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## "FOOD ON THE STOVE" HELPS OUR MARINES!

Local man, Michael DeMeo has just completed an Italian cook book with the profits going toward helping raise funds for our U.S. Marines who are returning home with missing limbs, etc. The proceeds will go directly toward the purchase of artificial prostheses.

The title of the new cook book is "Food on the Stove" and is loaded with great Italian recipes from the kitchen of *Ray's Brick Oven Pizza Restaurant* on Glade Hill Road in Grahamsville. Included in the book are also tips on where to shop for quality Italian products, fresh seafood, etc.

There is also a short story on post WWII history, a glance of America's greatness during the fifties, our U.S. Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

If you are interested in purchasing "Food on the Stove" you may send a check or money order for \$23.00 to Michael DeMeo, 216 Glade Hill Road, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or go to Amazon.com and link on to: [http://Tinyurl.com/foodonthe\\_stove](http://Tinyurl.com/foodonthe_stove)

## DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY LANDSCAPING PROJECT

After many years of anticipation the completion of the building addition at the Daniel Pierce Library is coming into view. One of the last remaining projects is the landscaping of the building's exterior. Thanks to many hours of donated services by Restaino Design, a final landscape plan has been completed. Funded in part by a grant by Sullivan Renaissance, Neversink Renaissance and community members will help to complete the finishing touches of our beautiful building.

A two day planting gathering has been planned for Friday August 27th (8:00 AM-3:00 PM) and Saturday August 28th (7:00 AM-1:00 PM). We will be planting over 120 perennials, 250 ground covers, and nearly 200 shrubs and trees. (Contd. Pg. 2)

## A NIGHT TO REMEMBER IN FALLSBURG



In the photo, left to right are members of Fallsburg Communities that Care, Charles Davis, Barbara Durbak, Sue Kasofsky, Bertha Williams, and Beth Gilmore.

It takes more than just a "village" to raise kids in Fallsburg. It takes hamlets, towns, other villages, agencies, businesses, parents, kids themselves, and a whole host of generous folks. That is who came together to plan, create, and present a beautiful evening for National Night Out at Brian Ingber Park in South Fallsburg on August 3, 2010. With dark clouds threatening to open up all day, blue skies shone brightly through the grey within an hour of the beginning of the night's festivities. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## GRAHAMSVILLE UMC MISSION TEAM REPORTS ON WEEK IN KENTUCKY



Fourteen Grahamsville and Neversink residents ( Jona Hamilton, Bethany Hamilton, Dave Moore, Phyllis Thomas-Moore, Craig TerBush, Debbie TerBush, Amanda TerBush, Brianna TerBush, Ashley Exner, Dan Short, Wanda Terwilliger, Don Terwilliger, Susan Woodworth, and Pastor Bob Kersten) representing the Grahamsville UMC and Ulster Hts UMC) plus one Rio, WV resident, Pastor Bob's niece Keah Kersten (a member of the Sperry's Run UMC) recently traveled to Henderson Settlement in Frakes, KY, which is part of the Red Bird Missionary Conference of the United Methodist Church. The group was blessed with safe travels, cooperative spirits, hard working attitudes, and strength to endure some of the worst summer heat seen in years, in the Appalachian Mountains.

The group took two days to travel south, leaving Grahamsville on Sat. morning July 31. They spent Saturday night in Moorefield, WV, near Pastor Bob Kersten's brother Larry's home in Rio, WV. Larry's church, Sperry's Run UMC, in Rio, WV, hosted the travelers for dinner, a fundraising concert given by the Potomac Valley Men's Choir, and then for a hearty breakfast on Sunday morning. Their loving hospitality was generous and enthusiastic. Keah Kersten joined us there, for the rest of the trip. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## LOCAL AARP 1604 RETIRES

On a cold January morning in 1973, Ethel Phillips and Nellie Cypert discussed the need for an AARP chapter in the Grahamsville area for senior citizens.

After a couple of meetings they invited the State Director to a meeting and he gave them all the information and by-laws needed to start a chapter.

An ad was placed in the Townsman and large response came from the area seniors. A meeting was called, to be held at the Grahamsville First Aid Building in March. More than 40 people showed up. Thirty-three signed up at the first meeting and at the second meeting, a week later, nine more became members. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## GIRLFRIENDS GETAWAY PACKAGE OFFERED AT FROST VALLEY 'Y'

A Girlfriends Getaway Weekend at Frost Valley YMCA in the Catskills from August 27-29 is the perfect way to cap the summer season.

Late summer is an ideal time to head to the mountains and enjoy the warm days and crisp evenings. Hiking, boating, biking, swimming, canoeing, fishing, high adventure ropes, climbing and horseback riding, plus a full array of arts and crafts are among the offerings to be enjoyed. (Contd. Pg. 9)

## TIME AND THE VALLEYS MUSEUM WINS RENAISSANCE PRIZE

The Time and the Valley's Museum Cemetery Restoration Project was awarded an additional \$1000 prize for Historical Preservation by Sullivan Renaissance. Project Coordinator Lori Mickelson earned an initial \$1500 grant to restore some of our Township's historic cemeteries. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## FROM SLAC!

We invite you to a celebration of Social Security's 75th birthday at the Ted Stroebele Neighborhood Center in Monticello on Friday, August 27, 2010 at 10 AM with Hon. Maurice Hinchey, US Congress, 22nd Congressional District and Frank Mauro, Economist of the Fiscal Policy Institute. We will honor the organizations that serve us in Sullivan County.

Refreshments will be served.

## SULLIVAN RENAISSANCE 2010 AWARDS- TEN YEARS OF VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION HONORED

Hundreds of people attended the 90-minute Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony at Monticello High School Auditorium on August 9 as over \$100,000 in grants were awarded to winning communities from around Sullivan County. Notable volunteer moments in the ten year history of Sullivan Renaissance were remembered, and senior judge Ted Blowes was recognized.

The Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce received the Golden Feather, a \$50,000 grant made possible by NYS Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther. It was presented to one of five Category C projects that exhibited the highest level of excellence in all aspects of its three-year project. The Narrowsburg Beautification Group received the \$5000 Silver Feather Award for its planning efforts. Major funding for these five community development projects came through a \$75,000 grant secured by NYS Senator John Bonacic. (Contd. Pg. 4)



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**ON THE FRONT BURNER :** Take heed, brethren, lest there be any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. Hebrews 3:12

**ENGAGEMENT**

Mr. & Mrs. Darryl James of Palm Coast, Fl and Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Osterhout of Hurleyville, NY announce the engagement of their children, Joelene A. Hames to Benjamin L. Osterhout. Joelene is pursuing a nursing degree. Benjamin is a food production manager at Perkins Restaurant in Palm Coast, Fl. The couple are planning an October 2011 wedding.

**THANK YOU NOTE**

I would like to express my most heartfelt gratitude to all the members of the Grahamsville and Neversink First Aid Squads and Fire Departments, Mobile Medic, NYC DEP. Police, and NYS Police who responded to the auto accident that I was involved in on Sunday morning, August 1st. These people are a very dedicated and special group of volunteers and professionals.

I would also like to give thanks to those friends and neighbors who arrived on the scene to provide assistance and comfort in a difficult situation.

And finally, I thank our entire community for the calls, visits and cards of concern and well wishes. I am well on my way to recovery.

Many thanks! Doug Hamilton

**COLLEGE NEWS**

Area student graduates from SUNY Morrisville.

Amber Wynkoop was among the students to graduate from Morrisville State College in May. She obtained a degree in Animal Science - Equine Science and Management. She was also named to the Dean's List for the spring 2010 semester.

Also named to the SUNY Morrisville Dean's List for the spring semester was Brittany Klee of Grahamsville.

Local resident named to Dean's List at Oneonta

Zachary Cosentino of Woodbourne was named to the Dean's List at the State University of New York at Oneonta. To qualify for the list, he maintained an average 3.5 GPA or higher while carrying a course load of 12 semester hours or more.

**DAYS OF YORE....**

**Today's History**

**August 16, 1950** - Friends and neighbors of Mr. Riley Currey surprised him pleasantly Sunday on the occasion of his 82nd birthday. Dinner was served on the lawn of the Robert Osterhout home with not one but two birthday cakes.

The Townsman office was moved Friday from the small building on the John Condron property to temporary quarters in a part of the Jocelyn building in the middle of town.

The one-room schools in Union Free School District I were sold at auction on Monday afternoon at Grahamsville School House. Sundown brought the biggest price; Big Hollow the lowest.

On Saturday evening Miss Anne Wincek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wincek of Ellenville, became the bride of Mr. Robert Leo Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson of Lackawack. The Rev. Howard P. West officiated.

The Neversink firemen were called out Thursday night when John McGuire's truck caught fire. The truck was saved but the hay burned.

Leonard Lakin, 38, died last Wednesday, August 9, at the Gilbert Van Valkenburgh farm house where he had been living with his family. He is survived by his wife and seven children and his father, Bert Lakin of Middletown.

**August 12, 1960** - Former business executive Morgan D. Ryan was convicted last Friday of bribing highway officials of Ulster County towns to buy road oil from him. He paid them a cent a gallon.

On Tuesday, August 9th, an altercation over an axe between Ross Bonnell and Milton Friedman, employees of the Town of Neversink Highway Dept., led to a hearing before Justice Chandler P. Currey. Mr. Bonnell was arrested and formally charged with Third Degree Assault and Judge Currey set bail at ten dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carlsen of Ellenville, are the proud parents of a son, Neil Eric, born at the Veterans Memorial Hospital on Thursday, August 11th, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz.

Footnotes To Local History - The Reformed Church of Grahamsville was organized with 25 members, July 1, 1844 by Henry Clark, Cornelius H. Sheeley, John Wells and John D. Dean. Their house of worship was erected in 1842 at a cost of about \$500.

The Lows Corners Baptist Church was officially organized November 11, 1869. Rev. J.L. Smith was the first pastor. The church was organized with 41 members and the building cost \$1350. Members of the congregation stayed and kept fire all night to keep the plaster from freezing.

**August 26, 1970** - Thirty patients from the Sullivan County Home and Infirmary enjoyed another Red Letter Day at the "Little World's Fair" in Grahamsville on Saturday, August 15th. They were the guests of Superintendent Robert T. Many and the Grahamsville Fair Association.

The New York State Department of Transportation, Binghamton, NY has turned down the petition of residents of both Ulster County section and Sullivan County section of County Road 19. According to the letter to the Town Board, the Hamlet of Claryville is a "marginal development far below the minimum required to support a reduced speed."

**August 21, 1980** - State Attorney General Robert Abrams spent most of the day Sunday with his family at the Little World's Fair in Grahamsville.



Mr. Abrams, his wife, Diane and their 4-year old daughter, Rachel, strolled around the fairgrounds enjoying the sights.

R a y McNamara and Pearl Galloway are busy trapping coons who love their gardens. They have reported trapping 8 so far. Many thanks to Harold Knight who picks up the coons and transports them to the hills of Grahamsville to give them their freedom.

The stocking of 40,000 lake trout fingerlings into the Rondout Reservoir in 1976 has been a great success. However, many of the immature lake trout are vulnerable to anglers for the first time this year. Reports from fisherman have been generally enthusiastic, but some are concerned that many of the fish are being mistaken for "browns."

**TOWN FLOWERS MAKE EARLY EXIT**

After a gorgeous June and July showing, Neversink Renaissance hanging baskets faced an early decline. The Hillside Greenhouse staff is currently helping to evaluate the cause of our plant's browning-out prematurely. Despite the heat, it does not appear to be from lack of water but may stem from a week long rain in late July and not enough drainage in our new baskets. There is concern that the plants may have begun a process of root rot during this period.

