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## Ulster Heights UMC Celebrates its 150th Anniversary

In 1863 the area known as the "Drowned Lands" and then later "Florence" and now Ulster Heights became the home of the Ulster Heights United Methodist Church. With donated land, lumber and hard work by a group of very dedicated people, the church was erected at a cost of \$3,000 with a seating capacity of 100 people.



The church is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year. The small white building has stood alongside the narrow, winding road, serving generations of families as a source of spiritual and community unity. It has hosted hundreds of baptisms, weddings, communions and words of countless sermons.

So many physical changes have occurred within the church building itself in its 150 years of existence but our main goal is to serve God and our church families and community.

To commemorate the 150th anniversary, a "Heritage Day" will be held on Saturday, September 14th in the church parking lot from 11 a.m. to 3

p.m. Highlights will include the history of the church and the Ulster Heights area, singing, display of antique tractors, maple syrup display, bee keeping, portable saw mill and more. All are welcome to attend.

On October 5th, Bishop Martin D. McLee and former pastors will be at the church to participate in a worship service for the 150th anniversary.

Should you have any questions about our church or upcoming events, please contact Pastor Michael Sparrow, 647-5343.

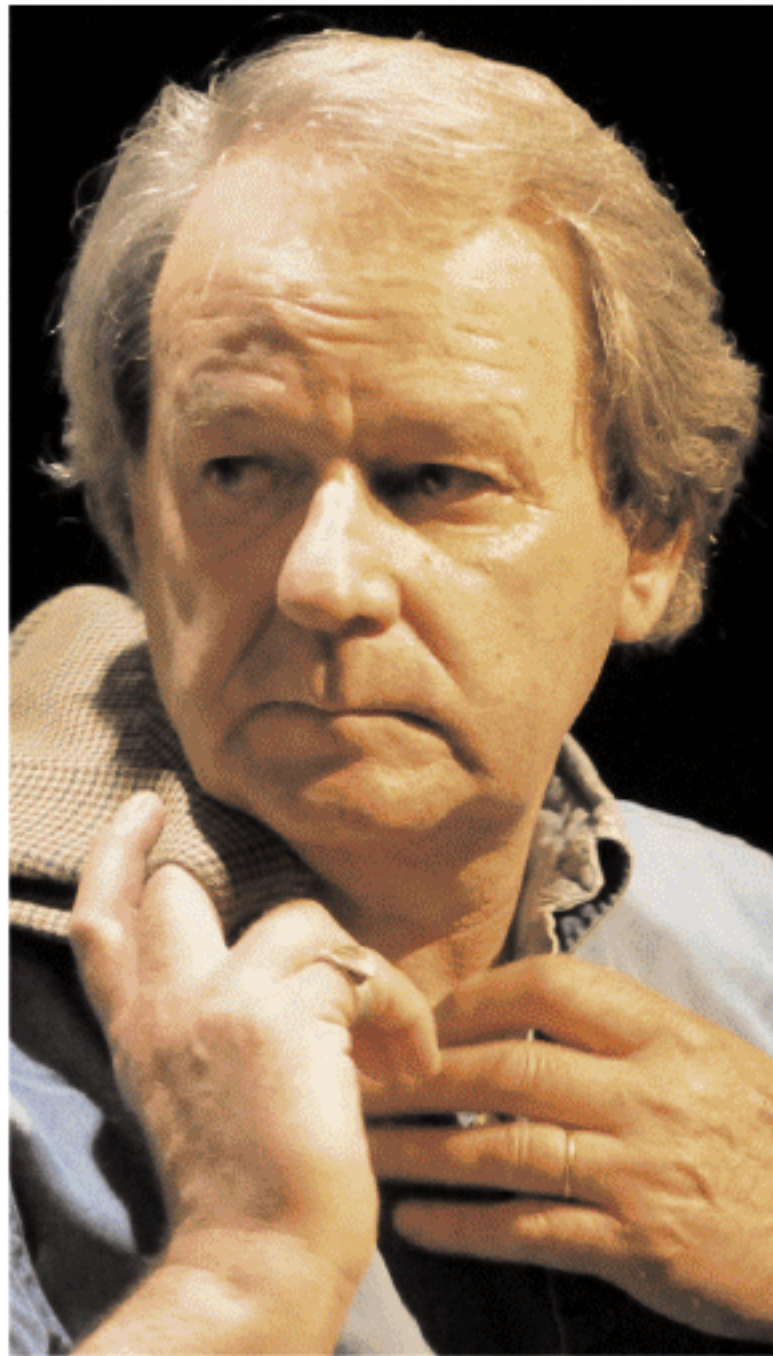
## SC Community Chorus Prepares for 37th Annual Winter Concert



The Sullivan County Community Chorus will resume its weekly Wednesday evening rehearsals from 6:30 - 8:30 PM, September 11th, at the First Church of Monticello-Presbyterian on Jones Street. The chorus, under the direction of Kevin Giroux, with piano and organ accompanist Keira Weyant, will begin preparation for its 37th Annual Winter Concert, scheduled to be performed at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 15th in the Immaculate Conception Church, Woodbourne.

The Chorus' Winter Concert theme will be "The (un)Known Treasures of Christmas" and will present selections from Russian Orthodox music to French carols, Olde English as well as contemporary and revivalist hymns and featuring a number of chorus soloists. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## CAS Presents Liberty Free Theatre's Play Reading of Red by John Logan



Livingston Manor, NY - The Catskill Art Society will present the Liberty Free Theatre for a performance reading of the play "Red" by John Logan at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY on Thursday, September 12 at 7:30pm. The performance will feature Paul Austin, Artistic Director of the Liberty Free Theatre, in the role of acclaimed abstract painter Mark Rothko and Bradley Diuguid in the role of his assistant. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$25.

Winner of the 2010 Tony Award, John Logan's play "Red" was praised by the New York Times as "intense and exciting... a portrait of an angry and brilliant mind that asks you to feel the shape and texture of thoughts." Legendary painter Mark Rothko (Paul Austin) is creating a group of murals in his New York studio for the exclusive Four Seasons restaurant. He gives orders to his assistant Ken (Bradley Diuguid), as he mixes the paints, makes the frames, and paints the canvases. Ken, however, brashly questions Rothko's theories of art and his "selling out" to work on such a lavish commercial project. Smart and eloquent, yet roaring with an electrifying clash of ideas, "Red" is a

Paul Austin, Artistic Director of the Liberty Free Theatre, will play the role of legendary painter Mark Rothko in the performance reading of John Logan's play "Red."

must-see experience that lays bare a truthful portrait of a visionary artist.

The play is in one act and runs approximately 90 minutes with no intermission. The performance will be followed by a free reception with refreshments.

Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$25. Advance reservations are highly recommended as seating is limited. For reservations, call the CAS Arts Center at 845-436-4227 or e-mail info@catskillartsociety.org. Proceeds will benefit CAS and the Liberty Free Theatre. (Contd. Pg. 8)

## The Best Ever National Night Out in Fallsburg



The members of the chief organizer of the event, Fallsburg Communities that Care (FCTC), were unanimous in asserting that the Eighth Annual National Night Out against Crime on August 6, 2013 was the best ever. Well over 400 children and parents enjoyed the barbecued hot dogs and hamburgers, with assorted salads, soft drinks, cupcakes, cookies, snacks, and ice cream.

The entertainment provided by what appeared to be all the fantastic students of Will Young's School of Tae Kwon Do provided the entertainment. Monticello, Monticello Gymnastics, and the Liberty Line Dancers won everyone's enthusiastic applause with their skills. The Line Dancers got everyone clapping and dancing along on the basketball court that had been the scene of another exciting three on three competition between boys and girls on coed teams. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** Every word of God is pure; his is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Proverbs 30:5

**OBITUARY**



**Mary Mentnech** of Woodbourne, NY, departed this life on her 96th birthday with her family at her side. Mary was the first child born to Anthony and Myrtle Kracht Cypert on August 17, 1917. She met her husband, Arthur in the church choir and soon were married. Art and Mary were married 57 years prior to his death in 1994.

Together they owned and operated until retirement, Art's Garage on Grahamsville Road in Woodbourne. Mary was a lifelong parishioner of the Immaculate Conception Church and a past member of the Altar and Rosary Society. Along with her dear friend, Ann dill, she decorated the church every Friday and holiday. "Aunt Mary" was best known for her homemade rolls and ability to grow just about anything. She always attributed her gardening and ability to grow anything from her wonderful childhood on the family farm on Cypert Road. Grandma loved the little ones so every child, grandchild and great grandchild was wrapped in Grandma's love at night, warmly embraced by her soft and plump hand-pieced quilts.

Mary was blessed with seven children, all surviving: three sons: James (Irma) Mentnech, John (Pamela Henning) Mentnech, Tony (Trish) Mentnech all of Woodbourne; four daughters: Anne (Homer) Waring of San Antonio, TX, Jane Hammer, Judi (Al) Gerow of Woodbourne, and Alice (Paul) Edelman of Monticello; her grandchildren: Bonnie Lewis, Janet Hubbert, Patti Milisaukas, Phillip, Scott, Keith, Brian, Peter and Misty Mentnech, Jodi Kanatzar, Jennie Huffman, Sara Smith, Carol Kinard, Lori Brazzill, Vicki Kiakis, Judi Ann Cole, Andi Hammer, Nikki Wallace, Tracey Caldwell, Aimee Pittaluga and JR Edelman; great grandma to 46, AKA Grandma M and M or Bulldog as she was so lovingly called by some; and Great Grandmother of two. She is also survived by her brother, Walter Cypert and a sister, Thelma Misko of Grahamsville, and many wonderful nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her brothers: Paul and David Cypert; a sister, Rita Hotchkin; and her loving grandson, Lee Hammer.

Our mother worked very hard her entire life. She gave us lots to be thankful for and was a very strong woman. Special thanks go to Dr. Butler of Catskill Regional Medical Center for her loving and tender care.

Her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, August 26 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Woodbourne, NY with Fr. John Lynch officiating. Burial followed at the Mentnech Family plot of St. Michael's Cemetery in Ulster Heights.

Memorial contributions can be made to Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, 800 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550.

**DAYS OF YO'RE....**

**Today's History**

**September 2, 1953** - The Mrs. Archie Smith family reunion was held Sunday at the Robert Smith cabin. The attendance was about 40. The dinner was a picnic meal and was attended by violin and guitar music. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith from Lyons, N.Y. were in attendance.

Are you singing those back-to-school blues?

For those last minute things for Mary and Joe.

Just drop into Krum's where it's easy to choose!

On the first day of school they'll be ready to go!

**August 28, 1963** - Mrs. Adella Herman was 104 years old on Tuesday. Members of her family and old friends went to Middletown to visit her where she is a hospital resident. Born Adella Briggs, Mrs. Herman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Briggs. The late Alonzo Briggs of Claryville was a brother. Mrs. Bill Morrison, who lived in Grahamsville, was a sister and Mrs. Emma D. Perry was another.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cole Jr. are the parents of a daughter born August 21st at Liberty Loomis Hospital.

Mrs. Dorothy E. Houghaling died on August 25 at Liberty Loomis Hospital after a short illness. She was 38. Born on April 11, 1925 at Liberty, the daughter of Harold Moffett and Leah Morris. She was married on December 14, 1950 at Lows Corners to Norway Houghtaling. A housewife, she resided in Neversink for the past 13 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Close of Mayfield, N.Y. are

the parents of a son, Peter Frederick Close, born on August 12, 1963. He weighed 7 lbs. Mrs. Close is the former Sara Brown daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albro Brown of Lackawack.

**September 19, 1973** - The Reverend and Mrs. Donald Baker of Liberty have announced the engagement of their daughter, LouAnn to Mr. Stephen Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fuller of Grahamsville. Miss Baker is a graduate of Upper Dublin High School and is attending Millersville State College in Pa. Her fiancé graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and Farmingdale State University. He is currently employed at Ramsey's Funeral Home in Liberty.

**September 1, 1983** - Mr. and Mrs. Louis Boncek of Grahamsville, N.Y. announce the engagement of their daughter, Marianna, to Vincent Sanborn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Sanborn of Kingston, N.Y. Miss Boncek is a graduate of Tri-Valley High School and is a Business major at the State University at New Paltz. Mr. Sanborn graduated from the Oakwood School and received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from the State University at Purchase, N.Y. A May wedding is planned.

Leonard S. Huson of Grahamsville, a retired farmer and a lifelong area resident, died unexpectedly on Saturday, Aug. 27, at home. He was 64. He son of the late Willie G. and Vida Amthor Huson, he was born March 26, 1919 in Grahamsville. Survivors include a brother, John Huson of Parksville; three sisters: Rhoda Sheeley of Grahamsville, Vidella Countryman of Napanoch and Freda Lowe of Grahamsville.

