuana company, is moving forward with the planning process to develop a major cannabis cultivation, processing, packaging and distribution facility in the Ellenville, NY area on a former manufacturing site that was once home to Channel Master and the Schrade knife company. The County and representatives from Cresco Labs have met with local and state officials to begin reviewing designs for the proposed facility, which would employ 300 to 400 hundred residents once fully operational.

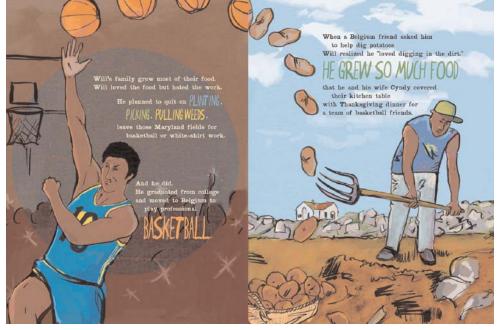
Ryan said, "This is one of the biggest economic opportunities we have had in Ellenville in decades. Cresco will turn a site that once represented the beating heart of this economy back into the economic engine that it can and should be - providing goodpaying jobs for local residents and putting Ulster County at the leading edge of the rapidly-growing cannabis industry. As we also continue to make real progress to revitalize TechCity, this facility is yet another sign that Ulster County is open for businesses and investing to re-energize our economy."

Since New York State legalized marijuana, there have been reports that many big companies were looking at the Hudson Valley as a place to build new buildings that would be home to growing, packing, and distributing the profitable plant.

For more information visit: https://hudsonvalleycountry.com/enormous-marijuana-growingfacility-chooses-to-grow-in-ulster-county/?utm_source=tsmclip&utm_medium=referral

Nina Postupack, Ulster County Clerk, Welcomes MyKingstonKids Red K Reading Lounge to the Matthewis Persen House Museum

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to announce that on Saturday, August 14, 2021, MyKingstonKids Red-K Reading Lounge will be at the Matthewis Persen House located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free and all



are welcome.

On Saturday, August 14 from 1:00-3:00 pm, join MyKingstonKids as they host story time at the Persen House. Red-K Reading Lounge facilitator Victoria Blain will be reading 'Farmer Will Allen and the Growing Table' by Jacqueline Briggs Martin and illustrated by Eric-Shabazz Larkin. We will be learning how Will Allen, a former basketball star can see what others can't see, when he looked at an abandoned city lot in Milwaukee and saw a huge table, big enough to feed the whole world. After the reading, registered children will participate in a small craft making activity that they can take home as well as their Red-K Apparel t-shirt in their Red-K swag bag. Spots are filling up quickly, so sign your child up today! Registration is only required to participate in the craft and receive a swag bag, not to listen to the story.

"We love to have children at the Persen House learning about our history and culture,"

states County Clerk Postupack. "The Red-K Reading Lounge offers diverse stories with a wonderful, interactive event that is sure to be a hit!"

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

Steven Lin performs "An Evening of Piano Masterworks" at Shandelee on August 17

SHANDELEE, NY - On Tuesday, August 17, the Shandelee Music Festival is thrilled to present Steven Lin - a top prize winner of the Arthur Rubinstein International Piano Competition - performing an "Evening of Piano Masterworks."

Lin's first performance with New York Philharmonic was at age 12. A recent Carnegie debut was saluted by the New York Times as "...immaculately voiced and enhanced by admirable subtleties of

shading and dynamics."

Recent orchestral engagements include the Israel Philharmonic, Baltimore Symphony, and National Symphony of Mexico. Lin is in high demand for recitals around the world, including at the Kennedy Center, Carnegie Hall, Munich, Paris, Tokyo and Shanghai. Summer festival performances include Bravo! Vail Music Festival, the Aspen Music Festival and La Jolla SummerFest.

Lin earned his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees at the Juilliard School, and completed the prestigious Artist Diploma program at the Curtis Institute of Music.

The Tuesday, August 17 concert will feature works by Scarlatti, Chopin, Beethoven, Debussy and Liszt, and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor.

All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. And a virtual concert ticket is available for \$20. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277. Or purchase your tickets and get more information online at http:// www.shandelee.org.



Steven Lin will perform "An Evening of Piano Masterworks" at the Shandelee Music Festival on Tuesday, August 17 at 8 p.m.

AUGUST 12, 2021

Recent Forest Ranger Actions

Great Blue Heron Rescue

On July 22, ECO Grose received a call regarding an injured great blue heron in New Paltz. Grose arrived on scene and located the bird alongside the roadway. Officer Grose captured the male bird and transported to a local wildlife rehabilitator for further evaluation.

Wawarsing ATV Patrol On July 24 and 25, ECOs Walraven and Johnson conducted an ATV Patrol in conjunction with the Ulster County Sheriff's Office and New York State Police (NYSP) in the Town of Wawarsing.



ECO's Walraven and Johnson along with members of the Ulster County Sheriff's Department and New York State Police

All three agencies received numerous complaints regarding unlawful ATV activity in the vicinity of Port Ben Road and Foordmore Road. While the officers did not observe any violations during the patrol, they identified several hotspots with evidence of illegal activity that will be valuable for future patrols in the area.

Wilderness Rescues

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers respond to search and rescue incidents statewide. Working with other state agencies, local emergency response organizations, and volunteer search and rescue groups, Forest Rangers locate and extract lost, injured, or distressed people from across New York State.

In 2020, DEC Forest Rangers conducted 492 search and rescue missions, extinguished 192 wildfires that burned a total of more than 1,122 acres, participated in eight prescribed fires that served to rejuvenate more than 203 acres, and worked on cases that resulted in 3,131 tickets or arrests.

"During New York's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, more people are enjoying the outdoors than ever before and our Forest Rangers are on the front lines to help people get outside responsibly and get home safely," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "Rangers' knowledge of first aid, land navigation, and technical rescue techniques are critical to the success of their missions, which for more than a century have taken them from

remote wilderness areas with rugged mountain peaks, to white water rivers, and throughout our vast forests statewide.'