Over the next few weeks we will attempt to make a final determination of the problem. Based upon this review we will decide whether different plant selection, soil content, or modification of drainage will be our best solution. For those who purchased plants, Neversink Renaissance will be sending a letter with further details and a coupon for saving on next year's plant purchases. Neversink Renaissance appreciates the community's patience with our plant setback this year and anticipates correcting this for next year.

**DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY LANDSCAPING PROJECT**

We will need both novice and experienced landscapers to complete the project. In order to effectively plan our two days it will be helpful to have a good idea how many individuals will be available on each day. We are also looking for several crew leaders who could guide volunteers through the completion sections of the project. If you are available for either of the work days, please contact Dave Moore at 985-2746 for further details. For a view of the landscaping plan, feel free to stop in the Daniel Pierce Library prior to our planting days.

Over the past ten years of Neversink Renaissance, we have been so fortunate to have so many volunteers of all ages support our projects. We look forward to two highly productive days to help put the finishing touches on this fabulous library building project.



**HERE AND THERE**

The 2010 Little World's Fair has come and gone for another year. Mother Nature was cooperative for two of the three days: OK on Friday, fantastic on Saturday, rain waiting until Sunday mid-day to arrive. All the local clubs and organizations did their usual spectacular jobs in their various booths and work areas. This is the first year that I could not go to the Fair since 1951 ("bum knee" problem), and I missed it.

However, there is one first-hand account I can give you. My neighbor took second place in one of the cooking/baking categories. There may have been more excited contest winners around, but I doubt it. She used a recipe she found in her grandmother's cookbook for a dessert called Hungarian Plum Cake, which she had never made before. She tried it out on her family and got a thumb's-up from them. So she made another one, entered it, and came home with a second-place win! ... It may help you understand her excitement when I tell you this cook is 15 years old, and aspires to a career in the culinary arts - especially pastries! Congratulations to you, Cheyenne Hennessey!

The local Volunteer Firemen's softball team had a very successful season this year, taking first place in the league for the first time since 1996. They have also won the first of the play-off games, where a best-two-out-of-three determines the final champion. The remaining games are scheduled for August 17 and 19, Tuesday and Thursday of this week. The local team is composed mostly of Neversink and Grahamsville players, plus one each from Claryville and Hurleyville. Good luck in the finals, fellas!

If you've been reading the *Townsmen*, you should know that the Sundown Methodist Church will hold their "first annual chicken barbecue" on September 11. Since Ken TerBush is handling the tickets, and since he sold the first two to my husband, Don and I have ticket numbers 1 and 2. You know, if this event grows in popularity over the years, he and I could become famous for being the first purchasers: our names could go down in history. Ken, I hope you keep good records!

Lots of 'special days' in August! Birthdays: Samantha Ray Everett, age 6 on 8-15; Jerry McCarthy, 8-17; Peggy Geyer, 8-19; our granddaughter Rebekah Allen, age 21 on 8-23; Michael Horos, age 11 on 8-24; Sierra Hennessey, age 14 on 8-25; son David, 8-26; Don TerBush, 83 (and won't eat vegetables!) on 8-28; Ann Krom, 8-29. Anniversaries: Spence and Jackie Quick, 8-15; Don and I, 53 years on 8-17; Dave and Phyllis Moore, 32 years on 8-19; former residents Tom and Bobbi Arielly, 53 years on 8-24; Jack and JoAnne Gallagher, 8-29. Best wishes to all!

Several local residents have been hospitalized briefly in recent weeks. We wish all of them complete recoveries and healthier days ahead!

Here's a quote we used five years ago, but it's worth repeating:

"I must do something" will always solve more problems than "Something must be done." (Source: Bits and Pieces)

That's it for now; have a great week. .... (pah)

**NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy**

No Neversink News this week.

Have a good week and God Bless.

(Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

**GRAHAMSVILLE UMC MISSION TEAM REPORTS ON WEEK IN KENTUCKY**

(From Pg. 1)

Sunday was another travel day, a day in which we were stopped in our tracks with news that Doug Hamilton had been in a head-on car crash back home. We prayed and cried, waiting for word of Doug's condition, and prayed prayers of thanksgiving when we knew he was safe, and not critically injured.

We arrived in Frakes, KY in time to eat sandwiches for supper on Sunday evening, and then attend the group orientation for the 160 work campers on campus that week, from all over the country. Jerry Lambdin (aka Mr. Henderson Settlement), the Workcamp Coordinator, welcomed all of us "out-of-towners" with a stand-up, mountain-style, self-deprecating, infectious humor that completely disarmed all of us, and brought us into focus of the work we'd be doing. Unemployment in the service region of Henderson Settlement is at 50%. Of the 30,000 residents of Bell County, 33% are on disability.

We settled into our home for the week - "Brick House" - a modest house with 6 bedrooms right on campus. We were so very grateful for this space to call home. Each evening, we circled as a group, for time to reflect and process all that we had seen and done that day. We shared our "highs, lows and weirds," prayed together, sang a lot of songs, and laughed. In that circle, we learned so much about ourselves, each other and what it really means to be in mission in the world.

Each morning, all the work-campers gathered in the outside hillside chapel overlooking the (Next Col)

valley, for 7am devotions. Our group led that devotion time on Friday morning, with our youth sharing the scriptures, meditation and prayers. They made us so proud!

The guys in our group met again with Jerry on Monday morning, along with Harry, another of the work-camp coordinators, to learn more about our project, its location, and our task. We gathered our tools, and headed over the hills, to the home of Shannon and her three sons, about 20 miles from the Settlement. We spent the next 5 days there, building a 12 x 16 room addition onto their mobile home. The work was challenging, the temperatures were hot, the humidity off the charts. The family welcomed us graciously, appreciative of the work we were doing, and by the end of the week, the middle son was working with us all, having bonded with our teenagers. Shannon fed us a couple of meals, and opened her home to us. We consumed more than 10 cases of water in the 5 days, working hard to stay hydrated in the blistering heat. By week's end, we had built the room, sided the outside walls, run electrical wires, set in a door and window, put a roof on it, and had also worked on some other miscellaneous projects around the home. A new work camp group arrived on Monday, to finish the room this week, and to complete work on a roof over the entire mobile home (a project previously begun by another group and not yet completed.)

Saying goodbye to Shannon and her boys was one of the toughest parts of the week. Our kids had written a special verse of "Pass it On," which they sang to her before we left. Shannon was so touched, as we all were. Earlier in the week, we had given Shannon and her boys some gifts - some baseball caps brought by Ashley Exner, and 2 beautiful quilts, made by Neversink resident Connie Stangel.

Our week ended with a celebration and communion service in Hope UMC, right there on the Settlement campus, on Friday evening, after which we loaded the cars. Early Saturday morning, two of our cars with 5 of our team members, headed north to make the trip home in one day. The other two cars left a little later in the morning, and traveled two days to get home safely on Sunday afternoon. Dirty laundry rode on top of the car, thankfully!

The Mission Team will be planning a pot-luck supper and presentation on our trip sometime in the next couple of months. Everyone will be invited to come hear some of our stories and to see our photos! Thank you to everyone who helped support our mission team efforts. Since March 2009, we raised \$14,000, to pay for our stay at the Settlement, our travel to and from, and the materials required for our building project.

**LOCAL AARP RETIRES (From Pg. 1)**

Under the leadership of Ethel Phillips the group instituted a weekly visit to the County Infirmary. The group started bingo playing for the residents which has lasted for all 37 years. The prizes are donated by the AARP and this will continue in the future funded by money left in the organization's treasury.

The chapter maintained its membership of 150 well into the eighties. At one time there was actually a waiting list for new members. A newsletter, sometimes 3 pages long, was published for the group. There were picnics, dinners, celebrations, speakers, parties, trips and numerous other activities going on constantly. Perhaps the trips were one of the most popular and were offered three or four times a year to places like Elmsford dinner and shows, New York City, Canada, Virginia, Thousand Islands, Florida, Amish, Atlantic City, Corning, Cape Cod and so on.

Many of the original members have left us. Time has taken its toll. The memories and papers have been preserved and were donated to the Time and the Valleys Museum archives.

**TIME AND THE VALLEYS MUSEUM WINS RENAISSANCE PRIZE (From Pg. 1)**

Most of these small cemeteries are unknown to the general public but are of critical importance to those concerned with family history and genealogy. The project included the cleaning of brush and debris, repair of gates and fencing, resetting of head stones, placement of permanent signage, and planting of perennial flowers. In addition, these historic cemeteries have been mapped to document plot locations, and a brochure created to guide the public to their locations. For more information about all the cemeteries in Town of Neversink, contact Historian Smythe at Neversink Town Hall.

Our thanks to Lori for her hard work and leadership with this project. Town Historian Carol Smythe provided extensive technical assistance. Sullivan Renaissance interns Jamie Evans, Michael Kaplan, and Jaxon Denman provided assistance with the project. M & L Masonry and the Mickelson family donated equipment and substantial support in the clean up effort. The cemetery signs were designed by Carol Bivins and constructed by Grays Woodworks. The Town of Neversink

helped in this project. The brochure was created by Karyn Sheely in the Tri-Valley Computer Graphics class under the direction of Leslie Huppke. Our thanks to all the private landowners who have given permission for either improvements on their properties or to have signs erected or both.

Congratulations to all who have supported this very worthwhile project.

**A PARTRIDGE IN A PINE-TREE**

By Peggy DeWire



The partridge or Ruffed Grouse (*Bonasa umbellus*) is a chicken-like bird with a two-foot wingspan, rusty-brown or gray brown plumage and pretty brown-barred breast. Both male and female have the same coloration. The female is smaller.

Rusty birds are more common in the south, gray in the Midwest and both phases here in the east.

The head has a crest, which can be raised or lowered along with the black "ruffs" on both sides of the neck.

For winter Ruffed Grouse grow added downy feathers that cover the legs and puts on snowshoes which are comb-like spurs on their toes, and help support the bird's weight on the snow.

Partridge or Ruffed Grouse natural habitat is thick forest with dense undergrowth and scattered clearings. This bird ranges from the tree line in Alaska and Canada south to most of the U.S..



A Ruffed Grouse spends much time

on the ground searching for food. It walks gracefully from firm steps, fanning its beautiful banded tail, head erect and fluffing out its velvety black neck ruffs.

It stops frequently and poses on one foot and utters soft clucks before moving on. However, if alarmed it runs rapidly to a hiding place or immediately springs into the air with a loud startling noise and flies safely away.

Ruffed grouse eat seeds, wild grapes and berries (favorites are strawberries and dewberries). Winter fare includes beechnuts, acorns, leaf buds, green honeysuckle leaves and soft needle evergreens.

In early April male Ruffed Grouse begin drumming to attract females. I've watched a cock strut along a log displaying its fan tail and black neck ruffs. When it stops, it stretches its body like a domestic rooster and beats the air with its wings faster and louder gaining speed until the drumming sounds like a distant thunder.

The muffled booming can be heard two hundred yards away enticing female Grouse to come for mating. Should another male approach, a fierce fight erupts with the cocks savagely pecking and spurring each other until one is driven away. Male Ruffed Grouse have several mates but don't help with building nests or parenting.

A female makes a ground nest of twigs lined with soft grass and leaves. She lays 6-12 tan eggs, which she sits on for three weeks, perfectly camouflaged by her mottled brown plumage and is completely odorless during this time.