**Catskill Fire Tower Lights-August 31**

Fire towers in the Catskills and Adirondacks have kept watch over the forests for over 90 years. Even though they have not been officially staffed since 1990, volunteers, the Catskill Center, and the NYSDEC, have restored and opened five Catskill Fire Towers, (Red Hill, Balsam Lake Mt., Hunter Mt., Mt. Tremper, and Overlook Mt.) Many others in the state have been restored also. The towers mostly go unnoticed, with their observation cabs barely visible just above the treetops. On Saturday, August 31, at 9:00 pm, volunteers will use lanterns and flashlights to light up the observation cabs of the Catskill Fire Towers. Hopefully, they will be able to signal each other and people in the surrounding valleys. The lights should be more visible around 9:30 pm and later. Red Hill's light will be on until 10:00 pm. If you are out and about that evening, maybe you will see a light on top of Red Hill or from one of the other fire towers. Try sending them a signal with a powerful flashlight and you may get a signal back. The rain date will be Sunday, Sept. 1. If you have any questions regarding the Red Hill Fire Tower or the other Catskill Fire Towers contact Doug Hamilton, (845) 985-7427, e-mail at [redhillfiretower@yahoo.com](mailto:redhillfiretower@yahoo.com).

**Sullivan County Philatelic Society**

On Sunday, September 8th, the Sullivan County Philatelic Society will have a special DVD program entitled, "The Air Mail Story". It will be shown at 1 pm in the Ted Stroebel Recreation Building, 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY. Also, we will have a discussion on next year's meetings.

Our regular give-aways, door prizes and refreshments will take place during the meeting. This meeting is open to the general public as well as club members. -Art Rosenzweig

**Sullivan Master Gardeners to Hold a Yard Sale for the Community**

LIBERTY, NY- A yard sale with a wide selection of items will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2013 from 9 am until 3 in the afternoon. The Master Gardeners of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County will be holding their first annual sale in order to raise funds for their program. The yard sale will offer a variety of items, including gardening supplies, books, tools, fresh homegrown produce, plants, pots, toys, household items, and more. There will be a bake sale for participants to enjoy as well.

"This sale should have something for everyone!" said Susan Dollard, Master Gardener Program Coordinator and educator, "Our Master Gardeners would like to offer their quality 'stuff' for sale to the public and raise money to do some much needed work to our education center. We want this building to be a great place to learn." (Contd. Pg. 14)

## A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

The weather for the Grahamsville Little World's Fair was beautiful! Although the Fair did not seem very crowded this year, it was still a fine place to meet and visit with friends. I thought the fireworks display on Saturday evening was especially nice. There were so many things going on in the County that weekend I understand that the Zac Brown Band performed to a sold-out show on Saturday evening at Bethel Woods and that the inaugural celebration of the Monticello Bagel Festival drew an estimated crowd of 4,000. There seems to be too many events in the County occurring on the same weekend!

Sullivan County Renaissance held its annual awards ceremony on August 12. The judges awarded the Town of Neversink \$2,500. for our showing of flowers. Livingston Manor won the coveted Golden Feather Award and the \$25,000. grant money. Congrats Livingston Manor!

Congratulations to Ken Walter of Grahamsville on being appointed to the Sullivan County Ethics Board. Ken faithfully attends many of the Sullivan County Board meetings.

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Roland Martin Gorr of Neversink who passed away on August 14 at the age of 73. Roland worked for many years for Rolling V Bus Corp.

Happy belated birthday wishes to Jack Clark of Aden Hill who turned 82 on August 27.

Someone recently abandoned a beautiful young cat and her four very young kittens at the dog pound. Danita is caring for them, but homes are needed. If you would be interested in adopting the mother or one of the kittens, please call Danita at 985-7281. TARA is an organization that spays or neuters cats for a fee of \$70. The van comes to Walmart parking lot in Monticello one day each week. You drop off your cat in the morning and pick it up on the same day. You must make an appointment. It's certainly kinder to have your cat "fixed" than to abandon it.

Adam, Van and Anna Furman and their parents recently returned from a trip to Disney. They spent eight days in Florida. Little Anna dressed up like a princess when she went to the Park! Grahamsville's Mark and Kelly Plescia and their children recently spent a day visiting the Statue of Liberty.

I saw Dave Freer, a 1988 Tri-Valley graduate, at the Fair. He is married with children and lives in New Hampshire. He recently retired from the Coast Guard with 21 years of service.

Phyllis Moore of Grahamsville will be "officially" retired from BOCES after the first week of September. Now she'll have more time to enjoy those grandkids!

Happy first birthday to Santino Mendez, son of Willy and Savannah Mendez of Claryville. Santino's parents work at the Blue Hill Lodge.

I heard that John Bernstein of Grahamsville will be teaching music for the Monticello School District starting in September. John is a great guy and the kids will love him, I'm sure!

The barn swallows seem to have left our area earlier this year. Perhaps they are telling us that it will be an early fall. I do see some trees are starting to turn color already.

### Words of Wisdom:

The greatest pleasure I know is to do a good action by stealth and have it found out by accident. (Charles Lamb)

Whether you believe you can do a thing or not, you are right. (Henry Ford)

### Local Rumor About Cell Service

There is a rumor that the cell tower in Neversink is operational and that AT&T has full service bars. We will try to get the full scoop by next week and let you know!

### SC Community Chorus Prepares for 37th Annual Winter Concert (From Pg. 1)

The Chorus welcomes all interested singers to attend rehearsals. An ability to match pitch is essential, and it is helpful if singers are also able to read music. Prospective new members are encouraged to attend the first three rehearsals (September 11, 18 and 25) and have dues waived for those rehearsals with no obligation. Rehearsals are open to all voice parts, and chorus auditions are not a requirement. Singers wishing to perform in the concert must regularly attend rehearsals joining the chorus no later than October 2nd.

Performances of the Sullivan County Community Chorus are made possible in part with funds from the Sullivan County Decentralization Program, a re-grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts, administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

For those who were unable to attend, or for anyone who wishes to hear the June 2013 36th Annual Spring Concert, "L'Chaim! Honoring the Jewish Culture" again, Radio Catskill-WJFF (90.5 FM and streaming online) has scheduled a broadcast of highlights from the performance from 2:00-3:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 8, 2013.

Dues are \$20 with a \$15 refundable music deposit upon return of music to the chorus secretary post concert. Those wishing to sing in the Winter Concert are encouraged to arrive for the first rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. to sign in and receive packets of the concert music. For further information contact Lucille Horton at 845-794-7869.

### Daniel Pierce Library Summer Reading Program Incentive Winners

Congratulations to the following readers who won prizes in our Tween, Teen, and Adult Summer Reading Program Incentives! Thank you to our wonderful donors who made these prizes possible.

#### ADULT

\$25.00 gift certificate from Hair Designs by Kelly - Sue Van Valkenburg

Pizza from Grahamsville Deli - Connie Brackman

\$25.00 gift certificate from Eureka Café

Pizza from Cannie D's - Rene Terwilliger

\$15.00 gift certificate from Creative Cutters - Mary Dymond

Two oil changes from Zanetti's Service Station - Mary Inghrim

\$20.00 cash from an Anonymous Donor - Samantha Damms

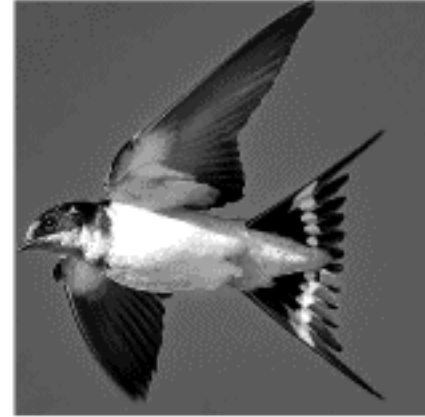
Two \$10.00 gift certificates from Salt and Pepper: The Kitchen - Caryn Mathews

\$15.00 gift certificate from Maas' Farm Stand - Chris Holmes

### Nature Column - Linda Comando

A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall and Polly Hill.

Carol Furman mentioned that the barn swallows have already left for their warmer winter habitats. While it is a little early, this year, each fall the barn swallows migrate south to tropical Central and South America. This migration is one of the wonders of the natural world. These birds, called "neotropical migrants," spend six or more months in southern locations before returning north, to the Catskills in spring to mate and rear their young.



The main reason for this seasonal migration is the lack of insects to eat during winter in the north. Avoiding cold temperatures is actually

a less important reason for leaving. Swallows migrate during the day, catching flying insects along the way.

Swallows are among the first birds to begin the southern migration. They gather in large groups, sometimes as many as 2,000 birds can be seen on telephone wires and other perches before departing. They will fly from dawn to dusk, sometimes coming within inches of the ground to catch flying insects.

While spending their time in the Catskills this past spring and summer, the barn swallows traveled up to a half-mile to gather mud from the edges of ponds, puddles, and ditches to construct their nests. The collection sites were marked with numerous small holes made by the birds as they poked their beaks into the mud several times to get a good load. You may have also seen swallows flying with feathers or grass that they used in the final stages of nest building.

As its name implies, the Barn Swallow typically nests inside accessible buildings such as barns and stables, or on the front porch.

Barn swallows have had a close association with humans that goes back to Europe for over 2,000 years. It has been theorized that one reason barn swallows choose to nest on door stoops, light fixtures, and porch fronts is because the close proximity to humans keeps crows and other predators away. Of course, when we have a barn swallow nest on the front porch, we have to deal with the droppings and other debris they deposit. There are remedies: spread newspaper, an old sheet, or even install a board under the nest. It is worth it to watch these wonderful birds that feed on flying insects. In fact, did you know Swallows are federally protected? Once an adult swallow occupies a half-built nest, or a fully built nest, even without eggs, then the law protects it.

Once the nest has been completed, the female will lay two to seven, reddish-spotted white eggs that are about 0.6 x 0.8 in size, and weigh 0.07 oz, of which 5 percent is shell. The incubation period is normally 14-19 days; with another 18-23 days before the chicks develop wing feathers the young stay with, and are fed by, the parents for about a week after leaving the nest. There are normally two broods, with the original nest being reused for the second brood and being repaired and reused in subsequent years. Occasionally, birds from the first brood will assist in feeding the second brood.

While there has been a decline of the Barn Swallows in some countries, especially in Israel where they use DDT, there has been an increase in the population in North America due to greater availability of nesting sites and subsequent range expansion.

Because of its long journeys, barn swallows have been well observed. A swallow tattoo is popular amongst nautical men as a symbol of a safe return. The tradition was that a mariner had a tattoo of this fellow wanderer after sailing 5,000 nautical miles.

As we observed during the spring and summer, swallows darted and sailed overhead, with airborne grace, a wonder to behold. No bird in North America is better known as a welcome companion and a useful friend to the farmer, as it comes each spring to fly in and out of the wide-open barn door, delighting him with its cheerful twittering, as it flies about the barnyard in pursuit of the troublesome insects that annoy both man and beast.

Now it is time for us to wait for their return again, next spring!

### Household Hints

#### Revitalize leather furniture

Has your leather sofa or easy chair lost its luster? To restore it to its former glory, mix equal parts white vinegar and boiled linseed oil in a recycled spray bottle, shake it up well, and spray it on. Spread it evenly over your furniture using a soft cloth, give it a couple of minutes to settle in, then rub it off with a clean cloth.

### Breaking Point - Mysterious Book Report No. 112 by John Dwaine McKenna



In spite of what the old saw says, and what our mothers and other teachers told us . . . sometimes we just can't help but prejudge . . . we go right ahead and judge a book by its cover, as the old saying goes. I've done it, you've done it, we've all done it at one time or another, only to find out at a later date how very wrong we were in our first assessment. This applies to people, places and things, or in my personal case, books.

A few years ago, I was offered a pair of novels about a Wyoming game warden. "They're pretty good," the recommender said. "Nah," I said, "that doesn't appeal to me, it doesn't sound very exciting, to tell you the truth." At the time I was deep into international espionage: spy versus spy and the like. Now, fifteen best-selling novels later, yours truly finally got around to reading one of the 'Game Warden' novels . . . and discovered just how much he's been missing.

*Breaking Point*, (Putnam, \$26.95, 367 pages, ISBN 978-0-399-16075-2) by C.J. Box is the thirteenth in his Joe Pickett series. It's a novel that's bound to raise the hackles of any property owner, but in particular, any owners of property in or around a watershed area, because the novel concerns the property owner versus an overreaching government bureaucrat. The novel begins with two EPA employees being sent from Denver, Colorado to serve an EPA order on a Wyoming property owner, that comes complete with fines and penalties that mount up by the day, because the area has been designated as a wetlands. The owner is a small time builder who's trying to build his retirement home in

an established development, between two existing properties. When the two agents are found shot to death, a massive manhunt for Butch Roberson is set into motion that pits Wyoming Game Warden Joe Pickett against the father of his own daughter's best friend. All the signs point to Roberson, who may have reached his breaking point, but as the facts start trickling in, the outrageous unfairness of it all makes Pickett realize that he too, is approaching his breaking point. The revelations, twists and turns keep coming, all the way up to the denouement and stunning conclusion that will leave you squirming in your seat, feeling as if you've been gut-punched. This is one helluva story, and one you won't forget for a long, long time . . . I know I won't.

And I know too, that I'll be spending some time at the library, catching up with the backlist of Joe Pickett novels. Will I bump into you there?