Town of Deerpark Wilderness Rescue

On July 31 at 12:30 p.m., Forest Ranger Jahn overheard radio traffic from Orange County 911 Dispatch about an injured hiker on the Lenape Ridge Trail in Huckleberry Ridge State Forest.



Hiker rescued in Huckleberry Ridge State Forest

Ranger Jahn responded and at 1:18 p.m., made cell phone contact with the reporting party who stated the 35-year-old hiker from Warwick was complaining of an unstable lower leg injury. The injured woman was evaluated by EMS and packaged in a wheeled litter provided by the Huguenot Fire Department. Ranger Jahn assisted with the carry out and at 2 p.m., the woman was transferred to a Port Jervis EMS ambulance to go to a local hospital. All units were clear of the scene at 2:30 p.m.

Town of Colchester Wilderness Rescue

On July 31 at 1 p.m., Forest Ranger Stratton overheard radio traffic requesting Roscoe-Rockland EMS and Fire Department to Huggins Lake for a hiker approximately one mile from the trailhead who reportedly suffered a seizure while hiking. Ranger Stratton arrived on scene at 1:45 p.m. and was informed that rescue personnel already entered the woods with a UTV and were making their way to the 34-year-old hiker from Westwood, New Jersey. Ranger Stratton and Assistant Forest Ranger Mitchell hiked in on foot and assisted with the carry out of the hiker. At 2:20 p.m., the man was out of the woods and said he would seek further medical attention on his own.

Town of Hunter Wilderness Rescues

On July 31 while on patrol at Kaaterskill Falls, Ranger Dawson encountered three separate hikers who requested medical assistance. The first hiker was a 54-year-old male feeling lightheaded and tired with a medical history of diabetes. Ranger Dawson gave him water and let him rest, then walked him to his official truck and gave him a ride to his group's vehicles at the North South Lake campground. The other two hikers had stable ankle injuries. Ranger Dawson provided medical care, and assisted them out to their vehicles.

Town of Tannersville Wilderness Rescue

On July 31 at 8:40 p.m., a 33-year-old hiker with a small dog called 911 to report she was lost while hiking the Escarpment trail on South Mountain. She started at Laurel House trailhead and became disoriented when it started getting dark and she encountered several trail junctures. Ranger Dawson received her coordinates from Greene 911, called her, and told her to stay where she was. When Ranger Dawson arrived, he learned she walked three-quarters of a mile on the trail in the opposite direction. He hiked to the new location, found her near Boulder Rock, and they hiked out. He gave her a ride to her vehicle and the scene was cleared at 10:47 p.m.

SAVE A LIFE! DONATE! SHARE OUR STORY!



NICK NEEDS A KIDNEY TYPE 0 OR A(2)

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

More about our warrior Nick....

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

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

Rattlesnake on the Loose

On July 27, ECO Johnson responded to a 911 radio call in the town of Wawarsing to assist the Ulster County Sheriff with a rattlesnake on residential property.



Rattlesnake found on residential property

The ECO arrived to find the rattlesnake had coiled itself around a small tree in the front yard. Using snake tongs, ECO Johnson was able to secure the rattlesnake in a plastic container and remove the snake from the property. As a threatened species in New York State, best efforts are made to relocate rattlesnakes to a safe location in the proximity of where they are found.

YOGA ANYONE?



Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation is now sponsoring Yoga classes with Yoga Instructor LeeAnna Maniace, from the Yoga Space Hurleyville Performing Arts Center

Two (2) classes per week will be held thru mid-August Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30pm - 5:30pm. All classes will be for beginners to those experienced in yoga. Classes will be held at the Town Hall grassy area by the stream. Parks & Rec is subsidizing the cost of the classes allowing us to offer each class for \$5 per person payable to LeeAnna at each session.

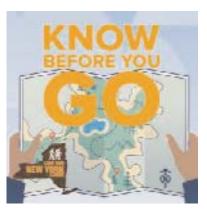
 Classes are for Town of Neversink and Tri-Valley School District residents who are 18 years or older
 Bring your own yoga mats
 If you have yoga blocks you can bring them too!
 Classes are open

- If you can't attend every class, come when you can!
 - Registration sign-up sheets will be at each class If you are interested and plan on attending, please let us know via email cwparksandrec@gmail.com.

Thank you all. I am looking forward to doing yoga in the Town Park even though I am the most uncoordinated person on the planet!

Cher Woehl, Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Director

Peekamoose Blue Hole Permit Updates



DEC issued special regulations for the Blue Hole and Peekamoose Valley because of the huge increase in visitors. The purpose of these regulations is to increase public safety and reduce impacts to environmental resources. Before planning a trip to these areas, please make sure to review the regulations. Some highlights you need to know before you go are below: Visitors are required to obtain a permit for a \$10 fee through Reserve America seven days a week May 15 through September 15, consistent with fees for other recreation-oriented Day Use areas in the Forest Preserve; Each permit will be linked to a vehicle, and the permit must be displayed on/in the vehicle; Parking is limited to designated parking areas only. Parking along the shoulder of the road is prohibited by the Town and is a Tow Away Zone; Visitors are required to use portable restroom facilities for human waste disposal and the dumpster for all other waste;

The following are prohibited at the Blue Hole (limited use will be allowed at the nearby designated camping area only): Except for the nearby designated camping area, the Blue Hole is only open to the public from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. Camping; All fires (including charcoal fires, wood fires, gas grills, propane stoves or other portable stoves); Use of portable generators; Alcohol; Glass containers; Coolers larger than 12" in any dimension; Radios and other audio devices.



TOWN OF NEVERSINK PARKS & REC ANNUAL COMMUNITY YARD SALE SEPTEMBER 25TH & 26TH

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN WE PARTNER WITH OUR RONDOUT ANTIQUE TRACTOR ASSOCIATION AND HOLD OUR ANNUAL YARD SALE.



NO FEES FOR THE SPACE BUT YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE \$3 DAILY ENTRANCE FEE TO THE EVENT. YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR ONE DAY OR BOTH DAYS (there will be 24-hour security onsite). SPACE ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE ON A FIRST COME/FIRST SERVE BASIS

YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING YOUR OWN TENT AND TABLES AND FOR CLEANING UP YOUR SPACE WHEN YOU LEAVE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN RESERVING A SPACE OR HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT CHER @ <u>CWPARKSANDREC@GMAIL.COM</u>. SHE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE DETAILED INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORM THAT MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO THE EVENT.



