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## Second Annual Vet Fest to be held August 5, 2023



*A family enjoying their time at the 2022 Vet Fest*

GRAHAMSVILLE, NY: Building on the success of last year's event, Sullivan County's Second Annual Vet Fest will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2023 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on Route 55 in Grahamsville, NY.

Sponsored by the PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran Peer Support Program at Action Toward Independence, Vet 2 Vet of Sullivan County, and the Sullivan Count Veterans Coalition, Vet Fest welcomes active-duty military, reservists, veterans, and members of the National Guard, alongwith their families.

The 2nd Annual Vet Fest will be a free day of fun and resource connecting, as well as networking. Entertainment will feature U.S. Army Green Beret Veteran Derek Stoner and local Neversink resident Jesse Noren. (Cont. Pg. 5)

## Monticello Kiwanis Honors Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther

The Kiwanis Club of Monticello presented its Everyday Hero Award to the Honorable Aileen Gunther in recognition of her distinguished service to her constituents and for going above and beyond the call of duty.

Ms. Gunther was first elected to the New York State Assembly in 2003 after the untimely death of her husband, Assemblyman Jacob Gunther. Using her training as a nurse, including infection control, she has become an informed and experienced legislator and has continually been a compassionate and fierce advocate for the people she represents in the 100th District regardless of their party affiliation.

"Our Everyday Hero Award is our way to say thank you for what you do everyday, including weekends and holidays, to improve education for all children, remove the stigma of mental illness, support youth programs, school and hospital funding, fire and police departments and local organizations like our Kiwanis Club" said Monticello Kiwanis Club President Marvin Rappaport. "You are always sending notes thanking us for our continued community service. Now it is our turn to thank you for your dedication and drive to help make our community a better place to live, work and raise a family".

Assemblywoman Gunther commented "I want to thank the Kiwanis Club of Monticello for presenting me with the Everyday Hero Award. It is a truly special honor."

Kiwanis is a service organization of local volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. For further information visit Monticello NY Kiwanis Club Facebook Page.



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**On the Front Burner:** And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, come hither, and hear the words of the Lord your God.

Joshua 3:9

## OBITUARY

**Betty Lou Distel (Louie)**, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, passed away on Thursday, July 27, 2023, at Ellenville Regional Hospital. She was 78 years old. Betty was born on February 17, 1945, in Ellenville-her beloved hometown; she was the daughter of the late Isaac Williams and Ferne Strickland.

Family was at the core of Betty's life—a fact that was evident in everything she did. From the moment she woke up until the moment she went to bed, her family held a special place in her heart. Betty's selflessness and unwavering love meant that she always put her family first.

Betty graduated from Ellenville High School with the Class of 1963. She worked as a school bus driver for Rolling V in Ellenville and dedicated many years to safely transporting children to and from school until her well-deserved retirement.

Betty's impact on those around her extended beyond just her immediate family. She leaves behind precious memories cherished by all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her warm smile and kindhearted nature made everyone feel welcome in her presence.

Remembered for her caring spirit and love for others, Betty is survived by her childhood sweetheart and loving husband, Bernard "Butch" Distel whom she married on January 9, 1965.

Betty adored her children: Ferne Distel, Donald Distel, and Christopher Distel and his wife Jennifer. The memories they shared with their mother will forever hold a special place in their hearts.

Betty's role as a grandmother brought immense joy into her life. She leaves behind three grandchildren: Donald Corso, Paige Cotto, and Dylan Corso—each one bringing their own unique light into her world. In addition to being a proud grandmother, Betty experienced the incredible joy of becoming a great-grandmother to Alana Marie and Aaliyah Jade. She was also a wonderful aunt to several nieces and nephews.

Family gatherings were always filled with laughter and love when Betty was present. Her sister Carol Knapp and her companion Fred

Yerkins and her brother Donald Williams and his wife Kathy will miss her dearly.

Betty was known for her unwavering loyalty, not just to her family but also to her faithful canine companion, Rocky. Their bond was a testament to the unconditional love she had to offer.

Betty has been reunited with her parents and her sisters Gloria Butler, Joan Lewis and Norma Shamro who all passed before her.

To honor Betty's rich and meaningful life, a memorial gathering took on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, at Loucks Funeral Home, Ellenville, NY with a Celebration of her life that provided an opportunity for friends and family to come together, share stories, memories, and find solace in each other's company.

As we bid farewell to Betty L. Distel, let us remember the incredible legacy she leaves behind—a legacy of love, selflessness, and devotion. She will forever hold a special place in our hearts and the memories we shared with her will continue to bring us comfort in times of sadness. May Betty's soul find eternal peace as she reunites with loved ones who have gone before her.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Betty's name to the Napanoch Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, P.O. Box 197, Napanoch, NY 12458. The Ellenville Elks, P.O. Box 62, Napanoch, NY 12458. The Ellenville Fire Department Pioneer Engine Company Convention Fund, P.O. Box 304, Ellenville, NY 12428.

Personal condolences may be left for Betty's family by visiting [www.loucksfh.com](http://www.loucksfh.com)



**Hope Marie McCombs** of

Woodbourne, NY, a lifelong area resident, died Monday, July 24, 2023 at her home. She was 22.

The daughter of Warren, Jr. and Melissa Hall

McCombs, she was born September 27, 2000 in Harris, NY.

Hope was a graduate of the Tri-Valley Central School. She enjoyed nature, camping, the beach and spending time with her family, especially her nieces. (Contd. Pg. 4)

# DAYS OF YORE....

## Today's History

### August 5, 1953

Miss Alice Mae Donaldson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Donaldson, and Mr. Leo Bertholf, son of Mrs. Benjamin Bertholf and the late Mr. Bertholf of Divine Corners, were married on Saturday, July 25th at 2 p.m. in St. Peter's R.C. Church in Liberty. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Clifford J. Smith. The couple went on a honeymoon through the New England States.

Nellie Hamilton, Denning Town Clerk, resigned her office Friday night at the special meeting of the Denning Town Board, giving illness in the family as the reason. Mrs. Percy Bunton of Claryville was appointed to fill the vacancy until the next election. Mrs. Hamilton has been Town Clerk of many years.

Mrs. Adolfine Forstmann, 74, widow of Julius Forstmann who was the founder of the Forstmann Woolen Co. of Passaic, N.J., died Wednesday at her home in Montclair, N.J. The Forstmann's own a huge estate at Branch.

### July 31, 1963

Miss Margaret McIntosh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight McIntosh Sr. of Bradley, and Douglas Loren Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Edwards of Neversink, were united in marriage Sunday, July 14th in the Liberty Methodist Church. The bridegroom attended Tri Valley School in Grahamsville and is employed by Channel Master in Ellenville. The bride graduated from Tri Valley in June. They are living in Bradley.

Dean J. Merrill Knapp, Princeton University, has announced that Mr. Ira Rubenzahl has been named to the Dean's List for the past academic year. Mr. Rubenzahl received this honor as a result of his superior scholastic accomplishments. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rubenzahl of Neversink.

A daughter, Carol Lorraine, born July 13, 1963 at Peekskill, N.Y. to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Landon, also or Red Hill.

### August 15, 1973

Steven R. Conklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Conklin, Red Hill, Claryville, has been promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the United States Air Force. He is married to the former Donna M. Hill of Grahamsville and they have a daughter, Shona Lee. Sgt. Conklin is currently stationed in Wichita, Kansas

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Smith of Grahamsville on the birth of their son, Matthew William, born August 9th at Horton Memorial Hospital in Middletown. Matthew weighed 9 lbs.

(Contd. Pg. 4)

## Household Hint:

### Is Rover Scratching His Ears a Lot More than Usual?

A bit of vinegar could bring him some big relief. Swabbing your pet's ears with a cotton ball or soft cloth dabbed in solution of 2 parts vinegar and 1 part water will keep them clean and help deter ear mites and bacteria. **Warning:** Do not apply vinegar to open lacerations. If you see a cut in your pet's ears, seek veterinary treatment.

## Nature Column - L. Comando

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

### What's black and white a and kind of spooky ?

The ghost plant! More commonly known as Indian pipe (*Monotropa uniflora*) since it is said to resemble a Native American peace pipe, is also known as corpse plant, death plant, and ghost flower.

This fascinating little plant grows quite readily in the forests of the Catskills and is often mistaken for a fungus as it is almost lacking in chlorophyll and unable to photosynthesize. It gains sugars and nutrients from another means. In spite of its appearance, it is a flowering plant, closely related to *Rhododendron*, blueberry and other members of the *Ericaceae* family.

Indian Pipe is a translucent whitish color or rarely pink, with a stem, bract-like scales in place of leaves, and a single flower at the end of the stem. It is found in the forest understory associated with a rich soil high in organic matter and surface litter. Its height ranges from four to ten inches and it can be found growing singly or in clusters. The bell-shaped flowers are present from June through September and are pollinated by small bumblebees that feed on the nectar.

Until recently, botanists believed that Indian Pipes were saprophytes, subsisting on dead or decaying organic material. Recent investigations, however, have revealed Indian pipes are parasitic on mycorrhizal fungi in the soil. Mycorrhizal fungi have a symbiotic relationship with trees (epiparasitism), meaning both the fungi and trees both benefit from each other. The tree gathers sunlight and use it to turn water and carbon dioxide into sugars and other carbohydrates. The fungi harvest minerals in the soil. The tree and fungi then exchange these resources in a process that resembles a harmonious story of cooperation and mutual benefit. It is then exploited by the Indian pipe!

The Indian pipe actually tricks the fungus into thinking it is forming a mycorrhizal relationship, but in fact the Indian pipe is parasitizing the fungus! The Indian pipe essentially gets a free ride and doesn't have to produce its own energy or absorb its own minerals. Typically, when a parasite exploit a host the host fights back, but for some reason the fungus and tree goes along with the Indian pipe's needs.

Indian Pipe is native to North America and the Himalayas, Japan and parts of temperate Europe. Its flowers are white, but in rare cases can be pink. The stems reach heights of 4-6 inches, and are clothed with small scale-leaves.

Only one flower grows on each stem, and they have no fragrance, although they do have nectar which bees collect, thus pollinating the plants. They flower for about a week and then die, turning black. As they do so, hence the name Corpse Plant. They are very tender and succulent, and when picked they almost melt away and dissolve and may also turn black.

The flower is shaped like a pipe bowl and so it got its name, the Indian pipe plant. It looks like a calumet, the Native Americans' pipe of peace.

### The Cherokee's Legend of the Indian Pipe

Long ago different people lived in peace, shared hunting and fishing grounds and never argued. When men became greedy and learned to quarrel, a bitter dispute arose between the Cherokee and a neighboring tribe. The two chiefs met in solemn council and smoked the peace pipe to try and resolve the issue. They smoked but continued to quarrel for several days. The Great Spirit was unhappy that the Indians were quarreling while smoking the peace pipe. He saw how gray and weary the old men looked and said "I shall have to do something to you men that will show you that People should live together in peace, and that when Indians smoke the pipe, it must be done in peace." He turned them into silvery gray flowers with their heads bent over. If you find Indian pipes in the woods and turn it upside down, it resembles an Indian pipe, but where they are found clustered together in the woods, they have the appearance of little gray people meeting together.



**OBITUARY**

(From Pg. 2) **Hope Marie McCombs** –Survivors include her parents, Warren, Jr. and Melissa McCombs of Woodbourne, NY; one sister, Mariah McCombs of Clarksville, TN; one brother, Edward McCombs and his wife Xavia of Woodbourne, NY; her maternal grandmother, Carolyn Lawrence and her husband Joel of NC, her maternal grandfather, Allan Dowe and his wife Debbie of Ferndale, NY; her paternal grandmother, Rosemarie McAdams and her husband Charles of Fallsburg, NY; her loving nieces, Zoey and Lilly; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation was on Monday July 31, 2023 at the Harris Funeral Home, Liberty, NY.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home West St. at Buckley Liberty, NY. 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200 or [www.Harris-FH.com](http://www.Harris-FH.com)

**DAYS OF YORE....****Today's History** (From Pg. 3)**August 4, 1983**

Richard, Melissa and Tiffany Schmitz will be on leave from Holloman AFB, New Mexico and will be with his mother, Mrs. June Schmitz from Aug. 2nd until Aug. 17th. He hopes to see or hear from friends in the area.

Lin and Tom Osterhout are the proud parents of a son, Benjamin born August 1, 1983 at the Community General Hospital in Harris, N.Y. Benjamin weighed in at 7 lbs. 3 oz.

Published in Ripley's Believe it Or Not (submitted by Tom Higgins): A small balloon released by an 8-year old girl in Fairfax, Okla., in Nov. 1982, as part of the state's 75th Jubilee Anniversary, landed on Phillip Coombe's farm in Grahamsville, N.Y., having travelled 1,260 miles in less than 48 hours!

**LOOKING BACK**

by Beatrice Akerley

July 31, 1997

The sunny blossoms of black-eyed susans and daisies growing along our driveway just seem to say "Summer". And summer brings back so many fond memories of long ago.

This is the time of the year when raspberries grew in abundance in John P. Scherers' cow pasture up in Grooville in the early 1900's.

My two sisters, Kathryn and Edith and I always walked down the long lane through the pasture where our cattle and Sherer's would be standing together, leisurely chewing their cud around the nice cold spring. Occasionally, we would find a few raspberries along the way and we would stop to gather them but the real cache of raspberries could be found on the Sam Woodard lot. The bushes formed a "secret bower" where we could easily fill our pails. In those days us kids knew all the secret places. We also saw a great many things that were new to us like different plants, flowering bushes and butterflies.

The woods was peaceful and quiet and truly beautiful. My sisters and I had long conversations about all sorts of things while we picked the berries. We talked about our friends, our school and shared secrets. Those precious hours forged a special bond between us which has never been forgotten.

Today most of us folks "pick" our berries from a store display. I feel it's a shame that our kids can't experience the same kind of closeness with their sisters or brothers that I felt back then, just picking and filling a pail with berries on a lazy summer afternoon. In the good old days, I think berry picking time was really officially the start of summer many years ago when I too was a kid.

**ROAD CLOSURE**

Jeffersonville, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will close a portion of County Road 164, in the Town of Delaware near the intersection with Route 52 in Jeffersonville, to construct the Kohlertown Flood Risk Reduction Project. This section of road will be closed to traffic starting 7 a.m., Monday, August 7 and will remain closed for approximately five (5) weeks.

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will post signage for the detour using State Route 52 and Miller Road.

**Who Is this Local Couple?**

Submitted by Carol Smythe, Town Historian



Photo courtesy of Ruth Phillips

In this iconic photo is of Rev. and Mrs. J. Milton Harris. He and his wife came to the then flourishing Lows Corners Baptist Church in the 1930s.

## Second Annual Vet Fest to be held August 5, 2023

(From Pg. 1) Food will be served by the Grahamsville Volunteer Fire Department and the Tri-Valley Little League, and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided by Danny's Roadhouse Rolling Bar. Food and beverages will be free for all Veterans and their families, all others will pay a nominal charge.



*U.S. Army Green Beret Veteran Derek Stoner entertains at last year's First Annual Vet Fest.*

A petting zoo, bouncy obstacle course, corn hole games and more will keep the kids entertained, while K-9 demonstrations and other activities will be available throughout the day. Service dogs can get their distemper and rabies vaccinations at no charge courtesy of Catskill Veterinary Services of Rock Hill. And Garnet Health's "Know Your Numbers Program" will provide on-site cholesterol and glucose testing as well as blood pressure screenings. Plus attendees can visit with ClearPath for Veterans, Hope Not Handcuffs and the American Lung Association.

Admission to Vet Fest is free for all, and is open to everyone. Support our Veterans, learn things and have fun! For additional information go to [ATItoday.org](http://ATItoday.org), call 845-794-4228, or follow Vet2Vet of Sullivan County on Facebook or [vet2vetofsullivan](https://www.instagram.com/vet2vetofsullivan) on Instagram.

## \$5,000 reward information regarding the whereabouts of Matthew M. Russo



*Matthew M. Russo*

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office is offering a \$5,000 reward for information regarding the whereabouts of Matthew M. Russo, age 36, of Monticello, NY. Russo was last seen on Father's Day, June 18, 2023, leaving the emergency room of Garnet Hospital in Harris, NY. He is described as a male white, 5'10", 145 lbs, with hazel eyes and blonde hair. He was wearing a black shirt, blue jean shorts and black Nike sneakers.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the

Sheriff's Office at 845-794-7100 Ext. #1 or via the confidential TIPS line at 845-807-0158. All calls will be kept confidential. The \$5000 reward is being offered for information leading to a resolution of this case and finding Matthew.