The babies follow their mother minutes after hatching to find food and just a week later can fly a few yards. They squat motionless at the first cluck of alarm and resume searching for bugs and berries only when Mom gives the all clear cluck.

A female Ruffed Grouse is very protective of her brood and often diverts danger away by drawing attention to her feigning a broken wing or tumbling helplessly about.

At nightfall she gathers her chicks around her in a tight circle under a sheltering bush or log. When the whole convey can fly better, they roost in trees among the thickest foliage.

Ruffed grouse were the favorite game bird of early American settlers because they were so numerous, excellent tasting and easy to kill. The birds' curious nature and inexperience with humans caused it to sit on low tree limbs, watching trustfully. It could be killed with a stick or a single shot.

This all changed very quickly as Ruffed Grouse developed many clever tricks to fool hunters such as keeping a tree between the shooter and itself as it flew away. Or circling back behind the hunter to watch him creep forward looking around for the bird.

As America developed and cleared forests, Ruffed Grouse habitat shrank while commercial hunting pressure increased. Hundreds were sold at city markets for forty cents apiece.

Today most states have strict hunting laws for Ruffed Grouse.



**LEGAL NOTICE:**

Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is seeking proposals from experienced attorneys/law firms to serve as closing counsel for economic development loans from Catskill Fund for the Future, work commencing on October 1, 2010. CWC is a not for profit local development corporation. Respondents should be experienced in commercial real estate lending and have minimal conflicts with loan applicants. Bids must be received by 4 PM, August 20, 2010. The Request for Proposal can be obtained by contacting Timothy Cox, Esq., at 845-586-1400. EOE

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**A NIGHT TO REMEMBER IN FALLSBURG (From Pg. 1)**

The main organizers of the program were Fallsburg Communities that Care (FCTC) led by Charles Davis, Bertha Williams, Barbara Durbak, Aleta Lymon, Beth Gilmore, Sue Kasofsky, Larry Schafman, Leni Binder, Brenda Miller, Bob Korabik, and Richard Royse. This group partnered with Fallsburg Police Department spearheaded by Officer Robert Noller and Chief Simmie Williams for the sixth year of running this event as part of the National Night Out program in many cities and towns throughout America.

The focus of the event is to inspire young people to make good choices in their life, to stay drug free, and crime free. The main speakers of the evening addressed this issue on the basketball court where the youngsters had just competed in contested three on three games. Family Court Judge Mark Meddaugh praised the community for being proactive as part of a strong nationwide effort to steer our children in a positive direction. Events like this fostered maintaining a safe community free of gangs and the violence that comes with them. Seeing all the parents and older youngsters working with the kids on the basketball court would help keep them from showing up at his court with lives at risk. Sullivan County District Attorney Jim Farrell followed Judge Meddaugh and asked everyone to pat their own backs for a job well done. He was happy to see so many young people having fun and being constructive. As with the judge, he did not want to have to relate to these youngsters in his role as D.A.; he asked them to think about the decisions they have to make and to make good ones.

At the very end of the formal part of the evening, DJ Norris Gilmore, who donated his services as he so often does for Fallsburg children, asked every kid to recite a pledge with him. With great enthusiasm and unity, they all shouted out that they would remain drug free, crime free, and respect themselves and others for the coming year until they meet again next August to renew their pledge.

The FCTC thanks all the people that helped make the night memorable, and they have begun planning for next year's event already. In addition to the people mentioned above, some of the main donations and contributions of time and energy came from the following: County Legislator Leni Binder, Fallsburg PBA, Fallsburg Parks & Recreation (led by Henry Lesczynski), Hurleyville Fire Department, Hostess Company for all the buns, Kagan Meats for hot dogs and hamburgers, Kohl's Warehouse for a generous \$500 donation and 5 volunteers, John Silva and Kathy Kreiter (the cooks in charge of the barbecue hot dogs and hamburgers), McDonald's, Nardi's Restaurant, New Hope Community, Mary McNeil, Recovery Center Care Corps for potato and macaroni salads, Sullivan County Community College, SC Sheriff's Department, Stewart's Shop in Fallsburg, SC Head Start of Woodbourne, NY State Trooper Parks from Liberty Barracks, and Zakarin's of Fallsburg that donated all the paper goods and utensils.

Over twenty exhibitors set up information booths providing helpful materials on special services, such as dental and health, parenting, and financial needs, from the town, county and state.

There are others that participated behind the scenes and at the event as basketball referees, servers of food, running the games and other activities, setting up the two tents, picnic tables, signs, directing traffic, etc. If not mentioned by name, their contribution made for an evening of family fun and community spirit that will keep its glow for the coming year until all come together once again in August 2011.

**SULLIVAN RENAISSANCE 2010 AWARDS- (From Pg. 1)**

Special flower awards went to five communities this year. The Narrowsburg Beautification Group was also recognized with the "Best Showing of Flowers Award" of \$5000. This dis-

play "wowed" the judges as exciting, colorful, artistic, imaginative, show stopping, ingenious, delightful, and a clever use of plant material, texture and space.

Other communities received \$1000 Judges' Choice Awards: Youngsville Environmental Preservation Committee for "Most Bold and Dramatic Single Element," Ethelbert B. Crawford Library in Monticello for "Imaginative Concepts," Hurleyville Sullivan First for "Best Combined Architectural Elements & Floral Displays" and Loomis Area Neighborhood Watch for "Most Outstanding Single Garden."

Before the winning projects were announced, a special "10th Anniversary Comeback Award" of \$3500 was presented. Liberty Pride was chosen as a community that has come together again and shown outstanding achievement in welcoming floral displays, innovative banners, a successful community vegetable garden, extensive partnerships and a multitude of volunteers including youth.

Grants - ranging from \$1000 to \$10,000 - were awarded to projects in Categories A and B. Projects in each category were also recognized with Stewardship Awards for the environment, history and best practices. All of the communities that completed projects received a grant based on the size of their category, as well as certificates of recognition from Sullivan Renaissance and area legislators.

**CATEGORY A**

Category A projects are made up of single elements such as a new sign or hanging baskets. This category was made possible, in part, through the sponsorship of WVOS/WSUL.

**First place (\$3000)**

· Literacy Volunteers of Sullivan County in Monticello - Literacy Center beautification

**Second place (\$2000)**

· Ethelbert B. Crawford Library in Monticello - livening up the library lawns

**Third place (\$1000)**

· Town of Highland Senior Citizens Center in Eldred - landscaping bocci park

**STEWARDSHIP AWARDS** - Sponsored by Sullivan County Democrat

**Environmental Stewardship (\$1000)**

· Loomis Area Neighborhood Watch - Loomis beautification

**Historic Preservation (\$500)**

· Catholic Daughters of America - Cemetery signage and restoration

· Mamakating Historical Society - Summitville Schoolhouse gardens

**Best Practices (\$1000)**

· Youngsville Environmental Preservation Committee - Gateway sign restoration & gardens

**CATEGORY B**

Category B projects are made up of multiple elements such as park enhancements. This category was made possible, in part, through the sponsorship of Thunder 102/Bold Gold Media.

**First place (\$10,000)**

· Town of Lumberland Parks - Banner enhancement and landscaping

**Second place (\$7000)**

· Loch Sheldrake Renaissance - Route 52 corridor beautification

**Third place (\$5000)**

· White Sulphur Springs Fire Department & Ladies Auxiliary - Firemen's Park playground

**STEWARDSHIP AWARDS** - Sponsored by The River Reporter

**Environmental Stewardship (\$1000)**

· Phillipport Community Center - Summitville-Phillipport beautification

**Historic Preservation (\$1000)**

· Time and the Valleys Museum in Neversink - cemetery restoration project

**Best Practices (\$1000)**

· Livingston Manor Renaissance - "More Gain on Upper Main"

**CATEGORY C**

Category C projects are complex 3-year community development plans. This category is made possible, in part, through a \$75,000 grant secured by NYS Senator John Bonacic.

**Golden Feather (\$50,000 grant)** - Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther:

· Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce

**Silver Feather (\$5000)** - Senator John J. Bonacic:

· Narrowsburg Beautification Group

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**Environmental Stewardship (\$1000)**

· Jeffersonville JEMS

**Historic Preservation (\$1000)**

· Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce

**Best Practices (\$1000)**

· Woodbourne Action Committee

**SCCC SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Sullivan County Community College Foundation awarded one full time scholarship of \$1500 to a volunteer involved in a Sullivan Renaissance project in her community who is attending SCCC.

· Jamie Evans of Neversink - Time and the Valleys Museum project

**SULLIVAN RENAISSANCE SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties awarded seven Sullivan Renaissance scholarships to volunteers who made a significant contribution to a Sullivan Renaissance project. These scholarships to the college of one's choice range from \$500 to \$1000.

· Karina Arango - Phillipport beautification - Orange County Community College

· Jaxon Denman - Neversink Renaissance projects - SUNY Cobleskill

· Lauren Hazen - Lumberland Circle Park - SUNY Oneonta

· Andrew Johnson - Mamakating Historical Society - Associated Training Services Network

· Kathryn Justus - Summitville Renaissance - SUNY Oswego

· William McKerrell - Lumberland Circle Park - SUNY Cortland

· Robert Jesse Neumann - Kenoza Lake projects - SUNY Oneonta

**MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

A program begun last year awarded grants up to \$750 to help well-established groups maintain and embellish previously-funded projects. These grants were used to add and replace soil, mulch, plants, trees, shrubs and other landscape elements. The three participants were: Hurleyville Sullivan First; South Fallsburg Action Committee; and Sullivan County Historical Society Museum.

**MINI-GRANT PROGRAM**

Eighteen organizations and businesses were recognized for participating in the mini-grant reimbursement program which provided up to \$200 worth of flowers for each project. These included: Bethel Local Development Corporation, town hall sign gardens; Town of Delaware, planters at courthouse; Dirie Dairy Farm in Livingston Manor, new sign and landscaping; First Baptist Church of Monticello, church sign and entry plantings; First Church of Monticello Presbyterian, tree replacement; Flour Power Bakery in Livingston Manor, herb garden; Fosterdale Motor Lodge, butterfly and hummingbird garden; HASC Summer Program in Parksville, flower gardens and window boxes; in2retro in Bethel, sign plantings; Liberty Joint Fire district, entrance gardens; Monticello High School "Looking Out" Drivers Ed Club, landscaping at sign; Miss Monticello Diner, window plantings, signage & painting; Monticello Housing Authority, front entry, sign & playground plantings; Roark's Tavern in Monticello, window murals & flowers; Schoolbell Townhouses Homeowners Association in Liberty, courtyard gardens; Sonoma Falls Cider Mill & Country Market, entryway gardens; Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop in South Fallsburg, hanging planters and flower beds; and Temple Sholom Beautification Committee in Monticello, border & entrance plantings.

**SCHOOL AND YOUTH INITIATIVES**

Seven school and youth communities participated in projects this year and were recognized at the awards ceremony. (Contd. Pg. 6)

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

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**RENAISSANCE AWARDS** (From Pg. 4) These included: Benjamin Cosor Elementary in Fallsburg with beautification of the school grounds; Winston Day Camp in Monticello with a vegetable garden; Eldred Central School District/Boy Scout Troop 102 with school entryway flowerbed; Monticello High School Eco Club with organic gardening project; Roscoe Central School with landscaping front lawn; Sullivan West High School in Lake Huntington with a memorial garden; and Sullivan BOCES/White Sulphur Springs School with a garden.