Joint Statement from New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Basil Seggos and Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez

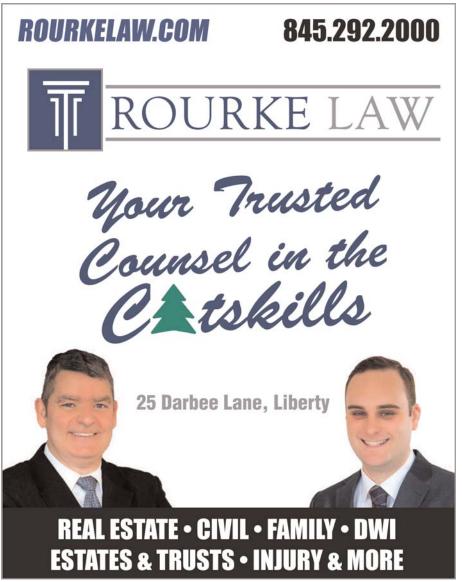
Today's announcement from President Biden on electric cars and trucks is a game changer. It puts the nation back on track in reducing emissions from the transportation sector at a critical moment. The climate crisis is here now, and steadfast leadership is necessary to protect our planet and create today the jobs of the future. Fortunately, clean vehicle technology has matured and manufacturers are selling dozens of attractive and increasingly affordable emission-free vehicles, and have pledged to do more. New York applauds the Biden Administration and will continue to advance New York's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, building the infrastructure needed to support the growth of the electric vehicle market. are afforded a lifetime appointment but are not bound to the same code of conduct as all other federal judges. The increased politicization of the Supreme Court has eroded the nation's trust in our judiciary - the Supreme Court Ethics Act would hold every justice accountable to a strict code of ethics and help to ensure independence and integrity of the federal judiciary."

Senator Gillibrand is committed to reducing corruption in politics and cracking down on special interests. Since the Supreme Court's 2010 Citizens United decision, spending by corporations and secretive front groups has flooded federal elections. Citizens United and subsequent Supreme Court rulings permit super PACs and certain types of tax-exempt groups, such as 501(c)(4) nonprofits, to spend unlimited sums in elections. Many of these groups are not required to disclose their donors, allowing wealthy corporations and individuals to spend unlimited, undisclosed money without being tied to the television attack ads and other electioneering activity the groups carry out. In March of 2021, Senator Gillibrand introduced the DISCLOSE Act to increase transparency of political spending by requiring organizations and corporations to disclose donors who have given \$10,000 or more during an election cycle. This legislation also includes the Judicial Ads Act, which would combat the uptick in dark money flooding the nation's courts.

In Wake of Increased Politicization, Gillibrand Announces Legislation to Establish a Code of Ethics for the Supreme Court of the United States Supreme Court Justices Are the Only Federal Judges in the United States Exempt from the Judicial Conference's Code of Conduct

WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand helped introduce legislation that would require the Judicial Conference of the United States to establish a code of ethical conduct for the Supreme Court of the United States. The bicameral Supreme Court Ethics Act is part of the transformative For the People Act, H.R. 1 and S.1, and would hold Supreme Court Justices to the Judicial Conference's Code of Conduct for United States Judges, a code of ethics that ensures neutrality and transparency in the United States judiciary. This bill is led in the Senate by Senator Chris Murphy (D-CT) and in the House of Representatives by Congressman Hank Johnson (D-GA).

"Supreme Court Justices should be held to the highest level of scrutiny," said Senator Gillibrand. "Every other federal judge across the United States is governed by a code of conduct to uphold the integrity of our nation's judicial system. Supreme Court Justices



Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



Come for some breakfast before heading to the Fair

Sunday, August 15

Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon Adults: \$9 Children Ages 5-11: \$5 Under 5 Yrs. Free

Take-outs are available 985-7270 \$50 from the Breakfast Is Donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

DEC Now Accepting Applications for Sponsored Pheasant Hunt Program – Applications Due Sept. 1

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that DEC is accepting applications for sponsored pheasant hunts. Sponsored hunts are free, non-competitive events coordinated by a group, club, individual, or organization to benefit youth, women, first-time hunters, veterans, and people with disabilities. As part of the program, DEC provides up to 50 propagated pheasants to each sponsoring organization free of charge.

"For many years, DEC's Reynolds Game Farm has provided pheasants for sponsored hunts, which are a great way for new hunters of all abilities to learn first-hand about hunting ethics and safety," Commissioner Seggos said. "Sponsored pheasant hunts are also an opportunity for experienced hunters to share their knowledge with the next generation, strengthening New York's hunting culture and traditions."

In addition to the pheasants reared for fall stocking throughout New York State, DEC's Reynolds Game Farm in Ithaca raises 2,000 pheasants each year for sponsored hunts. Volunteers are key to this program's success. In a sponsored hunt, dedicated local hunters share their expertise with beginners in a supportive environment.

Program requirements and applications are available for download on DEC's website. Applications must be received by Reynolds Game Farm no later than Sept. 1, 2021. Successful applicants will be notified via phone. If an application is approved, sponsors are required to arrange with the Reynolds Game Farm to coordinate a delivery time, date, and location.

Organizers of sponsored hunts should be prepared to follow State guidelines for social gatherings to minimize COVID-19 risks. For more information, visit the New York State Department of Health website.

DEC Seeks Participants for 2021 Summer Wild Turkey Survey Citizen Scientists Help DEC Monitor Turkey Population

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today encouraged New Yorkers to take part in the State's annual survey of wild turkeys.

"As New Yorkers continue to get outside this summer and reconnect with nature, we ask that they keep an eye out for the State's most popular game bird, the wild turkey," Commissioner Seggos said. "Reporting the turkeys you see this August helps DEC monitor the turkey population and contributes to our ongoing scientific efforts to survey this species."