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# Paradise Valley

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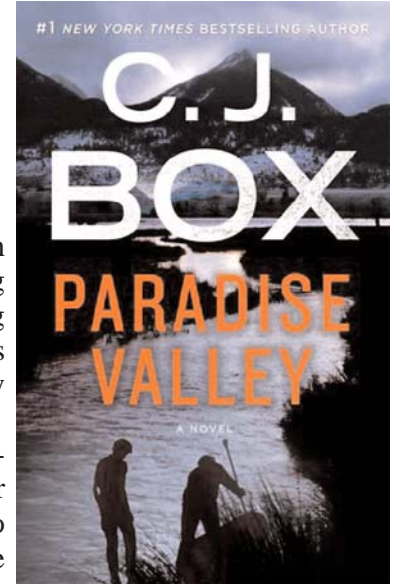
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by John Dwaine McKenna

Our author this week needs no introduction, as his name has become synonymous with the modern American West. We're referring of course, to the prolific and award-winning Wyoming writer C.J. Box, and his beloved character, Joe Pickett; the iconic Wyoming Game Warden, all-American good guy and dedicated family man. Now, Mr. Box has another character that the MBR thinks will become just as iconic, and just as beloved by readers.

*Paradise Valley*, (Minotaur Books, \$27.99, 340 pages, ISBN 978-1-250-05104-2) features a female detective named Cassie Dewell, who's been trying to catch a serial killer known to law enforcement as *The Lizard King*. He's a long-haul tractor-trailer driver who kills truck stop prostitutes, known slangy as *Lot Lizards*. Cassie almost caught him three years ago, but he escaped and continued his indiscriminate and wanton cross-country bloodshed. Cassie herself is now working for the Bakken County, North Dakota, Sheriff's Department. She's set what she thinks is a fool-proof trap, luring him and his truck into a local depot. But the plan goes horribly wrong, he escapes again, and Cassie is blamed for the failure. She is disgraced and loses her job after an inquest by her political enemies

lays all the failure on her. At the same time a boy named Kyle Westergaard disappears. He's a troubled teen Cassie was mentoring, who's been telling anyone who'll listen, that he's going on a big adventure. Cassie agrees to try and find him, while at the same time, she's hunting for The Lizard King. She's on her own following two faint trails which converge in the remotest of places . . . where the indefatigable woman will have to fight for her life. This one is a thriller-diller from start to finish. It'll keep every reader nailed to the page as thrill follows thrill, and adventure follows adventure, as a plucky and determined brave woman hunts for a monster who's terrorizing the highways. C.J. Box is at his best



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# The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

## Olive Day

It is hard to determine what year Olive Day first began, but it was the brain child of Kent Reeves, and Pat Tosi and I and our husbands were there from the beginning. I believe it was 1974 when Kent invited a bunch

of friends and acquaintances to a "Buffalo Throw."

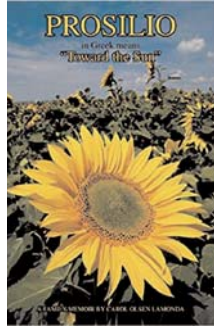
"A what?" We all asked. He said we would love it. He said to bring your own steaks and he brought pitchforks from the Ashokan Campus Camp of which he was co-director. We showed up with pot luck dishes and, of course, beer, and our steaks which Kent threw onto a pile of hot coals scattered in a small circle on the ground. He turned them with the pitchforks (washed I hope) and we feasted, and as we feasted at the tables at Davis Park, Kent set out a vision of having a town get-together as a community event.

The next year was The Fireman's Muster with fire companies from all over coming to compete in events. The town showed up to watch and join in a picnic and there has been an Olive Day ever since.

It is an event that draws neighbors together in family fun. Mark your calendars.



**The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...**  
 ... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!** *Prosilio* is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to: <http://amazon.com> or <http://barnesandnoble.com> and type in *Prosilio* in the search to order your copy of *Prosilio*




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*Between the Bookends*

## It's a Wrap for Summer Programs as DPL Prepares for End-of-Season Events

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-Jared Campbell's voice was certainly the rainbow at the end of the summer showers July 28, as he shared his beautifully uplifting songs with Daniel Pierce Library patrons and friends alike, capping off the 2023



*Daniel Pierce Library Entertainment Night 2023, starring Jared Campbell, was a fabulous night despite the rainy start. Children enjoyed the beautiful music, had a delicious popsicle and left with a brand-new book*



*Jared Campbell, an award-winning singer/songwriter from upstate NY, reaches patrons of all ages through the power of music, sharing his message focused on having an amazing outlook on life with patrons during the Daniel Pierce Library Entertainment Night July 27.*

Summer Reading Program.

"It was a pleasure to welcome and watch Jared perform for our community. Jared specializes in performing for both school and library groups. He

has an unique ability to share positive messages to our children and engage them as his "Chicken Nuggets" backup performers! Everyone enjoyed themselves and matched Jared's energy and enthusiasm for reading and being a part of the library mission," Mari Martin, Daniel Pierce Library Board of Trustees President, said. Martin also shared her appreciation for all who volunteered their help and to patrons who were able to join us for this annual event. The Daniel Pierce Library Entertainment Night is a long-standing tradition we love to share with our patrons and their families as we complete the summer program. Children always leave with smiles and a brand new book.

Campbell—an award winning singer/songwriter from our upstate NY area-shares performances that are uplifting, thought provoking and emotionally heartfelt. He said during the performance that there is power in music and his message focuses on having an amazing outlook on life. As this year's theme, "All Together Now," is about appreciating everyone and their unique abilities and personalities and being able to connect-something that was so hard to do the past few years with COVID-Campbell hit it out of the park!

Connecting with our community and our patrons and their families brings us all so much joy at the library. We are so excited to take part in our community events, like offering our summer programs, and being including in the upcoming Tri Valley Bear Bash, August 2 from 4 to 7PM. (Contd. Pg. 12)



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**Fire Towers:** Volunteer interpreters hike to the fire towers and open the top cabs for visitors to enjoy the view on Saturdays, Sundays and holiday Mondays from Memorial Day weekend through Indigenous Peoples Day (formerly Columbus Day) weekend.

**Love Our New York Lands:** All New Yorkers and visitors should be able to access, enjoy, and feel welcome on state lands. While enjoying these shared spaces, be respectful of other visitors. Share trails, treat people with kindness, and leave things as you found them for others to enjoy. All of us have a responsibility to protect state lands for future generations. Learn more about how you can Love Our New York Lands at: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/119881.html>

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### Hike Smart in the Catskills

**Check the Weather:** Check the National Weather Service for current conditions and forecasts for the locations where you plan to recreate. Check both daytime and nighttime temperatures. Expect conditions to be cooler and more exposed on mountain summits.

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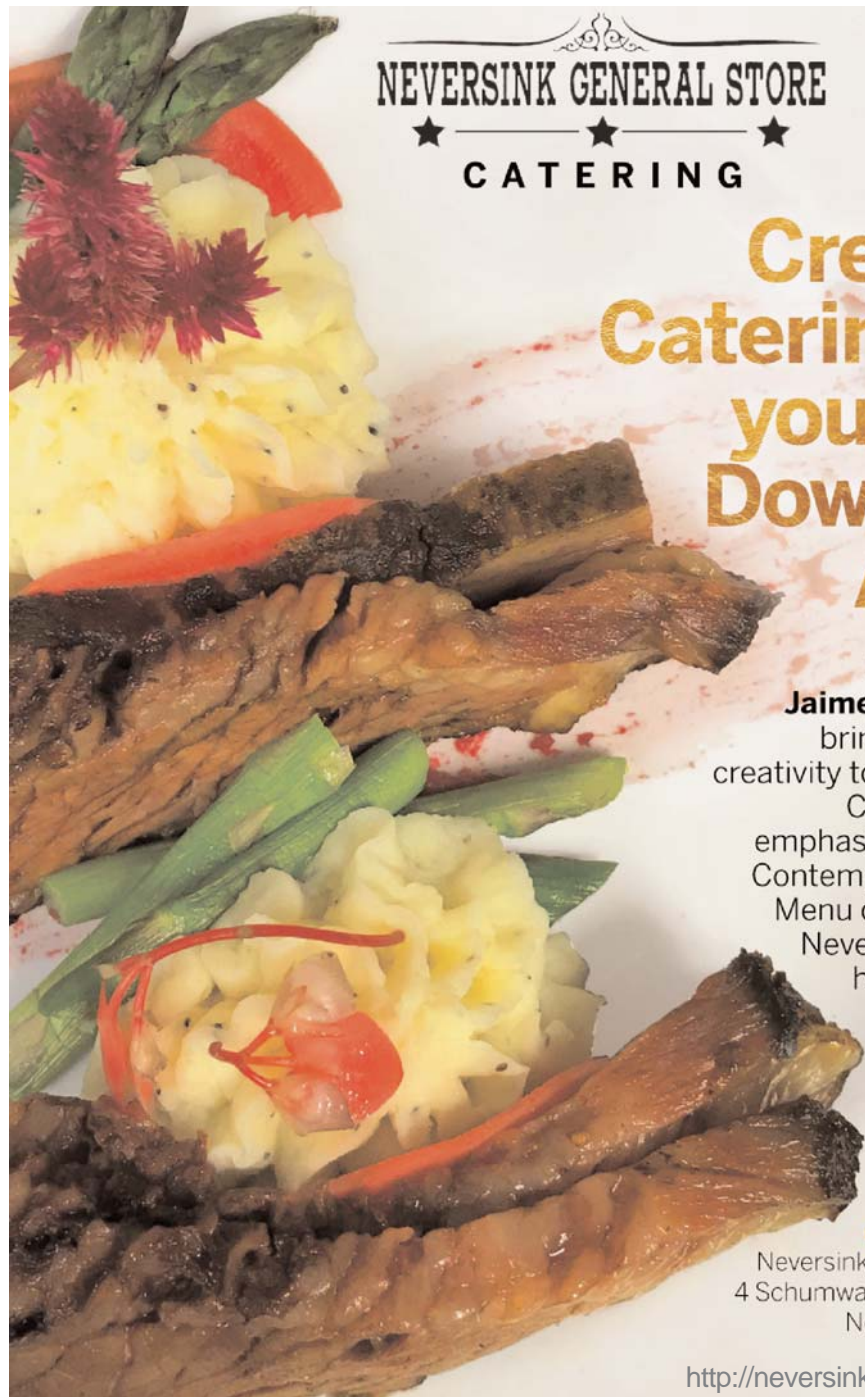
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## The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

The weekend before last, I had the pleasure of finally seeing THE CAMERAMEN at CABERNET FRANK'S. I had had a long conversation with them back in the CoVid days. They and their families were refugees from the city and at that time, thinking of buying here having fallen in love with the area. Two of the trio did exactly that.



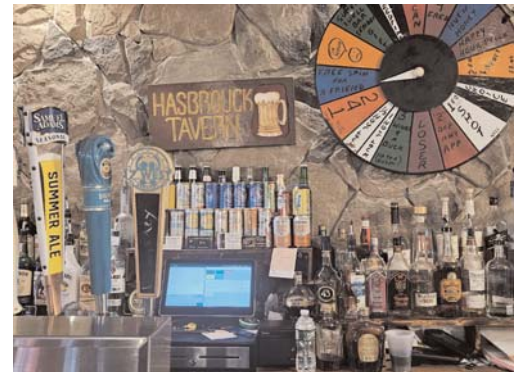
They are indeed camera men in the industry, hence the choice of name.

This is like no other group I have ever seen. For the majority, if not the entirety, of their music it is all original. It was completely instrumental, no vocals in the time I was there. And the kind of music? As Chris, the guitar player explained it: It is ZZ TOP and SURF MUSIC blended together in each song. Their sets were enthralling and not only kept my attention but kept me there for longer than I usually stay. And I was not just surrounded by audience but FANS. Pretty darned good for newcomers! Their music is so engaging, you selfishly don't want them to stop, even though you know they have to take a break sometime. These guys are a real find for CABERNET FRANK'S.



Then this weekend, a visit to the relatively newly opened HASBROUK TAVERN in what is technically Woodbourne. I have passed by it many times, when it was empty and sad looking, and when there was activity (i.e. revitalization). Once it opened, well...this last Saturday was my first visit, even though I have friends and acquaintances that pop in often.

The interior is beautifully done, keeping a rustic charm that updates but doesn't lose the history of the original use. Their menu combines sandwiches, full dinners and specials, all extremely well done. As you



can see by my dinner, I had to sample. Absolutely delicious!! (and no, I didn't whip out my press pass to get this LOL) Then combine that with friendly patrons and excellent (if overworked) staff and you have a really fun place.

I joined my good friends BILL GRIESBECK and LIL SCOLES and their party of eight (or was it nine) friends to see THE JOHNNY JULES BAND. It was their first time performing there, and what better way to acquaint myself with another venue! For all you new readers, Johnny was the second person I met when I moved up here. We were neighbors for several years in Hurleyville.

This was also the first time I'd heard them in a new venue for the first time. This band is comprised of all true professionals, and they read the room perfectly. More Country-ish in their first set which turned out to be right on the money, then moving on to the Bluesy Rock for their second as new wave of patrons came in.

I moved to the bar to await the arrival of two other dear friends, RILEY and CARRIE. RILEY, you may remember my mentioning a few years ago as the bassist for LION ZEN. He recently was elected to head an ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE but that wasn't his most exciting news. The movie STOLEN DOUGH, which premiered at THE LONG ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL last weekend, well, he was involved in its production. More on that later,



after I pin him down for an interview. His fiancé CARRIE, although not involved in the music and entertainment scene, is an artist in her own right with the best eye for the three dimensional.

Then, Sunday morning, it was off to Pilates with AUDRA at THE NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE. Carrie tried her best to get me to join the group she was attending pre CoVid and pre-'heart thing'. I'm sure she's amused by my now being a devotee.

You can catch THE JOHNNY JULES BAND this week on Wednesday night at THE ROCK HILL MUSIC SERIES, on Saturday at 17 WEST BREWERY in LIBERTY and on Sunday at THE DALE in Mountandale.

Stay well, stay safe  
Until next time.....

## It's a Wrap for Summer Programs as DPL Prepares for End-of-Season Events

(From Pg. 8)



*Daniel Pierce Library Clerk Rhea DeMaria and DPL Board of Trustees member Pat Doogan assist Entertainment Night guests with drinks as they watch Jared Campbell perform.*

“We've been cordially invited to take part in Tri Valley's Bear Bash! We've got our little popup ready to go,” Interim Director Mikki Greene said, “we're looking forward to seeing so many of you. Be sure to stop and say hello!” There will be opportunities to sign up for library cards, if you don't have one already, and ask any questions you may have about upcoming fall programs or general library procedures.

We are also getting ready for the 2023 Grahamsville Little World's Fair, August 18-20. “The fair gives us a chance to see your wonderful faces again and fill your bellies with all things good,” Greene said. We will be sharing our delicious strawberry shortcakes and yogurt parfaits, as well as, offering the opportunity to purchase Giant Pumpkin Party raffle tickets and books.

In other news,

While summer programs have drawn to a close, we are still accepting reading logs and book bingo forms from every age group. For the children's floor specifically, we are trying to beat last years' record of 36,990 minutes read during the summer, so it's imperative that the forms are filled in and returned to us. And it's so easy-bring the kiddos to the library, enjoy the AC, let them play with doll houses, fire house, train set and puppet stage and check out books. There are plenty of places to stay cool and curl up for a few minutes if they would like to read here. Every minute counts!




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“I love, love, love this story! It has such a fabulous message. It's about “rockfish” parents who share their wisdom with their little “rockfish” son, Adri. Some of the messages, including: looking for friends, seeing the beauty in your surroundings and standing out-are so important (and similar to what Campbell shared during his performance!)” McHugh said. We have so many books upstairs with similar messages, come and check them out!