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Five projects were recognized: Regency Homeowners Association in Woodridge for a fence replacement; Garden View Estates in Fallsburg for entryway landscaping; MYRCB-Merchav (Camp Morris) in Woodridge for entryway landscaping; Motty's Supermarket/United Talmudical Academy in White Lake for a supermarket façade improvement; and Main Street Mall in Woodbourne for a commercial building façade improvement.

**ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES**  
Ten environmental grants were recognized by Sullivan Renaissance. These projects received a matching grant up to \$2500 to explore sustainable, environmental and educational initiatives that could serve as models for other communities. Participants in the Environmental Initiatives Program are: Catskill Mountainkeeper, place-based curriculum development; Delaware Highlands Conservancy, farming conference with Joel Salatin; NACL Theatre, production of "The Little Farm Show;" Sullivan County Rain Barrel Connection, design and distribution of rain barrels; Yankee Lake Preservation Association, Inc., rain garden; Liberty Community Development Corporation, community vegetable garden; (Contd. Pg. 7)

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**RENAISSANCE AWARDS** (From Pg. 6)  
SullivanArc,community vegetable garden; Sullivan County Community College, community vegetable garden; Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless, community vegetable garden; Tri-Valley Central School, community vegetable garden.

**AWARDS CEREMONY**  
The ceremony opened with the singing of "This Land Is Your Land" by Alan Sorenson, Sullivan County Legislator from District 9. Sandra Gerry welcomed everyone and thanked participants for the work they are doing. Slides of "Notable Moments in Renaissance" were then shown. As senior Judge Ted Blowes was being recognized for his decade of dedication and service, a cake was wheeled on stage and everyone sang Happy Birthday to the Sullivan Renaissance volunteers.

Project recipients received framed certificates of excellence from Sullivan Renaissance, as well as individual certificates from U.S. Rep. Maurice Hinchey, Senator Bonacic, Assemblywoman Gunther, and the Sullivan County Legislature. As groups accepted their certificates, photographs of each project were displayed in a power point presentation created by Jill Lieberman of Liberty, a summer intern with Sullivan Renaissance. Throughout the ceremony, Van Morrow from the Mountain Tones based in Livingston Manor played a drum roll as each winner was announced.

Before the ceremony, attendees viewed displays of the projects. Refreshments included a variety of desserts supplied by Erin Lipsky and staff at Granite Associates.

Sullivan Renaissance projects were judged for aesthetic improvement, collaboration, youth involvement, permanence and an ability to be maintained. The team of ten judges from outside Sullivan County was headed by Ted Blowes, chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Communities in Bloom Program in Canada, which helped inspire the Sullivan Renaissance program. Other judges were: Birgitta Brophy, Nicole Franzese, Mary Lewis, Michael Newhard, Linda Onofry, Mike Pogue, Karen Schneller-McDonald, Tim Stoddard and Anna Lise Dyhr Vogel.

Applications are available for the annual Board of Realtors Sullivan Showcase Awards, the next program supported by Sullivan Renaissance. The program is run by the Sullivan County Board of Realtors. For information contact the Board of Realtors at 845-794-2735.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

For information about Sullivan Renaissance, contact 845-295-2445 or www.sullivanrenaissance.org.



## THIS SEPTEMBER, ASK WELCOMES A SOLO SHOW BY KATHARINE L MC KENNA AND A MEMBERS' EXHIBITION DEDICATED TO ASK'S VOLUNTEERS

The Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) welcomes work by Katharine L. McKenna to the Main Gallery. The Members' Lounge will feature "The Volunteers Exhibit," a Members' Exhibition. The shared opening reception will take place during First Saturday, September 4th, 5-8 p.m. Both exhibitions will run until September 25th. "Katharine L. McKenna: A Solo Show"

The energy that flows through my hands and onto the canvas is something that I describe as my Color, Light and Spirit technique, which has become my signature. My life's work is to illuminate the mind in an exciting new way - not to defy tradition, but to expand assumption.

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"The Volunteers Exhibit" A Members' Exhibition

"The Volunteers Exhibit" is to honor all members who have volunteered their time and energy towards ASK so graciously over the past years. Whether it's gallery sitting on Saturday afternoons, organizing a fundraiser, or hosting an event-- these tasks are what make our organization vibrant. Some of our loyal volunteers (to name a few) who will be exhibiting their work in the show are Staats Fasoldt, Sharon Vairamides,

Nathan Milgrim, Judith Pedatella, Sadie Brathwaite, Pat Kelly, Christopher McKeever, Claudia Engel and Cami Fischer.

About ASK

The Arts Society of Kingston, a regional center for the arts, presents a diverse range of visual art exhibitions, performances, workshops, classes, and other arts-related programming for the benefit of artists, art-lovers, and the general community of the Hudson Valley. Through its initiatives, ASK provides opportunities, resources, and education for artists. In carrying out this mission, ASK enriches the quality of life, bridges cultural gaps, and increases awareness and appreciation of the arts. For more information, please visit [ASKforArts.org](http://ASKforArts.org).

## BELLEAYRE FESTIVAL OPERA - ROSSINI'S CINDERELLA (La Cenerentola)

Donald Westwood, artistic director, producer, and stage director for the Belleayre Festival Opera, returns for the 12th year, bringing his unique comic vision to Rossini's "Cinderella." His shows are an annual festival highlight. This fully staged performance will be sung in English with a company of 45, including top soloists, Richard Tucker's Community Chorale of the Catskills, and chamber orchestra conducted by Maestro John Covelli. All school age children and teens are invited to attend this performance free when accompanied by an adult. Opera News magazine has called Mr. Westwood's shows "a dynamic alternative to the giants at Lincoln Center."

## BELLEAYRE CHILDREN'S FREE OPERA THEATRE - "THREE LITTLE PIGS"

Belleayre Festival Children's FREE Opera Theater will present "Three Little Pigs" on Sunday, August 29 at 1pm

In 2007, the Belleayre Conservatory commissioned Don Westwood to create a new children's opera based on the children's story "The Three Little Pigs." The opera had its world premiere that summer at the Festival and received an enthusiastic reception from the audience. This interactive performance features music from great opera composers with lyrics and story by Mr. Westwood. For

more information go to [www.donaldwestwood.com](http://www.donaldwestwood.com)

Tickets for all shows in the 2010 summer concert season at the Belleayre Music Festival, are on sale via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: [www.belleayre-music.org](http://www.belleayre-music.org) or e-mail: [festival@catskill.net](mailto:festival@catskill.net).

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Co-Produced by Gillette Creamery, Provident Bank, and Bermac Home Aides and Directed by Brendan Burke, Red Herring will be presented from August 20-September 12.

Box Office Hours: Tues & Wed, noon-5pm; Thurs, Fri & Sat, noon-5pm; 7pm to curtain Sun, noon to curtain For Reservations: 24-hour recorder, call anytime! 845-647-5511

Curtain Times: Thurs, Fri & Sat: 8pm Sun: 2pm All performances begin on time.

## AT THE MARKETS THIS WEEK

This week Mark's Garden in Jeffersonville will be bringing in lots of new items, including potatoes and mini white cucumbers. Bill Engle will be playing the dulcimer at the Liberty market, where Neversink Farm will have non-genetically modified corn. Claryville Pottery will be back in Callicoon this week, where Willow Wisp will have celery and Lucky Dog will have fennel.

## WHAT DOES AGRICULTURE IN SULLIVAN COUNTY MEAN TO YOU? - Last call for your photos: Due August 31st

Enter a picture of a Sullivan County farm, tractor, garden, farm animals or work being done on the farm. What represents farming to you? Everyone is welcome to send in photos electronically. We will also accept hard copies of photos for consideration. The 12 best will appear on a calendar to be sold this fall by CCE, as a fund raiser. All entries must arrive by August 31, 2010 to be considered. If you have questions please call Susan Dollard at 845-292-5250. Entries are to be sent to [smd243@cornell.edu](mailto:smd243@cornell.edu)

## 3-D ARCHERY SHOOT AT FROST VALLEY YMCA

A 3-D Archery Shoot, featuring realistic targets that will test the skills of every level of competitor, is planned for Saturday, Aug. 21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Frost Valley Y.

Frost Valley's popular 3-D shoot includes categories for archers of all skill levels. Shooting stakes include Red (Top Gun), Yellow (Open), Green (Traditional/Women/Youth) and Blue (Cub). Certificates will be mailed to the top three performers in each class.

The 3-D foam animal targets are arranged in natural terrain, along an easy half-mile hiking trail. There are 29 lifelike targets, including bear, deer, turkey and other animals. To keep the competition challenging, the course is rearranged for each shoot. Competitors will shoot from various positions to increase the test of their abilities any time between during the six-hour competition.

There will be a limited amount of bows and arrows available for loan, but participants are asked to supply their own bow and arrows, if possible.

For those seeking to improve their archery skills, Frost Valley staff will be available for tips and instruction.

The event fee is \$16 for adults; \$6 for children 13 and under and those under age six compete for free. The entry free includes hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, salads, drinks and desserts.

A fall 3-D Archery Shoot is planned for Saturday, Sept. 25. The 3-D course is located at 2244 Frost Valley Road, Claryville.

For more information on the 3-D Archery Shoot, contact Benjamin Snyder at 845 985-2291, ext. 217 or e-mail [info@frostvalley.org](mailto:info@frostvalley.org). For general information, visit [www.FrostValley.org](http://www.FrostValley.org).

Frost Valley Y's Main Camp is located at 2000 Frost Valley Road, Claryville. Celebrating its 52nd year in the valley, Frost Valley YMCA Camp and Conference Center welcomes school children, family, group and business retreats every week from September through June. The camp is just 2.5 hours drive from metro NY/NJ and about 1 hour from Kingston.

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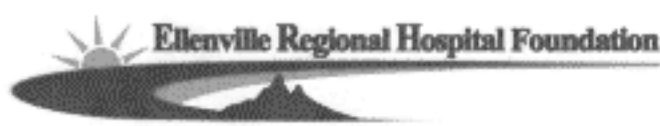
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**GIRLFRIENDS GETAWAY PACKAGE OFFERED AT FROST VALLEY YMCA** (From Pg. 1)

A roaring campfire under the spectacular stars that fill the skies above Frost Valley brings a picturesque close to an adventure-filled day. Hiking, boating, biking, swimming, canoeing, fishing, high adventure ropes, climbing and horseback riding, plus a full array of arts and crafts are among the offerings to be enjoyed. A roaring campfire under the spectacular stars that fill the skies above Frost Valley brings a picturesque close to an adventure-filled day.

Frost Valley's setting amidst 6,000 spectacular acres is an unparalleled location for moms, daugh-

ters and girlfriends to escape from everyday routines and build relationships. (Next Col.)

"The end of August is a wonderful time to visit the Catskill Mountains and the Girlfriends Getaway is a great way for friends and family members to reconnect," commented Frost Valley's Conference Director Laura Johnson.

The Girlfriends Getaway offer includes all lodging, meals and activities with special package pricing.

Accommodation choices include the historic Forstmann Castle and the Friendship House (both inn-style) and hotel-style rooms at the new Lakeview Lodge. Rooms will be assigned in the order that reservations are received.

For complete program details, please call 845 985-2291, or e-mail: info@frostvalley.org or visit: FrostValley.org. Or become a friend at: Facebook.com/frostvalleyymca.

To keep up with daily happenings at fvsummercamp.wordpress.com or join Frost Valley on twitter at twitter.com/frostvalley.