Since 1996, DEC has conducted the Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey to track wild turkey populations and estimate the number of wild turkey poults (young of the year) per hen statewide. Weather, predation, and habitat conditions during breeding and brood-rearing seasons can significantly impact nest success, and hen and poult survival. This index allows DEC to gauge reproductive success and predict fall harvest potential.

During August, survey participants record the sex and age composition of all flocks of wild turkeys observed during normal travel. Those interested in participating can click the "Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Online report" on the Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey webpage.

Additional information is available on the Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey and Citizen Science Initiatives webpages.

To improve public safety and encourage visitors to State-

owned lands to practice responsible recreation, this spring DEC launched the 'Love Our New York Lands' campaign. The campaign is responsive to the steady increase in the number of visitors to state lands, both during the COVID-19 pandemic and in the decade prior, as more and more New Yorkers and visitors from other states and countries discovered the natural beauty of New York State lands. For details and more information, visit the Love Our New York Lands webpage.

First Dispatched Forest Ranger Returns from Fighting Oregon's 400,000-Acre Bootleg Fire

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that a second DEC Forest Ranger has been deployed to Montana to assist in fighting western wildfires. Yesterday, New York State welcomed home Forest Ranger Timothy Carpenter at the end of his two-week assignment fighting the Bootleg Fire raging in Oregon.

DEC Commissioner Seggos said, "Our team of wildland firefighting experts are some of the best in the country. I commend them for their bravery and willingness to support ongoing efforts to contain these devastating wildfires. DEC's Forest Rangers never hesitate to lend a helping hand no matter where they're needed. I thank them for their service and courageous efforts."

Ranger Carpenter, from Steuben County, began his assignment July 10, when he joined more than 2,000 federal, state, and local fire agencies battling the Bootleg Fire in Oregon. The Bootleg Fire started on July 6 and has burned more than 400,000 acres. It is now approximately 53 percent contained. Sustained winds and low humidity make this a difficult fire to get under control. The fire has already destroyed more than 200 buildings, forcing the evacuation of about 2,000 people.

The second Forest Ranger deployed for a two-week assignment is headed to the Alder Creek Fire in Montana. The Alder Creek Fire has burned nearly 6,000 acres of land. Because of its proximity to hundreds of homes and buildings, it is now considered the nation's highest wildland firefighting priority.

Wildland fires in western states are not only devastating to the western U.S., they are also impacting New York's air quality. On July 20, the entire state of New York was under an Air Quality Health Advisory due to fine particulate matter caused by fires in Canada and the western U.S. Today, an Air Quality Health Advisory was issued for the New York City Metro region. Air Quality Health Advisories are issued when DEC meteorologists predict levels of pollution, either ozone or fine particulate matter, are expected to exceed an Air Quality Index (AQI) value of 100. Exposure to fine particulate matter can cause short-term health effects such as irritation to the eyes, nose, and throat, coughing, sneezing, runny nose, and shortness of breath. Exposure to elevated levels of fine particulate matter can also worsen medical conditions such as asthma and heart disease. New York State will continue to issue advisories whenever conditions warrant to help protect public health.

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

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

2021-22 New York State Hunting and Trapping Licenses on Sale Now

• New Opportunities for Deer Hunters • Expanded Call Center Hours and Online Sales

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that hunting and trapping licens-es and Deer Management Permits (DMPs) for the 2021-2022 seasons are on sale now. In addition, DEC announced new opportunities for hunters this year, including expanded hunting seasons and allowing youth ages 12 and 13 to hunt deer with a firearm or crossbow in upstate counties that have passed a local low and but do not interact in the passed a local low and 'opted in' to participate.

"Hunting is a longstanding tradition for many and an estimated half a million New Yorkers enjoy the sport each year. The upcoming, expanded hunting seasons bring even greater excitement and opportunities to encourage greater participation in the sport," said Commissioner Seggos. "As always, DEC encourages hunters to plan ahead, get outdoors responsibly, and follow the principles of hunter safety.'

Licenses and permits can be purchased online (leaves DEC's website), at any one of DEC's license-issuing agents (leaves DEC's website), or by telephone at 866-933-2257. New hunting and trapping licenses are valid from Sept. 1, 2021, through Aug. 31, 2022; annual fishing licenses are valid for 365 days from date of purchase.

New York's habitat serves a critical role in maintaining healthy and sustainable fish and wildlife resources. Purchasing a hunting, fishing, or trapping license helps support conservation projects and ensures the protection of the State's natural resources. In addition, DEC encourages outdoor enthusiasts to consider purchasing a Habitat & Access Stamp each year. Funds from the \$5 Habitat & Access Stamp support projects to conserve habitat and improve public access for fish- and wildlife-related activities. This year's Habitat & Access Stamp features a bobcat.

Expanded Call Center Hours

Beginning this week, the DEC Call Center's hours of operation are from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays through Nov. 30. Regular call center weekday hours will resume on Dec. 1.

Individuals should have the following items ready when buying a license: Complete contact information (e.g. name, address, email address, telephone number);

Monti Elks Bingo 7:00 -pm Every Tuesday

at the Lodge 46 North Street • Monticello

Full payout and a progressive jackpot with weekly door prizes Food is also available in the Bingo kitchen

The Lodge supports local veterans, scouts, Little League and the Homeless Federation, as well as providing coats and gloves to elementary school children.

For information Contact Bingo Chair and Past Exalted Ruler Lisa Muller at: 914-799-1831. DEC customer ID number (if applicable);

Proof of residency (e.g., driver's license or nondriver's ID with a valid New York State address); and

If purchasing by phone or internet, a valid credit card.

If not already entered in DEC's automated licensing system, individuals are required to provide proof of hunter or trapper education certification or a copy of a previous license for all hunting and trapping license purchases. For additional information, visit the General Sporting License Information webpage on DEC's website.