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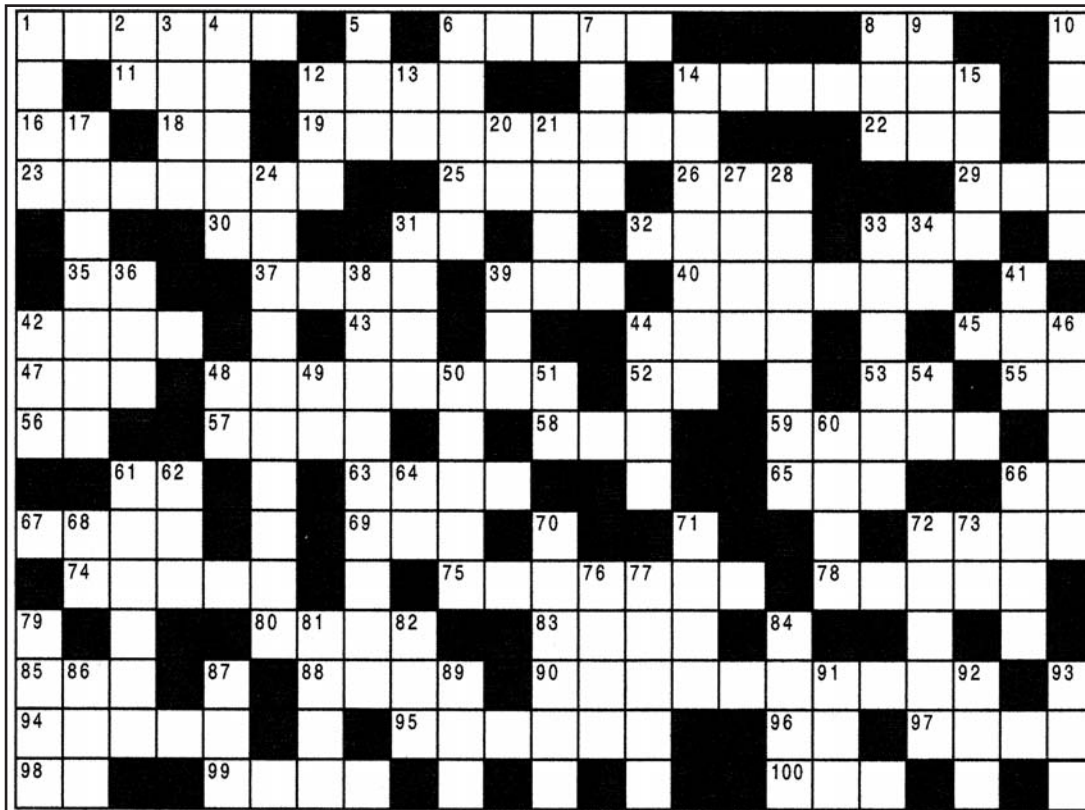
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  - 5 That girl
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  - 10 Festivity
  - 12 Armed conflict
  - 13 Exist
  - 14 One who will be honored on Saturday in Grahamsville
  - 15 365 days
  - 17 Day of Observance
  - 20 Senior (abbrev)
  - 21 Mausoleum
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  - 27 By word of mouth
  - 28 River that runs through Washington D.C.
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  - 33 Somber
  - 34 Surrounded
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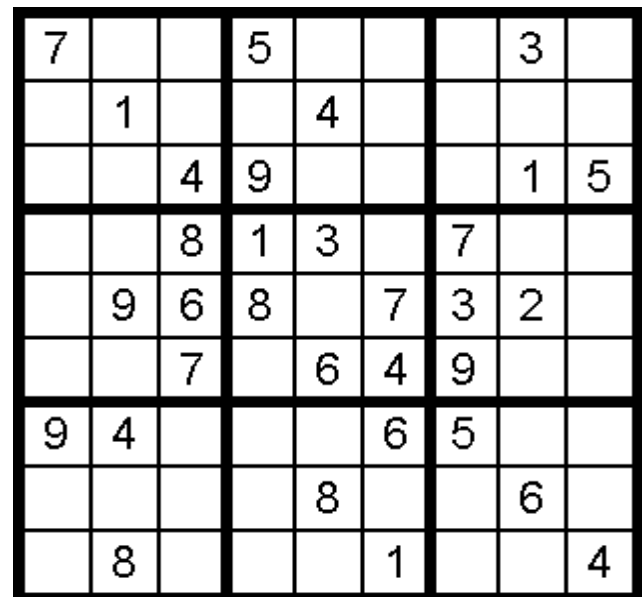
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- 1 tsp. vanilla
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- 1/2 pt. sweet cream
- 1 pt. sour cream

- Place first two ingredients in a blender. Add 2 of the eggs.
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- Add the remaining eggs, sugar, flour, cornstarch, salt, vanilla, melted butter, sweet cream and sour cream.
- When thoroughly blended, pour into a 9-inch ungreased spring-form pan.
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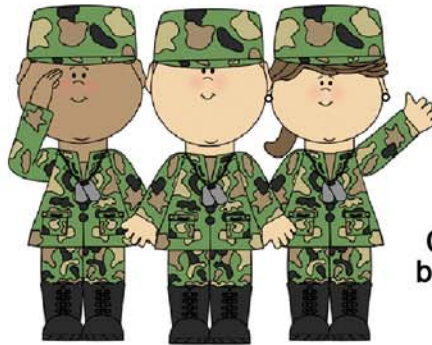
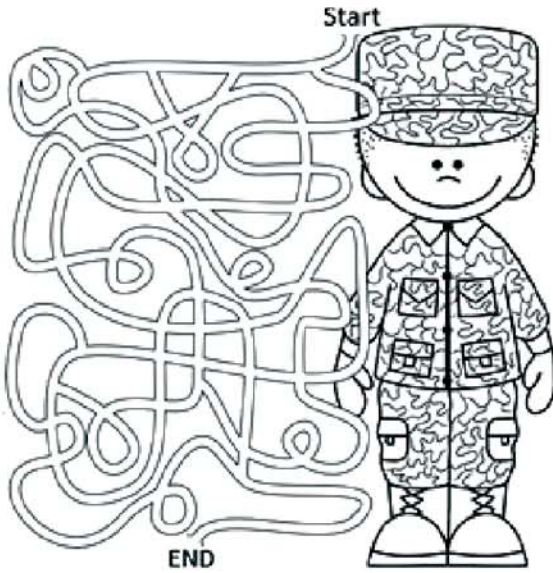
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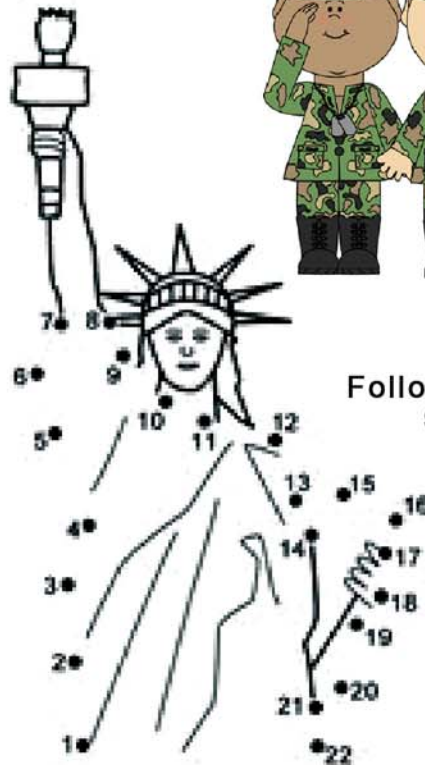
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## Road Closure in Grahamsville

Grahamsville, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of County Road 156 (South Hill Road) in the Town of Neversink to replace County Bridge 216. The bridge itself is located approximately 300 feet east of the intersection of State Route 42 and CR 156. This section is scheduled to be closed to all traffic for approximately six months, starting at 8 a.m. on May 1, 2023.

## SULLIVAN COUNTY ROAD CLOSURE

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approximately 0.1 miles west of the intersection of CR 33 with State Route 55. This section of CR 33 will be closed to all traffic starting at 7 a.m. Thursday, July 20, and will remain closed for approximately 18 days.

A detour route will utilize State Route 55, State Route 97, and County Road 21.

## Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger Applauds Decision to Expedite End to Central Hudson Estimated Billing & Install Independent Monitor

### *Central Hudson Makes Progress on County Executive's Two Key Demands*

KINGSTON, NY - Central Hudson has taken important steps in meeting County Executive Metzger's two key demands for an expedited end to estimated billing and for independent verification that billing errors have been corrected. The agreement was announced today by the New York State Department of Public Service (DPS).

County Executive Metzger met separately with DPS and the executive leadership of Central Hudson in the Spring to press for these measures, and followed up with DPS in June. County Executive Metzger has been advocating on behalf of Ulster County residents for State action to address Central Hudson's long-standing billing problems since she took office in January of this year. The County Executive's office also participates in bi-weekly calls with the utility to advocate for change directly with customer service and operations management. The investigation by DPS into the utility's actions over the last two years is ongoing, and the company may still face potential penalties.

In response to this announcement, County Executive Jen Metzger stated:

"I applaud NYS DPS for implementing an independent monitor to review operational improvements by Central Hudson in its billing system and verify that customer billing issues have been resolved. Our calls for an accountable process that does not rely on the utility's internal reporting have been heard, and importantly, the costs of the independent monitor will be borne by shareholders, not ratepayers, which is 100% the right thing to do.

I am also pleased to see that our call for expediting an end to estimated customer billing has been heard, though I would like to see monthly meter readings occur on a quicker timetable. Installing an independent monitor and ending the practice of estimated billing are critical steps to fix a debacle that has plagued customers for close to two years, and I'm thrilled to see this progress being made."

The full press release from the New York State Department of Public Service can be found at: <https://dps.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/07/pr23078.pdf>

## News from The Old Stone House



THE OLD STONE HOUSE of Hasbrouck is once again open as a community center. With the help of volunteers and generous donations from our members the Grand Opening fundraiser BBQ on July 16th was a great success. The many improvements accomplished over the last year in the house and pavillion were showcased. The pavillion's electricity has been restored and the picnic tables repaired and stained along with the inside wall. A deep clean, paint and lighting revitalised the house. Over 75 people attended enjoying the music of Jesse Noren, David Munford's art exhibit and getting their fortunes told. Many people signed up for the following classes that are currently being offered.

Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 "Fun with Paper" with Liz Kolansky

Wednesday 2:00-3:30 "Art Stew" curated by Dhyana Gibson where every week a different artist gives a hands on class

August 9th at 2:00 Helena Pittman creator of the mural in the Daniel Pierce Library children's section and acclaimed author will offer her class "Color Shape and Words"

Wednesday 6:00-7:30 "Diamond Art" with Laurie Turner

Thursdays 7:00 Volleyball pick up game

All classes are \$10.00 with half going to OSH fund. All materials are supplied.

The Old Stone House wants to be a full-service community center. We hope you take advantage of our offerings. Or perhaps you have a skill or talent you'd like to offer, maybe ideas for classes or events. Our next meeting is Aug 8th at 6:00 pm.

President Peggy Torres(845 707-6219) is available for questions and information. We also have a Facebook page where our classes and events are listed.(the old stone house OF hasbrouck)

See this column in future editions of the *Townsmen* for more details about whats happening in the beautiful historic Old Stone House of Hasbrouck Community Center.

We are located at 282 Hasbrouck Road in Woodbourne 12788 minutes from Grahamsville, Fallsburg and Liberty.

## Stay Tick Free!

The ticks are out in full force this year. Be sure to follow these recommended tips to stay tick free:

Wear light-colored clothing with a tight weave to spot ticks easily;

Wear enclosed shoes, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt;

Tuck pant legs into socks or boots and shirt into pants;

Check clothes and any exposed skin frequently for ticks while outdoors;

Consider using insect repellent;

Stay on cleared, well-traveled trails and walk in the center of trails;

Avoid dense woods and bushy areas.

Check out DEC's website for additional tips for tick prevention.

## Good Campsites are Found Not Made

Altering a campsite should not be necessary when setting up camp. Choose a site that is large enough for your group. Protect riparian areas by camping 200 feet from lakes and streams. If you see trash, pack it out, even if it's not yours. Help to leave natural spaces better than you found it. Enjoy!

For more information on how to protect the places you recreate, visit [LNT.org](http://LNT.org)

## Recent Notices

### Sundown Wild Forest

The 2023 Sundown Wild Forest Unit Management Plan Amendment has been finalized. The amendment builds upon DEC's previous efforts to encourage sustainable recreation by alleviating congestion at points of interest, enhancing public safety, and creating an experience that highlights the area's natural beauty. Phase one construction, including an 80-car parking area and an accessible connector trail to the Blue Hole, is scheduled for late summer 2023.

## 2023 Catskill Fire Tower Challenge

For nearly a century, observers watched the forests of New York State-including the Catskill and Adirondack forest preserves-from more than 100 fire towers perched atop the highest peaks, searching for the dangerous, telltale signs of forest fires.

The Catskills Fire Tower Challenge encourages experienced hikers to visit the region's remaining fire towers located on Balsam Lake Mountain (Hardenburgh), Hunter Mountain (Hunter), Overlook Mountain (Woodstock), Red Hill Mountain (Denning), and Tremper Mountain (Shandaken), along with the Upper Esopus Fire Tower at the Catskills Visitor Center. The Upper Esopus Fire Tower allows visitors who may not otherwise be able to undertake the challenging hike of several miles to experience a fire tower on the high peaks in the Catskills.

Visit all six Catskill Fire Towers between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023. Once completed, participants submit a log of their completed hikes along with a favorite photo or selfie via a web form or to the designated email inbox: [CatskillsChallenge@dec.ny.gov](mailto:CatskillsChallenge@dec.ny.gov). Entries must be postmarked by Jan. 7, 2024.

## SCDW's Great 2023 Season!

*SCDW is so very proud to announce the many awards received from TANYs so far this 2023 season.*



In May, FOOL - an original work by local playwright, Ellie J. received an award for outstanding production development and performance! Also, the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop received an award for "Excellence in the Development of Youth Theatre in Partnership with Local Schools for the SCDW Youth Theatre production of "Simply Cinderella and the Benjamin Cosor Players production of "Alice in Wonderland".

In June, the Workshop's production of "Lovely Day to Kill Your Spouse" was awarded Excellence in Direction to Sally Gladden, Excellence in Ensemble Acting to the Cast, Excellence in Acting to Arthur Aulisi for the portrayal of Graham and Excellence in Production Design, Concept and Execution to Dawn Perneszi, Jean Eifert, Harold Tighe, Anna Puleo, Grace Summa and Felicia Merillo.

In July, the timeless, classic musical, Lionel Bart's "Oliver" earned Meritorious Achievement in Scenic Design to Harold Tighe, Anna Puleo, Thomas Caputo, Keith Prince, and Amanni Sitz, Meritorious Achievement in Costume Design to Jean Eifert, Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Cayden Keesler for the portrayal of Oliver, Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Alea Vorillas for the portrayal of Nancy and Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Joseph Jervais for the portrayal of Fagin.

Theatre Association of New York State (TANYs) is an organization formed many years ago to foster the contribution of community theatres to the lives of the citizens of New York State. Its mission is to promote high standards of theatre practice through education and example. The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is in its 74th year of providing Quality, Award-Winning Community Theatre to the Catskill communities.

# 8 MORE CHANCES TO SEE ALWAYS... PATSY CLINE!

The clock is ticking! Don't miss your chance to experience ALWAYS... PATSY CLINE at SHADOWLAND STAGES. Immerse yourself in 29 timeless Patsy Cline songs and the FUNNY and POIGNANT story of Patsy Cline's real-life friendship with fan, Louise Seger.

Don't miss out, reserve your tickets today!

Read the Aisle Seat Review Here  
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Read the Sullivan County Democrat Review Here  
[https://www.scdemocratonline.com/stories/shadowland-stages-in-review,103826?mc\\_cid=3575252b38&mc\\_eid=138a9b9d06](https://www.scdemocratonline.com/stories/shadowland-stages-in-review,103826?mc_cid=3575252b38&mc_eid=138a9b9d06)



Featuring Cori Cable Kidder and Alaina Beauoye,  
Photos by Jeff Knapp

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## Paul Mutimear to exhibit his work at Neversink River Craft Co-op

Neversink River Craft Co-op has invited photographer Paul Mutimear to exhibit his work for our next three shows: August 6th, 20th, and October 7th & 8th. He has a wide range of subject interests particularly birds and the sky. He will also have several images of a more experimental nature which is what first got him hooked on photography and has led to several successful shows.



Also shown will be the pottery, wood, resin, stained glass, and jewelry in an historic barn at 2554

Frost Valley Rd., Claryville, NY.

For more information call: (845) 985 -2016

## Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance Announces 2nd Annual BowWO&W Celebrate the dog days of summer with a community dog walk



[LIBERTY] - Come out and celebrate the dog days of summer at the 2nd annual Bow WO&W Dog Walk on Thursday, August 10th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM on the Liberty segment of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail, meeting at the Bridge and Tunnel Brewery, 50 Lake Street, Liberty. Bring your leashed dog and the whole family for a walk.

