



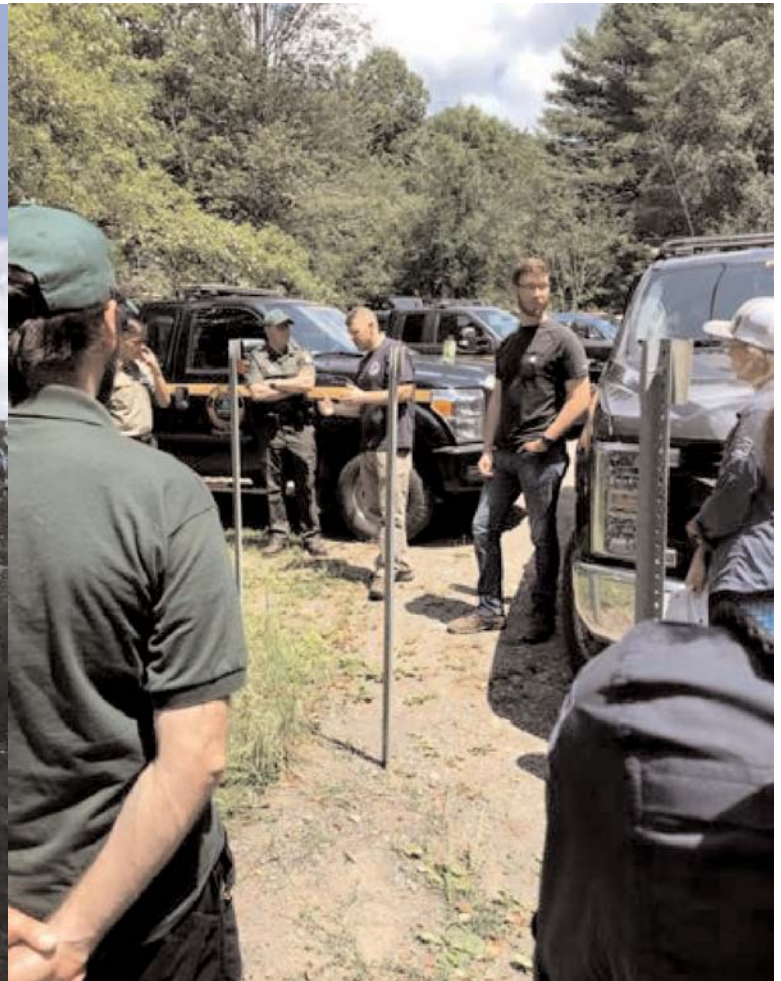
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## Sundown Wild Forest Area of the Peekamoose Valley Riparian Corridor – Site for Nuisance Wildlife Training



On July 23, Region 3 Division of Fish and Wildlife staff provided information about nuisance bears to Forest Rangers, Assistant Forest Rangers, and Stewards in the Sundown Wild Forest Area of the Peekamoose Valley Riparian Corridor. Topics included bear behavior and bear hazing methods to help change bear behavior and avoid conflicts with humans. Recently, this area has experienced an uptick in contact with nuisance bears because of food and garbage left behind by recreational visitors. While the DEC training was taking place, one of the problem bears showed up and was hazed with rubber buckshot. This spring, DEC launched the 'Love Our New York Lands' campaign to encourage New Yorkers to be prepared, stay safe, and minimize damage to public resources through the use of Leave No Trace™ and other practices. In addition, for information about how New Yorkers can reduce conflicts with bears, visit DEC's website

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather in humility value others above yourselves. Philippians 2:3

**DAYS OF YORE...****Today's History****August 8, 1951**

Thunder Ranch, the former I.C. Slater farm, has recently been enlarged by the purchase of the adjacent Hodes property which approximates 200 acres. The horse ranch now includes about 600 acres of woods, pasture and meadow land. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker of the Concord Hotel at Kiamesha raise Western quarter horses. There are now fourteen horses at the ranch.

Poles for the new high tension line from the proposed hydro-electric plant at Grahamsville to the Dairyland station are being set up by Central Hudson. The poles have been trucked in and moved to positions along the right of way by I.E. Wilcox of Roscoe, the contractor who has been clearing the right of way.

Mr. Richard Slater, a student at State Tech., Binghamton, New York, has acquired a position with the Technical Service at Solvay Processes at Syracuse. Mr. Slater is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Slater of Claryville and a graduate of Liberty High School, Class of '50.

**August 9, 1961**

Miss Paula Allen was guest of honor at a bridal shower last Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Allen Jones. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Vernon Gridley Jr., and Mrs. Ray Muthig. Miss Allen will become the bride of Mr. Thomas A. Smith this Saturday.

Carl Rubenzahl, 7, died July 26th at Liberty Maimonides Hospital following an operation. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubenzahl of Neversink. Survivors include his parents; four brothers, Moe, Marty, Arthur and Murray.

Many people are having trouble with raccoons that are bothering their crops and poultry. At the Robert Many farm, they have been seen trying to pull a hen through the wire on the windows and have even gone so far as to rip the wire off.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy of Grahamsville are parents of a son born on July 28th at Loomis Hospital.

The Grahamsville Methodist Church under the able leadership of Dr. and Mrs. McCombe has started a program to raise money to renovate the interior of the church. On Sunday, August 6th, the official opening of the campaign, \$1,198.70 was handed in.