You're all invited to come over to our redesigned and improved websites: johndwainemckenna.com and rhyolitepress.com you'll find all of our tried and time-tested features as well as some new and improved ones that'll keep you informed and up to date with what's happening out here by "the Sun Mountain Sitting Big," as the Ute Indians called Pikes Peak. *The Boy Who Slept With Bears* is drawing rave reviews from all who've seen and read it. It details the efforts of a Ute boy to survive in a prejudicial world controlled by a government bent on his removal or a least his "civilizing." Don't miss a chance to read this heart wrenching and heartwarming novel that's been read and loved by ages eight to eighty. Told in a warm grandfatherly voice by George R Douthit, it's a past winner of a golden EVVY for fiction, and it's now in it's third printing in a new, enlarged and revised edition. \$15.00 (ISBN 978-0-9839952-8-9) and available at bookstores everywhere, Amazon and all eReaders. A very limited number of signed copies are available at Rhyolite Press, P.O. Box 2406, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Don't forget to add \$4.00 for shipping and handling.

And hey! That's not all . . . I'm happy to announce that *Colorado Noir* by John Dwaine McKenna is, after delays, interruptions, more delays, civil disobedience, war, famine and pestilence . . . finally at the printers. I expect the heavens to open up and legions of cheribim and seraphim to accompany the UPS truck to the Rhyolite Press warehouse at any time . . .

Seriously folks, this one's been a long time coming, but it's worth the wait. It contains eleven of the best stories I've ever written, all from the dark and seamy side of life. More next week about our latest, and best, crime fiction ever!

And don't worry. We'll be back next week with an all new MBR. See you then. --JDM

### The Best Ever National Night Out in Fallsburg (From Pg. 1)

The focus of the evening was for the three hundred young people to make good decisions in their lives, to obey the laws, to respect adults, and to stay away from drugs. Fallsburg Town Supervisor Steve Vegliante and the Town Board echoed these ideas in the Proclamation invoking Fallsburg's National Night Out and presenting a plaque to Charles Davis, President of FCTC. Other speakers included Family Court Judge Mark Meddaugh and representatives from State Senator Bonacic and Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther. Besides the Town and FCTC, Fallsburg Police Department and its PBA, and the Recovery Center were organizers of the event.

Many companies and individuals supported the success of the evening. To name a few are Kathy Kreiter and husband John who did the barbecuing; M&B Associates for providing the meats; Stewart's Shoppes for water, snacks, supplies, and ice cream; Shop-Rite for donating salads, snacks, several staff that face-painted dozens of children, and for bringing their mascot Scrunchy; the Fallsburg Fire Department for hanging banners for the event on Route 42; the Hurleyville Fire Department for discounting and setting up two large tents to protect the social service agencies speaking with families and the people enjoying the food; Pepsi-Cola for their truck filled with soft drinks; Monticello Racino for donating the stage; Michael Schapiro for his sound system; Police Officer Chris Rosa with Police Dog Cobra; Henry Lescynski and the Fallsburg Parks and Recreation Department; Cakes by Stacy for dozens of delicious mini-cupcakes. The cakes and ice cream were the perfect ending for a very sweet event.

### NYC Water's a Winner

New York City's tap water was awarded the top prize in New York State's Regional Tap Water Taste Test competition at the American Museum of Natural History this summer. More than 80 museum visitors sampled tap water from four suppliers and the City's tap water got the most votes, followed by water from Mount Vernon in Westchester County, West Hempstead in Nassau County, and the Suffolk County Water Authority. New York City tap water will go up against water from across the state at the NY State Fair August 29.

### Delaware Stream Projects Move Forward this Summer

The CWC Board, at its August meeting, heard from Phil Eskeli, Project Manager of the NYC DEP Stream Management Program, who provided an overview of the many projects that have been accomplished or are in the works in the Pepacton and Cannonsville Reservoir basins as part of the Delaware County Stream Corridor Management Program.

A total of 63 projects -- full channel restoration,

streambank stabilization, buffer plantings and flood repairs - have been coordinated by the NYC DEP and the Delaware County Soil & Water Conservation District (DCSWCD) since 2004. Total cost of these projects is pegged at \$4,879,443, with City funds matched by funds secured from state and federal sources. Thirty-seven of these projects have been completed.

Twenty flood recovery projects resulting from the twin calamities of Irene and Lee in 2011 will be constructed in 2013. The work will be accomplished with DEP funds provided to local municipalities as a match to federal funds provided under the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program. Ten are in the Town of Middletown, with four of those in the Village of Fleischmanns. Four project sites are in Hamden, three in Walton, two in Tompkins and one in Delhi.

In addition to these projects orchestrated by DCSWCD in concert with the NYC DEP, 31 Stream Management Implementation Grants totaling more than \$1.8 million have been awarded to municipalities in the Cannonsville and Pepacton basins for work ranging from stream realignment to culvert replacement to recreation enhancement plans. The program has also completed 41 riparian buffer planting projects on 32 acres of private land under the Catskill Streams Buffer Initiative at a cost of \$225,000.

DCSWCD has also developed a post-flood emergency stream intervention training that has been provided to 1,000 area highway workers and contractors over the past several years. The intensive hands-on training is being replicated in a number of other areas of New York State.

### Register now for Catskills Local Government Day

MARGARETVILE, August 13, 2013 - Online registration is now open for Catskills Local Government Day to be held Friday, Oct. 4 at the Frank W. Cyr Educational Center, Stamford.

Sponsored by the Catskill Watershed Corporation, this annual event will feature six morning workshops of interest to local government officials, municipal employees, economic development leaders, and, new this year, parks and recreation managers.

A lunchtime address will be offered by motivational speaker Doug Motel who will share ways to "Accentuate the positive: Putting more play into your work."

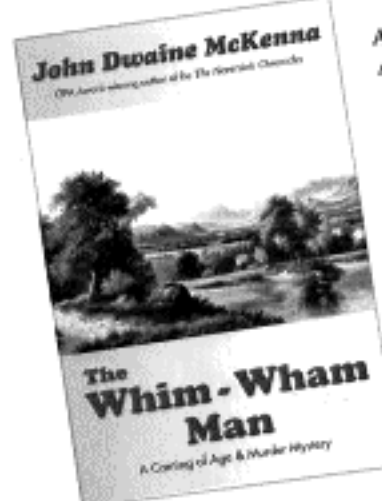
After lunch, participants are invited for a short walk on a nearby portion of the Headwaters Trail Network with Velga Kunzins-Tan and Doug Murphy of the Greater Stamford Chamber of Commerce.

Morning workshops will cover E-Government for Small Municipalities, including websites, social media and the "Virtual Records Room," an exploration of New York's Regional

Economic Development Councils and the Consolidated Funding Application process; reducing Liability of Municipal Parks and Recreation, and a panel discussion with three parks and rec coordinators from the region.

Registration fee for Local Government Day is \$10 and includes continental breakfast and lunch. Seating is limited. To view the agenda and reserve a seat, visit [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org), and go to Meetings/Events.

The CWC is a non-profit, local development corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. For more information, go to the website, or call toll-free 877-928-7433.



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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

### Summer's End

Summer's end in Olive can be seen in the tinges of red on the trees on the mountain and in the cooler nights that are just right for sleeping. The katydids are singing a song to remind us to savor each day that doesn't require heat or AC. It can also be seen and heard in the ads in newspaper circulars and on television hyping the joy of purchasing pens and notebooks.

I have been retired for seven years, and I still have that urge to buy a composition book for a quarter and a designer pen for a dollar. Old habits die slowly.

Another habit broken this year is Olive Day. Since 1973 I have organized or worked at Olive Day. I did miss one year because of pneumonia, but hubby did twice the work that year. This will be the first year that we won't be part of it. As all of you are jumping frogs, eating chicken liver sandwiches, and listening to the great music of The Ben Rounds Band and the Pontiacs, my husband, Diva the dog, and I will be walking along the beaches in Harwich on the Cape.

Hoping Olive Day, which is Saturday, September 7, from 9-6 at Davis Park will be its usual success. Toss an egg and have a burger for me. I will toast Olive with a cold beverage and a lobster dripping in butter.

### "Raft" Exhibit by Michael Asbill comes to SUNY Ulster

Raft, an immersive, shanty-like art installation by artist and independent curator Michael Asbill, will be on display at SUNY Ulster's Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery.

The exhibit will open Sept. 6 with a reception in the gallery from 5 to 7 p.m., and run through Sept. 27.

The artist conceived the project while exploring the shoreline of the Hudson River watershed and drew inspiration from the multitude of ways fishermen use flood debris to fashion temporary camp sites. Asbill's "Raft" is part museum exhibit and part mini-golf shipwreck. The work evokes Romanticist paintings as well as the great Pacific garbage vortex.

Asbill is the co-director of the Kingston Museum of Contemporary Art (KMOCA) and the art manager for the Hudson Valley Seed Library. He holds an MFA from the University of California, San Diego.

The Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery is open Mondays through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and by appointment. It is closed on college holidays. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (845) 687-5113.

### Catskill Cabaradio

On Saturday, Sept. 7th the Pine Hill Community Center presents Catskill Cabaradio, a complete evening of live radio with music by Jack Warren, Elly Winger, The Pine Hill Playboys and others. There will be poetry by Sharon Israel, interviews with psychic Adrienne De Salvo and Bryan Graham of Fruition Chocolate ([www.tastefruition.com](http://www.tastefruition.com)), who will be providing the yummy trivia prizes (make sure you know about the history of labor in this area). "Your Mother Should Know" returns with everyone's favorite mother, Dorothy Greenberg, and, of course, there will be plenty of raffle prizes you will want to win, including a gift certificate to the fabulous Peekamoose Restaurant. The evening begins with a pot luck supper at 6:00pm. Please bring a dish to share. Then promptly at 7:00, house lights dim, and you become the live studio audience as the broadcast over WIOX Community Radio begins. This free, family friendly evening is not to be missed, but if you must, tune in live at [www.wioxradio.org](http://www.wioxradio.org) or 91.3 FM WIOX in Roxbury.

### Jewish Federation of UC Fall for Art

Fall for Art, the Jewish Federation of Ulster County's annual juried art show, sale and cocktail reception will return on Thursday, September 12th from 6pm to 9pm at Wiltwyck Golf Club in Kingston. Now in its 17th consecutive year, this year's Fall for Art will once again showcase the work of 28 Hudson Valley artists in what is sure to be a dazzling display of talent and creativity.

The funds raised at Fall for Art benefit the Federation and the various community programs it supports. In addition, a portion of the proceeds raised are donated to a local arts organization or program. The "Arts with a Heart" program of the Alzheimer's Association-Hudson Valley/Rock-land/Westchester, NY Chapter is the 2013 recipient.

A first of its kind in Ulster County, the "Arts with a Heart" program will consist of three 1-hour arts workshops for people with early stage Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers. The workshops will be offered free of charge to participants at the Rosendale Recreation Center. Visual artist Janet Jappen will present a hands-on collage program on October 13th, the Vanaver Caravan dance company will perform on October 27th, and musician Melody Newcombe will perform on November 10th. Those interested in participating should contact Michele Muir, the Alzheimer's Association's Director of Communications and Public Policy, at [michele.muir@alz.org](mailto:michele.muir@alz.org) or 1-800-272-3900.

For more information on Fall for Art, e-mail [info@fallforart.org](mailto:info@fallforart.org), visit us on Facebook and at [fallforart.org](http://fallforart.org), or call 845-338-8131. Come fall for art at Fall for Art—the place to be on September 12, 2013!!

### Countdown to School

The Office of Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) is collecting back to school supplies to benefit Ulster Community Action, an outstanding agency located in the 103rd Assembly District. We will be collecting pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, scissors, 2" binders, composition books, loose-leaf paper, crayons, markers, highlighters, pencil sharpeners, and calculators.

"Throughout my tenure in the Assembly, I have pushed for equal education opportunities for all children. We can't expect students to succeed when they don't have access to the basic tools necessary to complete assignments. As you begin your back to school shopping, please consider purchasing duplicate items for our collection," said Assemblymember Cahill.

School supplies will be collected continuously through Friday, September 6th from 9:00AM to 5:00PM in Assemblymember Cahill's District Office located in the Governor Clinton Building at 1 Albany Avenue, Suite G-4, Kingston, NY 12401. The office will stay open until 7:00PM on Thursday, September 5th for an after hours drop. Assemblymember Cahill urges local businesses, schools and residents to participate.

Ulster County Community Action Committee provides backpacks filled with school supplies for children grades K-6th. These children also receive healthy snacks for the weekends and long school breaks for the entire school year. Our Backpack/Snackpack program is 100% funded by local donations. It is with the support from our community we are able to provide this Program to our children in Ulster County! When a community comes together for a cause, a powerful transaction occurs - CHANGE. Imagine communities coming together to help provide food to children who might be going without. It could be the boy next door or your child's friend at school. A child in your town or community is going to bed hungry each night. Imagine making a difference in the lives of children in need in your community. Imagine your community coming together to make a change. The Program is one of the most important programs we have here at our Agency. We strongly believe that together with our community we can help fight childhood hunger," says Suzanne Hinchey, Ulster County Community Action.

"Over the years my office has relied on agencies like Ulster Community Action to direct constituents towards the help they need. I am thrilled to be able to collaborate on this worthy endeavor," said Assemblymember Cahill.