"We are thrilled to have the BowWO&W meeting place in Liberty's own Bridge and Tunnel Brewery. The Bridge and Tunnel is a dog-friendly establishment so go out and enjoy the beauty of our wonderful segment of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail and come back in with your pup and enjoy a nice cold award-winning brew," said Town of Liberty Supervisor Frank DeMayo. (Contd. Pg. 25)

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**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
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5:30 pm  
Aug 5, 2023

**Indoor Yard Sale**  
Fri, Aug 4 & Sat, Aug 5  
9 am - 1 pm  
*Sundown United Methodist Church Hall*

**St. Mary's and St. Andrews Church**  
139 S Main Street • Ellenville, NY 12740

**Mass Times**  
**SUNDAY EUCHARIST**  
5:00 PM Saturday Evening  
7:30 AM Sunday Morning  
10:00 AM Sunday Morning  
(Latin) 11:30 AM Sunday Morning\*  
(Spanish) 1:00 PM Sunday Afternoon  
\*Sung Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays

**WEEKDAY EUCHARIST**  
8:00 AM Monday through Friday  
9:00 AM Saturday

**HOLY DAY EUCHARIST**  
Schedule will be listed in the bulletin  
<https://smsaparish.org/bulletins>

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)  
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**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm  
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

**Daily Mass Schedule:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday  
Mass at 8:30AM.

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

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

**Thrift Sale**  
Aug 5th, 2023  
9 am to 12 noon

**Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches**  
**House Worship Plan**  
**Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link**

Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>  
Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740  
Dial by your location  
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)  
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

**The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.**  
If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the Pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

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Claryville Road  
Claryville, NY 12725  
845-985-2041

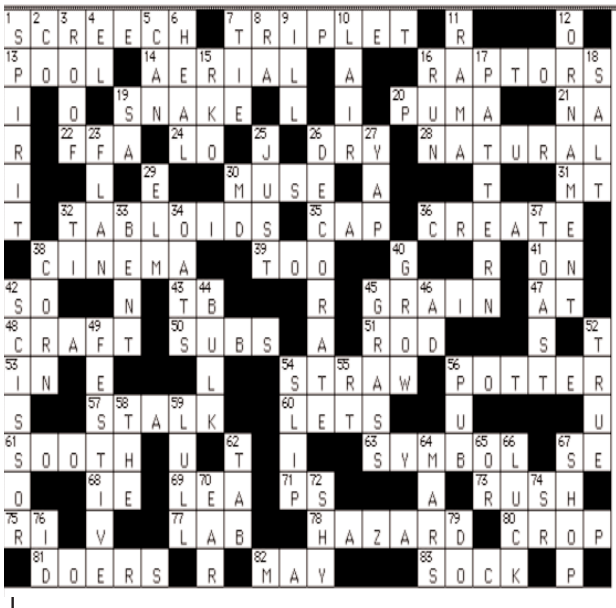


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Holy Days 5:30 pm  
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month  
Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, Pastor

Ans to last week's Crossword





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Donations accepted in the Thrift Building  
on Tuesdays  
from 9:30 to 11:30 am or by appointment.

Call Ruth at 845-985-7222  
**The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team**  
<https://grahamsvilleUMC.org>  
GrahamsvilleUMC@gmail.com—Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

**Sundown  
United Methodist Church  
Covered Dish Supper  
Saturday,  
August 5, 2023 5:30 pm  
at the Church Hall**

*Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale  
(Covered Dish Suppers will be held the  
First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)*

## Prime Timers of Temple Sholom of Monticello Trips/Events for August and September

The Prime Timers of Temple Sholom of Monticello are planning some fun-filled trips in the next few months, as follows:

**Thursday, Aug. 10th - Borscht Belt Museum in Ellenville, NY** at 11:00 AM. \$15.00 with docent. Lunch and transportation on your own.

**Thursday, Aug. 31st - Bus Trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, PA.** with many outlet stores and \$30 free slot play. Bus leaves Monticello 9:00 AM. Only \$50 pp.

**Mon., Sept. 11th - Appreciation Luncheon at Casa Mia Italian Restaurant in Hurleyville** at 12:30 PM. \$25.00 pp.

Call Paula for further information and reservations at 845-794-2314

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1	3	7	2	6	4	9	5	8
9	4	1	7	2	6	5	8	3
3	7	2	4	8	5	1	6	9
6	8	5	3	9	1	2	7	4

## Shandeele Music Festival's 30th Anniversary Season

Violinist Misha Keylin and pianist Ilya Kazantsev in “An Evening of Chamber Music” on Saturday, August 5 at 8 p.m.

The second concert of the Shandeele Music Festival's 30th anniversary season will be presented on **Thursday, August 10** and will feature “An Evening of Piano” with Fei-Fei, a winner of the Concert Artists Guild Competition and a top finalist at the 14th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

Improvisational jazz lovers will celebrate the **third concert of the Shandeele Music Festival's 30th anniversary season.** “An Evening of Jazz” with Eliane Elias and Marc Johnson will be presented on **Saturday, August 12.**

All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m., and will be performed at SMF's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor. Advanced reservations are requested. Call 845-439-3277, or purchase your tickets and get more information about membership and sponsorships online at [www.shandeele.org](http://www.shandeele.org).

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

## LOCAL EVENTS

8/4 & 8/5	<b>Sundown Ladies Indoor Yard Sale</b> 9 am - 1 pm Sundown UMC Hall
8/5/23	<b>Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale</b> 9 am - 12 noon <b>Luncheon</b> 10:30 am - 12:30 pm
8/5/23	<b>Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper</b> 5:30 Church Hall
8/8/23	Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
8/9/23	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
8/15/23	Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
8/17/23	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
8/17/23	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
8/26/23	<b>Claryville Vol Fire Dept Annual Craft Fair 10 am to 3 pm</b> 1500 Denning Rd, Claryville NY
9/4/23	Town of Neversink Holiday <b>LABOR DAY</b>
9/5/23	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
9/6/23	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm

**Save the Date!**

Sat, Aug 5, 2023– 2nd Annual **Vet Fest** – Grahamsville Fair Grounds 11 am - 6 pm

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

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

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

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

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week Of July 31 - August 4, 2023

**Monday, July 31**

- o 5:00 PM - **Recycling Oversight Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building; and via teleconference at (845) 443-8880, Bridge ID: 123666

**Tuesday, August 1**

- o 4:00 PM - **Special Informational Meeting of the Legislature**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 5:00 PM - **Health, Human Services & Housing Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 6:00 PM (Or Immediately Following Health Committee) - **Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts & Agriculture Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building

**Wednesday, August 2**

- o 5:15 PM - **County Executive Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023, A Local Law Amending Chapter 216 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Human Rights, In Relation To Gender Expression**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 5:30 PM (Or Immediately Following Public Hearing) - **County Executive Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2023, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 131, Vehicles, County, Article I, Sustainable Green Fleet Policy, In Relation To Strategies And Goals**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 5:45 PM (Or Immediately Following Public Hearing) - **County Executive Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2023, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Provide Enhanced Transparency And Accountability Over County Finances**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 7:00 PM - **Ulster County Planning Board**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building

**Thursday, August 3**

- o 3:00 PM - **Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 5:00 PM - **Ulster County Charter Revision Commission: Public Hearing On Changes To Section C-29 (Acting County Executive) Of The Charter Proposed Directly To The Ballot**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 5:05 PM (Or Immediately Following Public Hearing) - **Ulster County Charter Revision Commission**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
- o 5:15 PM - **Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building

**Friday, August 4**

- o No Meetings

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- \$12.00 per week

(3" x 4") - \$24.00 per week

(3" x 6") - \$36.00 per week

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1/2 pg (4"x8") - \$64.00 per week

(6" x 8") - \$96.00 per week

Full Page - 8" x 10" -  
\$100.00 per week

Digital Flyer Insert - 8"x10 -  
\$100.00/week

•• Full Page Flyer for  
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**Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance  
Announces 2nd Annual BowWO&W  
Celebrate the dog days of summer  
with a community dog walk**

(From Pg. 21)



“The BowWO&W is an excellent opportunity to explore the Liberty section of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail, meet other trail users and get you, your dog and your family out for a summer evening walk,” says Shannon Cilento of Sullivan 180, a member of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance. A reminder to please bring supplies to clean up after your pup. Visit



the event Facebook page at: [bit.ly/SullivanBowWOW](https://bit.ly/SullivanBowWOW) or call (845) 807-0531 for more information.

The Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance grew out of the 2019 Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Feasibility Study and is a partnership of local government entities, non-profits, and volunteers which serve as the stewards for the trail. For more information about the O&W Rail Trail and the work of the Alliance, visit [www.SullivanOandW.com](http://www.SullivanOandW.com).

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## Returning favorites open Shandeele Music Festival's 30th Anniversary Season

SHANDELEE, NY: The opening concert of the Shandeele Music Festival's (SMF) 30th anniversary season will reunite two audience favorites - violinist Misha Keylin and pianist Ilya Kazantsev in "An Evening of Chamber Music" on Saturday, August 5 at 8 p.m.



*Misha Keylin*



*Ilya Kazantsev*

Violinist Misha Keylin debuted at Carnegie Hall when he was 11 years old. Since then, his wide-ranging repertoire has brought him notoriety, press accolades and awards such as "Critics Choice" by The New York Times, Gramophone and The Strad. His career now spans 50 countries on five continents.

Keylin has been a guest soloist with the St. Petersburg Philharmonic, Leipzig Chamber Orchestra, Israel Sinfonietta, Brandenburg Philharmonic and others. He's performed at venues in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Seattle, San Francisco and other major cities in the U.S. and around the world.

In 2011, Keylin became a founding member of the Hermitage Piano Trio with renowned pianist Ilya Kazantsev and cellist Sergey Antonov. After signing to a multiple album recording deal with Reference Recordings, the Trio's debut CD was released in June 2019.

Pianist Ilya Kazantsev has been hailed as "virtually flawless" by the Washington Post. He's performed in Russia, Germany, Japan, Italy, France, Canada, the U.S. and many other countries, and he's won numerous awards including first prize at the Nikolai Rubinstein International Competition in Paris, the International Chopin Competition in Moscow and the World Piano Competition in Cincinnati.

Beginning his music studies at the age of nine, Kazantsev was accepted as a student at the Central Music School at the Tchaikovsky State Conservatory. Upon moving to the U.S., he continued his studies at the Mannes College of Music and the Manhattan School of Music. Kazantsev is an enthusiastic advocate of contemporary music, and he's presented numerous premieres of works by contemporary American, Russian and Eastern European composers.

"An Evening of Chamber Music" with Misha Keylin and Ilya Kazantsev will feature music by Mozart, Bartok, Saint-Saens, Franck and others.

Tickets for the August 5, 2023 concert are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m., and will be performed at SMF's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor. Advanced reservations are requested. Call 845-439-3277, or purchase your tickets and get more information about membership and sponsorships online at [www.shandeele.org](http://www.shandeele.org).

**PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program**

**2nd Annual**

# **VET FEST**

**Saturday August 5th 2023**

**11am - 6 pm**

**Grahamsville Fair Grounds**

**Resource and Community Information Fair**

**Performances by**

**Country Singer Derek Stoner (U.S Army Green Beret Veteran) and Local Artist Jesse Noren**

**Free Food for Veterans and their family members prepared by Grahamsville VFD**

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## Public Health Essentials Team holds Leadership Empowerment Workshop

LIBERTY, NY: Over 50 people took part in a successful Leadership Empowerment and Workplace Wellness Workshop for local provider agencies and non-profits held on July 21 at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County.

Under the coordination of Cheyanna Frost, the Program Manager for Public Workforce Development at Cornell University, the team of Action Toward Independence (ATI), Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County (CCE) and Sullivan 180 has been working together on the topic of Public Health Essentials for the past two years.

Attendees at the workshop included health providers, agricultural organizations, and even employees from the criminal justice system.

During the day's introduction, ATI Executive Director Deborah Worden talked about "the art of public health" and how providers can "change the message ... in a creative manner" to get it across to their clients. Additionally, she said, "We're all struggling with staffing ... with compassion, fatigue and burnout, and the last three years have done nothing to help that."

The purpose of the workshop, Worden said, was "to give some tools to learn about workplace wellness," to help retain staff and recruit people.

Presenters included SNAP-ED Nutrition Educator for CCE Bee Moser who talked about healthy eating and taking brain breaks during the day, Chi Hive Yoga Instructor Susan Mendoza who led the group in relaxation and meditation techniques, CCE Program Director Malinda Ware who spoke about workplace culture for both teams and individuals, and Director of Health and Wellness for Sullivan 180 Meaghan Mullally-Gorr, who talked about turning around the health of Sullivan County.

Worden also spoke briefly about the importance of saying "thank you" to both staff and volunteers, and what a difference that can make in people's lives and relationships.

Shar McBee, the creator of experimental, groundbreaking, cutting-edge leadership development programs and author of the books "To Lead is To Empower" and "To Lead is To Serve" was the keynote speaker. She talked about positive thinking and whether it's important to be right or be happy when presented with a possible confrontation. She also spoke about being authentic with your strength and personal power, being joyful, and the power of inclusion. "There's so much freedom and joy in just being yourself," said McBee.

"Your job as the leader," says McBee on her website, "is not to make people do what you say. Your job is to make it possible for them to succeed."

You can follow Shar McBee at <https://www.linkedin.com/in/shar-mcbee>, or connect through her website at <https://joyofleadership.com>.

A healthy lunch was served, and all the participants left with a renewed sense of energy about what can be accomplished with authenticity, joy, inclusion and a positive attitude.

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*From left to right, the presenters and coordinators of the Public Health Essentials Workplace Wellness Workshop: Director of Health and Wellness for Sullivan 180 Meaghan Mullally-Gorr, CCE SNAP-ED Nutrition Educator Bee Moser, CCE Program Director Malinda Ware (on tv), Executive Director of Action Toward Independence Deborah Worden, Program Manager for Public Workforce Development at Cornell University Cheyanna Frost, and CCE Healthy Schools Program Coordinator SueAnn Boyd.*



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## Second Concert in Shandee's 30th Anniversary season features pianist Fei-Fei

SHANDELEE, NY: The second concert of the Shandee Music Festival's (SMF) 30th anniversary season will be presented on Thursday, August 10 and will feature "An Evening of Piano" with Fei-Fei, a winner of the Concert Artists Guild Competition and a top finalist at the 14th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.



*International award winning pianist Fei-Fei will perform at the Shandee Music Festival on Thursday, August 10 at 8 p.m.*

Fei-Fei has been praised for her "bountiful gifts and passionate immersion into the music she touches" (The Plain Dealer), and she charms audiences with her "passion, piquancy and tenderness" and "winning stage presence" (Dallas Morning News).

Her concert tours have taken her around the world, and the 2022-23 season highlights include solo and chamber recitals in 11 U.S. states, performing at Lincoln Center, California's Pacific Symphony, the Syracuse Symphony and Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic.

Sharing her joy for music and communities, Fei-Fei engages students and audiences through frequent school and outreach concerts, as well as masterclasses. Her current season features special residencies with her Alethia Piano Trio at the Oberlin Conservatory, and masterclasses at Montclair State University, Idaho State University and Bakersfield College.

Fei-Fei began her piano lessons at the age of five. She is a graduate of the Julliard School, and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Musical Arts Degree at the Manhattan School of Music.

"An Evening of Piano" with Fei-Fei on Thursday August 10 will feature music by Rachmaninoff, Chopin, Debussy and Beethoven.

Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m., and will be performed at SMF's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor. Advanced reservations are requested. Call 845-439-3277, or purchase your tickets and get more information about membership and sponsorships online at [www.shandee.org](http://www.shandee.org).

## "An Evening of Jazz" is the third concert in Shandee's 30th Anniversary season

SHANDELEE, NY: Improvisational jazz lovers will celebrate the third concert of the Shandee Music Festival's (SMF) 30th anniversary season. "An Evening of Jazz" with Eliane Elias and Marc Johnson will be presented on Saturday, August 12.

Pianist Eliane Elias is a multi-award-winning recording artist, singer, producer, composer and arranger, whose distinctive musical style has brought her fame as a unique and recognizable jazz and Brazilian music performer. She's recorded 31 albums and sold 2.4 million copies.

Most recently, Elias won two Grammys for her album "Mirror Mirror," which she recorded with the late jazz great Chick Corea. She has a total of 10 Grammy nominations in five different categories, with four wins. She's also a four-time Gold Disc Award recipient, and has won many international awards.

Performing with Elias at SMF will be her husband and co-producer Marc Johnson on double bass. In addition to working with jazz greats Michael Brecker, Stan Getz, Gary Burton, Pat Metheny and many others, Johnson also led his own bands - the Bass Desires Quartet and Right Brain Patrol.