August 8, 1971 - Sp.4 Harry McIntosh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight McIntosh of

Bradley, has been awarded the Army Commendation Medal at Tuy Hoa Air Force Base in Viet Nam. The medal was awarded to him for leadership and outstanding job above and beyond standard duty. Harry is a 1968 Tri-Valley School graduate.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul DeWire of Sugarloaf Road, Grahamsville, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Martha Lorraine to Harold E. Godowski Jr. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Godowski of Scranton, Pa. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School. An October wedding is planned.

Very belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Christian M. Holmes of Varga Rd. on the birth of their daughter, Julianna. She was born on July 21st in Monticello Community General Hospital and weighed 9 lbs. 10 oz.

**August 13, 1981**

Cynthia Sauchuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sauchuck of Grahamsville, has been awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree from Flagler College, St. Augustine, Fla. Miss Sauchuck, who majored in physical education, was captain of the women's basketball team and president of the P.E. Major's Club.

Morris Slater of Claryville, a life-long area resident, died Sunday in Community General Hospital in Harris, after a short illness. He was 72. The son of the late Ralph and Nellie Everett Slater, he was born June 22, 1909 in Claryville. Mr. Slater was a member of the Claryville Dutch Reformed Church.

This week Dr. and Mrs. William Payne, summer residents of Glade Hill, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Their three children, with their wives and husbands, and seven grandchildren came from California, Texas and London, England. Also, Dr. Payne's 87 year old sister from California. This year marks the Payne's 46th year in their home. Glade hill neighbors assembled on Sunday to help celebrate the occasion.

Nancy Conjura and Stephen Cypert of the Tri-Valley FFA attended a National FFA Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. this week. They toured the office of Matt McHugh and toured the historical sites of the nation's capital.

## Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Fish Stocking Program

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

## Better Understand the Probation Department Through Its New Facebook Page

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County's Probation Department just launched a Facebook page, designed to keep the local public informed of the activities and accomplishments of this busy part of the Division of Emergency Management: [www.facebook.com/scnyprobation](http://www.facebook.com/scnyprobation).

"It's important for people to better understand the role the Probation Department plays in supervising and rehabilitating convicted offenders, promoting public safety and serving as a community resource," explains Probation Director Pennie Huber.

The first post is already up, detailing the 2021 winners of the Sullivan County Probation Officers Association's Jacob E. Gunther III Memorial Scholarships. Future posts will show how officers conduct their activities, what rules they function under, and the breadth of services and resources available to those on probation.

"This page will do much more than just display 'wanted' posters," affirms District 4 Legislator Nicholas Salomone Jr., chair of the Legislature's Public Safety Committee. "While the County will welcome people's help in tracking down absconders, Probation's Facebook presence will highlight the many facets of Department operations, giving taxpayers an in-depth look at how we're spending their dollars and making our communities safer."

In addition to the Facebook page, the Probation Department maintains a page on the County website at [www.sullivanny.us/Departments/Probation](http://www.sullivanny.us/Departments/Probation) and can be reached at 845-807-0351.

## Household Hint:

### Mildew on your Wooden Deck?

Remove mildew from wood decks and wood patio furniture by sponging them off with a solution of 1 cup ammonia, 1/2 cup white vinegar, and 1/4 cup baking soda mixed in 1 gallon water. Keep an old toothbrush on hand to work the solution into corners and other tight spaces.

## Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

## The Bear Facts!

The buzz in Sundown the past few weeks has been the bears! I believe by now just about everyone living on Peekamoose Road has had a close up view of at least one bear in their yard this summer. As you will see by the article on the front page, Sundown and Peekamoose, once again are in the news.



Photo by Laura Nasierowski

Doing a little research I found out that there are approximately 1500 to 2000 Black Bear living in the Catskill Mountains. The average male black bear weighs around 300 pounds while the female will weigh around 160 pounds, however it has been known that a male black bear can reach up to 750 pounds! Black bears are omnivores. Their diets vary according to the season and their location. They have erect, rounded ears, a long, narrow brown muzzle and a short tail. They prefer to live in wild forest areas that are mixed with conifers and deciduous trees - and prefer to live

where humans don't venture too often. Black Bear are known to roam a range of up to 60 square miles while the females range is smaller - 7 to 30 square miles. They are active from dawn to dusk, however in a heavily human populated area, they often roam at night. Black Bears can be found in most of New York State.

The heavy bear population in the Catskills maybe be due to the many natural stone caves that provide suitable dens for hibernating bear. This is especially important for the female who gives birth to her young during January.

There are certain ways of telling that a black bear is in your neighborhood. Most of us know the first sign is at our bird feeders! Other ways to know is to look for claw marks in trees. You may see them about 4 to 7 feet off the ground. This is a way that Black Bears marks its territory. You will also notice bear scat. And you may see some rocks turned over and diggings into the ground. Bears like to eat ants and insects as well as berries, nuts, fruit, acorns, grubs, carion, grass, corn, honey, bird seed, pet food when left outside and of course, things in the trash. A bear usually walks at a slow pace, but they can suddenly sprint up to 40 miles per hour in which case you can't outrun them.

Black bear are excellent at climbing trees and swimming, too. They have poor eyesight, but their sense of smell more than compensates for their eyesight. When you see a bear stand on it's hind legs - it is probably smelling you. This isn't necessarily a sign of aggression, but a normal activity.

Feeding bears creates human-bear conflicts. When bears learn to obtain food from humans, they can become bold and aggressive. Deliberate and **intentional feeding of bears is illegal in New York State** (visit the NYS DEC website). Feeding them is bad for bears. Bears' natural foraging habits and behavior can be changed. Often when feeding on garbage or camper's supplies, bears will eat unhealthy materials such as soap, shaving cream, insect repellent, food packaging, etc.