For questions regarding the drop off of supplies, please call the Kingston office at 845-338-9610.

### OPERATION SUMMER SWEEP

Members of the Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team (URGENT) report the arrest of 16 individuals on multiple charges following a 3 month investigation into drug sales in Ulster County. 13 arrested were indicted by an Ulster County Grand Jury and sealed indictment warrants were issued for their arrest. The other 3 were arrested on warrants.

The arrests took place in predawn raids throughout Ulster, Dutchess and Orange counties. Undercover URGENT members purchased approximately 20 grams of cocaine, 1000 decks of heroin and numerous diverted pharmaceuticals during the investigation. URGENT members also seized one vehicle for forfeiture proceedings.

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-Arrested V/Ellenville Court and remanded \$50,000.00 cash/\$100,000 bond; RYAN GRUBER, age 26, 47 Derrenbacher St. Kingston, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Sealed indictment - no bail; DONNA M. VANTASSELL, age 46, 254 Glenerie Blvd. Saugerties, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Sealed indictment - no bail; CHRISTOPHER L. RONDA, age 33, 363 Mettachtonts Rd. Lot 11 Accord, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) -Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Sealed indictment - no bail; MELISSA A. GALLO, age 32, 12 Alberts Av. Apt. 3 Rosendale, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (1 count) - Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (1 count) - Sealed indictment - no bail; JASON V. MORANO, age 34, 12 Alberts Av. Apt 3 Rosendale, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (3 counts) - Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (3 counts) - Sealed indictment - no bail; JUSTIN D. KLARE, age 21, 19 Burnett Rd. Saugerties, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts)-Sealed indictment - no bail; ANA JACOBSON, age 22, 19 Burnett Rd. Saugerties, NY - Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) -Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) - Sealed indictment - no bail; PETER N. GOLGOSKI, age 36, 88 Mountain Rd. Rosendale, NY Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (3 counts) Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (3 counts) Arraigned City of Kingston Ct. - no bail; RACHAEL L. ARM-BRUSTER, age 25, 60 Terwilliger Rd. Kerhonkson, NY Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (1 count) Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 count) Sealed indictment - no bail; JACOB D. LESTER, age 30, 60 Terwilliger Rd. Kerhonkson, NY Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (4 counts) Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (4 counts) Sealed indictment - no bail; HUNTER S. FALCK, age 27, 50 42nd St. Apt. 8 Kerhonkson, NY Attempted Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (1 count) Attempted Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (1 count) City of Kingston Court - \$5000.00 cash/\$10,000.00 bond; JAHDEEM A. MEADE, age 23, 2 Chadwick Gardens A-4 Newburgh, NY Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (3 counts) Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (3 counts) Sealed indictment - no bail; JERROD C. ANDERSON, age 29, 1435 Creek Locks Rd. Eddyville, NY Criminal Sale of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance 3rd (2 counts) Sealed indictment - no bail.

URGENT members were assisted with the arrests by the US Marshal's NY/NJ Fugitive Task Force, New York State Police, Village of Ellenville Police, Kingston Police, City and Town of Poughkeepsie Police, Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, City of Newburgh Police, Town of Rosendale Police, Town of Lloyd Police uniformed patrol, Ulster County Sheriff's Office uniformed deputies, Ulster County Sheriff's K-9 team, Ulster County Sheriff's Corrections and Mobile Life Support Tactical Medics.

The following agencies have members assigned to URGENT: Ulster County Sheriff's Office, Town of Woodstock Police, Town of Lloyd Police, Town of Shandaken Police, Ulster County Probation, Town of Plattekill Police, Town of New Paltz Police and United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

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### UC Sheriff's Office Report a Personal Injury Auto Accident

On August 22, 2013, at approximately 11:30 am, Deputies responded to a two car personal injury auto accident in the area of 7500 Route 52 in the Town of Wawarsing. Investigation revealed that a 1995 GMC Yukon operated by Thadine M. Coley, was attempting to make a left turn into the driveway of 7500 Route 52, when a 2000 Ford Expedition operated by Lesly R. Collins, struck the GMC. Collins was attempting to pass several vehicles, and was unable to see Coley making the turn. Coley sustained minor head and shoulder injuries, and was transported via ambulance to Ellenville Hospital. Collins was evaluated at the scene and released. Collins was issued tickets for: unsafe passing, failing to maintain lane, failing to keep right, and speed not reasonable and prudent. Collins is to reappear in the Town of Wawarsing Court on September 4, 2013. Deputies were assisted at the scene by members of the NYSP Ellenville, Kerhonkson/Accord First Aid, and the Napanoch Fire Department.

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### Reservoir boating extends through Columbus Day

Summer may be coming to an end, but recreational boating on four of New York City's vast reservoirs continues through mid-October.

Early autumn is arguably the best time to enjoy the solitude of the reservoirs, as temperatures are still mild, and bright fall foliage adds color to the landscape.

Kayaks, canoes, sailboats, sculls and rowboats are welcome on the Neversink, Pepacton, Cannonsville and Schoharie Reservoirs from dawn to dusk every day through Columbus Day, as long as they have been steam cleaned to prevent introduction of invasive aquatic plants and animals.

Invasive species can hitchhike into new waterbodies on boats and gear. Tiny fragments of aquatic plants like Eurasian water milfoil and hydrilla reproduce rapidly to create harmful, dense mats. The spiny water flea, a small crustacean with eggs that can survive long periods of dryness, competes with young fish for food and chokes larger fish with its long barbed spines.

Mollusks like zebra and quagga mussels and Asian clam are nearly microscopic in their early life stages and can be transported in mud or small amounts of water trapped in boats. Large numbers of these species can accumulate in pipes and other structures making expensive repairs and upgrades necessary.

That is why boats are not allowed on the reservoirs without a tag which confirms they have been steam cleaned by a specially trained agent. To find steam cleaning locations, boat rental liveries and launch sites, visit [www.thecatkillregion.com](http://www.thecatkillregion.com). Be sure to call ahead to determine cleaning vendors' hours of operation.

Also at that website is a link to secure the required (but free) access permit from the NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). It only takes a few minutes to get the permit online.

Hundreds of boating enthusiasts have enjoyed the wide waters of the Catskill Region reservoirs since they were opened to non-mechanized vessels in 2012. (The reservoirs have long been available for fishing; Cannonsville was also opened to other boaters in 2009.)

The Recreational Boating Program is a cooperative effort between the DEP, the region's business and tourism promotion entities, and the Catskill Watershed Corp., which this year provided racks for storage of rental boats at several launch sites.

### 12th Annual Hooley on the Hudson™ -Sunday Labor Day Weekend--"A Free Event"

Kingston, N.Y.: The City of Kingston and the Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 1 Ulster County are proud to announce the twelfth annual Hooley on the Hudson™ Kingston Irish Festival, to be held on Sunday, September 1, 2013. The Festival will take place at the T R Gallo Memorial Park on the Rondout Creek from 11:30 AM until 9:00 PM. Three main venues will feature live music, step dancing, and storytelling for all ages.

Scheduled to appear this year are Tara O'Grady, The Andy Cooney Band, Hair of the Dog and Searson. Also included are Celtic Heels School of Irish Step Dancing, Vince Fisher and Tommy Kiernan, McGroovin', The Ruffians, The Quinn Brothers, MacCana, and Solas an La and the Ulster County Division 1 AOH Pipes, Drums and Honor Guard. Our unique storyteller tent will be organized once again by The Storytelling Laureate of the City of Kingston, Karen Pillsworth to include professional storytellers, Danaher and Cloud, Lorraine Hartin-

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### CAS Presents Liberty Free Theatre's Play Reading of Red by John Logan (From Pg. 1)

The Liberty Free Theatre wishes to offer professional theatre to the people of Sullivan County; to serve as a gathering place where first class productions of plays, music, poetry, and fiction will stimulate community dialogue while they entertain the public. They seek an audience that reflects the vibrant and diverse nature of our community; and an audience which excludes no one, which includes everyone. They believe that a socially active theatre, which shares the common experiences of living, will be attractive to those who live and work in, and visit, our community, and that it will make a valuable contribution to the character and culture of village, town and county.

Paul Austin's professional life includes acting and directing On and Off Broadway, Off-Off Broadway, summer stock, and regional theatres around the nation, as well as acting for television and film, including roles on West Wing, Law and Order, Cosby, and the films, Palookaville, Thirteen Conversations, Tune in Tomorrow, and Sommersby. Among recent stage appearances were Neils Bohr in Copenhagen, the Foreman in Vaclav Havel's Audience and Late Night Conspiracies, a collection of his own writings at New York's Ensemble Studio Theatre, where he is a long time member. Mr. Austin has directed first productions of a number of new plays, including Percy Granger's Eminent Domain at the Circle in the Square on Broadway. He has written for and about the theatre in essays, poetry, plays, and Spontaneous Behavior, a book on acting. One of his recent works, Dreaming Angel, was included in More Monologues for Men by Men and was also published in Newport Review. He was for many years the Artistic Director of The Image Theatre in New York, where he produced plays and taught acting. In addition to teaching privately in NY, he has also taught at the University of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute and was a tenured faculty member at Sarah Lawrence College for twenty years. He recently received the Teachers who Make a Difference award from the Creative Coalition. Mr. Austin is currently Artistic Director of The Liberty Free Theatre in upstate New York.



Gerlardi, Kent Busman, and Karen Pillsworth. The Hooley™ will have various craft booths and food vendors. Entertainment will appear on three stages: The Tara Stage, The Feeney Stage and The Spoken Word Stage.

Last year, over 20,000 people attended our "Hooley" throughout the day and we are estimating even more this year. Our focus on family entertainment is crucial to our event and our free admission allows families the opportunity to enjoy our proud Irish heritage without financial burden.

This is a free family event sponsored by The Ulster County Division 1 AOH and the City of Kingston. This Festival could not happen without the cooperation of the City of Kingston and Mayor Shayne Gallo, our other elected officials, and all of our committed sponsors," said AOH Father Con Colbert Wolfe Division 1 Ulster County President Jim Carey. "The continued support of the community, volunteers, and well-wishers, along with the special help of Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, will make this year's Hooley on the Hudson™ as much of a success as last year's. We depend on the generosity of several key sponsors to help keep this event free to the public. So we ask that you keep our sponsors in mind when you require their services."

Friends of the Festival are also invited to help support this great community event. For information about vendor spaces or a Friend of the Festival sponsorship, call Jim Carey at (845) 338 6622. or email us at [events@ulsteraoh.com](mailto:events@ulsteraoh.com).

Join us for this special 'Hooley on the Hudson™' Labor Day weekend. Admission is free.

**DIRECTIONS TO THE HOOLEY™**

Take the New York State Thruway to Exit 19 (Kingston). You will be exiting the toll booth onto the Kingston Roundabout. Take the second exit from the Roundabout for Washington Avenue. Proceed on Washington Avenue.

There will be signs directing you to parking venues. The City and the AOH have arranged several parking venues for the "Hooley™" that are clearly marked. Free shuttle buses will be provided to the Hooley™ site at the Rondout in Kingston.

Parking venues are: The Kingston Plaza, the Cornell Street public lot and Kingston Point. Handicap Parking will be available at Kingston Point

**MORE INFORMATION**

Additional information on the Hooley on the Hudson™ Irish Festival is available by visiting the Web site at [www.ulsteraoh.com](http://www.ulsteraoh.com). You can email us at [events@ulsteraoh.com](mailto:events@ulsteraoh.com) or by calling 845-338-6622 Monday through Friday 11AM - 4 PM.

**ArtsWAVE Event: "OPTICAL POINT"**

Manolo Guerra Martis exhibit will be on display from September 4, 2013-October 5, 2013. A reception will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2013, 6-8pm at ArtsWAVE Studio, 12 Market St., Ellenville NY

Manolo Guerra Martis is based in Ellenville, NY since 1978. He was born in Santiago, Chile in 1933.

The work being presented by the ArtsWAVE Gallery is a selection of his fine art endeavors ranging over the last 50 years.

He is a self taught artist and his style can be referred as optical and folkloric art. He uses complex methods to create his works, combining painting, drawing, sculpture, collage and found objects to create his fields of optical illusions. His inspiration comes from religion, geometry, surrealism and abstraction.

**Season's Final Big Yard Sale at Old Stone House of Hasbrouck**

Another huge two-day yard sale takes place at the Old Stone House of Hasbrouck over the Aug. 31-Sept. 1 weekend. It's the season's third and final fundraising sale for the organization, which offers art exhibitions, art and dance classes, and a range of community events.

Once again, the 9am-3pm yard sale will be full of shopping surprises, almost everything available on a pay-what-you-want basis. There will be another huge array of costume jewelry, kids' toys, tools, and even a

selection of furniture, including a glass-topped outdoor dining table in decent condition.

A working countertop microwave oven will be sold, too, along with an efficient canister vacuum cleaner with all its high-end attachments.

Of special note this time around is a substantial supply of ripple-glass bricks, suitable for anyone who's handy and wants to build an entire shower enclosure, windbreak on the deck, or any other such construction. These glass bricks once graced a million-dollar Manhattan loft, and were carefully dismantled and saved. They now need only a bit of cleaning and brushing before re-use. Similar glass bricks might cost \$5 each at a home center. They'll go for much, much less in Hasbrouck.