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**HUDSON VALLEY SOLAR COMPANIES AT TSEC JOB FAIR**

On August 13th Congressman Maurice Hinchey visited with job seekers and representatives from over a dozen emerging Hudson Valley Solar Companies at the second annual job fair hosted by The Solar Energy Consortium (TSEC). The event ran from 9am to 3pm in the Main Gym of the Athletic and Wellness Center at the State University of New York at New Paltz. A smaller venue on the New Paltz campus had originally been chosen for the event. (Next Col.)

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**EDITOR NOTES:**

Recently the Mission Team from the local Grahamsville Methodist Church returned home from a mission trip to Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky.

A question was proposed to me, "Why would someone ask, 'If there are needy people in our nearby community, why would the local church help a community in Kentucky?'"

Looking at statistics on Zipskinny.com, Frakes, Kentucky, the destination of the Mission Team shows that the below poverty level is 42.3% while right here in Grahamsville the below poverty level is 12.2%.

Another integral fact is that 40.6% of the folks in Frakes had less than a 9th grade education, while here in Grahamsville that figure was 4.5% having less than a 9th grade education.

Having remembered reading an article from the NY Times when I was back at SCCC in Professor Lambert's class, *If We are so Rich, Why Aren't We Happy?* I asked Pastor Bob, "Who would you say were happier, the folks in Frakes, KY or the folks in Grahamsville, NY?"

He raised his eyebrows and remained silent as someone interjected, "Good question," so I decided to do some research.

There are some people that are poor by choice. They choose to work less and buy only the necessities in order to have more free time in which to do things that make them happy, while many others believe that having more things will make them happier. Unfortunately, the things they buy make them happy for a short time and too quickly they need to buy some more in order to be happy again, forming an addiction-type of habit. The wealthy are not exempt from this addiction.

Then there are the poor people who don't have a choice. They can't buy things to make them happy, and yet must work hard, so they find happiness elsewhere; perhaps in their family or community. Considering family and community will pretty much always be there, they don't need to keep going out and looking for another object to make them happy again and do not succumb to the 'consumer syndrome'.

When there is no opportunity for education or there is no opportunity for work, they must subsist on whatever they can - a simple hobby is often their cure for unhappiness along with family and community. Like family and community, a simple hobby can also have long-lasting effects.

Researching Frakes, Kentucky, I found the following information: Median household income there is \$14,583 that is significantly lower than US average of \$56,604, and in Grahamsville, median household income is \$45,278.00. The population is primarily white, and mostly married couples. The average house value there \$30,400.

Henderson Settlement is a community that was founded in 1925 by Rev. Hiram Frakes, with the assistance of his bishop, Theodore Henderson. It began as a school, with nearby dormitories where students and orphans worked, milking cows, gardening and doing laundry after school, weekends and on vacations, to earn money to help pay for their education and help with the upkeep of Henderson Settlement.

The community helped to build up the Henderson Settlement as it took action to eliminate the problems associated with moonshining and feuding.

A church was built and by the '30's a farm and a sawmill had their beginnings. The Methodist Board of Missions and churches around the country helped to support the formation and growth of the community.

After WWII the student enrollment at Henderson Settlement grew rapidly and improvements such as telephone service came to Henderson Settlement.

During the late '60's and early 70's Henderson Settlement became a partner with the federal government and the war on poverty, allowing the settlement to build a health clinic, a volunteer fire department, which today are entirely community-run establishments.

There was a resurgence of energy during the '90's and with the attempt to acquire public water, several new additions came to Henderson Settlement, including a library, and a proposal to implement raising feeder pigs. Plans for an early childhood development program were also introduced.

By 1976 the high school closed, and students now must travel 20 miles to the Bell County High School. Sadly, the Henderson Settlement dwindled.

Since the '90's, with new vigor, the vacant high school was turned into a community center that fosters fellowship lunch, outreach services and tutoring/adult education.

With the closing of the residential childcare there was an expansion of community development programs that has evolved into a work camp program that is taking on home improvement. A senior citizen center has opened furnishing seniors with health services, transportation and a social community.

A youth ministry has emerged offering year-round activities. The child care home was refashioned and now serves as a day care service for working families and an emergency shelter has been opened to help the homeless.

Henderson Settlement continues to grow and it is an example of a community that has grown successfully as a result of individuals coming together while having the opportunity to serve others, building a great community that is making a difference in the lives of many.

The humble family whose home the Mission Team helped repair is surely as happy today as those on the mission team whose communal hands helped to rebuild, not just a house, but a home for a family, who most of us will never meet and yet their story will long live and bring many smiles to local faces far into the future.

The performance of the Mission Team of the Grahamsville Methodist Church in Henderson Settlement will also light the way, building a positive image, as the Henderson Settlement people envision and tell their story about our local community.

Thank you Pastor Bob and the Mission Team for adding a new dimension to many lives that you have touched.

To sum it up, perhaps the secret to true happiness is the gift of sharing life's experiences, whether we are rich or poor.



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## COUNTY TO HOLD VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT AUCTION

County Manager David P Fanslau has announced that Sullivan County will hold a vehicle and equipment auction on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Legislature Hearing Room of the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 north Street, Monticello, New York. All participants must register to be eligible to bid on items prior to 7:00 PM.

"The County Legislature had also offered to permit Towns and Village governments to participate in the vehicle and equipment auction," said Fanslau. "This auction will provide an example of governments working together, not only within Sullivan County but also with municipalities in other counties," add Fanslau.

The Town of Callicoon and the Town of Mamakating will have assets placed in this auction, along with items from the Town of Greenville.

All of the items may be viewed at:  
[http://www.absoluteauctionrealty.com/auction\\_detail.php?id=142381](http://www.absoluteauctionrealty.com/auction_detail.php?id=142381)

The above website address includes a complete list with photos, all viewing times, and other pertinent information relating to the auction. The following are dates, viewing times, and locations where the items may be inspected:

Monticello: Landfill (gates close at 2:45):  
Aug 16th: 12pm - 2pm  
Aug 18th: 12pm - 2pm

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"The vehicle and equipment auction won't cost the County any money, rather the proceeds from the auction will be placed in the General Fund as revenues available for other needs of the County. The revenues for the participating Towns will be kept separate and remitted to the respective Town," concluded Fanslau.

## COUNTIES CONVENE TO DISCUSS STATE TAKEOVER OF MEDICAID STATE BUDGET INCLUDES PLAN FOR STATE TAKEOVER OF MEDICAID ADMINISTRATION

New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) President Thomas J. Santulli (Chemung County Executive) today convened a meeting of a county-led commission to transition Medicaid Administration from counties to the State, the first step in the potential State takeover of Medicaid in New York State.

Over 40 county leaders from 27 counties and New York City participated in the Commission's first meeting. They addressed the history of Medicaid in New York State, the role counties play in Medicaid administration and the impact the proposal would have on county governments and property taxpayers.

"Our state spends over \$1 billion each week on Medicaid expenses and is the single largest cost for counties and county property taxpayers in New York," said Santulli. "We believe the Federal Healthcare Reform Act lays the perfect foundation for a complete State takeover of the entire Medicaid program. Let's take property taxpayers out of the financing equation for the State's Medicaid program. It is inefficient and has been the primary cause of rising county property taxes in New York since the 1960s."

New York is the only state in the nation that requires counties to substantially fund the Medicaid program at the local level. Currently counties pay more than \$7 billion annually for the State's Medicaid program, roughly 14% of the total national cost of the program. That figure grows by close to \$200 million a year.

Medicaid is a complicated program in New York State, with expenditures of about \$52 billion a year in total funds. Medicaid administrative costs represent less than 2 percent of overall program costs. Currently, each county and the City of New York administer the publicly-funded healthcare insurance program. The recent New York State budget included language directing the State to take over those administrative costs and responsibilities, including the staff, equipment and infrastructure that facilitate this process.

"Counties want nothing more than getting out of (Next Col.)

the Medicaid business once and for all, and we should have never been financing this at the property tax level in the first instance. It's wrought with inefficiencies," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "This commission is empowered to study the county role in health care delivery and make recommendations to the State Department of Health."

Among the county-related issues addressed by the commission include the fiscal impact to local property taxpayers, and how the changes could affect health and human service delivery.

## CONSORTIUM LAUNCHES "DRILLING ISN'T SAFE" CAMPAIGN

Four advocacy organizations; Catskill Citizens For Safe Energy, Catskill Mountainkeeper, Earthjustice and Gasland The Movie have created a joint communications campaign to educate the public about the risks of shale gas extraction using high volume hydraulic fracturing technology or "fracking".

The integrated campaign, centered on the theme "Drilling Isn't Safe", is being launched with two billboards on Route 17 in New York's Catskills, which is the gateway to the Marcellus Shale region of New York State. The message on the billboard will also be echoed in thousands of lawn signs and buttons that will be appearing throughout the region. These are just the first elements of an extensive multi-media program regarding the health risks and other problems New York residents will be facing if the state's Department of Environmental Conservation begins issuing drilling permits for this hydraulic fracturing in the coming months as planned.

Natural gas development is largely exempt from federal environmental laws, including the Safe Drinking Water Act. At least 353 of the chemicals used to extract gas or found in gas wastes have been identified and among them are known toxins, but 279 remain unknown, as do their effects on human health. Additionally, the mixtures of chemicals used by gas companies in drilling and fracturing fluids are concealed from the public, under industry claims that they are trade secrets. These are among the many reasons why the four groups in the consortium are strongly committed to preventing drilling under the current circumstances or expected scenarios.

There is a significant body of scientific data and documented cases that clearly shows wherever fracking occurs there is a substantial risk of drinking water contamination, air pollution and severe illness among people and animals.

The Drilling Isn't Safe campaign has a portal website [www.drillingisntsafe.org](http://www.drillingisntsafe.org). (Note: There is no apostrophe between the 'n' and 't!') Visitors are invited to learn more about the gas drilling issues and can link to the individual sites of the member groups.

## CONGRESSMAN LED EFFORT FOR EMERGENCY FEDERAL FUNDING TO SAVE JOBS FOR TEACHERS, FIRE-FIGHTERS, NURSES AND POLICE

Just hours before returning to Washington to cast his vote on legislation to provide crucial federal funding to save jobs for educators, firefighters, nurses and police, Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced his intention to vote in favor of the bill and detailed how it would benefit New York. The congressman also highlighted his support for a more comprehensive and aggressive bill to create jobs and give a needed boost to the economy.

"This federal funding is going to save the jobs of 161,000 teachers across the country," said Hinchey as he stood shoulder to shoulder with over 20 area educators on the steps of Kingston High School. "It will also extend a provision of the Recovery Act to provide \$2.2 billion in Medicaid assistance for New York, allowing the state to prevent planned layoffs for firefighters, nurses and police. At a time when cash strapped states and local governments are facing the prospect of widespread layoffs of teachers, firefighters, nurses and police, these funds will provide the needed support to get through tough times."

In a rare move, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi announced that she was calling the House back from its August recess in order to vote on the measure, which is fully paid for in part by closing tax loopholes that encourage corporations to ship American jobs overseas. After months of legislative wrangling, the Senate finally overcame a Republican-led filibuster last week to pass a scaled back version of the bill that had already been passed by the House. In April, Hinchey led a group of 51 House members in calling on Senate leaders to schedule a vote as soon as possible on legislation to provide the funding. (Next Col.)