He recorded with JMT and ECM records, and his "Shades of Jade" was featured in a 2005 Time Magazine article entitled "5 CDs That Really Swing." It was also selected by the Chicago Tribune as one of the 10 best jazz recordings of 2005, and received the Danish Music Award for Best Foreign Release that same year. As a producer, Johnson won two Grammy Awards for co-producing Elias' albums "Made in Brazil" (2016) and "Dance of Time" (2017).

"An Evening of Jazz" at the SMF is an "all improvisation" program, and the numbers will be announced from the stage during the program.

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*International award-winning artists Eliane Elias and Marc Johnson will perform "An Evening of Jazz" at the Shandee Music Festival on Saturday, August 12 at 8 p.m.*



## As Part of Ongoing Efforts to Treat Addiction and Support Recovery, Governor Hochul Announces Award of More than \$22 Million in Funds from NYS's Opioid Settlement Fund to Support Range of Addiction Services Across NYS

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the award of more than \$22 million in funding for a wide array of addiction prevention, treatment, harm reduction and recovery services in New York State. These awards will support expansions to services at recovery centers, a new "Connections to Care" initiative to connect individuals in priority populations to services, and funding for providers to establish coalitions to address substance use and prevention in their communities. This funding is being distributed by the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports through the State's Opioid Settlement Fund.

"The opioid and overdose epidemic has impacted far too many New Yorkers, and this settlement fund is an opportunity for us to hold manufacturers and distributors responsible for the devastating harm they have caused," Governor Hochul said. "We continue to work with the Settlement Board to distribute this funding to the organizations and communities that need it most, so that they can continue their ongoing work to support those affected by the opioid crisis and save lives."

New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports Commissioner Dr. Chinazo Cunningham said. "This is vital funding that will provide an opportunity to establish new services, as well as expand and enhance existing services in order to provide a full continuum of addiction care throughout New York State. Our focus at OASAS is to make sure all New Yorkers have access to the services and supports they need to improve their health, no matter where they live or what level of help they need."

New York State Office of Mental Health Commissioner Dr. Ann Sullivan said, OMH Commissioner Dr. Ann Sullivan said, "This investment into addiction treatment and prevention will save lives. By prioritizing underserved communities and high-needs individuals, we can help to ensure that the people who most need these services will be able to access them. These services will provide integrated, person-centered care that will focus on each person's needs and goals."

New York State Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald said, "Far too many New Yorkers and their family, friends, and communities have been impacted by the opioid epidemic. Directing these funds to create and enhance services for those struggling with opioid use disorder is the right thing to do. We will continue to work with Governor Hochul and our partners at OASAS to ensure everyone has equal access to compassionate care and lifesaving treatment that will create a path to healing and recovery."

### Recovery Community and Outreach Center Funding

More than \$12 million is being awarded to Recovery Community and Outreach Centers across New York State to support their work to reach individuals in recovery. Recovery centers offer a community-based, non-clinical setting that is safe, welcoming and alcohol/drug-free for the whole community. The centers promote long-term recovery through skill-building, recreation, employment readiness and the opportunity to connect with peers who are going through similar challenges. They also provide health, wellness and other critical supports to people and families who are in recovery from a substance use disorder or who are seeking recovery information and resources.

All recovery centers operating with an annual budget under \$535,000 were awarded funding to raise their budget to that amount for two years. A list of awardees and annual funding amounts is available here.

### Connections to Care

A total of \$6.6 million in annual funding is being awarded to 11 providers to support connections for underserved and high-need populations to care that will support long-term substance use disorder recovery and overall health, including harm reduction, physical and behavioral health services, and connections to transportation, supportive housing programs, and legal services.

Providers awarded funding will work to connect with populations including pregnant or postpartum women; transitional youth or individuals between the age of 18 and 25; individuals 55 or older; those diagnosed with or suspected of having a developmental disability, individuals returning to the community from incarceration, and those transitioning from stabilization and withdrawal services.

All awardees listed below are receiving \$200,000 per year, for a three-year period.

- Aging adults, or individuals aged 55 or older
  - o Argus Community Inc. (NYC & Long Island)
  - o Central Nassau Guidance and Counseling (Long Island)
- Transitional youth, or individuals ages 18 through 25
  - o BestSelf Behavioral Health Inc. (Western NY)
- Individuals diagnosed with or suspected to have a developmental disability
  - o Catholic Charities Family & Community (Finger Lakes)
- Pregnant or postpartum persons
  - o Center for Comprehensive Health Practice (New York City)
  - o National Association on Drug Abuse Problems NYS Inc (NADAP) (New York City)
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(From Pg. 33) Individuals returning to the community from a carceral setting

- o Community Health Action of Staten Island (New York City)
- o Osborne Treatment Services Inc. (New York City)

Individuals transitioning from stabilization/withdrawal services

- o Council on Alcohol & Substance Abuse of Livingston County Inc. (CASA-Trinity) (Finger Lakes)
- o Palladia Inc. (Services for the Underserved) (New York City)

### Community Prevention Coalitions: Fentanyl, Opioids, Rx

More than \$3.9 million in annual funding is also being awarded to support the development of community prevention coalitions. The coalitions will be geared specifically towards addressing fentanyl, opioids, and prescription drug misuse through evidence-based strategies, and raising awareness of harm reduction services. Examples of possible initiatives include the distribution of drug destruction kits and medication lock boxes to high-need populations, and the initiation or promotion of Take Back days, as well as distributing information and educating the public about the risks of substance use and available resources.

This funding targeted counties that were determined to have the highest need in the state for these services. Each provider is receiving funding in the amount listed below on an annual basis for four years.

#### Dutchess County

- o Council on Addiction, Prevention, and Education of Dutchess County (CAPE) - \$200,000

#### Greene County

- o Columbia-Greene Addiction Coalition - \$200,000

#### Sullivan County

- o Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County - \$200,000

#### Chautauqua County

- o Prevention Works - \$200,000

#### Ulster County

- o Westchester-Ellenville Hospital, Inc - \$178,419

New York State is receiving more than \$2 billion through various settlement agreements with opioid manufacturers and pharmaceutical companies that were secured by Attorney General Letitia James. A portion of the funding from these settlements will go directly to municipalities, with the remainder deposited into a dedicated fund to support prevention, treatment, harm reduction and recovery efforts to address the ongoing opioid epidemic.

The same legislation that established the dedicated fund also created the Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Board, which is tasked with making recommendations on how settlement dollars should be allocated to best serve those in need. Board members issued their first recommendations on November 1, 2022, identifying the expansion of harm reduction services and treatment as top priorities.

New York State has instituted an aggressive, multi-pronged approach to addressing the overdose epidemic, and created a nation-leading continuum of addiction care with full prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction services. The state has worked to expand access to tradi-

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tional services, including crisis services, inpatient, outpatient, and residential treatment programs, as well as medication to treat addiction, and mobile treatment and transportation services.

Governor Hochul was a member of the NYS Heroin and Opioid Task Force, which in 2016, recommended new, non-traditional services, including recovery centers, youth clubhouses, expanded peer services, and open access centers, which provide immediate assessments and referrals to care. These services have since been established in numerous communities around the state and have helped people in need access care closer to where they live.


The New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports oversees one of the nation's largest substance use disorder systems of care with approximately 1,700 prevention, treatment and recovery programs serving over 731,000 individuals per year. This includes the direct operation of 12 Addiction Treatment Centers where our doctors, nurses, and clinical staff provide inpatient and residential services to approximately 8,000 individuals per year.

New Yorkers struggling with an addiction, or whose loved ones are struggling, can find help and hope by calling the state's toll-free, 24-hour, 7-day-a-week HOPEline at 1-877-8-HOPENY (1-877-846-7369) or by texting HOPENY (Short Code 467369).

Available addiction treatment including crisis/detox, inpatient, residential, or outpatient care can be found using the NYS OASAS Treatment Availability Dashboard at FindAddictionTreatment.ny.gov or through the NYS OASAS website.

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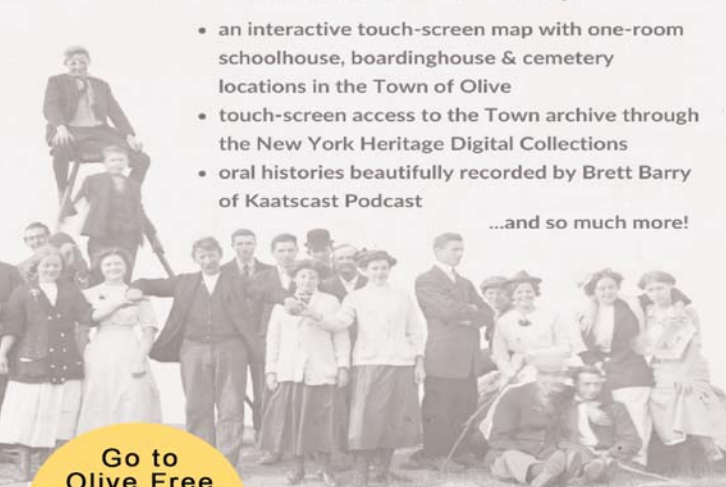
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The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop welcomes you to laugh out loud as the extremely popular show "The Play That Goes Wrong" hits the Rivoli Theatre stage in South Fallsburg on August 11, and runs for six performances through August 20.

Directed by Keith Prince, in loving memory of his co-director Bunny Woloszczak, and produced by Dawn Perneszi, "The Play That Goes Wrong" grants you admission to opening night of the Cornely Drama Society's newest production, *The Murder at Haversham Manor* where things are quickly going from bad to utterly disastrous. Playwrights Henry Lewis, Jonathan Sayer & Henry Shields leave you in tears, as the cast struggles inside this accident-prone obstacle course of hilarity to make it to their final curtain call. The cast includes Tom Muller (Rosendale), Jeff Luoma (Pine Bush), Ethan King (Kerhonkson), Samantha Mileski (Monroe), Lynne Porter (Woodbourne) Julianne Porter (Woodbourne)), and Keith Prince (Woodbourne). Presented by arrangement with Dramatists Play Service under-license from Mischief Worldwide Ltd. For a full list of crew and cast members, please visit our Facebook or website.

Performances will be held on Friday and Saturday, August 11, 12, 18, 19 at 8:00 pm and Sunday, August 13 and 20 at 2:00 pm at the Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg. General Admission is \$15 Adults, \$12 Seniors (60+), Students (with Valid ID), Military and Veterans. Advance Sales online [www.myrivertickets.com](http://www.myrivertickets.com) or purchase your tickets at the Box Office one hour prior to curtain for any performance. For additional information, visit us at [www.SCDW.net](http://www.SCDW.net) or call (845) 436-5336.

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“Sullivan County is fortunate to have a number of parks, lakes and rivers where people can cool off in the water, though please wear a lifejacket when out on a boat or raft,” adds Health & Human Services Commissioner John Liddle. “For those who can't or don't want to get in the water, the following locations are open to the public during the hottest parts of the day.”

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## Vera Iliatova, Jude Tallichet and Charles Wilkin opening September 2 at Catskill Art Space

Livingston Manor, NY - Catskill Art Space is pleased to announce an exhibition of new work from Vera Iliatova, Jude Tallichet and Charles Wilkin. The exhibition will be on view in the ground floor galleries of Catskill Art Space, 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY, from September 2 through October 14, 2023. Exhibition hours are Friday and Saturday, 11am - 5pm, and Sunday 11am - 3pm.

Through varied mediums, the artists explore memory, loss and ghostly embodiments. Vera Iliatova, having grown up in Leningrad, Russia, later defecting at the age of fifteen to seek refuge from anti-semitism, received political asylum in Brooklyn in 1991. Iliatova's paintings depict vicissitudes of her younger self: young women, as ciphers, stand-ins, imposters, and actresses, performing upheavals of adolescence and feigned early adulthood. The places that they inhabit are elusive, hybrid settings of postindustrial cities, dilapidated boarding schools or suburban landscapes. The cinematic sensibility in the paintings presents scenes that, while plausible, are clearly artificial and choreographed. The contrast between the technical approach to the composition and the deep emotional currents in both the setting and the characters create dissonance that amplifies the unsettling and moving effect on the viewer.

Jude Tallichet's series *Whispers Down the Lane* features large objects cast in translucent white tissue paper, transmuting the solid and concrete into disembodied ephemeral forms. Elements feel like specters of Tallichet's past work, which previously utilized bronze and steel to cast often large-scale forms, while this body of work evokes our immediate past, speaking to the newly realized future. The ethereal work is responsive to our bodily relation, drawing movement from small gusts of air, fluttering in the breeze lovingly and delicately. These effects dynamically make the work feel more alive than ever, while imbued with shadows of objects and immanent souls of beings. The conceptual sculptures pivot on the transience of thought, reality, and substance. As the meaning is passed from one iteration to another-like whispers down the lane-they underscore how quickly the world and meaning within and of it can change.

Charles Wilkin's collage work replicates the frenetic and inherent collision of people, culture, and emotions that we all experience. Drawing from disparate thoughts and observations, centered on a singular theme, Wilkin's work pulls from our world's ugliness and cruelty to extract the beauty and empathy within us all, revealing the unknown, unspoken and intangible things that make us truly human. The artist's process-driven work is derived directly from the intertwining of these associations and the spontaneity of his creative process. This gives the work the freedom to live creatively in the moment, and the ability to respond to current events, despite the fact that his imagery derived primarily from vintage magazines.

### ABOUT THE ARTISTS

**Vera Iliatova** grew up in St. Petersburg, Russia, and immigrated to the United States when she was 16. She received a BA from Brandeis University and an MFA in Painting and Printmaking from Yale University, with further study at the Skowhegan School of Art and a residency at Marie Walsh Sharpe Foundation. In 2018, Iliatova was awarded a New York Foundation for the Arts Fellowship in Painting. Iliatova's work has been shown across the US as well in Spain, Germany, Denmark and Great Britain. Iliatova's work was recently included in exhibitions at the Warehouse Dallas, TX, The Katonah Museum, and at the Contemporary Jewish Museum in San Francisco. Her work has been reviewed in *Artforum*, *Art in America*,



*ARTnews*, *The New York Times*, *The Houston Chronicle*, *The Boston Globe*, *Time Out New York*, *Hyperallergic* and other publications. Iliatova is represented by Nathalie Karg Gallery in New York City.

**Jude Tallichet** lives and works in Queens, New York. She has exhibited nationally and internationally in venues such as the Konsthallen in Gothenburg, Sweden; The Shanghai Biennial in China; The Busan Biennial in Korea; The Tirana Biennial in Albania; the *Officina America* exhibition in Bologna,



Italy; and Pierogi Gallery in Leipzig, Germany. Her work was included in the 2016 *Bora\_s* International Sculpture Biennial in Bora\_s, Sweden. Tallichet participated in the inaugural Greater New York show at PS1 MoMA, the *Treble* exhibition at Sculpture Center, and the *Brooklyn Next* exhibition at the Brooklyn Museum of Art. She has had solo shows at Sara Meltzer Gallery, Smack Mellon, the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum, Burnet Gallery in Minneapolis, and Robert Miller Gallery. She was a featured performer in the *Iron Artist Event* at PS 1 MoMA. Jude spent a year in Brazil as a Fulbright Fellow and has received fellowship grants in sculpture from the National Endowment for the Arts and from the New York Foundation for the Arts. She has received residencies at the Rosa de la Cruz Collection, MacDowell Colony, the Millay Colony, and at the Civitella Ranieri Center in Umbertide, Italy. She is Professor Emeritus, Sculpture, at the Tyler School of Art, where she taught from 1987 to 2016. Jude was a founding member of the band *Ultra Vulva* and has collaborated on video and performance projects with a diverse collection of artists and musicians, including Jeanine Antoni, Kristin Lucas, and Doug Henderson.

**Charles Wilkin** was born in Buffalo, New York; relocated from Columbus, Ohio, to New York City in 2001; and currently lives and works in the Catskills. His work has been featured in many contemporary fine art and street art magazines, including *Juxtapoz*, *Rojo* and *Metropolis* magazine. Wilkin has also exhibited regularly across the United States, participated in many group shows globally, and co-curated collage exhibitions for *The International Weird Collage Show*. In 2003, German publisher Gestalten released his first monograph *Index-A*, which has become a much-referenced source of inspiration for contemporary collage artists. Wilkin's work is included in the permanent collections at the Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe, Hamburg Germany, and The Library of Congress in Washington, DC.



### ABOUT CATSKILL ART SPACE

Catskill Art Space (CAS) explores contemporary art practices of emerging and established artists. Through exhibitions, performances, classes, lectures, and screenings, CAS fosters creative community in the Catskills.