Deer Management Permits (DMPs)

DMPs are available at all license-issuing outlets, by phone, or online through Oct. 1. DMPs are used to manage the deer herd and are issued through an instant random selection process at the point of sale. The chances of obtaining a DMP remain the same throughout the application period; hunters need not rush to apply. The 2021 chances of selection for a DMP in each Wildlife Management Unit are available online, through license-issuing agents, or by calling the DMP Hotline at 1-866-472-4332. (Contd. Pg. 41)

HELP WANTED **AT GRAHAMSVILLE FAIR TRI-VALLEY LIONS** SODA BOOTH

The Tri-Valley Lions Club is seeking helpers at the

Grahamsville Little World's Fair on August 12, 13 and 14th, 2021

at their soda, coffee, and water booth No experience necessary

Meet the Lions

Help our community

Get a free drink & free hat

Contact William Brenner (845) 985-7411 williamabrenner@hotmail.com

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(From Pg. 40) Detailed information on Deer Management Permits and this fall's Deer Season Forecast is available on DEC's website.

The 2021-22 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide, which provides an easy-to-read collection of pertinent rules and regulations, is available on the DEC Hunting webpage. Copies will be available soon at license-issuing agents.

Online and In-Person Hunter Education Training Course

All first-time hunters, bowhunters, and trappers must pass one or more courses before purchasing a license. Online and in-person courses are available. In-person courses have a field day where new hunters can get hands-on experience. All in-person courses are free of charge, but space may be limited. Courses fill quickly, so early sign-ups are encouraged. Visit DEC's website for more information on materials, including a list of courses and course registration.

The requirements to earn a New York State hunter education certificate can be met by completing DEC's online hunter education course and passing the exam. Upon passing, participants will receive a hunter education certificate, enabling the purchase of a hunting license. Participants must be New York State residents and the cost of the course is \$19.95. The online course can be accessed at DEC's website.

New York State also offers an online bowhunter education certification course. Upon passing, hunters receive their bowhunter education certificate so they can purchase a bowhunting privilege. Participants must be New York State residents and the cost of the course is \$30. The online course can be accessed at DEC's website.

New Hunting Opportunities

Deer hunters will have several new opportunities this year, with a law change that allows 12- and 13-year-old hunters to pursue deer with a firearm or crossbow under the supervision of an experienced adult hunter in upstate counties that opt-in to participate (see the Junior Big Game Hunting map). In addition, DEC created a new holiday deer hunt, an extended portion of the late bow and muzzleloader season from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1, in the Southern Zone. These are new opportunities for young hunters to be mentored by experienced adults and for families to hunt together during the holiday season.

DEC is also proposing additional hunting-related changes, which are currently out for public review and comment. If these proposals are adopted, DEC will notify the public by means of a press release and email newsletters.

Opportunities for Junior Hunters and Trappers

To foster the next generation of hunters in New York, DEC has expanded opportunities for junior hunters (licensees aged 12-15) and trappers (under 12 years old) by designating special youth hunts for deer, wild turkey, pheasants, and waterfowl. These opportunities allow youth hunters and trappers to spend time in the field with experienced adults and gain the necessary knowledge and skills to become safe and responsible members of the hunting and trapping community. More information about these programs and other opportunities for junior hunters and trappers is available on DEC's website.

Remember: Hunt Safe, Hunt Smart!

The number of hunting-relating shooting incidents is declining, but even one incident is too many. Hunters can prevent injuries and fatalities by following the cardinal rules of hunting safety:

Assume every gun to be loaded;

Control the muzzle in a safe direction;

Keep your finger off the trigger until firing;

Be sure of your target and beyond; and

Wear hunter orange or pink.

Tree stand falls are a major cause of hunting injuries. These hunting-related injuries are easily preventable. Hunters are advised to use a full-body harness and fall-arrest system and stay connected from the time they leave the ground until the time they return. Hunters are advised to check their stands (including straps and chains) every season and replace worn or missing parts. The proper use of tree stands and full-body harnesses helps prevent injuries and fatalities.

Keep Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Out of New York

Hunters should take the threat of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) seriously. CWD is always fatal to deer, elk, moose, and caribou. If introduced, CWD could spread rapidly and be practically impossible to eliminate once established, threatening the future of New York's deer population, hunting tradition, and many of the other benefits associated with deer. The most effective disease management strategy is to prevent CWD from entering New York. A recent detection of CWD in a captive deer herd in Pennsylvania near the New York State border is a reminder that the disease can be unintentionally moved to new locations. Hunters can help protect New York's deer herd from CWD by following these tips:

If hunting any type of deer, elk, moose, or caribou outside of New York, debone the animal before bringing it back, and follow the law about importing carcass parts from outside of New York. See CWD Regulations for Hunters. DEC will confiscate and destroy illegally imported carcasses and parts;

Avoid products containing real deer urine, like scent lures. Prions are shed in the bodily fluids (saliva, feces, urine) of infected deer before they appear sick. Prions bind to soil and plants where they remain infectious for years. There is no way to ensure that products containing deer urine are free of prions. Choose synthetic alternatives;

Dispose of carcass waste in a landfill, not on the landscape;

Hunt only wild deer and support fair chase hunting principles; and Report any deer that appears sick or is acting abnormally.

Hunters, Want Older Bucks in New York? It's Your Choice

Many deer hunters dream of seeing and shooting a large buck but there is great temptation for a hunter to take the first buck they see, often a young buck, when the opportunity presents itself. New York hunters can increase the likelihood of harvesting an older, larger buck, by choosing to pass up shots at young, small-antlered bucks. Older bucks create more rubs and scrapes, are more challenging to hunt, and yield more meat.

Many New York hunters are already voluntarily choosing to pass on young bucks. As a result, the availability and harvest of older, larger antlered bucks is increasing. To see and take more older bucks, DEC encourages hunters to work with neighbors and hunting partners to cooperatively reduce harvest of young bucks, improve habitat conditions, and ensure adequate harvest of antlerless deer.

Sullivan County Crosses 38,000 Mark in Total Population Vaccinated But the Battle Against COVID19 Isn't Over, Says Public Health

Liberty, NY - Public Health Director Nancy McGraw is pleased to announce that, as of August 6, 2021, Sullivan County Public Health Services, community health care partners and area pharmacists have vaccinated 38,608 people against COVID-19 with at least one dose, and 35,050 have had a completed vaccine series. The year-round population is 75,498.