And one last fascinating fact - a bear can lift a rock that is 3 times its own weight. No wonder the heavy dumpsters had to be reinforced!

## Office for the Aging, Sullivan 180 Launch 'OFA on Wheels!'

Ferndale, NY - Sullivan County's Office for the Aging and Sullivan 180 are proud to announce the "OFA on Wheels!" a mobile resource for seniors



*Previously used as a mobile classroom, this retrofitted school bus will be making the rounds of Sullivan County, bringing the Office for the Aging's services to area communities, courtesy of the County and Sullivan 180.*

in Sullivan County. OFA on Wheels! is a bus, retrofitted with laptops and Internet connection, that will be brought to towns across the County to allow seniors to get help accessing resources and benefits. OFA on Wheels! will be manned by Sullivan 180's Project Intern and local EMT Samantha Dorn, who will assist individuals in signing up for Office for the Aging services, register for their COVID-19 vaccine if needed, and receive their farmer's market coupon booklets. Seniors (55+) will also be able to have their blood pressure checked and complete a pre-diabetes assessment if they would like. And every senior who visits the bus will get a free diabetes prevention tote bag full of gifts from our partners.

The bus will be open to all the following Thursdays and Fridays in August and September from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.:

- August 5 & 6, Callicoon Train Depot Parking Lot
- August 12 & 13, Sullivan BOCES Parking Lot, Liberty (across from the Liberty Diner)
- August 19 & 20, Livingston Manor Fire Dept. Parking Lot
- August 25 & 26, Narrowsburg (location to be determined)
  - September 2 & 3, Neversink Fire Dept. Parking Lot
- September 9 & 10, Roscoe-Rockland Fire Dept. Parking Lot
- September 16 & 17, Fallsburg Fire Dept. Parking Lot, South Fallsburg
- September 23 & 24, Wurtsboro Fire Dept. Parking Lot (at the new firehouse on the corner of Pine and Canal streets)

For more information about the OFA on Wheels! please email Samantha Dorn at [sdorn@sullivan180.org](mailto:sdorn@sullivan180.org) or call 845-295-2680.

**Sullivan County Office for the Aging's mission** is to be the lead advocate for the older population of Sullivan County, made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature, NYS Office for the Aging and the Older Americans Act. OFA envisions wellness and independence in aging through adequate and accessible community-based supports. To contact the Sullivan County Office for the Aging, please call 845-794-3000 ext. 0241 or visit their website at [www.sullivanny.us/Departments/Aging](http://www.sullivanny.us/Departments/Aging).

**Sullivan 180's mission** is to foster and support community efforts to improve the health of all residents. Its goal is to turn this ranking around by 180 degrees. With the understanding that this is a long-term effort, Sullivan 180 is committed to change by degrees, the kind of slow, steady and enduring transformation that is thoughtfully conceived and implemented.

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## Green Living Expo with Climate Smart Solutions Center at the UC Fair

New Paltz, NY – Did you know you can compost in your own backyard? Did you know you can buy solar energy without putting solar panels on your roof? Did you know your TV is considered hazardous waste and illegal to just throw it away - but you can recycle it for free? Are you curious about simple steps you can take to reduce your carbon footprint or promote sustainable climate smart practices in your life and your community?

Then stop by the Climate Smart Solutions Center at the Ulster County Fair August 3 thru August 8 sponsored by the Ulster County Climate Smart Committee (UCCSC) where volunteers from local Climate Smart committees from across the county will be happy to share information on these and other topics aimed at promoting sustainable climate smart actions we can incorporate into our everyday lives.

Ulster County Legislator Manna Jo Green, Chair of the UC Climate Smart Committee (UCCSC) praised the volunteers who pulled together this "Greening the Ulster County Fair" effort with the dozens of stakeholders, resources and "Green Living" vendors expected to be on hand.

"Climate Smart Community Taskforce members from all over Ulster County volunteered to help educate the public about how people can take actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as individuals and at the community level," explained Kim Mayer a member of the Climate Smart Gardiner Taskforce and the UCCSC who helped to organize the Climate Smart Solutions Center.

"The Ulster County Fair has a long history of smart environmentally friendly practices and we thank the Ulster County Agricultural Society that organizes the fair for making the Climate Smart Solutions Center possible," said Greene. "And we look forward to this event growing even bigger next year." According to Greene and Mayer "Greening the Ulster County Fair" was a team effort that included representatives from Cornell Cooperative Extension, Ulster County Department of the Environment, Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, Sustainable Hudson Valley, New Paltz Climate Action Coalition, Sierra Club and others worked together to make this possible. Joining them at the Green Living Expo tent are the green vendors with information about solar power, hydro power, heat pumps, and other sustainability products.

"We are offering some fun and educational activities for kids and adults, too," said Mayer, "like a crossword puzzle scavenger hunt with a raffle, origami woodpecker folding and other giveaways - while supplies last."

"Most people recognize we have a climate problem," said Greene "now it is time to talk about climate solutions."

So, look for the giant Redheaded Woodpecker near the Climate Smart Solutions Center and stop by for some fun activities and useful information August 3 thru August 8 at the Ulster County Fair.