Established as Catskill Art Society in 1971, CAS reopened in October 2022 as Catskill Art Space following a major renovation and expansion of its multi-arts center, located in the picturesque hamlet of Livingston Manor in the Western Catskills. CAS presents a rotating slate of exhibitions, performances and other events featuring national and regional talents, alongside long-term installations of works by James Turrell, Sol LeWitt, Francis Cape, and Ellen Brooks. Learn more at [catskillartspace.org](http://catskillartspace.org).

Long-term installations on view through 2027: James Turrell's light installation *Avaar* (1976) and two site-specific wall drawings from Sol LeWitt, exhibited alongside solo presentations of established artists from the Catskills area, Francis Cape (through 2027) and Ellen Brooks (through 2027).





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# The Rug is Done!

After spending many dedicated hours of cutting and crocheting Maureen Hamilton has completed the Camouflage Hooked Rug.



Maureen thanks all those who donated T-Shirts to make this happen. A special thanks to Jessica, Bonnie, Beth and Logan who all gave up their 'beloved camouflage T-Shirts' to become part of the rug.

The Camouflage Hooked Rug will go on sale at the Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Yard Sales. Proceeds from the sale of this beautiful rug will be for the benefit of the Sundown United Methodist Church.

A big THANK YOU to Maureen!

The rug is beautiful! Stop by the Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Yard Sale on Friday or Saturday and see the rug –it's a beauty!



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# New Leadership and Members Announced for the Ulster County Human Rights Commission

## *Appointments Made by County Executive and Legislative Leadership*

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger today announced the appointment of Joe McDonald as the new Director of Human Rights, and the County Executive and Legislative Leaders have also announced a total of four new appointments to vacant positions on the Human Rights Commission that diversify the Commission's representation and expertise. Two of the Commission appointments were made by the County Executive, and one each was made by Chairperson of the County Legislature Tracey Bartels and Minority Leader Ken Ronk.

McDonald, a Kingston native, has over 20 years of management experience working with under-resourced populations, most recently serving in a supervisory position with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, where he investigated complaints relating to childcare and oversaw enforcement actions. In this role, McDonald has been a member of the statewide Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Committee. Earlier in his career as a Youth Case Manager, he provided LGBTQ+ resource training to staff at multiple facilities across the Hudson Valley. McDonald, a former Kingston High School track star and Olympic bobsled competitor, has also been serving as a mentor to youth in the Ulster County Brighter Futures Initiative. McDonald has Bachelors and Masters degrees in Organizational Management, and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Psychology.

"I am thrilled to appoint Mr. McDonald to lead the Ulster County Department of Human Rights," said County Executive Metzger. "Joe's appointment marks a turning point in our efforts to create a more inclusive and compassionate community here in Ulster County. His strong leadership, management, and investigative skills, experience in promoting diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility, and passion for human rights will be enormous assets to the Commission's work. Together with new Human Rights Commission Chair Reverend Gary Fuller, we have a fantastic leadership team at the helm of the County's human rights work."

"I am excited to begin my new position with Ulster County as the Commissioner of Human Rights," said Joe McDonald. "I am a life-long resident of Ulster County and truly blessed to be able to serve this community by standing up and promoting our fundamental rights as human beings. (Contd. Pg. 48)



## Neversink River Craft Co-Op announces August 2023 show date: August 6, 20.

You are invited to our group show Sunday, July 9th!

The NEVERSINK RIVER CRAFT CO-OP is back for our first show of the season! We're open on Sunday, July 9th from 10 AM- to 5 PM with an exhibit of original, handcrafted work by Neversink potters, woodworkers, jewelers and painters.

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(From Pg. 47) I come from a close, diverse family and believe that diversity makes our community stronger. No one should be discriminated against for any reason. I look forward to working closely with the Human Rights Commission to explore opportunities for improving relations among all people of Ulster County."

Last month, County Executive Metzger appointed existing Commission member Reverend Gary Fuller to serve as Chairperson of the Human Rights Commission. Reverend Fuller has spent a lifetime as an advocate for justice and human rights, particularly in the fields of housing and healthcare. He has previously advocated on behalf of claimants in housing court, represented claimants at administrative hearings before agencies such as the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, and represented disabled children at Superintendent suspension hearings. He currently serves as pastor of the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Zion Church in Ellenville, as Co-Chair of the Ellenville Police Advisory Commission, and is an active member of the Ellenville branch of the NAACP. He previously worked with under-resourced children and families as a psychiatric case manager and parole officer. He has served two full terms as a member and Chair of the City of Mount Vernon Board of Ethics where he drove organizational change and the promulgation of concrete policies and procedures. Reverend Fuller was appointed to the Commission in 2022 by then-County Executive Pat Ryan.

"It is a pleasure and a distinctive honor to serve the people of Ulster County in my capacity as Chair of the Ulster County Human Rights Commission, and I look forward to collaborating with the Executive Director McDonald upon his confirmation," said Reverend Gary Fuller. "I'm quite confident that our collaboration will yield the very best advocacy actions for the people of Ulster County. The Commission is populated with proficient and professional advocates for justice, and I am proud to work alongside each and every one of them. We are moving forward, and will be laboring together to establish the procedural confines that will improve how the Commission responds to the work that is before us. It is by design that we have all come together at a time such as this to give every part of our work the attention and professionalism it deserves. Finally, we are looking forward to hosting many town hall meetings throughout the County, so that we can inform all citizens that the Ulster County Human Rights Commission is here for all people."

Filling four vacancies on the Commission, County Executive Metzger has appointed Nilsary Lewis-Rivera from the Town of Wawarsing and Sage Jobsis from the Town of Rosendale, Chairperson Bartels has appointed Des Salomone, Esq. from the City of Kingston, and Minority Leader Ronk has appointed Candice Van Dyke from the Town of Ulster.

Nilsary Lewis-Rivera, a native Spanish speaker, is a lifelong resident of the Village of Ellenville and serves as the Recreation Director for the Town of Wawarsing. She has extensive experience working with bilingual youth and families, helping them build positive relationships in the greater Ellenville community. She will add critical representation to the Human Rights Commission as the first and only bilingual commission member.

Sage Jobsis is a resident of the Town of Rosendale and is living with Multiple Sclerosis, a degenerative disease that has left her physically disabled for the last 13 years. Jobsis has used her personal experience of transitioning from being fully able-bodied to living with a disability to advocate for all members of the disability community at the state level. Her appointment will bring indispensable representation and perspective to the Human Rights Commission.

"It is important to me that we have broad representation on the Human Rights Commission reflective of the diversity of our county and with personal understanding of the challenges faced by those who seek the Commission's help," said County Executive Metzger. "Nilsary and Sage bring needed perspectives to the Commission, as well as a track record of experience in public service and advocacy, and are certain to make positive contributions to the Commission's work."

Des Salomone, Esq. is a resident of the City of Kingston and is a celebrated attorney who has dedicated their career to combating injustice and discrimination. Salomone spent most of the last decade as a staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society and currently serves as an employment attorney at a private firm located in New Paltz. They have received numerous accolades including the 2015 Pace University LGBTQA & Social Justice Alumni Achievement Award, and the 2014 Winifred Sobie Pasternack Memorial Award in Civil Rights. Salomone brings indispensable legal and personal experience to the Human Rights Commission.

"I am thrilled to appoint Des Salomone to the Human Rights Commission. They bring extensive expertise in constitutional, human rights, and employment law to the Commission," said Chairperson Tracey Bartels. "Throughout their legal career, they have been dedicated to safeguarding civil and human rights, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to inclusivity and equality. Des' profound experience in mediation and handling complex legal matters will undoubtedly enhance the Commission's ability to protect and uphold the rights of every individual in Ulster County. I am confident that Des' appointment marks a significant stride toward advancing justice, inclusivity, and equality throughout our county."

Candice Van Dyke lives in the Town of Ulster and is a lifelong Ulster County resident. Van Dyke serves as the Chief Diversity Officer and an Associate Professor at SUNY Ulster. She has extensive experience in conflict resolution, humanistic education, and diversity, equity, and inclusion. Van Dyke brings to the commission a commitment and passion for social justice that will help the Commission advance its mission.

"The County's Human Rights Commission has an obligation to serve the community, and it's time for us to move past the distractions of the last few months so that they can continue to do just that with a full complement of competent, capable, and dedicated Commission members," said Minority Leader Ken Ronk. "I am excited to nominate Candice Van Dyke, an Ulster native and community leader who has dedicated her life to education and the pursuit of equality and justice. I am confident that she will serve Ulster County residents with distinction and respect."

The four appointments to the volunteer Human Rights Commission do not require any confirmation votes from the County Legislature and are effective immediately. County Executive Metzger's appointment of Joe McDonald as Human Rights Commissioner is subject to confirmation by the County Legislature and is expected to be voted on at the body's August regular meeting.

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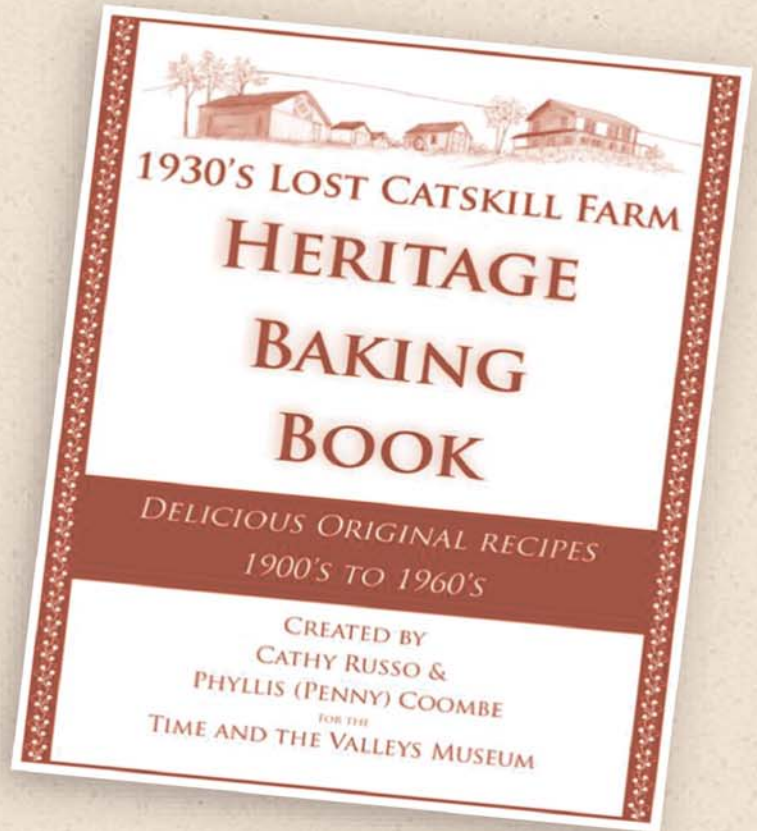
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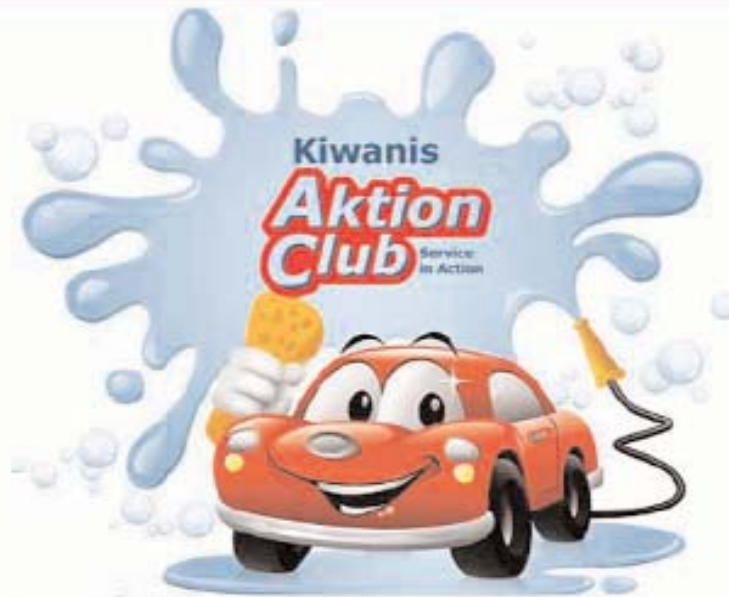
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Rep Tenney on Fox @ Night

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCRHkZkuwBA>

It was a major week for our investigation into President Biden and the entire Biden Crime Family. So far, we've uncovered concrete evidence that President Biden has been using his troubled son Hunter as a proxy to enrich himself and his family with shady business deals in China, Ukraine, and other countries. We have heard from IRS, FBI, and DOJ officials that not only was the Biden Family's conduct concerning to law enforcement, but senior officials at these agencies worked to minimize the investigations and cover-up on behalf of the President.

As part of our Ways and Means investigation, we heard from two highly credible IRS whistleblowers about Joe and Hunter Biden's business dealings with foreign countries and Hunter Biden's failure to pay \$1 million in taxes on \$8.3 million in earnings.

On Tuesday, the eve of Hunter Biden's court date to accept his sweetheart plea deal, Ways and Means Chairman Jason Smith submitted the IRS whistleblower testimony to Federal Judge Maryellen Noreika, who ultimately rejected Hunter Biden's plea deal after receiving the testimony. Wednesday was a bad day for the Biden Crime Family, but a great day for law and order in America. It is past time that we elevate this investigation into an impeachment inquiry and start holding the President accountable.

READ MORE: Rep. Tenney to Newsmax: DOJ 'Should Withdraw' Hunter Plea Deal

<https://www.newsmax.com/newsmax-tv/claudia-tenney-hunter-biden-court/2023/07/26/id/1128633/>

### Enhance R&D Tax Credit to Increase American Innovation and Competitiveness

Now more than ever, the United States must work to out-compete and out-innovate our adversaries by investing in proven policies like the R&D tax credit.

Once a leader in promoting R&D, the United States has recently fallen behind other countries around the world that are offering greater R&D incentives. China, in particular, has chosen to invest heavily in R&D by providing a "super deduction" for R&D expenses. By enhancing the R&D tax credit, we can help small businesses and entrepreneurs across America invest in innovation that will unleash economic growth and create jobs on American soil.

The FIRST Act is a crucial step in boosting American innovation and advancing our competitiveness on the world stage, reinforcing our nation's position as the economic powerhouse of the 21st century.

### Supporting our Volunteer First Responders

Rural communities across New York's 24th District and the country rely on volunteer first responders to keep our communities safe. Earlier this year, I met with the Firefighters Association of the State of New York to hear about how Congress could better support them! That led me to introducing the Volunteer First Responder Housing Act which will expand federal housing assistance to these dedicated individuals in the communities they

serve. Providing housing assistance to volunteer firefighters will help to reduce response times by enabling volunteer firefighters and EMTs to live closer to their stations. This bill provides much-needed and well-deserved housing incentives and benefits to our next generation of volunteer firefighters and EMTs so they can continue their brave work serving our communities.

### Supporting America's Printing Industry

As the former owner and publisher of the Mid-York Press, a local commercial printing and manufacturing firm, I understand how the importance of print media and its impact on our communities and local businesses. This week, a group of bipartisan and I formed the Congressional Printing Caucus which will focus on advancing an agenda that protects America's printing industry and its history in our communities.

To further support small and local news organizations, last week I introduced the the Community News and Small Business Support Act. This bill utilizes tax credits to address the decline of local news organizations and support small businesses. Read more on this bill here, or at the link below.

READ MORE: The Community News and Small Business Support Act (H.R. 4756) offering tax credits to local/community news publishers and businesses that advertise on their platforms.

<https://www.editorandpublisher.com/stories/the-community-news-and-small-business-support-act-hr-4756-offering-tax-credits-to,244841>

### My Votes Explained

Transparency is vital to preserving our self-governing Constitutional Republic. Americans deserve to know how their Member of Congress votes on their behalf, which is why I have explained every vote I have cast in Congress since I was first elected.

To read more about my votes and see the full list with explanations of all the legislation considered this week by the House, please click here.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 4366, the appropriations package for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the 2024 fiscal year. This bill provides funding for our nation's veterans and for military construction at home and abroad. The legislation fully funds veterans' health care expenses and provides \$800 million more than the President requested for military construction to support our nation's defense and counter Chinese aggression in the Pacific. Further, this bill prohibits funding for the Biden Administration's efforts to promote critical race theory and the Biden Administration's executive orders on diversity, equity, and inclusion, freeing up additional funds to benefit our nation's veterans and service members. As the mother of a Marine officer, I will always stand with those who have and are currently serving our nation. This bill passed by a vote of 219-211.