Here's how the percentages break down, according to the NYS Vaccine Tracker: (https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/covid-19-vaccine-tracker)
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• 62.1% of the County's population age 18 and older has had at least one COVID-19 dose

- 54% of those age 12 and older are fully vaccinated
- 58.5 % of individuals age 12 and older have had at least one dose
- 72.4% of our seniors age 65 and older have been fully vaccinated
- 77.1% of our seniors age 65 and older have received at least one dose

"We continue to do our part to push past this pandemic to encourage people to get vaccinated, which is even more critical as the Delta variant spreads," McGraw stated. "I encourage everyone who might be hesitant or concerned to contact Public Health, their pharmacist or their own physician to get the facts about these safe and effective vaccines, so that we can ensure the safety and protection of everyone from the potentially serious health impacts of COVID-19 as soon as possible."

"We've crossed the 62% threshold, which is great progress, but we want to get over that 70% threshold," she added. "The goal is to get all of those who are eligible to be vaccinated and protected against this virus, especially the new, more contagious Delta variant. The science proves that vaccinated people are better protected."

"I want to thank our staff and our collaborators for the outstanding job they've done to reach this point, because it has been a marathon. They've put in the hours, the effort and the compassion for their neighbors, friends and family, and I am forever grateful to have them on our team. To date, 57 homebound individuals have been vaccinated, and we are continuing to hold weekly clinics at our office."

McGraw in particular praised the people and providers in the following zip codes, which lead the County in COVID vaccination:

, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	% w/at least	% Fully
	one dose	vaccinated
12787 White Sulphur Springs	70.5	65.2
12732 Eldred	73.4	71.7
12720 Bethel	74.7	73.4
12775 Rock Hill	78.2	73.4
12749 Kauneonga Lake	82.4	75.8
12745 Hortonville	94	85
12784 Thompsonville	97.7	93.2
12736 Fremont Center	97.8	93.5
12786 White Lake	>99	93.8
12722 Burlingham	>99	>99

But the Battle Is Not Yet Won

With COVID-19 cases steadily increasing, Sullivan County Public Health Services and local school districts are urging families to take proper precautions and get vaccinated. For children ages 12-17 returning to school in just five weeks, now is the time to get them vaccinated to have full protective immunity before school starts.

"We have a chance to avoid returning to the rough days of the COVID-19 pandemic, but it is going to take a Countywide effort of everyone doing their part. That means that every eligible person should get vaccinated," said McGraw. "This free and simple effort will help us get one step closer to taking control of this pandemic."

Please Wear a Face Mask

Help Stop the Spread

Why wear a mask?

Out of respect. When you wear a mask you are saying,

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

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

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

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

Public Health Services offers Pfizer doses (ages 12 and older) every Wednesday from 2-6 p.m. at its offices at 50 Community Lane in Liberty. Walk-in or register at http://www.sullivanny.us/Departments/Publichealth/COVID vaccines/clinics

Other vaccination locations with current stock can be found at www.vaccines.gov, by texting your zip code to 438829 or by calling 1-800-232-0233.

The following locations currently have vaccine as of Aug. 6: K&K Pharmacy (Liberty), The Medicine Shoppe (Liberty), Walgreens (Liberty, Monticello, Ellenville, Napanoch), Harris Pharmacy, Walmart (Monticello), Garnet Health Doctors (Bethel), Sun River Health (Monticello) and Rock Hill Pharmacy (Rock Hill).

If you have questions about COVID-19, call the New York State COVID-19 Hotline at 1-888-364-3065.

"We also strongly encourage everyone - vaccinated or unvaccinated - to wear masks indoors in situations where you cannot be at least six feet away from another person, outdoors when social distance cannot be maintained, or you are in a large group for extended periods of time," McGraw affirmed. "Please do your part: get vaccinated, and help put an end to this pandemic. The health and safety of your children, you, and your family is of utmost importance."

Local COVID-19 Numbers Rising Again Public Health Offers Vaccine, Encourages All to Wear Masks

Liberty, NY - With COVID-19 cases climbing towards the three-digit mark - after having been in the single digits just a month ago - Sullivan County Public Health Services is urging people to take proper precautions, including getting vaccinated.

"In just a week's time, our active cases have tripled, from 24 on July 26 to 72 on August 2," noted Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "This indicates transmission is becoming widespread again."

Over the past weekend, four people were hospitalized with coronavirus, with one serious enough to be admitted to an intensive care unit. While no new deaths have been recorded for some time, over 100 people are currently in quarantine.

"With the much more contagious Delta variant widespread nationally, and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) placing us in its 'substantial' transmission zone, I'm once again strongly encouraging everyone - vaccinated or unvaccinated - to wear masks indoors in situations where you cannot be at least six feet away from another person, and even outdoors when social distance cannot be maintained and you are in a large group for extended periods of time," McGraw stated.

TOP 5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT COVID-19 AND DELTA VARIANT

1. Getting vaccinated prevents severe illness, hospitalization, and death; it also helps reduce the spread of the virus in communities. Unvaccinated individuals should get vaccinated and continue masking until they are fully vaccinated. With the Delta variant, this is more urgent than ever. The highest spread of cases and severe outcomes are happening in places with low vaccination rates.

2. Data show Delta is different than past versions of the virus: it is much more contagious. Some vaccinated people can get Delta in a breakthrough infection and may be contagious. Even so, vaccinated individuals represent a very small amount of transmission occurring around the country. Virtually all hospitalizations and deaths continue to be among the unvaccinated.

3. In areas with substantial and high transmission, CDC recommends that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) wear a mask in public indoor settings to help prevent the spread of Delta and protect others.

4. CDC recommends that community leaders encourage vaccination and masking to prevent further outbreaks in areas of substantial and high transmission.

5. CDC recommends universal indoor masking for all

teachers, staff, students, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status. Children should return to full-time in-person learning in the fall with layered prevention strategies in place.

"We have a chance to avoid returning to the rough days of the COVID-19 pandemic, but it's going to take a Countywide effort of everyone doing their part," she added. "If you're not yet vaccinated but you're able to be, get vaccinated. It's not a 100% guarantee that you won't catch COVID-19, but it will significantly improve your chances of not becoming seriously ill - and it will greatly help lessen the spread of the virus, which threatens to again upend our lives if we don't keep it under control."