## The Basel Killings Mysterious Book Report No. 458 by John Dwaine Mc Kenna



*The Basel Killings* (Bitter Lemon Press, PB, 268 pages, \$15.95, ISBN 978-1-913394-54-7) by Hansjörg Schneider was the winner of the Friedrich Glauser Prize, Germany's most prestigious crime fiction award. The novel begins with a pair of murders when an "old vagabond" named Hardy is killed on a park bench in the city of Basel, and a 'lady of the night' is pulled out of a nearby lake. Both victims had been strangled and their left earlobes cut open with scissors to remove valuable earrings one containing a diamond, and the other a pearl. Basel Police Inspector Peter Hunkeler digs into both murders and finds himself drawn ever deeper into an edgy world of bars, strip clubs, and

the corrupt core of the city's political elite . . . as well as the offices of a few titans of industry. Hunkeler, following nothing but his gut instincts doesn't think the murders are the work of Albanian and Turkish narco criminals, like his fellow detectives—who want a quick resolution—do. He's quickly suspended and in danger of losing his job, but continues on his own, neck-deep in Romanian gypsies and recent Swiss events that the power mongers would prefer to keep out of the public eye.

*The Basel Killings*, is a mystery novel, combined with a social and historical plot that points out the dangerous effects of absolute majority rule. But it's not only an exciting murder mystery, it's also a stunning trip into the beauty of the Swiss countryside and geography. Peter Hunkeler's a flawed, but unforgettable character who'll leave readers addicted and looking for more. The good news is, they're coming soon!



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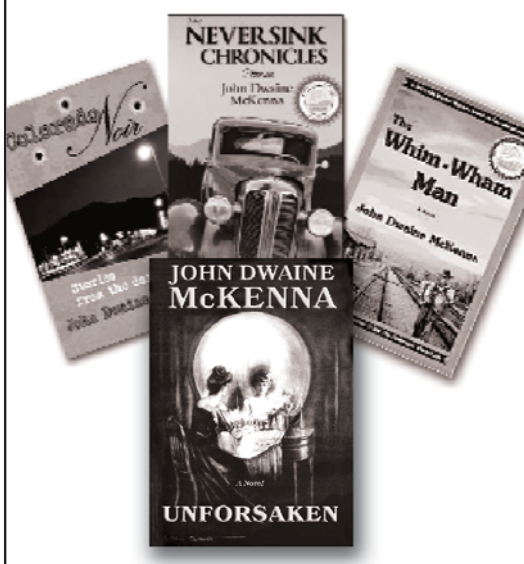
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## Galligan Announces Sentencing of Cedric Clarkson Liberty Murder of Jailyn Flecha

Sullivan County District Attorney Meagan K. Galligan announced that Cedric Clarkson, 50, of Liberty, was sentenced to a prison term of 22 years to life before the Sullivan County Court on his conviction for murdering Jailyn Flecha last November.

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Clarkson had previously admitted that he killed Flecha in the Village of Liberty home the two shared with their children, by beating her with a weapon on November 29, 2020. After the murder, Clarkson moved Flecha's body into a shed behind the home. Flecha was 30 years old.

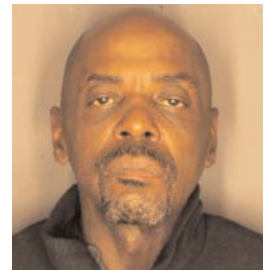
As part of his guilty plea on May 28, Clarkson waived his trial and appellate rights. Today, Galligan's Office joined Flecha's family and loved ones in arguing that no sentence could repair the damage caused by Clarkson's callous acts.

County Court Judge Jim Farrell ultimately sentenced Clarkson to 22 years to life in prison, noting the deliberate and personal nature of Clarkson's attack on the victim.

Galligan said, "This defendant devastated our community by viciously killing the mother of his children. I thank Jailyn's family for standing up for her in court and stepping up to care for and raise her children. Jailyn leaves behind a legacy of love and friendship that cannot be extinguished even by this defendant's callous crime. My Office will continue to work with Jailyn's family toward ensuring that they, and our community, are protected from this defendant for the rest of his natural life."



Jailyn Flecha



Cedric Clarkson

Galligan thanked ADA Steven Goldberg, the Village of Liberty Police Department, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, the New York State Police Forensic Identification Unit, and her Office's police investigators for their diligent work on this case.

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# The Olive Jar

By Carol Olsen LaMonda

## Quilting Bee



We have a friend who has been a quadriplegic for over three decades. For years, my two friends, Lois Ostapczuk and Sue Coccozza, have visited her at the Baptist Home at Brookmeade, Rhinebeck every two weeks to cheer her and arrange her

However, if we combine our skills and effort, we can make that quilt for Pat Martin in a day or two. So, that's the plan...an old-fashioned Quilting Bee.

room and help her select her food menu for the fortnight. They would help her select her wardrobe for the highlight of her week which was to return to her home and husband and caretaker on the weekend. I, like many friends, did not visit often enough. Well, Covid 19 put the "cabosh" to the visits to her and for her home visits.

On Monday we plan to assemble at the Legion Hall, our usual senior art place, with mats, rotary cutters, irons, material and sewing machines. The product planned is a "scrappy" quilt with all of us contributing material in Pat's favorite colors of aqua, green, and purple.

My friend Lois said she planned to make a quilt for her, Pat Martin, since her bed is really her home. As you know, a quilt is a labor of love, sewing skills, and a whole lot of effort. Many of my friends are quilters and one, Donna Kopf, can make a quilt each week. My other quilter friends: Lois, Jane, Marie, MaryAnn, Dianna, Janette, Judy, and Diane can create one in a few weeks, and some, like me, would never attempt one as project of a lifetime.

You can be sure there will be a whole lot of gabbing and sharing as we add our stitches to Pat's quilt. We'll be sure to take lots of pictures of our quilting bee so Pat can experience the love sewn into every seam. Just think about how wonderful it is to enjoy the company of friends at the same time as producing a quilt that Pat Martin will know was made especially for her by people who care. The warmth of the quilt will be both physical and spiritual, a reminder that she is not forgotten.