"This is something that I have been focused on for a long time," said Hinchey. "While I am pleased that the Senate was finally able to break through the obstructionist tactics perpetrated by a handful of its members, I am concerned that the bill they passed does not go far enough. The legislation I have been fighting for would have saved a lot more jobs and would have had a much greater economic impact. Nevertheless, this represents a major step in the right direction, and I am hopeful we will be able to do much more in the future to better the economic circumstances for people in the Hudson Valley and across the country."

Hinchey also announced that he helped secure a \$1 million teaching American history grant from U.S. Department of Education for Ulster County BOCES. The grant will serve a total of 167 teachers and support the teaching and learning of American history through professional development and training, as well as curriculum expansion and development.

In May, Hinchey led a group of 106 House members in support of an effort to provide emergency funding to save 250,000 education related jobs. In a letter to House Appropriations Chairman David Obey (D-WI), the group offered its strong support for the inclusion of the \$23 billion provision in an emergency supplemental appropriations bill. The provision passed in the House, but was stripped out of the bill in the Senate. The Senate then proceeded with an effort to pass the scaled back version of the bill that is now before the House. Hinchey said the House should move forward with the Senate's bill, but noted the Congress should continue working for a more comprehensive bill.

Last year, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which Hinchey strongly supported and voted to pass, provided more than \$100 billion for states to support their public school systems. This funding has been credited with creating and retaining more than 300,000 education-related jobs, including positions for teachers, nurses, bus drivers and custodians. Hinchey said it also helped states avoid a budget crisis that would have resulted in significant cuts to school system budgets.

## NEW PUSH TO MAKE TAX CUT PERMANENT FOR BUSINESSES THAT HIRE VETERANS

With unemployment among young veterans in New York nearly 20 percent, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is announcing a new effort to make tax credits for businesses that hire recent veterans permanent. The Work Opportunity Tax Credit that Senator Gillibrand helped establish last year encourages businesses to hire veterans who have recently returned from Iraq and Afghanistan in exchange for a 40 percent credit on the first \$6,000 paid to a veteran. The tax credit is set to expire at the end of this year.

"Too many veterans are still coming home to a very bad job market and struggling to find work," Senator Gillibrand said. "They fulfilled their duty to our country, and now it's time for us to fulfill our duty to them by making sure they have access to a good-paying job. The tax breaks we put in place are a win-win for businesses and veterans, and now we need to make them permanent so we can continue supporting businesses, create jobs, and put more of our veterans to work as they come home to their families so they can succeed in the economy."

New estimates based on data from the New York State Department of Labor and the U.S. Census indicate that nearly 20 percent of veterans under the age of 30 are unemployed, and more than 7 percent of all veterans across New York State are unemployed. Nearly 8,000 New York veterans under the age of 30 are unemployed.

In the Southern Tier, approximately 465 veterans under the age of 30 are unemployed. And in the Hudson Valley, nearly 870 veterans under the age of 30 are unemployed.

Jobs for Veterans, Tax Cuts for Businesses

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that Senator Gillibrand helped pass last year expanded the Work Opportunity Tax Credit to include new incentives for businesses to hire returning veterans, and extended them through the end of 2010. To raise awareness of the tax credit, Senator Gillibrand has been working closely with local Chambers of Commerce across New York State to encourage their member businesses use the tax credit, and hire New York veterans returning home.

In return for hiring a veteran, businesses may write off 40 percent of the first \$6,000 paid to a veteran. The veteran needs to be out of the service for no more than five years. Already more than 500 veterans across New York have been hired using the credit. Extending the credit would enable more returning veterans an opportunity to find work as the economy improves and help those businesses who've committed to hiring our recent veterans. (Contd. Pg. 14)



**Town of Fallsburg Lions Club 36th Annual Harold C. Pantel Memorial Chicken Bar-B-Que**

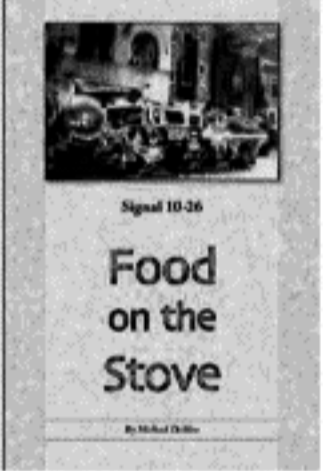
Morningside Park in Hurleyville, NY  
 Sunday, September 12, 2010  
 from 1 PM to 5 PM

Cost of the delicious meal is a modest \$10 per person on site and \$11 for take out.

Take out orders begin at 3 PM.

Proceeds benefit Fallsburg Lions Club Charities.

Contact Larry Schafman for tickets at (845) 436-6167.




... is loaded with Italian recipes from the kitchen of Ray's Brick Oven Pizza Restaurant located on Glade Hill Road, Grahamsville, NY and was written by Michael De Meo

**Profits from the sale of "Food on the Stove" will go directly toward the purchase of artificial prostheses for our US Marines returning home with missing limbs.**

To purchase "Food on the Stove" send a check or money order for \$23.00 to: Michael DeMeo  
 216 Glade Hill Road • Grahamsville, NY 12740  
 or visit: <http://Tinyurl.com/foodonthestove>

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**Service Times**  
 Sunday School 9:30 am  
 Sunday Worship Service/Children's Church 10:30 am  
 Monday Night Home Bible Study 7 pm  
 Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm  
 Friday Youth Night 7 pm



**Ismael Berrios**  
 Lead Pastor

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 507 Hasbrouck Drive  
 Woodbourne, NY 12788  
 845-434-8263

Email: [crosswayaog@aol.com](mailto:crosswayaog@aol.com)  
[www.crosswayaog.com](http://www.crosswayaog.com)



**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
 Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
 Sunday Worship Service 10:30am  
 985-2283

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GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH  
 LADIES AID BAKE SALE  
**September 4, 2010**  
 Saturday  
 9am till sold out!!



Homemade cakes, cookies, brownies, pies; & other assorted treats.

**WHITE ELEPHANT SALE**  
 Grahamsville Reformed Church Memorial Hall  
 For more info. call 845-985-7480

**Supermarket Bingo**  
 Friday, September 24, 2010  
 Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha OES  
 Liberty Lodge - Eagle Drive  
 Doors open @ 5:30 PM • Calling starts @ 6:30 PM  
 \$5 admission - Refreshments  
 Door Prizes - Raffles  
 Call 845-796-1261 for information.

**Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce "Harvest Festival"**

Saturday, Sept. 25th 2010  
 Niforatos Lot next to light (Roscoe exit 94)  
 10:00 - 4:00 pm

Vendors, artwork, antiques, homemade items, pumpkins, assorted color mums, baked goods  
 Entertainment, Music, Chicken barbecue  
 Rain or Shine!  
 Vendors wanted! \$25.00 a spot  
 P/C Fran- 607-498-5777

**Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic**  
 September 1, 2010  
 from 6 to 8 pm  
 at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds

Your pet needs to be at least 3 months old in order to receive a vaccination. If you bring the last proof of rabies vaccination with you, your pet can receive a three-year rabies vaccination.



**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL**  
 The Little Church with the Big Heart  
 Sundays 8:15 a.m. - Communion  
 Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner  
 Coffee hour follows service  
 All are welcome!

5277 State Rt. 42 South Fallsburg  
 Mother Joan LaLiberté  
 845-887-4742

**Claryville Reformed Church**



Claryville Road  
 Claryville, NY 12725  
 845-985-2041

Bible Class 9:00 am  
 Worship Services @ 10:00 am  
**Rev. Paul Nulton**  
 John Bult, Organist

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** (embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)

6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne.

**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
 Saturday afternoon: 5:00.  
 Sunday morning: 8:30 am and 10:30 am  
**Holy days of obligation:** as announced in church bulletin.  
**Daily Mass schedule:**  
 Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am  
**Saturday afternoon confessions:** 4 to 4:45.  
 Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

**CATSKILL ARTISTS GALLERY**  
**Friends Show:**  
 CAG members and their friends  
 August 21-October 3, 2010  
 Opening reception:  
 Saturday, August 21, 4pm-8pm  
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 80 South Main St. • Liberty, NY 12754  
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 +  
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 BE PAID IN FULL BY AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup> 2010  
 ONLY 250 TICKETS SOLD  
 ALL TICKETS MUST BE SOLD TO HOLD DRAWING



**Chicken Barbecue**

**Sundown Community 1st ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ**  
 sponsored by the  
**Sundown Methodist Church**  
 Saturday, September 11, 2010  
 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
 Sundown Methodist Church Hall  
 Take-outs available

Adults: \$10.00  
 Children under 10: \$5.00  
 BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Rolls,  
 Dessert and Beverage

*This event is for the benefit of purchasing a generator for the Sundown Church Hall. A generator would allow the Sundown Church Hall to function as an Emergency Shelter for the community.*



**Covered Dish Supper**  
**Sept 4, 2010**  
**Sundown United Methodist Church at the Sundown Church Hall**



**Thrift Sale 9-2 & Luncheon 11-1**  
**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
 Tuesday  
**Aug. 24, 2010**

**Grahamsville Reformed Church**  
 Sunday School 9 A.M.  
 Worship Service 10 A.M.  
 Hymn Sing & Covered Dish Supper  
 5:30/630 P.M. - 1st Sunday of the Month  
 Looking for a Lifeguard?  
 Ours walks on water!  
 Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor



## NEW PUSH TO MAKE TAX CUT PERMANENT FOR BUSINESSES THAT HIRE VETERANS (From Pg. 12)

The Defense Department would also be required to issue information about the tax credit to exiting service members, and provide documentation to demonstrate their eligibility for the credit.

To continue supporting businesses as they work to grow and create jobs, Senator Gillibrand is now working to make this tax credit permanent so all veterans will have better opportunities for a good-paying job as they return home to their families.

Senator Gillibrand announced a full agenda last year to create jobs for recent veterans, support veteran entrepreneurs, and help homeless veterans get back on their feet.

## SC PRAISES NYSDOT AWARD OF EXIT 106 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

County Manager David P Fanslau announced that Sullivan County officials are appreciative of the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) decision to award a contract for the construction of improvements to Exit 106 of State Route 17, in conjunction with the planned work necessary to transform the quickway into Interstate 86.

"I applaud NYSDOT for recognizing the economic development importance that Exit 106 has on the County's seat - Monticello," said Jonathan F. Rouis, Chairman of the Legislature. "This construction project is needed to transform the quickway into I-86, but it is also vital to the revitalization of Monticello, and the greater Sullivan County economy," added Rouis.

NYSDOT has awarded a \$9.18 million contract to the Delaney Group for the Exit 106 project. The anticipated start date is about August 23, 2010.

"It appears our efforts to expedite the construction of the Exit 106 Interchange have finally paid off. The new Exit 106 Interchange will strengthen our efforts to redevelop Apollo Plaza site and will also benefit many of the existing businesses along East Broadway," said Legislator Alan J. Sorensen, District 9.

"NYSDOT Region 9 Administrator, Jack Williams, has been very responsive to the transportation infrastructure needs of Sullivan County, and the County appreciates that this project is moving forward this year," concluded Fanslau.

## US DEPT OF ENERGY POISED TO GIVE FINAL APPROVAL OF \$100 MILLION LOAN GUARANTEE FOR TAYLOR BIOMASS ENERGY PROJECT IN O.C. THAT WILL CREATE 480 JOBS

U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer and Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today visited Taylor Recycling Facility to announce that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has given initial approval and is poised to give a final sign off on a \$100 million loan guarantee for the company to construct and operate a biomass facility in Montgomery, New York. The project will create 400 local jobs in the construction phase and an additional 80 full-time positions in Orange County once the plant is in operation. DOE is beginning its final due diligence review of the project.