For children ages 12-17 returning to school in just 5 weeks, now is the time to get them vaccinated in order to have full protective immunity before school starts. Public Health offers Pfizer doses (ages 12 and older) every Wednesday from 2-6 p.m. at its offices at 50 Community Lane in Liberty. Walk in or register at:

sullivanny. us/Departments/Publichealth/COVID vaccines/clinics.

Other locations where you can get vaccinated can be found at www.vaccines.gov, by texting your zip code to 438829, or by calling 1-800-232-0233.

Individuals who have questions about COVID-19 testing should call the New York State COVID-19 Hotline at 1-888-364-3065.

Statement from New York State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker

"With the end of the state disaster emergency on June 25, 2021, school districts are reestablished as the controlling entity for schools. Schools and school districts should develop plans to open in-person in the fall as safely as possible, and I recommend following guidance from the CDC and local health departments."

Statement from Congressworman Claudia Tenney: I Oppose Vaccine Passports and Mandates

The vaccine works and Americans who want a vaccine should receive one like I did. But I continue to firmly oppose vaccine passports and mandates, like those being pushed in New York City and elsewhere around the country.

Vaccinated Americans are at significantly less risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19. The science also consistently shows that children and schools, especially elementary schools, are not significant transmitters of the virus. The CDC should release the science to the American people and let parents decide the best options for their kids.



Congresswoman Claudia Tenney Calls on Pelosi and Biden to Hold China Accountable

Washington D.C. - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22), member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, released the following statement regarding the Committee GOP's additional findings on COVID-19's origin.

"My Republican colleagues and I on the Foreign Affairs Committee released a report this week detailing COVID-19's origin from the Wuhan Institute of Virology and the Chinese Communist Party's extensive efforts to cover it up. With these facts now in hand, it's time to act," said Congresswoman Claudia Tenney. "Republicans in Congress have introduced several comprehensive bills to hold China accountable and deliver justice to the American people, but Speaker Pelosi refuses to bring them up for consideration. As Pelosi continues to stonewall in Congress, President Biden is not doing any better. He must take action to hold the CCP and institutions that were complicit in COVID's spread like the World Health Organization accountable. If this happened once, it can happen again. Every day Speaker Pelosi and President Biden fail to act, the American people are at grave risk. Over 600,000 Americans died from COVID-19, including over 1,300 New Yorkers in my community. They deserve justice."

Ranking Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Congressman Michael McCaul, released the Republican Addendum this week to the COVID Origins Report. The addendum makes clear that gain-of-function research was happening at the Wuhan Lab in unsafe conditions. It also makes clear that the Wuhan Lab had the ability to modify coronaviruses without leaving a trace as early as 2016. Based on this and other evidence, the Republican Addendum concludes that COVID-19 was accidentally released from the Wuhan Lab sometime prior to September 12, 2019. Read the full report here.

Earlier this week when he announced the release of the addendum, Ranking Member McCaul made the following statement: "As we continue to investigate the origins of the COVID-19 pandemic, I believe it's time to completely dismiss the wet market as the source of the outbreak. Instead, as this report lays out, a preponderance of the evidence proves that all roads lead to the WIV," said Ranking Member Michael McCaul. "We know gain-of-function research was happening at the WIV and we know it was being done in unsafe conditions. We also now know the head of the Chinese CDC and the director of the WIV's BSL-4 lab publicly expressed concerns about safety at PRC labs in the summer of 2019. It is our belief the virus leaked sometime in late August or early September 2019. When they realized what happened, Chinese Communist Party officials and scientists at the WIV began frantically covering up the leak, including taking their virus database offline in the middle of the night and requesting more than \$1 million for additional security."

McCaul added: "Now is the time to use all of the tools the U.S. government has to continue to root out the full truth of how this virus came to be. This was the greatest coverup of all time and has caused the deaths of more than four million people around the world, and people must be held responsible."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

China Laboratory Unleashed The Pandemic

I agree with some of the members on the U.S. House Foreign Affairs Committee who recently reported the COVID 19 virus was leaked from the experimental virus laboratory in Wuhan China.

Communist China exported the COVID 19 virus to the United States and the rest of the world, and it is primarily responsible for the millions of deaths, virus ailments, and economic hardship in the world.

A study by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, which was subsequently removed from the internet by the Chinese government, stated researchers in two laboratories in Wuhan China had been gathering bats infected with the coronavirus since 2012, and they were experimenting with bats that could spread the virus to human beings. In 2015 the Wuhan institute of Virology conducted further experiments on bats capable of infecting human beings with the coronavirus. On November 18, 2019 the Wuhan Institute of Virology posted job openings for postgraduate students to study the coronavirus in bats and humans. In particular, the openings emphasized the experiments would involve letting the coronavirus lie dormant in some people for a long time without symptoms. It is noteworthy China has a history of students working in laboratories becoming infected.

Subsequently, one researcher was bitten by a bat and another worker was secreted on by a bat. The woman director of the laboratory got the COVID 19 virus and died, and this was covered up by the Chinese authorities. These laboratory workers then infected people in the surrounding population of Wuhan China and the virus took off from there.

Communist China might not have foreseen the possibility of the COVID 19 virus escaping from the Wuhan laboratories and infecting the world. However, China with its strictly controlled closed society had to know it could lockdown the country and bring the virus under control, but the open societies of most other countries, including the United States, are not conducive to locking down, and are prone to spreading the virus. Furthermore, China experimented with a virus capable of mass infection and being asymptomatic in people, which weaponized the virus.

Communist China owes the world pandemic reparations payments in the many tens of billions of dollars. It, along with other countries, must conduct in-depth reviews of the safety and security procedures in virus laboratories, and implement any necessary changes to ensure viruses cannot escape from laboratories. China, in particular, must stop experimenting with viruses, because it poses an ongoing health and security threat to the world. It should be sanctioned for developing and accidentally unleashing a biological weapon of mass infection into the world.

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Poets Invited to Enter Poetry Festival

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

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

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

We've got your weekend plans!