According to the organization's president, Alana Sherman, "We have so many great donated items coming in this month, we might have to bring in heavy equipment to deal with them all."

Since it's all under a giant pavilion, sales proceed rain-or-shine. All goods are donated, and proceeds support yearlong art, dance and theater events at the Old Stone House, a 501(c)3 organization. Next to the Neversink River in Sullivan County, it's a short drive from Monticello, Liberty, Grahamsville or Ellenville. For more information, visit [www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org](http://www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org).



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**Music of Pink Floyd Closes Belleayre Season In Rocking Style**

Highmount, NY - The groundbreaking progressive rock of Pink Floyd, marking the 40th anniversary of one the enduring albums of all time, "Dark Side of the Moon," will be celebrated at the Belleayre Music Festival on Saturday, Aug. 31 at 8 p.m.

Following its fantastic "Music of Led Zeppelin" performance last season, the Belleayre Festival Orchestra under the direction of Brent Havens, returns with the second installment of its Rock Extravaganza series. This year, the groundbreaking progressive rock of Pink Floyd will be showcased at Belleayre to help commemorate one of the greatest albums in rock history.

The band plays as close to the original recordings as possible and the orchestra both enhances and becomes an integral part of the music. There are even a couple of songs that feature only the orchestra and piano or orchestra. Music from "Dark Side of the Moon" and "The Wall" is prominently featured, and amazing colored lighting effects on the ceiling, lasers and fog complete the experience.

The nature of Pink Floyd's music made it a natural match for the orchestra. Unusual harmonies, ethereal high string lines and rich underscore allowed the orchestra to enhance what the band was playing. And much of the synthesizer sounds are recreated within the orchestration. A blazing rock band rounds out the sound.

If you missed last year's show don't make that mistake again. This performance is a great way to celebrate the Labor Day Weekend and the end of the summer season.

Tickets are available via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: [belleayremusic.org](http://belleayremusic.org)

For information on where to stay, dine, shop or to simply enjoy the great outdoors when you're in town for the Belleayre Music Festival, please visit: [www.catskillhighpeaks.com](http://www.catskillhighpeaks.com), [www.ulstertourism.info](http://www.ulstertourism.info) or [www.greatwestern-catskills.com](http://www.greatwestern-catskills.com). Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount.

Belleayre Mountain is located in the heart of New York's Catskill Mountain region, and is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority. The ski resort is located just off Route 28 and is 37 miles west of Thruway Exit 19 at Kingston; 55 miles southeast of Oneonta on Route 28; 40 miles from the Route 17 exit at Roscoe; and 95 miles southwest of Albany and just two hours north of NYC.

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## First Aid for Flowers'-Learn How to Keep Your Garden Healthy

[HARRIS] - A free on-site training to teach prospective volunteers about gardening will be held by Sullivan Renaissance on Wednesday, August 21 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Woodland Wilding Garden at Catskill Regional Medical Center at 68 Bushville Harris Road in Harris.

For those who wonder what to do with struggling gardens or how to keep plants healthy - this is an opportunity to learn where to begin, what to do, and how to do it. No gardening experience is required for this training.

"First Aid for Flowers will take place outdoors, so you can really see and understand the gardening triage we will discuss," said Sullivan Renaissance Horticulture Coordinator Diana K. Weiner, the instructor for the series.

The class is part of a series that Sullivan Renaissance has been holding to assist individuals who want to volunteer with community projects but aren't sure what to do. Past trainings can be viewed online at [www.YouTube.com/SullivanRenaissance](http://www.YouTube.com/SullivanRenaissance). Free classes will continue on a monthly basis until the hard frost.

Sullivan Renaissance has funded public and community gardens since 2001. Each year grants are awarded to organizations that rely entirely on volunteer support to meet their beautification goals. All of them can use additional help and volunteers.

Pre-registration is requested. For more information, contact Sullivan Renaissance at 295-2445 or email [info@sullivanrenaissance.org](mailto:info@sullivanrenaissance.org).

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Sponsors include Bold Gold Media Group/Thunder 102, Country Yossi Productions, FisherMears Associates, Kristt Company, Large Media, Robert Green Dealerships, Sullivan County Democrat, The River Reporter, Thompson Sanitation, and WSUL/WVOS.

## NYS Attorney General Schneiderman Sues Donald Trump, Trump University & Michael Sexton for Defrauding Consumers out of \$40 million with Sham 'University' Trump Appeared In Ads That Falsely Claimed Trump University Would Use His 'Handpicked Experts' To Teach Get Rich Real Estate Techniques, Bilking Students Out Of Thousands Of Dollars

A.G. Schneiderman: "No Matter How Rich Or Popular You Are, No One Has Right To Scam Hard Working New Yorkers; Anyone Who Does Will Be Held Accountable"

Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman announced that he has filed a lawsuit against Donald Trump, The Trump Entrepreneur Institute -- formerly named Trump University LLC ("Trump University"), and Michael Sexton, former President of Trump University for engaging in persistent fraudulent, illegal and deceptive conduct in connection with the operation of Trump University.

Between 2005 through 2011, Trump University operated as an unlicensed educational institute that promised to teach Donald Trump's real estate investing techniques to consumers nationwide but instead misled consumers into paying for a series of expensive courses that did not deliver on their promises.

"More than 5,000 people across the country who paid Donald Trump \$40 million to teach them his hard sell tactics got a hard lesson in bait-and-switch," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "Mr. Trump used his celebrity status and personally appeared

in commercials making false promises to convince people to spend tens of thousands of dollars they couldn't afford for lessons they never got. No one, no matter how rich or popular they are, has a right to scam hard working New Yorkers. Anyone who does should expect to be held accountable."

The petition filed in New York Supreme Court in Manhattan by Attorney General Schneiderman details the advertisements run by Trump University in major newspapers across the country and the direct mail solicitations sent to entice consumers to attend a free workshop. These ads prominently displayed Donald Trump's photograph and signature, or were styled as letters written by Trump himself. The advertisements were replete with false claims, including claims that consumers would learn "from Donald Trump's handpicked instructor a systematic method for investing in real estate that anyone can use." Other ads promised "my handpicked instructors will share my techniques" or "learn from my handpicked expert" and "just copy exactly what I've done and get rich."

An investigation by Attorney General Schneiderman revealed that Donald Trump did not handpick even a single instructor at these seminars and had little or no role in developing any of the Trump University curricula, or seminar content. The investigation also revealed that officials used the name "Trump University" even though they lacked the charter necessary under New York law to call themselves a University. They were also unlicensed under New York State Education Law, evading an array of legal protections designed to protect New Yorkers from fraud. Even though Trump University was notified by the New York State Education Department ("NYSED") as early as 2005 that these practices violated New York law, Trump University did not change its name until May 2010 and never received a license to operate in the state. As a result, many students believed they were attending a University, when they were not. This misconception was reinforced by Trump University's use of a University-like seal on much of its material and awarding diploma-like Certificates of Completion bearing Donald Trump's signature.

Despite Trump University's advertised claims, consumers attending free seminars did not learn Donald Trump's real estate techniques. Instead, Trump University's instructors made multiple misrepresentations to convince consumers to sign up for a \$1,495 three-day seminar. These misrepresentations included false claims about the three-day seminars such as:

- \* consumers would learn "everything [they] need[ed] to know" to become successful real estate investors;

- \* consumers would quickly recoup their investment by doing real estate deals, with some instructors claiming that consumers would earn tens of thousands of dollars within thirty days;

- \* instructors were "handpicked" by Donald Trump;

- \* consumers would be taught Donald Trump's very own real estate strategies and techniques;

- \* consumers would receive access to private sources of financing ("hard money lenders"); and

- \* the three-day seminar would include a year-long "Apprenticeship Support" program.

Instructors also insinuated Donald Trump himself would appear at the three-day seminar.

In reality, many of the promises made at the free seminars went unfulfilled. Despite claims to the contrary, consumers who paid for and attended the three-day seminars were not taught everything they needed to know about real estate investing. For example, consumers did not receive substantive instruction on how to raise money from hard money lenders or receive an extensive "apprenticeship support" program. Instead of providing the sustained support promised by Trump

University's instructors, consumers were provided a list of lenders from a commercially available magazine. Instead of a personal appearance from Donald Trump as some consumers were led to expect, some participants got their photographs taken with a life-size photo of Mr. Trump.

Instead of providing all of the promised services, instructors used the three-day seminars to pitch consumers an expensive Trump Elite mentorship program costing \$10,000 to \$35,000. Trump University promised that the mentorships provided one-on-one training during which students would have personal assistance until they executed their first real estate deal and recouped the cost of the program. While consumers were encouraged to call their credit card companies during breaks, to increase their credit limits to have access to funds to do real estate deals, the real reason Trump University asked consumers to request higher credit limits was so they could use the credit to pay for the expensive Elite programs.

Many consumers who made the costly investments did not receive the individual mentor attention promised. After an initial three-day session, many mentors failed to return phone calls or emails and provided little to no follow-up assistance. Despite diligent efforts, many consumers were unable to conclude even a

single real estate deal and were left worse off than they had been before enrolling in the Trump University programs. Some consumers faced thousands of dollars of debt due to the expensive cost of the Elite Programs. Many felt they had been victims of an elaborate scam. Trump University also committed violations of federal consumer protection law. Federal law provides a three business-day right of cancellation for the type of purchases at issue here, but Trump University repeatedly failed to honor consumers' timely requests to cancel.

The lawsuit seeks full restitution for the more than 5,000 consumers nationwide who were defrauded of over \$40 million in the scheme, disgorgement of profits, as well as costs and penalties and injunctive relief prohibiting these types of illegal practices going forward.

Consumers with complaints against Trump University should file a complaint with the OAG. Complaint forms are available here.

The case is being handled by Assistant Attorneys General Tristan C. Snell and Melvin L. Goldberg, under the supervision of the Bureau of Consumer Frauds and Protection's Deputy Bureau Chief, Laura J. Levine; Bureau Chief Jane M. Azia, and Executive Deputy Attorney General for Economic Justice Karla G. Sanchez.

## Parents take the Kids Zone Pledge!

Tri-Valley AYSO supports Kids Zone® a unique program that includes a parent pledge moms and dads sign to commit to positive, encouraging behavior when they're watching the games. This way fans can be cheerleaders, not critics.

Soccer is a player's game. Players learn the game by trying new things, making mistakes and trying again. Sideline critics who scream instructions at players or criticize referees or coaches just slow down the learning process and make it less fun for everyone.

Imagine you're undertaking a fairly difficult task: assembling a piece of furniture with hieroglyphic instructions, filling out IRS Form 4562 on April 14, or standing on the highest rungs of a ladder painting the crown molding in your living room with 14-foot ceilings. Think it would help if someone yelled at you during the process? Of course not, so join me and take the Kids Zone pledge today.

### Kids Zone Parent Pledge

Please read, initial each item, sign at the end, and return to the coach or the appropriate AYSO volunteer.

1. I pledge to be on time or early when bringing my child to his/her practices and games. I understand that it may be uncomfortable for my child to be late to a game or practice and that he/she is subject to physical risk if not provided with adequate time to warm up. I understand that I am encouraged to stay during practices and games, but if I do not, I will be there when he/she is finished. Being punctual shows respect for the coach, who has other time commitments, and it tells my child that he/she is my top priority. \_\_\_\_\_
2. I understand that the top three reasons kids play sports are to have fun, make new friends and learn new skills. I understand that the game is for the kids, and I will encourage my child to have fun and keep sport in its proper perspective. I understand that athletes do their best when they are emotionally healthy, so I will be positive and supportive. \_\_\_\_\_
3. I will redefine what it is to be a "Winner" in my conversations with my child. Winners are people who make the maximum effort, continue to learn and improve, and do not let mistakes, or fear of making mistakes, discourage them. I understand that mistakes are an inevitable part of any game and that people learn from their mistakes. I understand that all children are born with different abilities and that the true measure of success is not how my child compares to others, but how he/she is doing in comparison to his/her best self. \_\_\_\_\_
4. I will "Honor the Game." I understand the importance of setting a good example of sportsmanship for my child. I will show respect for all involved in the game including coaches, players, opponents, opposing fans, and referees. I understand that officials, coaches, and players make mistakes. If the referee makes a call I do not agree with, I will refrain from questioning, insulting or making personal attacks against him or her. \_\_\_\_\_
5. I understand that games can be exciting for my child as he/she deals with the fast-paced action of the game, responds to opponents, referees, teammates, and listens to coaches. I will not yell out instructions. During the game, I will make only sportsmanlike comments that encourage my child and other players on both teams. \_\_\_\_\_
6. I will not make negative comments about the game, coaches, referees or teammates in my child's presence. This sets a bad example, which can negatively influence my child's motivation and overall experience. I agree to act in a sportsmanlike manner and make every effort to foster a friendly and non-violent atmosphere. \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to honor the AYSO Parent Pledge in my words and actions.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Congressman Gibson on Release of the Watershed FAD Review Draft

The New York State Department of Health released its draft midterm revisions to the New York City Filtration Avoidance Determination.