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## Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan Announces The Retirement of Commissioner of Public Works Tom Jackson

Kingston, N.Y. - County Executive Pat Ryan announces that after a distinguished career in public service, Commissioner of the Ulster County Department of Public Works Tom Jackson has announced his retirement after 27-years of public service.

"I want to thank Tom Jackson for his 27-years of service and his dedication to Ulster County," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "Through his services in multiple critical Ulster County Departments and his time as Marbletown Supervisor, Tom Jackson has exemplified what it means to be a true public servant. His work on behalf of the county will be sorely missed and I wish him all the best as he enters the next phase of his life."

"It has been my great pleasure to serve the residents of Ulster County as the Commissioner of Public Works," Tom Jackson said. "I feel confident that I leave behind a highly competent and dedicated team to carry on the mission of constructing and maintaining County infrastructure to the highest possible standards. I thank County Executive Pat Ryan and his administration, as well as the County Legislature and all of the other County offices for their support and guidance. I will miss you all."

During his 27-year public service career, Jackson served in various capacities including as the Director of the Ulster County Real Property Tax Service Agency, the Public Transit Coordinator, the Supervisor for the Town of Marbletown, and since 2017 as the Commissioner of the Ulster County Department of Public Works.

The Ulster County Department of Public Works serves as the operational arm of Ulster County government in the construction, maintenance, and management of county infrastructure and facilities for their safe, economical, and efficient utilization by county personnel and the public.

Brendan Masterson will serve as the acting-Director of Public Works.





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**Nina Postupack,  
Ulster County Clerk,  
Welcomes Historic  
Huguenot Street's "Pathway  
to the Ballot Box" Immersive  
Theatre Program  
to the Matthewis Persen  
House Museum**

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to announce that on Saturday, August 7, 2021, Historic Huguenot Street will host the Matthewis Persen House located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free and all are welcome.

On Saturday, August 7 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, join Historic Huguenot Street as they bring a preview of their new "Pathway to the Ballot Box" immersive theatre program to the Persen House! Throughout the experience visitors will come face-to-face with a local female historical figure, who will tell

her story and answer audience questions about her life and time period. There will also be information available about regular guided tours on Huguenot Street in New Paltz, as well as their special exhibits and events.

"We are very excited to help Historic Huguenot Street launch this new program," states County Clerk Postupack. "This experience will bring history alive for all participants and we are so happy to have them at the Persen House!"



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



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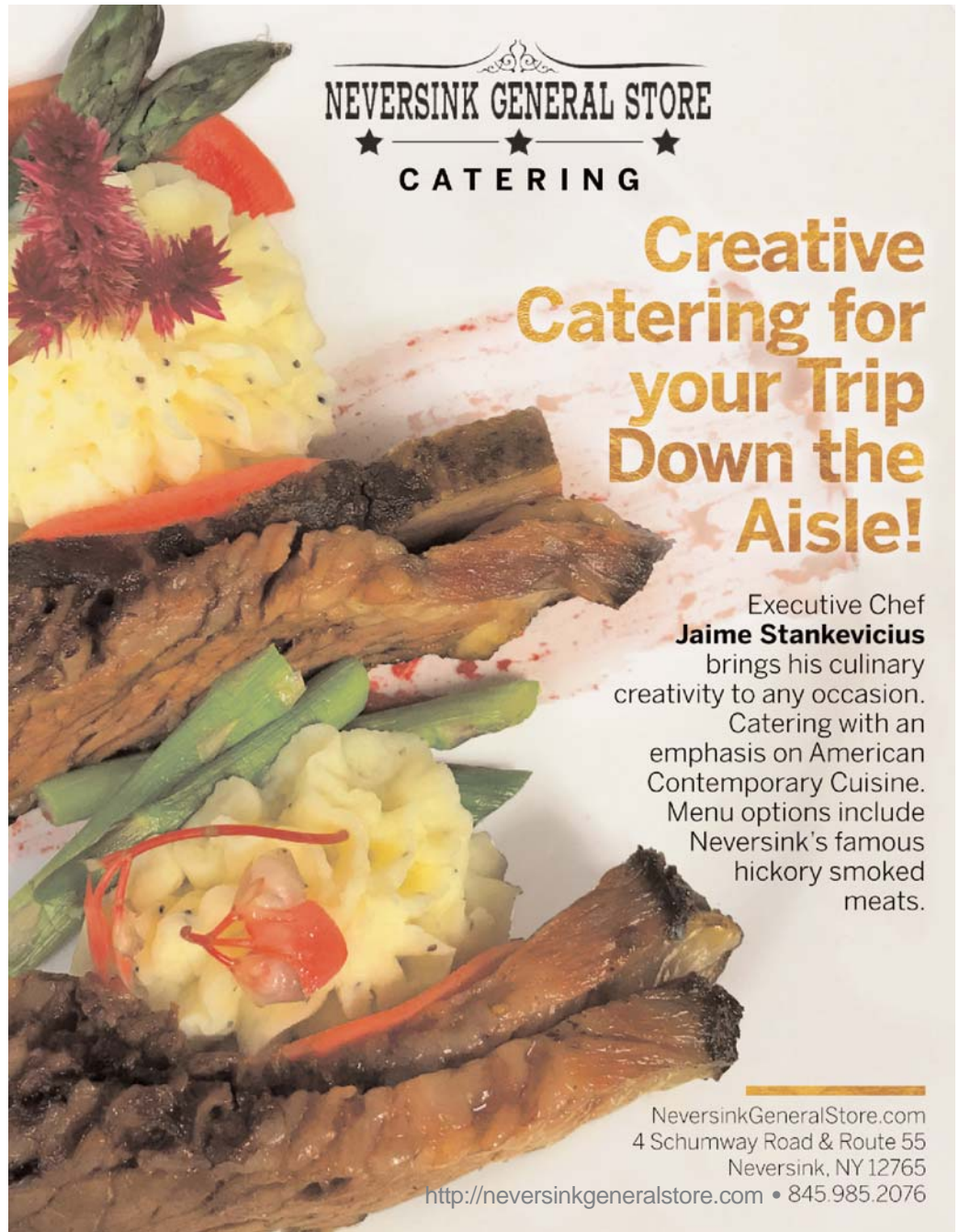
How you share each other's company is entirely up to you- casual or fancy dining, outdoor activities, shopping, craft beverage tastings, self-care. We've got all that and more. Here are a few fun ideas to consider:

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In the heat of summer, being on or in the water is splashtastic! Try your hand at kayaking, canoeing, rafting, or tubing. You can also go jump in a lake at one of our town parks, lounge in a pool at one of our resort hotels or dive into the always-84-degrees waterpark at Kartrite Resort and Indoor Waterpark.

Liquid satisfaction doesn't have to end there. Check out the Good Taste Beverage Trail- our collection of breweries, distilleries, cideries, and wineries. There are more than a dozen to sample, so designate a driver... "rock, paper, scissors..." DD's worry not. Your friends can purchase beverages to take home so you can taste and sip in your room. Speaking of which, our accommodations range from full-service resorts to campgrounds and everything in between. What's your pleasure for your sleepover weekend?

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## Tenney and Thompson Introduce Bipartisan Resolution to Commemorate Civil Air Patrol's 80th Anniversary

Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22) and Congressman Mike Thompson (CA-05) today introduced a resolution to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP), which was founded on December 1, 1941, to assist the United States as a civilian defense organization during World War II.

The resolution recognizes the historical contributions by the CAP over the course of its 80-year history. Specifically, at its early stages during WWII, the CAP tracked enemy aircraft, deterred enemy submarines, and conducted radiological monitoring as well as counter drug reconnaissance.

Today, the CAP assists state and local agencies, the Coast guard, the National Guard, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the America Red Cross and first responders in a variety of ways including aerial and ground search, rescue, and disaster operations.

"The individuals serving in the Civil Air Patrol play a critical role in our national security and have been doing so honorably for 80 years. From providing support in the second World War to helping our first responders immediately after 9/11 and so much more, the Civil Air Patrol has always been ready to serve at a moment's

notice. I am honored to introduce this bipartisan resolution to recognize the tremendous accomplishments, contributions, and services of the Civil Air Patrol," said Congresswoman Tenney.

"The Civil Air Patrol is made up of our nation's best, volunteers who are willing to put on a uniform and keep our nation safe at only a moment's notice. Today, I'm proud to co-lead the introduction of a bipartisan resolution recognizing the 80th Anniversary of the Civil Air Patrol and I'll continue working to support those in the patrol so they can continue responding to disaster when needed," said Congressman Thompson.

The Civil Air Patrol states, "CAP saves lives and shapes lives. As a non-profit, chartered by Congress, helping states and communities and the Air Force Auxiliary performing federal missions, CAP is an organization of "national interest" to Congress.

During FY20, it saved 130 lives and flew 70,917 hours in 560 aircraft on missions including search and rescue, disaster relief, homeland defense, and homeland security; supported states and communities, and conducted youth orientation flights. CAP's youth and aerospace education programs are world class...teaching young Americans how to be great citizens and dynamic leaders."

Tenney and Thompson also led 87 of their House colleagues in a letter to the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee seeking discretionary funding to support the CAP's mission and operations for the 2022 Fiscal Year.

## The Scene Too

-Jane Harrison

My cat Lefty was complaining to me about not having any sun to sit in, and I had to explain to him there won't be any sun for a while yet (or maybe until next summer) because of the drought conditions on the west coast that don't allow these fires to be fought with any degree of efficiency. There just is no water!

The air quality has been so bad recently that I've been masked even to take out the trash. What I'm curious about is why on days like last Monday, where one could actually see the orangish yellowish haze and the odor of smoke was strong, I did not receive an air quality alert on my phone. I always do.

That aside, I braved the traffic and ventured out to Mountindale last Friday to see two fun bands and check out two new venues. I've been to Mountindale maybe three times in the twelve years I've lived here. It was like so much of Sullivan County. The store facades were painted and well kept and the Main Street looked really nice. And pretty much all empty. So when I heard there were things happening there I had to see for myself.

The HIGH VOLTAGE on Old Post Road just off Main Street has an amazing bar and live music stage called THE CREEK and



made of branches with THE CREEK above it. From here, all you see is nature EXCEPT for a small wooden sign with an arrow. As one follows the path and the additional signs, you begin to hear rushing water. Then you come to an opening with picnic



*R Squared*

tables, padded seating around a fire pit (there is another fire pit on the far end of the clearing), all well spaced for social distancing, and open space in front of the stage for those who wish to bring their own chairs. There is what appears to be a makeshift bar that is anything but from which one can get a drink and order food.