Schumer and Hinchey were joined by County Executive Edward Diana and other community and business leaders for the announcement, which will enable the construction of a site that would be the nation's first commercially-sized biomass gasification facility that utilizes municipal solid waste (MSW) to produce electricity.

"After years of work, we are at the one yard line with this project," said Schumer. "Over 100 million dollars in investments and hundreds of jobs are within our grasp. Once the project is completed, this will be the preeminent place in the country for people to learn about biomass energy, and other pioneering companies will be encouraged to choose the region for their new projects. This investment isn't just good news for Taylor Biomass and the people they will employ, but good news for the entire Hudson Valley economy."

"I'm delighted that the Taylor Biomass Energy proposal is now poised to become a reality now that the DOE has given it the green light and is undergoing a final review process -- a stage which only a handful of projects across the nation have reached in applying for critical federal loan guarantees," said Hinchey. "Taylor's proposal will have very significant and positive economic impacts for our entire region as it creates hundreds of local jobs while commercializing a biomass energy project that we hope can be replicated around the country. This technology will allow local workers to produce clean, renewable energy right here in the Hudson Valley while also helping to deal with our area's solid waste in an environmentally-responsible manner."

"I am extremely pleased that DOE has decided to move forward with Taylor's application, bringing it one step closer to fruition," said (Next Col)

Congressman John Hall (NY-19). "I have met with Jim Taylor and toured his facility several times, advocating to DOE on their behalf because I truly believe in this technology which will not only create jobs, but turn our trash into renewable energy. I applaud Jim and his team today on a decision that will have economic and environmental benefits for generations to come."

For two years Schumer and Hinchey have worked to move the project forward. Both law makers have personally spoken with United States Department of Energy (DOE) Secretary Steven Chu in support of the final approval for the loan guarantees, and both have sent strong letters of support. The congressman also toured the Taylor Recycling facility in Montgomery in 2008 with senior biomass staff at the U.S. Department of Energy, and has supported the project through the local environmental review process in the Town of Montgomery. Schumer started his advocacy after visiting the facility in December of 2008, and was able to pass legislation ensuring that the company had access to clean energy tax credits.

The \$104 million loan guarantee program will be funded in part through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which Schumer and Hinchey strongly supported and voted for in order to preserve and create well-paying jobs, promote local and state fiscal stabilization, and accelerate the development of renewable energy technologies that could be replicated in other areas of our country. Taylor's proposed biomass gasification facility enjoys strong support from the community, including from Orange County, which has committed to direct its solid waste to the facility. In addition to creating local jobs, the plant would also help to increase the revenues and lower the tax burden for people living in the Town of Montgomery, County of Orange, and the State of New York and provide significant positive direct and indirect economic impacts.

Taylor Biomass Energy submitted the first part of its application for the loan guarantee in September 2009. After receiving approval for the initial application, the company submitted the second phase of the application in January 2010. The company recently received notification that it was among only a handful of projects across the nation to move forward towards final federal review. In addition to the federal loan guarantee, the company will also be entitled to receive a 30 percent federal tax credit made available for renewable energy projects once it begins its generation of electricity. Schumer and Hinchey both supported the renewable energy tax credit.

Taylor Biomass Energy has previously received funding for this project through the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) and has worked diligently with local and state agencies to move this important initiative forward. Taylor's current operation, in which the company recycles the large percentage of the construction and demolition debris it accepts, demonstrates the company's innovative approach to waste management and its long-time commitment to environmental sustainability.

Loan guarantees are an innovative approach that the federal government can use to support job growth in local communities while minimizing the use of taxpayer dollars. Under government loan guarantee programs, companies like Taylor Biomass go through an intensive vetting process during which the viability of the company's business plan is judged against factors like community interest and initial private investment. By guaranteeing the loan, the federal government spurs entrepreneurs to invest in the project because they know that their investment is safe. Approving this application for a loan guarantee would give Taylor Biomass the leverage they need to seek out additional private investment and begin the process of creating jobs and driving growth more quickly.

## STATEMENT FROM ASSEMBLY ENERGY CHAIR KEVIN CAHILL ON GOVERNOR PATERSON'S SIGNING OF POWER FOR JOBS EXTENDER

"Now that we have an extension of the Power For Jobs and Energy Cost Savings Benefit Programs, I urge the Governor and the Senate to return to the table immediately to continue negotiations on a permanent low cost power solution for New York employers.

"This law gives us time to resolve the differences between our proposals without impacting the businesses that rely on the current program. I am committed to working with all parties to create a program that encourages business investment without raising energy costs for upstate residents."

## HUDSON RIVER HealthCare LAUNCH CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DENTAL HEALTH CENTER IN SC

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) joined Anne Nolan and Allison DuBois of Hudson River HealthCare to announce the launch of construction for a new dental health center in Sullivan County. Hinchey secured \$200,000 in the Labor (Next Col)

HHS fiscal year 2010 appropriations bill to help equip the new dental health center, which will also utilize \$350,000 in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), which Hinchey strongly supported and voted to pass. The construction phase of the project will employ 2 full time construction workers and 10 contractors over a 6 month period. Hudson River HealthCare will hire 12 additional full time staff upon completion of the project.

"Dental services are critical but often unavailable to low-income individuals and 20100811 Monticello HRHealthCare 011croppedfamilies," said Hinchey. "Many people are forced to leave dental problems untreated due to the expense of treatment and lack of options, particularly in 'medically underserved' areas like Sullivan County. We're here today to help address that problem by celebrating the start of construction on the much-needed addition of four fully-equipped dental operator suites to this critical facility. This expansion is going to improve access to dental services as well as create 12 jobs in the construction phase and another 12 permanent jobs once the dental facilities are up and running. I am very proud to support this project and the outstanding work that Hudson River HealthCare provides in Monticello and so many other communities across the Catskills and Hudson Valley."

Hudson River HealthCare has purchased the small office next door to their current facility in order to expand dental and pediatric services. The dental suites are expected to be completed in nine months and will be followed by additional reconstruction to establish facilities to provide pediatric services. In addition to announcing that construction has begun on the new dental health center, Hinchey also highlighted the important role that Federally Qualified Health Centers, like Hudson River HealthCare, play in meeting the health care needs of our nation.

"As we mark and celebrate 'National Health Center Week,' we need to recognize the very significant and positive role that our Federally Qualified Health Centers are playing in the long overdue expansion of healthcare to more and more Americans," said Hinchey. "Hudson River HealthCare and its more than 500 incredibly dedicated staff are working to change this unfortunate reality and bring the full spectrum of healthcare services to everyone who needs it here in Sullivan County and throughout the Hudson Valley."

For the past 35 years, Hudson River HealthCare has continued to improve and expand its non-profit services to low-income individuals and family across the Catskill and Hudson Valley regions. The Monticello Center is now one of sixteen sites that provide primary care and other services to more than 65,000 people annually.

The Monticello branch of Hudson River HealthCare is located at 23 Lakewood Avenue, Monticello. Their hours of operation are -Monday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Thursday 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

To schedule an appointment or for more information call 794-2010. For a listing and description of the services they offer visit their website at - <http://www.hrhc.org/Locations/site.asp?LocationId=22>.

## SC HOSTS THIRD FORUM ON "UNDERSTANDING GAS DRILLING"

County Manager David P Fanslau has announced that on Thursday, August 19th, the Sullivan County Legislature will present the final public forum on natural gas development of the Marcellus Shale, under the series "Understanding Gas Drilling." This last panel is designed to address the potential economic development impacts communities could experience as a result of natural gas development.

This third event in the series of Public Forums, "Understanding Gas Drilling," will take place in the Monticello High School Auditorium, 237 Forestburgh Road (State Rte. 42) in Monticello, NY, Thursday, August 19th. The event will run from 5:45 PM to 8:30 PM. It is free and open to the public.

"This final Public Forum in the series will focus on "Economic Development and Community Impacts" through reports on and from communities experiencing natural gas development," said Legislator Kathleen LaBuda, Chair of the Planning, Environmental Management, and Real Property Committee. Speakers include Jannette Barth of the economic consulting firm, J.M. Barth & Associates, Croton-on-Hudson, NY; Jeffrey Jacquet of Cornell University's Department of Natural Resources and Cornell Cooperative Extension's "Marcellus Shale Team"; Craig Sautner, resident of Dimmock, PA, and Anthony J. Ventello, Executive Director of Progress Authority of Bradford and Susquehanna Counties, Towanda, PA.



**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department**  
[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)  
 (845) 985-2262 extension 312

**FALL SIGHTSEEING CRUISE** - Tuesday, Oct 5- **\$14. to be paid no later than September 7**

**HOLIDAY SHOPPING** - Tuesday, November 16. Colonie Center. **If you plan to attend \$20 per person must be paid no later than October 12.**

**GAMES & SOCIALIZING** -FREE fun every Friday afternoon 1 pm - 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Town Hall.

Look for coming details about **Breakfast with Santa** on Saturday, December 4

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**Quote of the Week**

At times I think and at times I am.

Paul Valery

- 8/18/10 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association
- 8/18/10 Neversink Fire District Meeting 7:30 pm Public Meeting 8:00 pm
- 8/24/10 Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)
- 8/26/10 Time and the Valleys Trustees meeting - 7:00 pm
- 8/24/10 Claryville Fire District Meeting - 7:00 pm
- 8/31/10 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm - Upstairs Mtg. Room Neversink Town Hall
- 9/1/10 **Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic** - Grahamsville Fairgrounds
- 9/1/10 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
- 9/2/10 **First Thursday Readers** - Danial Pierce Library - 1:00 pm. **All invited.**
- 9/4/10 Sundown Methodist Church **COVERED DISH SUPPER**- 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
- 9/5/10 Neversink Association Picnic, Meeting and Program, noon, all invited to join, call 985-7156
- 9/6/10 Town of Neversink Legal Holiday - **LABOR DAY**
- 9/7/10 Town of Denning Board Meeting - Denning Town Hall - 7:00 pm
- 9/8/10 Town of Neversink Board Meeting
- 9/11/10 1st Annual Community Chicken BBQ sponsored by Sundown Methodist Church 4-7 pm Church Hall
- 9/13/10 Time & the Valley Museum Work Committe Meeting 12:30 pm
- 9/15/10 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association
- 9/16/10 **Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink** Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 9/18-19/10 **Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Show**
- 10/9/10 Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club, Inc. **Sportsman's Flea Market** - Fairgrounds 9 am-3 pm-

**SAVE THE DATE!**

1st Annual Community Chicken BBQ sponsored by Sundown Methodist Church - Sept. 11, 2010  
 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Show - Sept 18 & 19  
 25th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party Saturday, October 2, 2010 Rain or Shine!  
 Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Inc **Sportsmen's Flea Market** Oct. 9 Fairgrounds 9 am-3 pm

Town of Denning Message Board: <http://www.denning.us>  
 Town of Neversink Website: <http://townofneversink.org>  
 Daniel Pierce Library - <http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>  
 Time and The Valleys Museum - <http://timeandthevalleysmuseum.org>  
 Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition: <http://thetownsman.com>  
 To find out what is happening at Tri-Valley CSD: <http://tvcs.k12.ny.us>

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

SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP  
 GRAHAMSVILLE DELI  
 GRAHAMSVILLE AUTOMOTIVE  
 CANNIE D'S  
 BLUE HILL LODGE  
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 E & H PAINTBALL (Loch Sheldrake)  
 VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake)  
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 JAME'S NAPANOCH GROCERY  
 MATTHEW'S PHARMACY  
 NAPANOCH APPLIANCE  
 PETER'S MARKET

**AL-ANON MEETINGS**

Every Saturday night 8:00 p.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** Presbyterian Church, 81 South Main Street, Liberty  
 Every Monday night 7:00 p.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** Liberty Ambulance Building, 178 Mill Street, Liberty  
 Every Thursday night 7:00 p.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Route 42, Woodbourne

**ART GROUP SEEKS MEMBERS!**

"Studio Monday Art Group" has been meeting in Grahamsville for 25 years and welcomes new members. Come to the Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall on a Monday from 9 a.m. -12 noon. Bring anything you wish to work on. We give each other inspiration and fellowship.