Congressman Gibson's statement on the draft is as follows:

"The release of these revisions are a step forward in the process, and my Watershed Advisory Group has begun a review and analysis of this document. Given the complexity of the issue and number of stakeholders involved, this will take some time. Principally, we are looking for effective flood mitigation strategies for Upstate communities, resolution to turbidity issues throughout the watershed, and equitable policies that balance the need for the conveyance of clean water to NYC with the economic viability and safety of communities in my district.

"DOH is accepting comments on these revisions through October and I urge my constituents to weigh in. I would also encourage them to share that feedback with my Watershed Advisory Group so that we may effectively analyze constituent and stakeholder concerns and input on this important issue.

"Furthermore, I urge the DOH to carefully review comments submitted. My goal is to bring all parties together so that the best possible outcome is achieved through this process."

Interested stakeholders can submit comments to Congressman Gibson's Watershed Advisory Group at: [19thDistrictWatershed@mail.house.gov](mailto:19thDistrictWatershed@mail.house.gov)

Submissions to NYS DOH can be sent to: [fadcomments@health.state.ny.us](mailto:fadcomments@health.state.ny.us) or mailed to: NYSDOH Attn: Pamela Young, Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower Room 1110, Albany, NY 12237

Background on the Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD): A key component of the Watershed agreement is the Filtration Avoidance Determination or FAD first issued in 1997. The FAD allows NYC to avoid filtering its water at an estimated cost of over 10 billion dollars by supplying clean water from its upstate partners (stakeholders) to the residents of NYC. A review of the agreement was originally due to be released in early 2012. The State Department of Health is leading the FAD Review process, with input from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, the NYC Department of Environmental Protection, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Background on Congressman Gibson's Watershed Advisory Group (WAG): Since his election to represent the 19th Congressional District (includes the entire West of the Hudson Watershed), Congressman Gibson formed the WAG to gather and evaluate all facts regarding the Watershed. WAG discussions with stakeholders are ongoing across the towns and counties that are in or adjacent to the defined Watershed footprint. The WAG goal is to build consensus among the participants and unity among the stakeholders in the delivery of their needs and goals. Local residents looking to become involved in the WAG can do so here: <http://gibson.house.gov/watershed/>.

### Statement from DEP Commissioner Carter Strickland on the Release of Draft Revisions to the City's Filtration Avoidance Determination

"The proposed revisions to New York City's Filtration Avoidance Determination, released today by the State Department of Health, are a continued endorsement of the award-winning programs we administer to protect the source of our high-quality, unfiltered drinking water in the Catskills. New York City received its first Filtration Avoidance Determination 20 years ago, and since then we have continued and expanded our work with local governments and nonprofit agencies that are

integral to the ongoing success of the program. Through these important partnerships, New York City has repaired streams that run through local communities, built and operated tertiary wastewater treatment plants, improved farm infrastructure, protected thousands of acres of open space, and closely monitored water quality in streams and reservoirs."

"The Department of Environmental Protection has committed new funding for programs to address flood hazard mitigation in the aftermath of Tropical Storms Irene and Lee. These programs, along with others outlined in the Filtration Avoidance Determination, will help the Department maintain the safety and reliability of a robust water supply that serves 9 million New Yorkers every day, and they will also improve infrastructure to protect our neighbors across the Catskills."

New York City has invested approximately \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs that include land acquisition, a variety of partnership programs targeted to address specific threats to water quality, and environmentally appropriate economic development programs in the Catskills. Those programs focus on source-water protection, based on the principle that it is more efficient and effective to protect drinking water at its source, in the watershed. The City's watershed protection programs were recognized this year by the American Water Works Association, which honored DEP with its award for source-water protection. More information about the programs, including some itemized details about our watershed protection programs, can be found on the DEP website (<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/pre-releases/13-027pr.shtml>)

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than 9 million residents, including 8.3 million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam, and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP employs nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$68 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with over \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit [www.nyc.gov/dep](http://www.nyc.gov/dep) like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/nycwater](http://www.facebook.com/nycwater), or follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/nycwater](http://www.twitter.com/nycwater)

### DiNapoli: New York's Job Count Up, Though Growth Slows Employment Declines in Finance, Government, Manufacturing Sectors

For the first time in six years, national job growth rates have exceeded those in New York State, according to a new report on economic trends released today by New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli.

"The good news is that New York's job count has increased above its pre-recession levels," said DiNapoli. "The bad news is that, over the past year, we have fallen short of the national growth rate in several major employment sectors. New York, like much of the nation,

is still struggling to generate the well-paying, secure jobs that workers at various skill levels and experience need and deserve."

DiNapoli's report noted that New York added 110,000 jobs between June 2012 and 2013.

But over the same period, national job growth rates exceeded New York's in nearly every major employment sector - professional services; leisure and hospitality; trade, transportation and utilities; financial activities; and mining, logging and construction.

New York outperformed the nation in education and health job growth, but government jobs decreased in the state by 1.1 percent. The state's job growth rate, however, declined to 1.8 percent in 2012 from 2.1 percent in 2011. The national rate of growth increased to 2.2 percent from 1.8 percent during that time frame.

In each year from 2007 through 2011, private sector job trends were more favorable in New York than nationwide, partly because of sharp housing-market declines in some other areas. Private sector jobs in New York rose during this period by 1.5 percent while employment nationally declined by 3.1 percent. And New York retains a significant advantage in personal income per capita, at \$52,095 in 2012 compared to a national average of \$42,693.

Regionally, the state's employment picture remains uneven. Private employment has increased in New York City, the Ithaca region, the Capital District and the Buffalo-Niagara region. Regions including Binghamton, Kingston, Utica, Syracuse and Elmira, meanwhile, experienced sizeable declines in private sector employment.

The report also found:

\* From 2007 through 2012, New York experienced notable job losses in manufacturing, construction, financial activities, information services and government;

\* While goods producing jobs declined in New York by nearly 15 percent from 2007 through 2012, the nationwide decrease was even higher at 17 percent;

\* The financial services sector - which consists of both the finance/insurance activities sector and the real estate/rental activities sector - makes up 9.5 percent of total jobs in the state but contributes more than 27 percent of New York's economic output; and

\* By 2012, New York's population increased 2.4 percent over the past decade, primarily driven by international immigration.

For a copy of the report visit: [http://www.osc.state.ny.us/reports/economic/employment\\_trends\\_nys\\_2013.pdf](http://www.osc.state.ny.us/reports/economic/employment_trends_nys_2013.pdf)

For access to state and local government spending and more than 60,000 state contracts, visit <http://www.openbooknewyork.com/>. The easy-to-use website was created by Comptroller DiNapoli to promote openness in government and provide taxpayers with better access to the financial workings of government.

### POLITICAL SLANT-Frank Comando CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION BILL OF RIGHTS IN ACTION SPRING 2004 (20:2)

*A little bit of history August 19, 1920*

In 1920 American women won the right to vote, but they did not attain legal equality with men in other areas. Since 1920, women have won many other rights, but some people argue today that women have not yet achieved equality.

After the ratification of the 19th Amendment in 1920, politicians learned that women, like men, did not always agree and vote as a bloc. At first women did not even vote in large numbers. Since a powerful "female vote" did not occur, both Republicans and Democrats gave the demands of women for equal rights a low priority.

Women's rights leaders felt disappointed that their hard-won fight for suffrage did not bring about immediate equality with men in all areas of American life. In 1921, Alice Paul, head of the National Woman's Party, charged that "women today . . . are still in every way subordinate [inferior] to men before the law, in the professions, in the church, in industry, and in the home." In many states women still could not serve on juries, make contracts, or control their own earnings. Also, federal courts had ruled that the 14th Amendment's guarantee of "equal protection of the laws" did not apply to women. In 1923, Paul began lobbying Congress to consider a new constitutional amendment that would guarantee equal rights for women.

Despite the defeat of ERA in 1982, Congress and the states continued to pass laws against sex discrimination and for the equal treatment of women. Have women achieved equality with men in the United States today?

The average earnings of male and female workers have gotten closer over the years. Women's advocates argue that a "wage gap" still persists. When the Equal Pay Act was passed in 1963, women earned an average of 59 cents for every dollar earned by men. Today, women earn 76 cents per dollar. A 1998 White House Council of Economics Advisors report stated: "Although the gap between women and men's wages has narrowed substantially since the signing of the Equal Pay Act in 1963, there still exists a significant wage gap that cannot be explained by differences between male and female workers in labor market experience and in the characteristics of jobs they hold."

Critics argue that the wage gap is largely an illusion. It "is not evidence that women are paid less than men for the same job," states Anita U. Hattiangadi of the Employment Policy Institute. Instead, she continues, "It is simply the ratio of men's to women's average annual earnings. It does not account for many relevant economic factors that affect wage determination, such as experience and tenure, years and type of education, hours of work, and industry and occupation . . ." In fact, argues Hattiangadi, when comparing the median annual earnings of men and women with the same occupation and educational major, the gap disappears.

Women have perhaps achieved the greatest equality in education. Slightly more females than males now graduate from high school. Men 25 and older still surpass women in holding a college degree. Since 1982, however, more women than men have earned a bachelor's degree. Thus, more young women possess degrees now than young men. Also, since 1979, the majority of all college students have been women.

Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments Act barred sex discrimination in schools that received federal funds. This law has greatly affected school and college sports programs. In 1972, about 300,000 high school girls took part in athletics. Today nearly 3 million participate in school sports. At the college level, the number of female college athletes has increased 80 percent since 1980. Nevertheless, studies indicate that many colleges are still not in compliance with Title IX. The National Collegiate Athletic Association recently reported that male athletes receive \$133 million more in scholarships than female athletes.

More women working outside the home has produced more equality between husbands and wives within the home. Today, wives are more likely to have a larger voice in family decisions. Also, husbands are more likely to accept the sharing of household chores and childcare. Yet, the working wife is still the one who most often does such things as arranging transportation for the children and staying at home to care for a sick child.

Most Americans agree that two incomes are necessary nowadays to maintain a decent standard of living. Thus, the growing equality of husbands and wives within the family has come at the price of both having to work outside the home.

This space is also for you. To have your comments and/or questions, space allowing, and Townsman follow the guidelines as listed in the masthead.

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Grahamsville Reformed Church  
Ladies Aid Bake Sale  
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Saturday, August 31, 2013  
9 am till sold out!  
Homemade pies, cakes, cookies, brownies and assorted goodies!  
Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall  
845-985-7480  
God Bless you and thank you for your continued support!

**CHURCH BAZAAR**  
September 28, 2013  
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
LUNCHEON  
CHRISTMAS TABLE  
Homemade Candy  
baked goods  
Sundown Community Hall

**A Wise Word from the Catskill Gnomes - Whistle While You Work!**  
Labor Day first began in the 1880s as a day off for the hardworking men and women of America. Today Labor Day continues to celebrate the efforts of the working person on every first Monday of September. With families getting together for last picnics of the summer, etc., you may find yourself still working! You'll be surprised how fast your chores get done once you start whistling or singing while you work!  
Lots of people sing or whistle while they work to make the time go faster. Workers in the fields used to set up a steady rhythm and sing about the jobs they were doing. You can make up your own song! Move to the rhythm and before you know, your chores will be done.  
If you are cleaning a room with a friend, sing about the tasks that you both are doing, such as: "You are dusting and I will sweep, getting rid of dirt we sure won't keep! I will wash the windows today, and you will throw all the trash away!"  
You can make up three or four different verses and repeat them over and over, changing the melody or volume every couple of verses. Try whispering the lyrics or harmonizing. Before you know it, your chores will be over -- and you'll still be singing! ... and you may have a few giggles in between verses.  
Labor Day is about taking time off of work to have a little fun, especially with family. Hope you all have a wonderful holiday weekend!

Grahamsville Reformed Church  
Chicken & Biscuits Dinner  
September 7, 2013  
Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm  
Menu: Chicken & Biscuits, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, Assorted Cakes, & Drinks  
Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00 under 5 free  
\*Takeouts Available!\*

Sundown United Methodist Church  
**ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ**  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2013 - 4 P.M.  
Adults: \$10.00  
Children (8 & Under): 6.00  
TICKETS ON SALE NOW  
For information &/or tickets Contact John Barnum 985-7065  
Or Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff 985-2283

**CLARYVILLE FIRE DEPT**  
**ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15  
Serving 7:00 until Noon  
ADULTS \$7  
CHILDREN UNDER 12, \$3  
UNDER 5YRS. FREE  
\$50 FROM THE BREAKFAST IS DONATED TO THE CLARYVILLE REFORMED CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

**Woodbourne Fire Department**  
**Chicken Barbecue**  
(Includes baked potato, corn on the cob and baked beans)  
at the Woodbourne Fireman's Park  
Sunday  
September 8th  
1:00pm to 4:00pm  
Donation \$10.00  
For advanced tickets see a member or call the Firehouse at 434-6763 leave a message.  
Limited number of tickets sold at the door.