I voted "Yes" on S.J.Res. 9, a joint resolution of congressional disapproval for the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status with Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment." In 2022, the FWS published a final rule that added the lesser prairie chicken to the endangered species list and also created two distinct population segments with different levels of protection. This move will be a step backward for the recovery of the lesser prairie chicken, threatening the voluntary conservation efforts undertaken by state wildlife agencies and private industry, while adding more levels of bureaucracy. It will also threaten the energy sector across the Texas panhandle and eastern Colorado, risking increased energy costs for Americans already struggling with high inflation. It is vital we focus instead on policies that allow for thoughtful economic development and have proven results in helping the species. This measure passed the House by a vote of 221-206. (Contd. Pg. 57)



## This Week with Claudia

(From Pg. 56)

I voted "Yes" on S.J.Res. 24, a joint resolution of congressional disapproval for the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat." In 2022, the FWS published a rule listing the Northern Long-Eared Bat as threatened under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) after years of litigation in court. However, in this rule, the FWS admits that the decrease in population is not due to human activity but White-Nose Syndrome, which is not caused by humans. This listing will have a significant impact on forest management and infrastructure projects on both private and public lands across Upstate New York. It would be devastating for our local economies and it is essential to roll back this rule. This measure passed the House by a vote of 220-209.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 1338, the Satellite and Telecommunications (SAT) Streamlining Act. This bill would require the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to modernize its licensing and authorization requirements for satellite communication systems. This legislation would help ensure the United States continues to lead the world in the deployment of advanced satellite technologies that have the potential to expand internet access and generate more than \$1 trillion in economic growth. In Upstate New York, H.R. 1338 would be crucial in helping to expand high-quality internet connectivity to even the most rural and remote regions. This bill required a two-thirds majority to pass and failed in the House by a vote of 250-163 with one member voting present.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 4470, the Protecting and Securing Chemical Facilities from Terrorist Attacks Act of 2023. This bill would extend the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) authority through July 27th, 2025. The CFATS program identifies and regulates high-risk facilities to ensure security measures are in place to reduce the risk that certain dangerous chemicals are weaponized by terrorists. A clean two-year reauthorization will provide certainty to the chemical industry, while also providing policymakers a chance to further review the effectiveness of the program. This bill passed the House by a vote of 409-1.



As we wrap up another productive week, I wanted to give you an update on all that I've been doing on behalf of the Hudson and Delaware Valleys!

### DELIVERING FLOOD RELIEF

We've been through a devastating time in the Hudson Valley, but together, we will rebuild. I'll be here every step of the way. My office is joining with RUPCO, RECAP, Senator Skoufis' office, Orange County Office for the Aging, the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan, William. J Larkin Jr. Community Response Task Force Fund, and other community partners to connect you directly with flood recovery resources. Join us Wednesday, August 2nd, at the Highland Falls Senior Center at 15 Drew Ave. from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

If you know a loved one or neighbor who is in need of aid, please forward this onto them and spread the word.

If you can't make it, or need additional assistance, my office is here for you for every step of the rebuilding process that lays in the months ahead. You can call us at (845) 443-2930 or contact us here on my website .

Private non-profits in Orange and Dutchess Counties are also now eligible to apply for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration to repair and rebuild from damage caused by the floods

Learn more and apply here . <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance> Applications for physical property damage are due September 20, 2023 and applications for economic injury are due April 24, 2024.

During this trying time, the Hudson Valley has stepped up to support neighbors in need. The following local organizations are providing additional relief:

Catholic Charities of Orange & Ulster Counties : (845) 294-5124

RECAP : (845) 342-3978

United Way of Dutchess-Orange Region Helpline: 2-1-1

Community Foundation of Orange & Sullivan Counties : (845) 769-9393

The Community Foundation is also offering the William J. Larkin Community Response Task Force Fund grants for flood recovery. Learn more here .

Orange County Department of Social Services : (845) 291-4000

Jewish Family Service of Orange County : (845) 341-1173 x 300

Sacred Heart Church: (845) 446-4609

Mental Health Association of Orange County : (845) 342-2400

RUPCO is distributing homeowners grants of up to \$50,000 for Orange County residents making at or below 80% of the area's median income. Learn more here or call (845) 713-4568 ext. 114.

During any point, know that my office is here to help, contact us here or at (845) 443-2930.

### REBUILDING STRONGER

As once in a generation climate events become more frequent, we must invest in climate resilient infrastructure projects. I spoke about the need for the Hudson Valley to rebuild with climate resiliency in mind - watch here.

<https://twitter.com/SPECNews1HV/sta-tus/1683258338820145155?s=20>

On the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, I'm dedicated to delivering funding for construction projects that increase the climate resiliency of our communities so that the Hudson Valley remains a home for our children and generations to come.

### STOPPING THE FLOW OF FENTANYL FROM CHINA

Fentanyl is taking too many lives and destroying too many families in the Hudson Valley. We need to rise above the politics and hold the Chinese Communist Party accountable for its role in fentanyl trafficking.

I'm proud to co-sponsor the Stop Chinese Fentanyl Act, which does that. This crucial legislation will force the CCP to take responsibility for its role in the fentanyl crisis by sanctioning Chinese entities who fail to take credible steps to combat opioid trafficking.

Watch my interview here

<https://www.foxnews.com/video/6331899713112>

### COMING HOME TO WEST POINT

As the first West Point graduate to represent the Academy in Congress, I was honored to return to campus as a member of the Board of Visitors this past weekend.

I'm committed to delivering the resources that USMA needs to recover from recent flooding and continue to develop our nation's future leaders.

### AND BRINGING WEST POINT TO WASHINGTON

I had a great time this week meeting with current West Point cadets who visited me in my DC office.

These are the future leaders of our country and I know we'll be in good hands! Go Army! (Contd. Pg. 58)

## Congressman Pat Ryan (From Pg. 57)

### SUPPORTING OUR FIRST RESPONDERS

I was glad to see my friends from the Arlington Fire District, Ulster County Emergency Services, and the Newburgh Police Department at Senator Gillibrand's First Responders Lunch!

Thank you for all that you do to keep our families safe in the Hudson Valley - I'm working everyday to deliver the support you deserve.

### PRACTICING HEAT SAFETY

Temperatures are rising across the Hudson Valley - please make sure that you follow precautions and stay safe!

### GRANTS CORNER

#### FLOOD RECOVERY

The Restaurant Disaster Relief Fund provides \$10,000 grants to local restaurants impacted by state or federally declared natural disasters. To be eligible, a business must be experiencing hardship due to a natural disaster, have a maximum of three locations, employ fewer than 50 employees per location, and have revenues of \$3M or less per location in the last 12 months. Grants are funded by DoorDash and applications are due September 29.

REMINDER! Applications are open for:

\$5.575 Billion is available from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law's Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant program for three major discretionary grant programs - the Mega program, INFRA program, and Rural program - that involve surface transportation projects designed to strengthen supply chains, spur economic development, and improve safety and daily life. The deadline to apply is August 21.

The Weatherization Assistance Program assists families and individuals by reducing their heating/cooling costs and improving the affordability of their homes through energy efficiency measures. Services are available to both income-eligible homeowners and renters. Energy efficiency measures include air sealing (weather stripping, caulking), insulation, heating system improvements or replacement, efficiency lighting, and refrigerator replacements with highly efficient Energy Star rated units. Learn more about eligibility here and how to apply here .

The PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program will fund projects that address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail. Projects selected under this program should be grounded in the best available scientific understanding of climate change risks, impacts, and vulnerabilities. They should support the continued operation or rapid recovery of crucial local, regional, or national surface transportation facilities. By funding projects that improve resilience to natural hazards and climate change impacts, the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program aims to reduce damage and disruption to the transportation system, improve the safety of the traveling public, and improve equity by addressing the needs of disadvantaged populations that are often the most vulnerable to hazards. Application due August 18.

More than \$500 million in federal funding is now available to support the resurgence of small businesses across New York State through the State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI), a program through the American Rescue Plan Act. SSBCI provides funds to support programs for small businesses, including socially and economically disadvantaged individual (SEDI) owned businesses and very small businesses (VSB), to recover from the economic effects of COVID-19

and allow them the opportunity to succeed in the post-pandemic economy. Learn more here!

If you want to stay up-to-date on all of that my office is doing, I encourage you to follow along on our social media channels: Facebook and Twitter .

Please remember that my office is always here to help if you have a question or need assistance. You can reach us using the contact information above and below and we will do everything we can to connect you with the resources you need.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!



## Rep. Molinaro Introduces Bipartisan Bill to Lower Food Costs By Strengthening the Supply Chain

Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (R-NY-19) today introduced the Food Supply Chain Capacity and Resiliency Act, a bipartisan bill that will lower food costs by strengthening the supply chain. Rep. Molinaro introduced this bipartisan bill with U.S. Reps. Ro Khanna (D-CA-17), Shontel Brown (D-OH-11), and Max Miller (R-OH-7).

The pandemic exposed vulnerabilities across the entire food supply chain. A recent survey found that 70% of retailers were negatively impacted by supply chain disruptions, farmers have struggled to get products to market due to a lack of availability of shipping containers, freight rates for fresh foods have tripled in some regions, and shortages in warehouse space and increased rents are putting the supply chain at risk for disruptions.

Rep. Molinaro's bill addresses these challenges by expanding the USDA's Food Supply Chain Guaranteed Loan Program to support new investments in America's food supply chain. This program provides low-interest loans to businesses investing in food supply chain operations and prioritizes investments in rural, economically distressed areas.

Rep. Molinaro said, "The COVID-19 pandemic exposed weak links in New York's regional supply chain that have resulted in higher food prices. This bipartisan bill strengthens federal support for projects related to food processing, storage, distribution, and other operations that bring our food from the farm and to the grocery store. With this bill, we are taking action to make sure that our food is safe, affordable, and accessible."

Rep. Khanna said, "We need action to get food prices back under control for Americans. More than two years of a devastating pandemic has caused massive supply chain disruptions and made it difficult for regular families to afford things like eggs, milk, and baby formula. I'm proud to introduce this bipartisan bill to not only lower costs for Americans, but also help create jobs here at home and support American farmers." (Contd. Pg. 59)

# Molinaro-Backed Digital Assets Bill Advances to House Floor

## Historic Legislation Establishes Clear Regulatory Framework for Digital Asset Companies, Protects Consumers, and Encourages Innovators to Invest & Create Jobs in the United States

Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19), a Member of the Subcommittee on Digital Assets, today announced the Financial Innovation and Technology for the 21st Century Act was voted out of the House Agriculture Committee and will advance to the House Floor. Rep. Molinaro is a cosponsor of this bill.

The United States currently lacks a clear regulatory framework for digital asset companies to abide by. Without clear direction from Congress, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has started actively policing leaders in the digital assets market like Coinbase and Ripple. Underscoring the urgent need for legal clarity from Congress, the Southern District of New York rejected the SEC's approach on digital assets, ruling that Ripple did not violate securities laws. Due to this regulatory uncertainty, entrepreneurs have warned against doing business in the United States as the European Union and United Kingdom have taken steps to establish their own digital asset frameworks to attract these innovators.

The Financial Innovation and Technology for the 21st Century Act will establish a regulatory structure for digital assets within the existing authorities of the SEC and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). The legislation establishes important definitions needed for regulatory clarity, creates a clear registration process at both the SEC and CFTC for digital asset market participants, and provides the CFTC with spot market authority over decentralized tokens that do not meet the definition of a security.

For a detailed summary of the bill, click here [https://agriculture.house.gov/uploadedfiles/market\\_structure\\_bill\\_section\\_by\\_section.pdf](https://agriculture.house.gov/uploadedfiles/market_structure_bill_section_by_section.pdf)

Rep. Molinaro said, "When it comes to engaging on emerging technology, Congress is often late to the party. We can't let that happen with digital assets. Without a clear federal regulatory framework, innovative companies will be incentivized to move their operations and jobs to countries they can count on. This historic legislation is the most comprehensive effort yet to establish a regulatory framework for digital assets in the United States. It will encourage companies to invest here, and better protect the millions of consumers that are already investing in this technology. I'm proud to be a part of this step forward."

# DEC Forest Rangers - Week in Review

## Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

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

In 2022, DEC Forest Rangers conducted 359 search and rescue missions, extinguished 162 wildfires covering more than 1,300 acres, participated in 53 prescribed fires that served to rejuvenate nearly 900 acres of land, and worked on cases that resulted in hundreds of tickets and arrests.

"With more people visiting State lands and enjoying New York's myriad, world-class outdoor recreational opportunities, DEC's Forest Rangers are on the front lines to help visitors get outside responsibly and get home safely," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "Each day, these highly trained first responders are protecting irreplaceable natural resources and utilizing their expert knowledge of wildland fire suppression, wilderness first aid, land navigation, law enforcement, and technical rescue techniques to successfully execute critical missions, for DEC and our countless local, state, and national partners."

**Greene County Swift Water Rescues:** On July 25 at 2:52 p.m., Forest Rangers responded to multiple reports of subjects stranded by flash flooding. Ranger Peterson responded to Kaaterskill



*Fawn's Leap rescue from inside crevice*

Falls where one subject was stranded below the lower falls. The water was approximately four feet deep and rushing quickly. Ranger Peterson tied a rope to a tree, waded through the creek, and helped carry the subject across the water to safety. Ranger Peterson then headed to Fawn's Leap off Route 23A where seven



*Fawn's Leap two trapped subjects*

subjects were stranded on the side of the Kaaterskill Creek. Forest Rangers Dawson and Fox worked with the Twin Cloves Technical Rescue Team to set up a high angle rope rescue system to pull



*Fawn's Leap rescue with boat*

the two subjects to safety. Rangers Ellis, Horn, and Jackson then worked with New York State Police, Greene County Sheriff's Office, Hunter Police, and Kingston and Tannersville fire departments to set up a swift water rescue system with an inflatable boat.

One by one, each of the five stranded subjects was helped across the creek in the boat. No one was injured and rescues were complete by 6:44 p.m. Rangers Dawson and Peterson explain what is was like to perform these rescues in a video available on DEC's YouTube page. (Contd. Pg. 60)

## DEC Forest Rangers - Week in Review Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

**Greene County Wilderness Rescues:** On July 26 at 5 p.m., Forest Rangers Dawson and Peterson responded to Fawn's Leap for a subject with an unstable lower leg injury. The subject fell while climbing a section of the cliff and fell approximately 20 feet onto a streambed rock. Rangers worked with the Twin Cloves Technical Rescue Team to pull the 28-year-old from Long Island to safety using a low angle rope system.



Greene County Paramedics treated the significant ankle and arm injuries and requested a helicopter. At 6:15 p.m., the patient was taken by Hunter Ambulance to a staging area before being flown to the hospital.

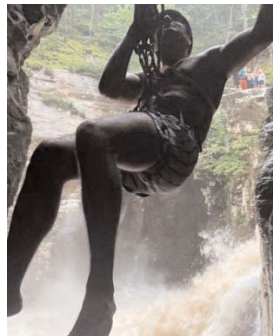
**DEC encourages visitors to Fawn's Leap to avoid climbing the rocks there, especially without proper climbing gear. In addition, recent flash floods serve as a reminder to outdoor adventurers to check the forecast before heading out.**

### Town of Denning Ulster County Wilderness Rescue:

On July 28 at 4:15 p.m., Forest Rangers Rusher and Quinones overheard radio traffic between the Blue Hole stewards and Central Dispatch about a teenager possibly having a seizure at Peekamoose Blue Hole. Rangers arrived to find the 13-year-old from Hurley conscience and alert, but with blue lips, hands, and feet. The subject also hit her head on a rock when she passed out. The teen, accompanied by her father, was lethargic, lightheaded, and shivering due to dehydration and hypothermia. Rangers helped the teenager out of the water, and gave her dry clothes, snacks, and water. Neversink EMS transported the subject to the hospital. Resources were clear at 5:45 p.m.

### Town of Hunter Greene County Wilderness Rescue:

On July 29 at 3:20 p.m., Assistant Forest Ranger (AFR) Staffa found an 18-year-old from New York City who had fallen on the Upper Falls Trail at Kaaterskill Falls while hiking with her family. AFR Staffa provided first aid and contacted Forest Ranger Dawson. AFR Staffa helped the hiker down the trail to Ranger Dawson's truck. Ranger Dawson drove the subject to the Scutt Road trailhead and provided further medical care before the teen's family met them at the trailhead. The family advised they would seek further medical attention on their own. Resources were clear at 6 p.m.