I'm a believer in kismet. I had met the lead singer RON RODKIN a week ago last Wednesday at CASWYN MOON'S Open Mic at CABERNET FRANK'S in Parksville. And I liked what I heard from the few songs he did and he shrugged, and said I really needed to hear the whole band. OK. Then Thursday I'm at the vet and

if you're looking for a new experience, this is somewhere you should check out. At the sidewalk, next to HIGH VOLTAGE, is an entryway that if I remember correctly, is

who do I see but Mr RON RODKIN with the cutest beagle. That's how I learned R SQUARED was at THE CREEK. Kismet.

R SQUARED (RON, vocals and guitar; RIGO ALCOVER, guitar; and MARC YAEGER on drums) is what only can be described as bright, engaging and fresh. They had me at their creative but still recognizable take on HANDLE ME WITH CARE by the Traveling Wilburys. I don't remember the last band that even attempted that song! Brilliant! This is one of those bands that's high on my 'see again' list.



*Cawdaddy*

than CRAWDADDY! More kismet. I was shocked to hear they were back in the area so soon. I also am shocked, because I hold them all in such high esteem collectively and individually because of their backgrounds, that I'm not reduced to blubbing fan-speak in their presence. (I'll explain that to you at some time in the future.) It was also humbling that I was greeted like a long time friend. I'm not sure if they are coming back through anytime soon, because I know where their August gigs are booked. If they do, mark your calendar and go see the best New Orleans style Blues before you have to lay out big bucks for a ticket.

Then Saturday, mainly because it was the only full day of sun that I've seen in a good while, I drove to Woodstock and

spent a good part of the day with one of my best friends. The high point for both of us was an environmental presentation that included birds of prey from the RAVENSBEARD. This sanctuary is for injured wildlife. And I met this guy. He'd been hit by a car and is totally blind now, but he/she is still absolutely magnificent!



With all that's

going on, go see some music, go check out sanctuaries like RAVENSBEARD and see what they do...go do SOMETHING! (because I have a feeling we're headed for more of the same from 2020)

Mask up!

Until next time.....

Then it was off to THE DALE....which one can walk across the street to. The vibe here is more a comfortable sheek, where the owner and the staff make you feel immediately welcome. This too is an outside venue with picnic table seating, also well spaced. And the band? None other



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## The Woodstock 17th Annual Volunteers Day - A Day of Gratitude will take place this summer on August 21st

All current and retired volunteers will be treated to lunch, and welcomed as the "Guests of Honor." A music concert will take place all day on Andy Lee Field Recreation Park at 58 Rock City Road to celebrate and thank all those who volunteer. The public is invited, and welcome to be there for the celebration.

### Music, Food, Fun for Kids and Fireworks

The event is a community thank you for all those kind, generous and brave people who provide services, feed the hungry, help to keep us safe and make our world a better place. All current and retired volunteers are celebrated.

The event starts with lunch from 12:00 Noon until 3:00 PM contact WAIv to reserve a table.

Fun for kids between 12:00 Noon and 4:00 PM

Entertainment all day long until dark.

Food trucks available after 4:00 PM: Green Palette and Ram's Valley Outpost Jerk Chicken

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For more information go to the Volunteers Day website and Facebook:

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<https://www.phoeniciavoicfest.org/volunteer>

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Note: If it is raining, we will cancel and glean on the Tuesday or Thursday of that week instead. If the weather is questionable, be sure to check in with us before 8am the morning you are planning to glean. We ask everyone to please register before coming.

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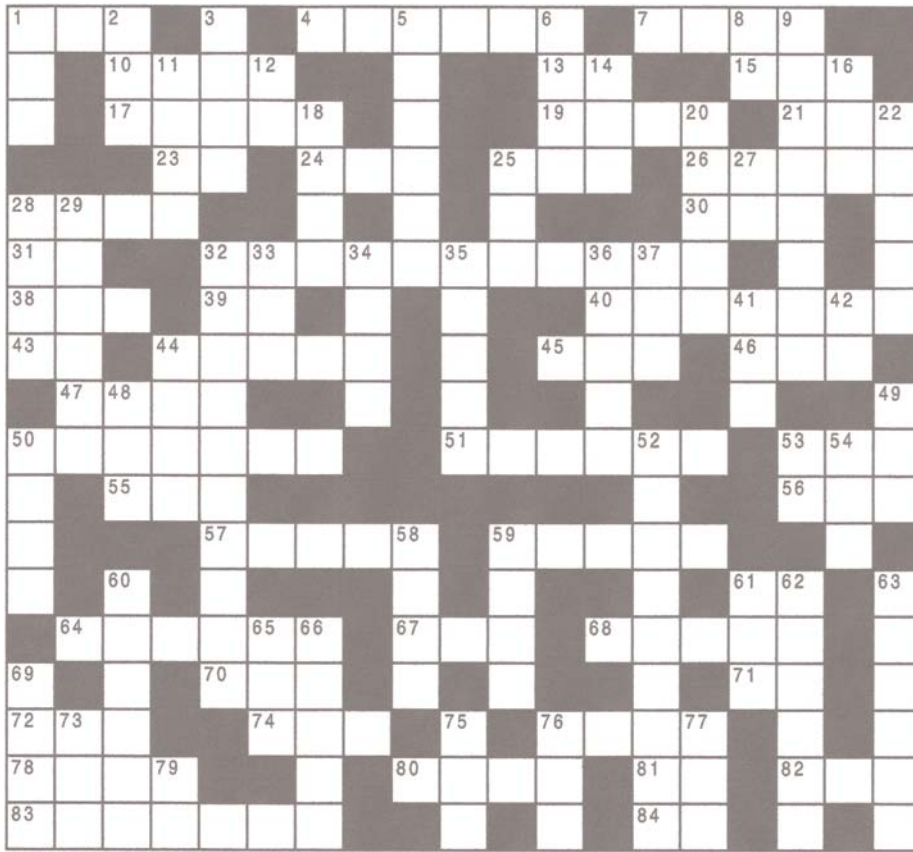
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Completed entry forms must be returned no later than 1pm on  
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*See Ya at the Fair*