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**TIME & THE VALLEYS MUSEUM**  
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY  
2013 Hours - Memorial Day to Labor Day  
Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.  
September and October-Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.  
Other days and times by appointment.  
2013 Admission Fees  
Adults suggested donation: \$5  
Children (6 to 17) suggested donation: \$2  
Children under 6: FREE  
Town of Neversink Residents: FREE every Thursday  
Town of Denning Residents: FREE first Saturday of the month  
Call: 985-7700  
Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) classified by year for anyone to research.  
timeandthevalleymuseum.org

The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches  
invite you to weekly worship:  
9 am in Hurlyville,  
10:30 am in Woodridge.  
For more information, call  
Pastor Susan Woodworth 845-794-6325

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The Little Church with the Big Heart  
Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion  
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner  
Coffee hour follows service  
All are welcome!  
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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  
P. O. Box 480  
507 Hasbrouck Drive  
Woodbourne, NY 12788  
845-434-8263  
Email: crosswayaog@aol.com  
www.crosswayaog.com

**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

**COVERED DISH SUPPER**  
SUNDOWN METHODIST CHURCH  
Church Hall  
Sept. 7, 2013  
5:30 p.m.

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
Sept. 3, 2013  
Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm  
Luncheon 11am-1 pm  
Thrift Sale Only  
Sept. 21, 2013  
9 am-1 pm

**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am  
**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
Sunday Worship Service  
10:30am  
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(embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)  
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY  
Weekend Mass schedule:  
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.  
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 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 (starting Sept. 3 - 8:50 am.)  
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Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

**St. Augustine's Chapel**  
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Sunday Mass - 9:30 am  
Holy Days 5:30 pm  
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month  
Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

**Grahamsville Reformed Church**  
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.  
Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor  
845-985-7480

**PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:**

**LEGAL NOTICE:  
Town of Denning  
DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS  
NOTICE**

**NOTICE is hereby given**, pursuant to Article 6, Section 108 of the New York State Election Law, that a Democratic Party Caucus will be held at the Sundown Church Hall in the Town of Denning, County of Ulster, at 4:00 pm, on Friday, September 13, 2013. This caucus is called for the purpose of nominating Democratic Candidates for Town Offices for said Town to be voted for at the **General Election** to be held on November 5, 2013

Signed:



Frank Comando, Chairman

Dated: August 22, 2013

8/29; 9/5; 9/12/13

**THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The next Regular Meeting for 2013-14 is scheduled for Thursday, August 29, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Secondary School Library Lower Level

**Sullivan Master Gardeners to Hold a Yard Sale for the Community** (From Pg. 2)

The Master Gardener Yard Sale will be held rain or shine at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. The public can contact the CCE office for more information by calling 845-292-6180 or emailing [smd243@cornell.edu](mailto:smd243@cornell.edu).

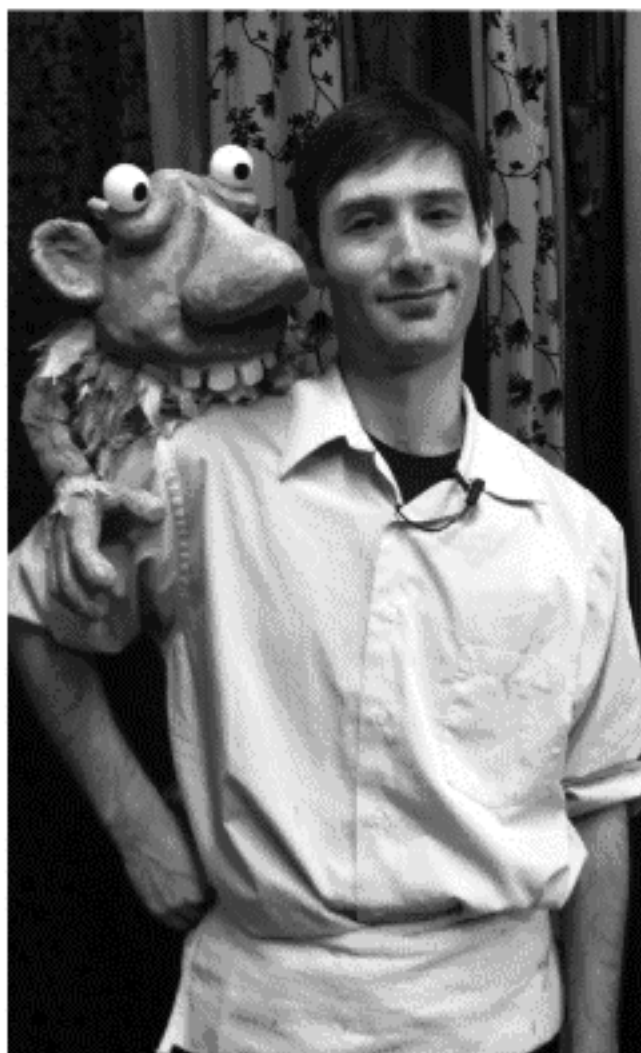
This year's proceeds will go towards installing building gutters and rain barrels to use for irrigation in their new herb garden. Earlier in the year, Sullivan Renaissance granted funding to the Master Gardener program to build an herb garden that would beautify the Extension education center while also providing herbs for the proposed CCE Entrepreneurial and Teaching Kitchen (EaT) in addition to various nutrition programs ongoing there. The project won a \$7000 prize, 2nd place for a grant in its category, at the Renaissance Awards Ceremony that was held at the Sullivan County Community College on Monday, August 12.

**CAS Presents The Magic Soup and Other Stories on Saturday, September 7**

Livingston Manor, NY - The Catskill Art Society will present "The Magic Soup and Other Stories," an original puppet show by Brad Shur, at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY on Saturday, September 7 at 1pm and 3pm. Inspired by a collection of Yiddish folk tales, the show was created and performed by Brad Shur, Artist-in-Residence of the Puppet Showplace Theatre. Tickets will be available for a suggested donation of \$10.

Uncle Murray is coming over for dinner, but there's no food in sight! A

young man's search for a family recipe ends up bringing folk tales to life... in his kitchen. Based on a collection of traditional Yiddish stories, "The Magic Soup and Other Stories" teaches that it is those with wit, humor and imagination who have the best chance of filling their bellies-and fulfilling their dreams.



Brad Shur with his puppet Truth, a featured character in the puppet show "The Magic Soup and Other Stories."

Performer Brad Shur, Puppet Showplace Theatre's Artist-in-Residence, is sure to delight with his collection of shadow, tabletop, and hand puppets in this hilarious romp. The show comes just in time for families to celebrate their heritage around the Jewish High Holy Days, and for anyone to enjoy funny folk tales from around the world.

The show is 50 minutes in length and recommended for ages 5 and up. For reservations, call 845-436-4227 or email [info@puppetshowplace.org](mailto:info@puppetshowplace.org).

**Rosh Hashanah**

"The Magic Soup and Other Stories" is an original solo performance created by puppeteer Brad Shur. Since 2009, Brad has been the Artist in Residence at Puppet Showplace Theatre in Brookline, MA. At Puppet Showplace, Brad performs regularly for both family and adult audiences, and teaches puppetry to students of all ages, pre-K to adults. Brad began his career as a performer with the Providence puppet and mask company Big Nazo while studying film and animation at the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD). He has worked in various capacities with Wood & Strings Theatre (Tennessee), and Vermont PuppetTree. He has designed and fabricated puppets for American Idol, Dollywood, the U.S.S. Constitution Museum, and other clients from Austin, Texas to Boston, Massachusetts. All of the puppets Brad uses in his performances come from his workshop, where he builds them by hand from wood, paper, plastic, foam and fabric. "The Magic Soup and Other Stories" has toured throughout the Northeast, was a Boston Globe "critic's pick," and was featured at the National Puppetry Festival 2013.

Puppet Showplace Theatre is an award-winning non-profit performing arts organization committed to excellence in puppetry as a theatrical experience that educates, enlightens, and entertains audiences of all ages. Established in 1974, Puppet Showplace is the first and only year-round dedicated puppetry presenter in New England. Visit [www.puppetshowplace.org](http://www.puppetshowplace.org).

About the Catskill Art Society  
The Catskill Art Society is a non-prof-

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

Funding for CAS is provided in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

**Cahill Bill to Strengthen Insurance Regulations Signed into Law**

(Albany, New York) Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) announced today that one of his bills was recently signed into law. Assembly bill A7807 increases the regulatory authority of the Department of Financial Services (DFS) in regard to holding company systems and amends the Insurance Law to match the National Association of Insurance Commissioner's (NAIC) Model Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act, which allows DFS to maintain its NAIC accreditation.

"By increasing DFS oversight, we are allowing the Department to better evaluate risks the holding company system may pose to a domestic insurer," said Assemblymember Cahill. "Additionally, conforming our state law to the NAIC model provides uniformity with other states that will improve efficiency by reducing the number of holding company filings."

NAIC President Jim Donelon said, "We applaud New York for adopting legislation that we believe is a critical component of the NAIC's Solvency Modernization Initiative. As we move to

enhance efforts towards improving group supervision, we look forward to other states doing the same."

**Accounting for Fiscal Responsibility -2nd Quarter Report Card Indicates Fiscal Health & Opportunities for Improved Accounting Practices**

Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach has released his 2013-2nd Quarter Review, noting a generally sound fiscal bill of health, while pointing out continued efforts to conform the County's accounting methods to "best practices" for government accounting.

"Our review of the 2nd Quarter of 2013 reveals fundamentally sound fiscal leadership, and a workforce committed to the greater good of the County in its stewardship of taxpayer funds," says Auerbach. "However, or role as an independent Office of the People of Ulster is constantly monitor those fiscal operations of identify opportunities to improve the efficiency of Ulster government and protect the bottom line."

The Report recaps recommendations made in the various reports by Auerbach's Office during the 2nd Quarter, and urges the adoption of certain accounting methods, forms and records, which, according to Auerbach, "reflect the continual effort to discharge our auditing mandate by fine-tuning oversight and risk reduction practices. The driving force is good government, plain and simple."

While noting specific areas of account protocol modification which would benefit the County, the Report also details the processing of over 6,000 claims consisting of over 13,000 individual transactions valued at approximately \$31 million during the quarter.

The Report can be found at [www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller](http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller).

**Centennial High Holy Worship at Agudas Achim**

The High Holy Days of the year 5774 are upon us again. This is a very special year. Congregation Agudas Achim of Livingston Manor welcomes all who wish to share this season of introspection and faith to join with our community as we celebrate the miracle of 100 years of continuous Jewish life. No tickets are needed, but appropriate donations are greatly appreciated to help maintain our historic building and support our educational programs. We encourage all who feel drawn to faith to worship with us. This is a holy time, listen to the piercing blasts of the shofar as you reconnect to your heritage and be drawn closer to God.

Agudas Achim is affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism. However retaining a traditional feeling to our services is very important. Rabbi Fredric Pomerantz will lead Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services with the assistance of Marian Kleinman our Cantorial Soloist. His warm personality and her beautiful music will help create a special opportunity for introspection and atonement during the Days of Awe. Our historic synagogue helps create a spiritual atmosphere which enhances the prayer experience. Rabbi Pomerantz is beginning his eighth year as the spiritual leader of Agudas Achim. The congregation conducts an annual non-perishable food drive to benefit the Livingston Manor food pantry. Donations should be brought to services. We join with other Reform congregations which hold similar drives to remind us of our obligations to those less fortunate. Also we hold a communal Yom Kippur break-fast.

For more information about the high holidays or the Agudas Achim community call Bob Freedman at (845) 439-5708 or Judy Siegel at (845) 292-2552. Hebrew School will be starting soon. Now is the time to enroll. Please contact Dimona Galli, our educational director for details (845) 292- 4949. Additional information about Agudas Achim is available at [www.congregationagudasachim.org](http://www.congregationagudasachim.org). or emailing [agudasachim@hvc.rr.com](mailto:agudasachim@hvc.rr.com).

**Holiday Service Schedule**

<b>Rosh Hashanah</b>					
Evening	Wednesday	September 4th			7:30:pm
Morning	Thursday	September 5th			10:00 am
<b>Yom Kippur</b>					
Kol Nidre	Friday	September 13th			7:30 pm promptly
Morning	Saturday	September 14th			9:30 am
Yiskor will follow morning prayer no earlier than					
Nilah					11:30 am
					4:15 pm
Community Break-fast will be held following services					
Youth Programs - Parents must accompany children under 6					
	September 5th	Young children for ages 3-6			11:00 am
	September 14th	Older children for 7-12			11:30 am

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

**CABS Babysitting Class** Saturday, September 7 9 am to 2 pm. Instructor: Mike Congelosi. Boys and girls ages 11 to 15. Bring a bag lunch. \$45 residents/non-residents must be paid by September 5. Sorry no checks accepted, cash, money order or credit/debit card only.

**Family Game Night & Pizza** Friday September 20. \$5 family of 4 residents; /\$12 family of 4 non-residents p/p by Tuesday, September 10.

**Frost Valley Tour of the Castle & Dinner** Wednesday, September 11 leave Town Hall 6pm and return approximately 9 pm. Includes dinner and tour of the Castle. \$15 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid ASAP.

**Jesters Comedy Club** Saturday, September 14. You must be 21 years old to attend. \$10 residents/\$27 non-residents must be paid ASAP.

**Family Game Night & Pizza** Friday September 20. \$5 family of 4 residents; /\$12 family of 4 non-residents p/p by Tuesday, September 10.