### Town of Hunter Greene County Wilderness Rescue:

On July 29 at 3:55 p.m., Forest Ranger Dawson responded to the Scutt Road trailhead for a report of a medical emergency. Ranger Dawson found a 27-year-old from New Jersey who had been stung by a bee and was having a severe allergic reaction. Ranger Dawson contacted Green County Paramedics who provided epinephrine, which relieved all symptoms.

## Planning to Hike in the Catskills?

**Emergency Situations:** If you get lost or injured; keep calm and stay put. If you have cell service, call 911 or the DEC Dispatch, 833-NYS-Rangers (1-833-697-7264).

Welcome to the Catskills

The Welcome to the Catskills webpage is the place to go if you are interested in learning more about the Catskills. It provides information about the Forest Preserve and conservation easement lands, outdoor recreation opportunities, tips for planning, and how to Leave No Trace. Be sure to check out the links for additional information and tips and tricks for recreating safely and minimizing your impacts on natural resources, recreational infrastructure, and other backcountry users in the Catskill Mountains.

### Catskills Visitor Center

Looking to visit the Catskills? Be sure to stop by the Catskills Visitors Center before your next adventure. Have your questions answered, get trip planning advice, and even pick up maps and local information on places you might want to explore. While you're there, don't miss out on climbing the fire tower (yes, there's a fire tower on site!), hiking the trails, and learning a bit more about the Catskill Mountains through the all new interactive exhibits. Trust us, it is a do not miss location while visiting the region.

Contact the Catskills Visitor Center for more information: 845.688.3369 or [info@catskillcenter.org](mailto:info@catskillcenter.org).

For local trail conditions, visit the Catskills Visitor Center Trail Conditions webpage.

### Hike Smart

Hike Smart by packing the proper gear. See our recommended packing list (PDF) and safety tips for the summer season.

**Check the Weather:** Check the National Weather Service for current conditions and forecasts for the locations where you plan to recreate. Check both daytime and nighttime temperatures. Expect conditions to be cooler and more exposed on mountain summits.

**Mountain Summits:** Check the National Weather Service to prepare for summit weather conditions.

**Thunderstorms:** Thunderstorms can pop up even if they are not forecast. Watch for darkening skies, increased winds, lightning flashes, and the rumble of thunder. Avoid summits and other open areas during thunderstorms. As soon as you are first aware of an approaching thunderstorm move to lower elevations and seek shelter. If caught outside in a thunderstorm find a low spot away from tall trees, seek an area of shorter trees, and crouch down away from tree trunks. Make yourself as short as possible by:

Sitting on your pack or sleeping pad with your knees flexed; and Hugging your knees to keep your feet together to minimize the ground effect of a nearby lightning strike.

**Stream Crossing & High Water:** Hikers should always plan ahead and check the weather before heading out into the mountains. Storms can emerge suddenly causing stream and rivers to rise quickly, becoming impassable due to strong currents. Do your best to avoid getting caught on the wrong side of a stream and turn back at any signs of changing weather conditions. Do not attempt to cross swift-moving streams and rivers. If weather conditions are unfavorable, consider planning your trip for another day.

**Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke:** occur when your body's cooling mechanisms are overcome by heat, causing a dangerously high body temperature. In order to prevent heat exhaustion and heat stroke be sure to:

Wear sunscreen;

Slow your pace;

Drink water and rest more often;

Seek shade and avoid long periods in direct sunlight; and

Do not hike in extremely hot weather.

# MISSING PERSON

## \$5,000-REWARD

### MATTHEW M. RUSSO



RACE: WHITE

SEX: MALE

AGE: 36

HEIGHT: 5'10"

WEIGHT: 145

EYES: HAZEL

HAIR: BLONDE

CLOTHING: Black shirt, blue jean shorts,  
Black Nike sneakers.



**Missing since June 18, 2023**

**From Garnet Health Medical Center in Harris**

The Sheriff's Office is seeking the public's help for information regarding the whereabouts of Matthew Russo, who disappeared on June 18, 2023. Anyone with information about Matthew, or what may have happened to him, is asked to call the Sheriff's Office. A reward of up to \$5,000 is being offered to information leading to resolution of the case and finding Matthew.

**Sheriff's Office direct phone number is 845-794-7100 (x1)**

**Or**

**The Confidential Tip Line: 845-807-0158**

## ELLENVILLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY FUNDRAISER

**TASTE OF BROADWAY II**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023 MATINEE AT SHADOWLAND THEATER

GABY'S CAFE  
TICKET PRICE OF \$99  
LUNCH 11:45/SHOW 2 P.M.

***The Million Dollar Quartet***

Impromptu country rock musical super group of Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Johnny Cash will be performing.

**DON'T MISS THIS EXCITING AND FUN FILLED DAY IN ELLENVILLE!**

Make check payable to "ERH Auxiliary". Subscriber's tickets will be discounted. Call me with questions, your phone #, and choice of entree at 845-210-7120.

Mail to: Helene Morris, PO Box 105, SPRING GLEN, NY 12483

**" A Taste of Broadway II"**

Sunday, August 27, 2023

Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

11:45 Start / Open Seating

Menu

Chips & Salsa

Gaby's House Salad

**Choice of main entrée****Pollo 5 de Mayo**

Egg battered, pan seared chicken breast with capers, fresh tomato in a reduction of fresh garlic, white wine and lemon juice.

**Pernil al Horno**

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style.

**Veggie Fajita**

Roasted vegetables.

**Dessert**

Assorted Cookies

Soda / Coffee / Tea

**Cash Bar**

**Please call ERH Auxiliary Event Chairperson Helene Morris at 845-210-7120  
with your selection.**

**(You will be given your ticket at the restaurant)**

### Sullivan County Intervention Line for Parents and Teens

Are you a parent struggling with your family?  
Are you a teen having problems at home?

**Help is available now!**

We are here anytime you need to talk.

Give us a call or send us a text and someone will always be there to listen and help you deal with your situation.



**Text 845-372-1817**  
**Call 866-372-2336**

Calls and texts are answered 24/7

A program of the DRC

### Sullivan County Text For Teens

Monday - Friday  
4pm-10pm  
Saturday & Sunday  
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Free & confidential support  
Someone who can listen and help  
Text as often as you need!

We're Here to Listen:  
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Relationship Issues - LGBTQ+ -  
Divorce - School Issues -  
Substance Use -  
Physical/Mental/Sexual Health -  
and more!

**Text "Start" to:**  
**845-637-9486**

OFF HOURS:  
Call 1-888-750-2266, option 2



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Sullivan County Department of Social Services is looking for families who can help fulfill the **DESPERATE NEED** for ages **8-18!**



# FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!



# Wellness Writing Series



## For Veterans and their families

Learn how to:  
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June 15th

July 20th


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# Daniel Pierce Library Summer Reading Program

## "All Together Now" with our Reading Incentives

June 25 to  
August 31  

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All ages

Children Ages 0-5 Years and 6-11 Years

Read all summer, log the number of books and minutes read to receive prizes!

"Tweens", Teens, and Adults

Log the number of books and minutes read and for every 4 books you read you will be entered into our SRP drawing!

Book BINGO Ages 6 - 11 years, "Tweens", Teens Ages 12 - 18 years, and Adults

Pick up reading logs and BINGO sheet at the library or download them from our website.

For more details, please check out our website @ [www.danielpiercelibrary.org](http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org)



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# Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

## All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



# Sunday, September 17th

**Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon**

**Adults: \$11**  
**Children Ages 5-11: \$5**  
**Under 5 Yrs. Free**

Take-outs are available 985-7270

\$50 from the Breakfast Is Donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

***MOVIE NIGHT AT THE FAIRGROUNDS  
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT STARTING AT DUSK***

*Come join us for a free movie evening at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. This year's movie line up is:*

**TRANSFORMERS -  
August 11**



*Our final movie of the season (still to be determined) will be August 25<sup>th</sup>.*

*Movies will start around 8 or 8:30 depending on sunset.*

*Watch the movie from your car or from the grassy area on your blankets and chairs. Bring your snacks and drinks AND BUG SPRAY!*

*Don't forget to check Parks & Rec Facebook page for changes due to weather.*

*Any questions send them to [cwparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:cwparksandrec@gmail.com)*

# Ten Mile River Scout Museum

## CAR SHOW

People's  
Choice  
Trophies

Museum  
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Available  
Bring-A-  
Lunch



All Proceeds Benefit the Museum

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or  
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9 AM

# International Overdose Awareness Day Vigil

A Time to Remember. A Time to Act.



## Join us as we raise awareness about overdoses and reduce the stigma of drug-related deaths.

Hear state and local leaders talk about what is being done to battle the opioid crisis in our community. Open your hearts as families share their stories of loved ones who lost their battle with substance use. Remember those who have passed and celebrate those in recovery. Meet organizations and learn about resources created to face this crisis head on.

We will be joined by local first responders, the Sullivan County Choir, an interpretive dance performance and bag pipers in front of the Sullivan County courthouse that will be lit purple to symbolize overdose awareness.

*This event is brought to you by a community of organizations working together to end the opioid epidemic in Sullivan County.*

Thursday • August 31, 2023  
7pm at the Sullivan County  
Courthouse Lawn,  
414 Broadway, Monticello

*Rain date: Friday, Sept. 1*

For more information, contact  
Lindsay Wheat, Sullivan 180  
Outreach Coordinator, at  
lindsay@sullivan180.org or  
(845) 295-2683.



# Daniel Pierce Library Summer Challenge 2023 All Together Now



## Book BINGO



Print out a Bingo Card from the  
Daniel Pierce Library Website

<http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>

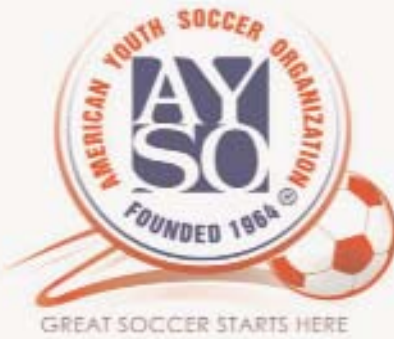
or pick one up from the library!

- Ages 6 - 11 years
- 'Tweens' and Teens Ages 12 - 18 years
- Adults



Have Fun!

To print out a Bingo Card go to: <http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>



### Tri-Valley AYSO Region 1536

For further information: email [aysoregion1536@gmail.com](mailto:aysoregion1536@gmail.com) or contact:  
 Registration Questions: Joan Mingo 845-798-0072 [mtoy4x4@aol.com](mailto:mtoy4x4@aol.com)  
 Payment Questions: Erik Raykoff 845-798-4053 [raykoff@aol.com](mailto:raykoff@aol.com)

# Sign Up for Soccer NOW

## For Boys and Girls ages 3-12

Please visit  
<http://www.trivalleyayso.com>  
 to register and pay online.  
 Registration begins June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Registrations are completed online and you can pay with a credit card. If you are having complications or need to pay by cash / check, we will be having a few meet up dates in August.

### Playground Program ages 3-4:

\$37.75 per player  
 Fee includes a tee-shirt and insurance.

### Core Program (Pre-K - 6<sup>th</sup> grade):

\$67.75 per player - Fee includes eight weeks of soccer, insurance, and AYSO Club membership. Practices are held during the week (August 30<sup>th</sup> - November 4<sup>th</sup>) and most matches are played on Sunday afternoons.

**\$20 Early-Bird Discount if you register before July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### Uniforms:

\$ 40 - includes red and blue jersey, shorts and two pairs of socks. Please bring your child with you when picking up uniforms to ensure proper size. Donations of past uniforms and equipment accepted. They will be available to others free of charge.

**AYSO Soccer Camps!** a one-week long summer soccer camp set at the Ballfields July 10<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup>.. Half day, Full day, Mini-camp and Saturday clinic slots are available. See <http://www.ukssoccer.com> and click on 'Find A Program' for more info.

*Teams fill up quick. Registrations received after August 15th will be placed on a wait list or in a practice program.*



Everyone Plays® | Balanced Teams | Open Registration  
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To register go to: <http://www.trivalleyso.com>



# Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association



*The NRAMA Antique Tractor Show is looking for antique “household” machinery to display at our show this year. Do you have any you want to bring to the show to display?*



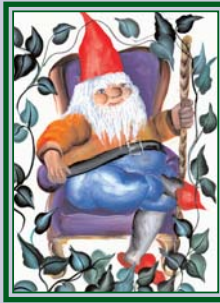
This year the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association (NRAMA) wants to include antique household machinery as part of the Antique Tractor Show. There will be lots of tractors and other large machinery on display—but what about the smaller machinery—the old washing and dryer devices; spinning wheels and sewing machines; ice boxes; cherry pitters, etc.

If you have any household machinery you want to display please contact CHER at [cwparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:cwparksandrec@gmail.com) or 845-985-2401 for more information.



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(845) 985-7411**KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE I  
ON AMAZON WITH PRIME****This week we celebrate our veterans  
at the 2nd Annual VetFest at the  
Grahamsville Fairgrounds on  
Saturday****This week's Classic Movies will reveal  
some of the experiences of our Vets –  
our heroes!****TO HELL AND BACK****Audie Murphy, the most decorated soldier of WWII,  
returned home as hero, then became an actor and  
starred in his own story, "To Hell and Back"**

A Quaker, short in height, yet a mountain of courage. Audie Murphy was of Irish descent and grew up on a farm near Farmersville, and Greenville, in Texas. When his father left the family, Audie stopped his studies at primary school in the fifth grade to help support his family.

Audie Murphy joined the Army in 1942. His first assignment was in Morocco as a replacement in the 3rd Platoon in 1943. As a leader before his rank of Lieutenant, Audie performed well in several battles.

In Italy, his abilities as a combat infantryman earned him promotions and decorations for his heroism.

After being wounded in combat, Murphy was removed from the battlefield and promoted to Lieutenant. The Lieutenant General Alexander Patch, commander of the Army, gave him the Medal of Honor.

Audie Murphy also received 33 U.S. medals for his courage and heroism in battle. He jumped up on a burning tank, and with the tanks 30 cal. machine gun, he stopped a Nazi offensive of over two-hundred men. There were many other acts of heroism.

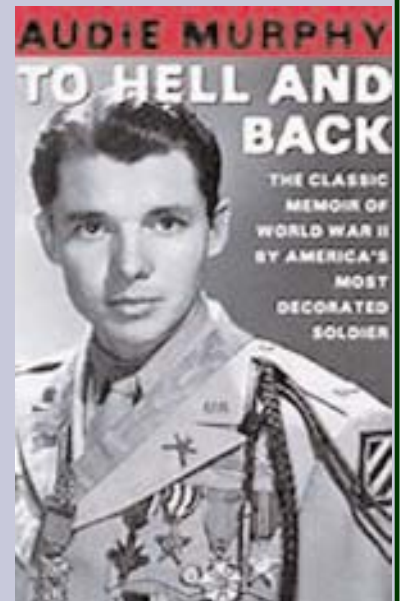
In 1949 Audie Murphy published his autobiography *To Hell and Back*. It quickly became a best seller. In 1955 he made the decision to portray himself in the film version of his book. The movie was a hit and held Universal Studio's record as highest grossing film until 1975.

Audie appeared in more than 40 films.

Plagued by insomnia and nightmares, he suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder throughout his life. He died in a plane crash on May 28, 1971 and was buried in Arlington Cemetery with full military honors. (Contd. Pg. 75)

Answer to last week's Trivia Question: False. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder

This week's question: Who is Angelina Jolie's celebrity dad?



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

***Air Force***

(1943 - 2h 4m - War - TV-G)



A B-17 bomber crew sees World War II action over the Pacific as Pearl Harbor is attacked.

They are challenged when getting caught without ammunition and unexpectedly flying into the dastardly attack on Pearl Harbor is .



Directed by Howard Hawks. Starring John Ridgely, Gig Young, Arthur Kennedy, Harry Carey, and John Garfield..

**KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE**

Amazon Prime, Netflix, IMBd, Vudu, Max  
On YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wwqe5GXmW0c>

**Hurt Locker**

Written by Mark Boal, the film follows an *Iraq War Explosive Ordnance Disposal* team who are targeted by insurgents and shows their psychological reactions to the stress of combat.



A well-acted, intensely shot, action filled war epic. During the Iraq War, a Sergeant recently assigned to an army bomb squad is put at odds with his squad mates due to his maverick way of handling his work.



Jeremy Renner as Sergeant First Class William James, delivers an emotional performance as a man chasing consistent adrenaline rushes, as he is someone who struggles to be in the silence of life and needs that chaotic rush to feel alive.

Directed by Kathryn Bigelow and written by Mark Boal. Starring: Jeremy Renner, Anthony Mackie and Brian Geraghty



**See you at the Vet Fest!**

Stay safe & Stay well,

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Gnome