See the show, get the t-shirt, visit us at the Blueberry Festival, then come to Opening Night!

It's opening weekend of THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (abridged) [revised] GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

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It's all starting this weekend! And WE CAN'T WAIT to see you, it's been W A Y too long.

So let's make our plans:

FRIDAY - Is our "preview" performance at 8pm. See it first! And if you'd like to come but the ticket price is a challenge, as always our preview performance is "Pay What You're Able" (although this time we're calling it "Pay What You Will" in honor of Shakespeare himself). Just come to the box office one half hour before the show for space available tickets.

SATURDAY - The World Famous Blueberry Festival begins at 9am and runs until 4pm. Come see us at our booth in front of the theatre and get a SHADOWLAND'S BACK t-shirt for \$20 or your own winking Shakespeare temporary tattoo! And yes the box office will be open during the festival!

SATURDAY NIGHT - Join us for a special night in Ellenville and help celebrate our Opening Night as live theatre joyfully returns to Ellenville. Following the show, Tony & Nicks will host a reception in our honor! Tickets are still available online!

And SUNDAY - will feature our first matinee of the run, beginning at 2pm.

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Governor Cuomo Issued Proclamation Declaring August 3 'Tony Bennet Day' in New York Proclamation in Honor of Singer's 95th Birthday and Final NYC Performances at Radio City Music Hall

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today issued a proclamation declaring August 3 'Tony Bennett Day' in New York in honor of the singer's 95th birthday and final New York City performances at Radio City Music Hall.

"Music and the arts have long been an essential piece of the fabric of New York, and you would be hard-pressed to find someone who has made more of a contribution in this space than Tony Bennett," Governor Cuomo said. "Not only is Tony a born and bred New Yorker who has been dazzling audiences with beautiful music for more than six decades, but he has always stayed true to his humble New York roots and can always be spotted throughout the City whether he is working on his next painting in Central Park, or just chatting with fans on the street. From growing up as a child of immigrants, to all the contributions he has made to our community, Tony Bennett is a New Yorker in the truest sense of the word and I am honored to proclaim August 3, 2021 as 'Tony Bennett Day' in New York."

Anthony Dominick Benedetto, known professionally as Tony Bennett, was born in Astoria, Queens in 1926. He fought in the final stages of World War II as a U.S. Army infantryman in the European Theater. He is a Grammy and Emmy Award winner, a Gershwin Award and Kennedy Center honoree and an accomplished visual artist with three of his original paintings in the Smithsonian Institute's permanent collection. With his wife Susan Benedetto, he established Exploring the Arts to support arts education in public high schools, which was initiated by the creation of Frank Sinatra School of the Arts in Astoria, Queens. PAGE 47

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(From Pg. 47) KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIES WORLDS FAIRS FILMS 1-5

AVAILABLE ON PRIME @ AMAZON.COM #1 The film is "*MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS.*" Might as well start with the best known one. *THE ST. LOUIS FAIR OF 1904 WAS THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION* commemorating the centennial of the notable land deal with France that gave America much of its Midwest.



Among the highlights included a large bird cage, the world's biggest organ (at the time), a wireless telegraph tower, and a concession devoted to the Anglo-Boer War. Dr. Pepper and Puffed Wheat cereal debuted at the fair. **Meet Me in St. Louis** was, of course, inspired by the song "Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis," which is in the movie. Judy Garland is radiant, and the songs she sings, such as "*The Trolley Song*" and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas," have become American standards.

AVAILABLE ON PRIME @ AMAZON.COM #2. ''IT HAPPENED AT THE ''WORLD'S FAIR '' Set in Seattle, this time and is the setting of ''THE CENTURY 21 EXPOSITION'' IN 1962.



All this occurred during The the "Space Race" (first to the moon) with the Soviet Union, when science & technology were major conversations in the press. The "SPACE NEEDLE" was constructed for the FAIR and has since become the symbol of Seattle in general. In addition, the Monorail and the sports facility now known as the Key Arena were built for the Fair. It also was an Elvis movie, made after Jailhouse Rock but before Viva Las Vegas. He sings a song called "Take Me to the Fair" on a ukulele to a kid. There's a scene in the Space Needle, of course. It's also Kurt Russell's debut film, back when he was a child actor. He kicks Elvis in the shins!

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3 The 22nd Charlie Chan movie, "CHARLIE CHAN AT TREASURE ISLAND." SAN FRANCISCO'S GOLDEN GATE INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION was held in 1939-40 (the same years as the New York Fair) on Treasure Island, an artificial island built for the Fair.



The Bay Bridge and the Golden Gate Bridge were relatively new at the time, and the island is where the two spans meet. The Pacifica statue, an 81-foot sculpture of the goddess of the Pacific Ocean, was the symbol of the Fair. The third film features Sidney Toler as Chan, who heads out to SF during the Fair to investigate the death of a friend. WAS IT SUICIDE - OR MUR-DER? There's real footage of the fair, including aerial shots in the film. Some say the Zodiac killer was inspired by this film to go on his killing spree. Plus, you will see a young Cesar Romero.

4 "SO LONG AT THE FAIR." THE PARIS' EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE was held in 1889.

It gave the world the *Eiffel Tower*, named for its designer, **Gustave Eiffel**, and though people were less than thrilled with it at first, it would go on to become world famous and synonymous with *Paris*, and indeed, **France** itself. **BUFFALO BILL AND ANNIE OAKLEY** performed there as part of their Wild West Show.

5 GAMERA VS. MONSTER X. Expo '70, or Osaka Banpaku, was held in Osaka, Japan in 1970. IMAX debuted there. A moon rock from the Apollo 12 mission was on display, as were mobile phone prototypes.



The Landmark Tower was built for the Expo, as was the Tower of the Sun, a structure with three human-like faces on its facade. It included moving staircases and an artificial tree inside. It inspired a song by Shonen Knife.

Even a Japanese monster movie has a Fair connection! *Gamera* is basically a giant turtle. I'm sure it's only a matter of time before we see him again).

Stay safe and stay well... and see you at the Fair! Knarf Odnamoc Gnome