**D & U Railroad** Saturday, September 28. \$12 residents/\$26 non-residents; p/p A/S/A/P

**Water Gap Trolley Show Lunch** Wednesday, October 2. \$40 residents/\$59 non-residents; p/p no later than September 10.

**Ice Skating, Ice Time** Saturday, November 2. DETAILS: \$10 residents/\$23 non-resident must be paid by October 8.

**Disney on Ice**, Prudential Center, Newark, NJ Saturday, November 23. If you plan to attend \$32 residents/\$68 non-residents must be paid by Tuesday, October 8.

**Transportation to NYC** - Saturday, December 7. \$21 residents/non-residents; p/p by Tuesday, November 5.

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

- 9/1/13 **Sunday Matinee** at the Museum 265 Main St. Hurleyville, NY - **Early Sullivan County Hotels**
- 9/18/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 8/25/13 The SC Historical Society, Hurleyville- *Memories of Woodstock* 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m (845) 434-8044
- 8/31/13 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Bake Sale** - 9 am until all sold out. 985-7480
- 9/2/13 Town of Neversink Holiday - **LABOR DAY**
- 9/3/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** (9am-1pm) & **Luncheon** (11am-1pm)
- 9/4/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting
- 9/4/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm
- 9/7/13 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper**- 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
- 9/7/13 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Chicken and Biscuits Dinner** - 985-7480
- 9/8/13 Sunday Matinee at the Museum 265 Main St. Hurleyville White Lake Early 20th Century by Cy Plotkin
- 9/10/13 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - Denning Town Hall- 7 pm
- 9/11/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 9/12/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 9/12/13 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm Town Hall
- 9/15/13 Claryville Fire Dept. **Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 9/16/13 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 9/17/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** (9am-1pm) & **Luncheon** (11am-1pm)
- 9/17/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 9/18/13 Tri-Valley PTO Meeting SS LL Library - 6:30 pm
- 9/18/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
- 9/18/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 9/21/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale Only** (9am-1pm)
- 9/21-22/13 **Rondout Neversink Antique Machinery Show** -Grahamsville Fairgrounds

**Save the Dates!**

Now - Aug 25 - Studio Monday Art Group presents, **Grahamsville Art Show** - Daniel Pierce Library. Info. (845) 985-7156.  
**Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Show** -Grahamsville Fairgrounds Sept. 21-22

~~Ye Old Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Dates to be announced~~

- VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake) •
- WOODBOURNE - CITGO STATION • MO'S GAS STATION • P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE
- SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Liberty) • J.B. MAK (Liberty)
- GRAHAMSVILLE DELI LIBERTY SHOPRITE • ELLENVILLE SHOPRITE
- EUREKA MARKET & CAFE
- CANNIE D'S Joma Cafe (West Shokan) • Boiceville IGA • Boiceville Florist • Reservoir Music • Snyder's
- BLUE HILL LODGE Phoenixia Hardware • Phoenixia Pharmacy • Phoenixia Deli • Mama's Boy • Brio's • Emerson Resort
- 3 GOLDENS Big Indian Market & Deli • Colonial Inn Pine Hill • Pine Hill Community Center
- JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
- DR. LONSTEIN'S OFFICE
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- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
- PETER'S MARKET

**LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE & SHANDAKEN**

**TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting** every **second Monday of each month**. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.  
**Town Board** meets **every second Tuesday of each month**. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.  
**Town of Olive Planning Board** meets the **first and third Tuesdays of each month**. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

**Supermarket Bingo**

Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapte #443, Order of the Eastern Star will hold Supermarket Bing on Friday, September 6, 2013 at The Masonic Lodge, 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York.  
Doors open at 5:30 PM. Calling starts at 6:30 PM. ADMISSION: \$5.00  
Door Prizes, Raffle and Refreshments.  
For more information call: 845-796-1261  
We hope all who are in the area Friday evening, September 6th will come and enjoy an evening of Bingo.

Ridge Campus. This sessions will provide information on the admissions process, the program curriculum including pre-requisites and co-requisites, as well as new testing requirements. Due to limited openings, SUNY Ulster's Nursing Program is only available to residents of Ulster County.  
A seat for this session may be reserved by calling the Admissions Office at (845) 687-5022 or online at [www.sunyulster.edu](http://www.sunyulster.edu).

tion is free but of course, donations are always welcome. For Information please call: (845) 434-8044 Chartered by the University of the State of New York

**Interested in learning about HVAC?**

**MONTICELLO** - The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering an Introduction to HVAC course. Day and evening classes are held at the St. John Street Education Center, in Monticello.  
Mondays through Thursdays (some Saturdays) beginning September 16th through October 22nd from 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm.; Tuesdays and Thursdays (some Saturdays) beginning on September 17th through November 2nd from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm.  
The fee for the class is \$780.00.

This is an introductory course in heating, ventilation and air conditioning technology.

Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to identify the function of basic components of both heating and air conditioning units and to identify electrical components and their relationship to the various repair and troubleshooting techniques. (This class is NYSED ACCES approved for current Literacy Students.)

Students successful completing the class will be able to continue their studies in the intermediate and advanced HVAC classes offered later in the year.

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm or visit us at [scbores.org](http://scbores.org), like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

**Sunday Matinee at the Museum Presented by The Sullivan County Historical Society**

Come spend a Sunday afternoon in September at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St. Hurleyville, NY

View Sullivan county-related movies in our Air-conditioned Woodstock Theater (the show will run continuously from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.).

- Shows are scheduled as follows:  
September 1 - Early Sullivan County Hotels
- September 8 - White Lake in the Early 20th Century by Cy Plotkin
- September 15 - Building of the Neversink Dam
- September 22 - Stephen Crane in Sullivan County
- September 29 - Murder, Mayhem & Human Tragedy In the Tri-state Area

Also take a self guided tour of the Historical Society Exhibits. There will be someone on hand to answer your questions.

Enjoy light refreshments courtesy of the Society.

No reservations needed. Admis-

**Professional Women of Sullivan County Meeting**


The Professional Women of Sullivan County will be holding their next meeting at LaPiazzetta located at 90 Sullivan Street in Wurtsboro, NY on Wednesday, September 18th.

Networking begins at 6 pm, followed by dinner at 6:30 pm. Our guest speaker is John Conway, Sullivan County Historian. The dinner entrée choices are: Chicken Marsala, Salmon Mariciana, or Eggplant Parmesan.

The cost of dinner (tax & tip included) is \$25 per person, which includes salad, pasta appetizer, coffee/tea, and Tiramisu. Please RSVP with your dinner entrée choice by Monday, August 16th to Marilyn Stein at 845-791-4501 or [mjcat12@hotmail.com](mailto:mjcat12@hotmail.com).

**SUNY Ulster Holds Nursing Information Session September 3**

Beginning at 3:00 p.m. on September 3, SUNY Ulster will hold an information session about its Nursing degree program in room 112, Vanderlyn Hall, on the Stone



**Daniel Pierce Library** hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.  
Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday and Monday: Closed  
If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.  
*The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.*

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

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

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**FOR RENT:** 1 - 2 bedroom apartment 1 - 3 bedroom apartment. Call 845-985-0107.

**3-4 Bedroom house in quiet Grahamsville** neighborhood close to School/town/pool. Large porches and lawns. \$850 per mo + utilities. Call 845-423-6106 Leave message.

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1. 2 Acres residential. Rt 55, across from Fairgrounds. Private Road. \$38,000.
2. 3+ BR., 2 baths, 2 acres, Tri-Valley Schools in Divine Corners, \$99,900. Owner financing w/25%
3. Mini Estate Loch Sheldrake near college. 4+ BR, 2 baths. Unique.
4. Handyman Special - 1500 sq ft. Loch Sheldrake. New roof. New Foundation. Needs interior. \$50K  
**Please Call Teresa 845-321-1919.**

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**PINE LOGS 4 SALE** cut, trimmed, lengths up to 20 feet. Ready to be sawed for framing lumber, or chuncked for outdoor wood stoves. Call 985-2869

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**Boat for sale: OFF SHORE - Deep "V", 14 ft,** seven person with 40 horsepower engine and trailer. Asking \$1200. Contact #-985-2790 or 845-807-6035

**Treated Pine Picnic Table w/4 Backed Benches** Rectangular Table - 51"x64" Excellent Condition - Asking \$250.00 Call 985-0508

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Do you have a craft item you want to sell, but don't have a website? Visit The Gnome Home **gnomehome.net** or send us an email at: **thegnomehome@yahoo.com** ... and we will let you know how you can add your crafts to the **Gnome Home Virtual On-line Mall**

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**YOGA • REIKI**

Close to Neversink Dam on Lindholm Rd  
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Includes gentle stretches to ease and prevent back & joint pain.

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Please call for details  
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DONA Trained Doula Services  
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beautyofbirthdoula@yahoo.com

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**1998 Toyota Corolla**, well cared for, clean, 2 owners, good condition. Needs some work. o/b/o 985-7386

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Upcoming show:

**"Containing the Abundance of Summer"**

with Kathy Jeffers, at Domesticities & the Cutting Garden, August 24th through September 8th.  
See our page at **Facebook.com/ParrowPottery**  
For information call us at 845-985-7564

Visit our local artists on line:

**harnettdesigns.com**  
**gnomehome.net**

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**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**

1. Stanley-Holloway  
2. Wilfrid-Hyde-White

**Catskills Real Estate for Sale**

- **NEW** 2BR/2BA cottage w/sunroom, stream, sunny deck, front porch near Mongaup Pond in Livingston Manor. \$199k
- Charming 4BR + cottage on 87 acs w/stream. \$299,000
- 3BR open plan cabin on 11+acs near Rondout. \$245,000
- 3BR/2 BA architect-owned/renovated farmhouse with modern addition on 1.7 acres. \$299,000.
- Private 3BR/2BA cabin w/cathedral ceiling, deck, finished walk-out basemt/apt/guest quarters, on 2+acres \$249k
- 2-4BR/1 BA home w/fpl, on 7+ open & wooded acres (2 lots), steps from hundreds of State acres. \$239k
- Bright 5 BR/3BA contemp log home on 3.5 acs. \$349k
- 2.3 ac level lot with septic designs & drilled well. \$43k
- 4BR/2BA colonial w/lg garage on 5 quiet acs \$269,k
- 4BR/2.5 BA eyebrow colonial w/fpl, screened porch, sep dining rm on 15+ acs nr State Land. \$348,000.
- **UNDER CONTRACT** 2BR/1BA log cabin on 20+ acs \$249
- Cute 2BR seasonal cabin on 3 acs w/fpl, screened prch \$99k
- **SOLD** 2BR/1 BA cabin along the N'sink. \$179k

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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia**

**MY FAIR LADY (Musical, 1964)**



A phonetics instructor bets that he can pass a street urchin off as a lady. Directed by George-Cukor, and starring Rex-Harrison, Stanley-Holloway, and Audrey Hepburn, and she has never been more lovely than in this breathtaking musical extravaganza that won 8 Academy Awards in 1964, including Best Picture.

This beloved adaptation of the Broadway stage hit, Hepburn plays a sassy, working class London street vendor, whom an arrogant professor (Rex Harrison) attempts to turn into a sophisticated lady through proper schooling. But, when the humble flower girl blossoms into the toast of London's elite, her teacher may have a lesson or two to learn himself. **See it on TCM 5:00 PM, Saturday, August 31, 2013 C-172 min min, Rated TV-G.**

- Quiz:**
1. Who played Alfred Doolittle?
  2. Who played Colonel Pickering?

**What's Going On In The Gnome Gneighbourhood™ This Week? -**

**SUNDOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Do not miss September 14, 2013! Time 4:00 pm at **THE SUNDOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HALL.** Adults, \$10.00, Children Eight & Under, \$6.00. **TICKETS ON SALE NOW!** For more information and tickets contact John Barnum 845 985-7065, or Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff. 845 985-2283,

... and coming on **September 28, 2013** The **CHURCH BAZAAR**, at the **Sundown Church Hall** from **9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.** There will be Christmas table, needle work, home made candy, baked goods, White Elephant sale, and much more. and luncheon will be served.

**ELDRED**

On Sunday, September 8th, 2013...  
"The fourth annual Human Line of Hope & Conga Against Cancer across America fund raising event for St. Baldrick's will take place in Eldred, NY.

If you would like to be part of this event in your state on this day, please contact me by email at **lineofhope@hvc.rr.com.**

The New York event will encompass plenty of entertainment throughout the day, the Human Line of Hope across America, the Conga Against Cancer traveling dance line, and the shaving of heads in solidarity for all kids with cancer. All these events will take place simultaneously all across America.

We also will have our second nationwide message of our cause. Each state that participates will be given one word from our 50-word message to display on Sept. 8. The state organizer will then email a picture of the word to me where I will combine it with the other 49 states to reveal our message for this year. We need at least one person from every state to complete this message.

The donation to be part of the Human Line of Hope is only \$10.00 per person per letter. Letters can be formed into names of loved ones lost or words of inspiration. The nation will then come together on 9/8/13 to stand in line for all kids lost and still battling cancer. Please join us and make a difference for all kids with cancer."

Lou Monteleone

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