Once the new Daniel Pierce Library is finished and open we will return there for our weekly art group.

Some of the things we learned from each other last summer include making pressed flower greeting cards and creating a porcelain cheese tray we mono-printed and painted leaves on. One of our members, Janet LeRoy of Liberty, instructed us and fired the trays in her kiln.

Please call Pat Wellington at 985-7156 prior to attending for details as the group often meets at a member's home in the summer or has a special workshop planned.

**"FRIENDS" SHOW AT CATSKILL ARTISTS GALLERY**

The Catskill Artists Gallery, 38 South Main Street, Liberty, NY, is offering a new exhibition concept which features the work of the gallery members and selected friends. The show will open on Saturday, August 21, 2010 with a gala reception from 4 to 8 p.m., and will run through Sunday, October 3.

The participants are: Robert Friedman, sculpture, and Ginger Smith, encaustic painting; Cate Gundlah, glass, and her sister Linda Swanson, fiber art; Kathy Jeffers, pottery and jewelry, and Chris Parrow, painting and pottery; Buff McAllister, fiber art, and her brother Michael Kay McAllister, mixed media; Helena Clare Pittman, painting, and Leslie Shaw Zadoian, painting; Hank Schneider, woodwork, and Walter Stevens, woodwork.

The Catskill Artists Gallery is a cooperative gallery of fine artists and fine craftspeople, with six members and some 30 consignors. In addition to the changing exhibitions, the gallery always has new and innovative work in all media and price ranges, including painting, photography, sculpture, prints, glass, wood work, pottery, scarves and other fabric items, books, notecards, and more. (Next Col.)

The gallery is open year round on Friday and Saturday from 11-6 and Sunday 12-5. For more information, call the gallery at 845-292-0310 or check out the website:

[www.catskillartistsgallery.com](http://www.catskillartistsgallery.com)

The gallery also has a Facebook page.

**TVTA CARES**

The TVTA Cares Committee together with the United Methodist Church Food Pantry is getting ready for the distribution of school supplies and lunch box items to families before the start of school. This year's event is taking place on September 2. We are in need of many items. A partial list follows.

**School Supplies:**

1- and 3- subject notebooks; looseleaf folders with bottom pockets; pencil boxes; pencil sharpeners; supply boxes 5"x 8"; pencils - Dixon Ticonderoga; 2" 3-ring binders; composition notebooks in blue, green, et. al.; Crayola crayons 16 & 24 pk; blue and black pens; Crayola washable markers, regular tip; Erasers; 3" x 5" index cards; black erasable pens; Colored pencils; highlighters; glue sticks; Baby wipes; safety scissors; White paper plates - small and large; Slider bags- qt & gal; socks; plastic forks and spoons; Lunch boxes; Backpacks - new or gently used

**Food items:**

Peanut butter; Jelly; Juices; Crackers; Pudding cups; Applesauce; Canned fruit; Soups; Tuna; Ravioli, spaghetti, etc.; Other lunch box items

Items can be dropped off at the receptionist's desk in the Secondary School, the United Methodist Church Food Pantry, or boxes located in the Grahamsville Post Office or the Neversink Town Hall. Anyone wishing to receive assistance should leave a message at 985-2296, ext 4247 and your call will be returned. The continuing generosity of this wonderful community is greatly appreciated. Without your help, this program could not be successful.

Thank you for your support.

**CATSKILL ARTISTS GALLERY**

**Friends Show:**

*CAG members and their friends*

August 21-October 3, 2010

Opening reception:  
 Saturday, August 21, 4pm-8pm

**members**

Robert Friedman, sculpture  
 Cate Gundlah, glass  
 Kathy Jeffers, pottery & jewelry  
 Buff McAllister, fiber art  
 Helena Clare Pittman, painting  
 Hank Schneider, woodwork

**friends**

Ginger Smith, encaustic painting  
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Catskill Artists Gallery  
 38 South Main Street, Liberty, NY 12754  
 845-292-0310 [www.catskillartistsgallery.com](http://www.catskillartistsgallery.com)  
 Open Friday and Saturday 11-6pm and Sunday 12-5pm

**25th ANNUAL JUMBLE SALE MUTHIG FARM IN ADEN**

**AUGUST 20, 21, 22 10 TO 4**

follow signs from Route 55  
 come celebrate our 25th Jumble  
 the barn and tent are full and  
 waiting for you---too much to  
 list but sure to find something  
 to use or collect 985-292-7838

**NO EARLY BIRDS  
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 Tuesdays & Thursdays - 11 a.m.-9 p.m.  
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 Saturdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Closed Sundays and Mondays  
 The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.  
 On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.  
 845-985-7233

**Time and the Valleys Museum** has copies of every **Townsman** printed since the beginning in loose-leaf binders classified by year for anyone to research. For further information, contact the historian's office in Grahamsville at 985-2262 x313, e-mail: [historian@townofneversink.org](mailto:historian@townofneversink.org), or visit [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org)

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**Grahamsville one/two bedroom saltbox cabin.** Full basement. 2 private acres, gardens \$129,900. Resort Realty - 845791-5945. View all MLS listings - [www.resortrealtyny.com](http://www.resortrealtyny.com) pd 9/2

**HOUSE FOR SALE- Grahamsville, Tri-Valley Schools-** Circa 1800-1820, original Shaker house; 3 bdrm; 1 1/2 bath; Chef's Kitchen/Office/Den/Hot Tub & Deck/Wrap Around Porch; Great View. 1+ hill-side acre; all appliances stay with sale. Furnished if you want. \$259,000 and worth it. Owner/broker (845) 985-5057. Strictly by tfn

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**Two Bedroom Apartment in Grahamsville.** Upstairs with balcony, \$500.00 a month plus security. No pets. Available immediately. (845) 985-7411. tfn

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**HELP WANTED**

**Help Wanted - Grahamsville Deli.** Call 985-0107 tfn

**GARAGE SALE**

**ADEN JUMBLE SALE:** Aug 20, 21, 22 - 10 to 4 - 681 Muthig Moad. Check big ad on Page 15 for information...

**FOR SALE**

**DORM FRIDGE - \$30** Perfect for college or camp. (845) 985-7573

**"LIVE Christmas Trees** from seedlings to 5' tall. Price based on size and amount you dig and take. 845-747-4350 - Located in Bradley."

**WHITE RIDING MOWER W/Bagger - Excellent condition** \$1100. Joah Hall 119 Hall Road, Grahamsville, NY 845-985-7097.

**1995 Ford Escort.**\$600 O/B/O 985-0201

**YOGA/REIKI CLASSES**

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Close to Neversink Dam on Lindholm Road

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**Denning Democrats**

A question from the **New York State Democratic Committee.** Do you have an idea for how to make New York a better place to live, work, raise a family, or retire? We want to hear it! Last Sunday, Democrats in New York hit the road with a new initiative: **The Road to 1000 Democratic Ideas.** Our goal is simple- to hear the best ideas from everyday New Yorkers - residents of rural and urban communities, and everything in between - for improving life in the Empire State. As Democrats, we understand that elected officials don't have a monopoly on good ideas. And that's where you come in. We're asking you to submit your ideas to us, whether big or small, at [www.nydemocrats.org/1000ideas](http://www.nydemocrats.org/1000ideas).

The best, most innovative, original, and compelling solutions will be passed along to **Andrew Cuomo and Robert Duffy**, who will consider including them as part of their **New NY Agenda.**

We'll also be posting interesting ideas we get along the way on our website to spark discussion. We're looking forward to hearing from you at [www.nydemocrats.org/1000ideas/](http://www.nydemocrats.org/1000ideas/), and keep those ideas coming, Charlie King, Executive Director, NYS Democratic Committee

This is Democracy in action by your Democratic Party if you care about your future get involved. Paid positions are available. Email: [denningdems@yahoo.com](mailto:denningdems@yahoo.com) or call 845 985 0501.

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 Democratic Committee Chair  
 Town of Denning



**Grahamsville/Claryville/Sundown:**

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- Lakefront cabin on Round Pond w/5 acres + 850 shared acres. Rare opportunity, only 9 other owners. \$599,000
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- 3 bed/1+ bath farmhouse on 1 acre on stream. \$145k
- **UNDER CONTRACT:** Cool, contemporary 1 BR/1BA cabin on 4.3 acs. \$125k
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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia**



**Cat On A Hot Tin Roof** a 1958 classic with wonderful acting by a cast filled with the immortals of stage and screen. When revelations of deep family interactions surface, they explode into truths of life, when a dying plantation owner tries to help his alcoholic son solve his problems. Cast: Elizabeth Taylor, Paul Newman, Burl Ives, and Jack Carson Dir: Richard Brooks C-108 mins, TV-PG, On TCM Saturday August 21, 2010, at 1:45pm.

**Quiz:**  
 A. Name the actor in this film also played the lead character in "National Velvet?"  
 B. Who played the character Big Daddy Pollitt?

**What's going on in the Gnome Gneighbourhood™ this week?**

**SUNDOWN - 1st Annual Sundown Community Barbecue** In the event of a repeat of last winter's emergency that left many Sundown and nearby neighbors without electricity for almost a week, the Sundown Church Hall, with the aid of a generator, could serve as an emergency shelter. Mark your calendar for September 11 Chicken Barbeque, from 4 pm to 7 pm. The proceeds from the BBQ will go toward helping purchase a generator for the church hall. Tickets are on sale Adults \$10.00 and children under the age of 10, \$5.00 for tickets call 985-2283

**NAPANOCH CONCERT SERIES,** Come and enjoy Free Music and Free Parking- just bring your blankets and chairs to Main Street by the Senior Center on the green in Napanoch, when the The Napanoch Public Interest Group will present on, August 25, 2010, 6:00-7:30 pm, "The Carl Richards Band," CD's will be available and on sale.

**WOODRIDGE,** Do you like seemingly creamy Italian ices reminiscent of the old days in Brooklyn or on Arthur Avenue in the Bronx, try **THE DOUGH BOYS** creamy Italian ices at 18 Broadway, Woodridge, NY. Tel: 845.434.3300., They are serving the freshest foods for breakfast lunch, and dinner.

**ELLENVILLE Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival** Located in downtown Ellenville with live music, pie-judging, cultural, and historical displays, and 200 plus vendors, come and celebrate the height of the berry season. Sat. Aug. 21, 2010 - 9:00am - 4:00pm Call 845-647-4620

**GRAHAMSVILLE,** Good Luck to Grahamsville Auto, a new business. **Grahamsville Auto** on Route 42 now has gas, auto repairs, and food while you wait.

Bye,  
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**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**

B. Burl Ives  
 A. Elizabeth Taylor