Here's to the Quilters! ... - L. Comando



**ACROSS**  
 1 A small piece  
 4 Cloth  
 7 Used to express pain  
 10 Having considerable skill  
 13 Either  
 15 Flat rowing blade  
 17 Wooden timber  
 19 Fibrous material of a tree  
 21 Hard kernel of a fruit  
 23 Registered Nurse  
 24 Material that valuable minerals are extracted from  
 25 No longer new  
 26 Condition of something already agreed  
 28 International standard serial number

30 Sweet potato  
 31 Rhode Island  
 32 Worth collecting  
 38 Mischievous child  
 39 Learning Disabled  
 40 Ornamental screen behind an altar  
 43 Starting Point  
 44 Three-dimensional presentation  
 45 Descendent of the boar  
 46 Affirmative response  
 47 Stolen valuables  
 50 State of the atmosphere  
 51 Sole right to utilize an invention  
 53 Jane's newest friend (Pg. 11)  
 55 Clear space on a golf course  
 56 Negative

answer  
 57 Worker in metal  
 59 Intersect  
 61 Advertisement  
 64 Attractively old-fashioned  
 67 Bite sharply  
 68 Cut and shape hard material  
 70 Contraction of English "nother"  
 71 Chemical element Einsteinium  
 72 Take something as a means to accomplish a purpose  
 74 Cardinal number  
 76 Used to hang things on  
 78 Having whirled around  
 80 A cool primary color  
 81 A Galilean moon of Jupiter  
 82 Comb.  
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ing to the earth  
 83 A large lidded laundry basket  
 84 Affirmative exclamation  
**DOWN**  
 1 Long metal pole  
 2 Restaurant bill  
 3 Interrelated families  
 5 Gentle wind  
 6 Large loose hood  
 8 Colorado (abbrev)  
 8 Made by hand  
 11 Bought into existence  
 12 Chemical element Erbium  
 14 Slender straight stick  
 16 Regret  
 18 Small

model of the human figure  
 20 Device for drying something  
 22 Stumbles  
 25 Tenth month (abbrev)  
 27 Iowa (abbrev)  
 28 Showy ornamental flower  
 29 Not compound  
 32 Wooden or plastic clip used to hang clothes to dry  
 33 Strange  
 34 Calm  
 35 Clasp  
 36 Seawater  
 37 Lower limb of a human  
 41 Organ of vision  
 42 A bone (Latin)  
 44 A tiny

piece of substance  
 48 Cereal plant  
 49 Cunning  
 50 Clean  
 52 Wishful affection for the past  
 53 Rested upon  
 54 Path  
 58 Attached to  
 59 Drinking containers

60 Where cultural and historical objects are exhibited  
 61 Avenue  
 62 Art of conceiving and producing a plan  
 63 New World Vulture  
 65 Emphatically negating a statement

66 Woody perennial plants  
 69 Shrub  
 73 Mineral spring  
 75 Multiple Listing Service  
 76 Writing implement  
 77 Leguminous Asian plant known for edible seeds  
 79 Chemical element Neptunium

**Garlic Brown Sugar Chicken Thighs**

- 8 bone-in, skin-on chicken thighs
- salt and ground black pepper, to taste
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter, divided
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon dried basil

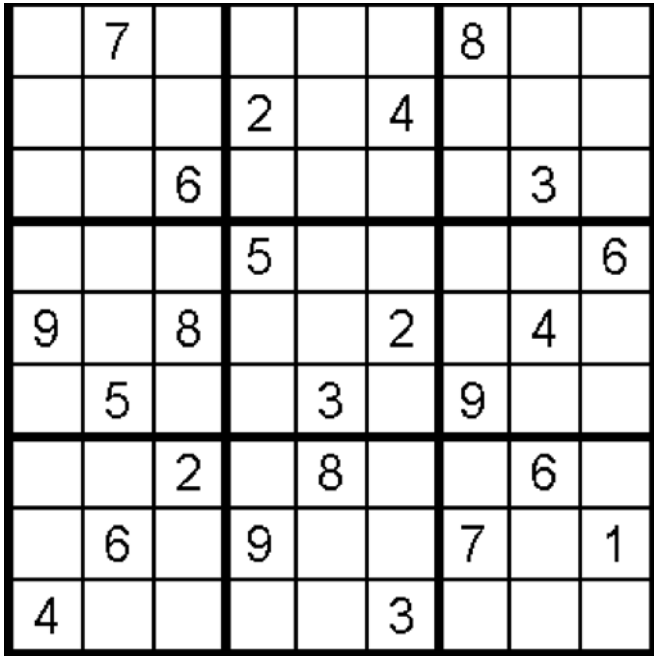
Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F.  
 Season chicken thighs with salt and pepper.

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a large ovenproof skillet over medium-high heat. Add chicken, skin-side down, and sear until brown, 2 to 3 minutes per side. Remove chicken to a plate.

Melt remaining butter in the skillet. Add garlic; cook and stir until fragrant. Remove from heat and stir in brown sugar, honey, oregano, thyme, and basil until well combined. Return chicken to the skillet.

Bake in the preheated oven until chicken is no longer pink at the bone and the juices are clear (25 to 30 minutes). An instant-read thermometer inserted near the bone should read 165 degrees F

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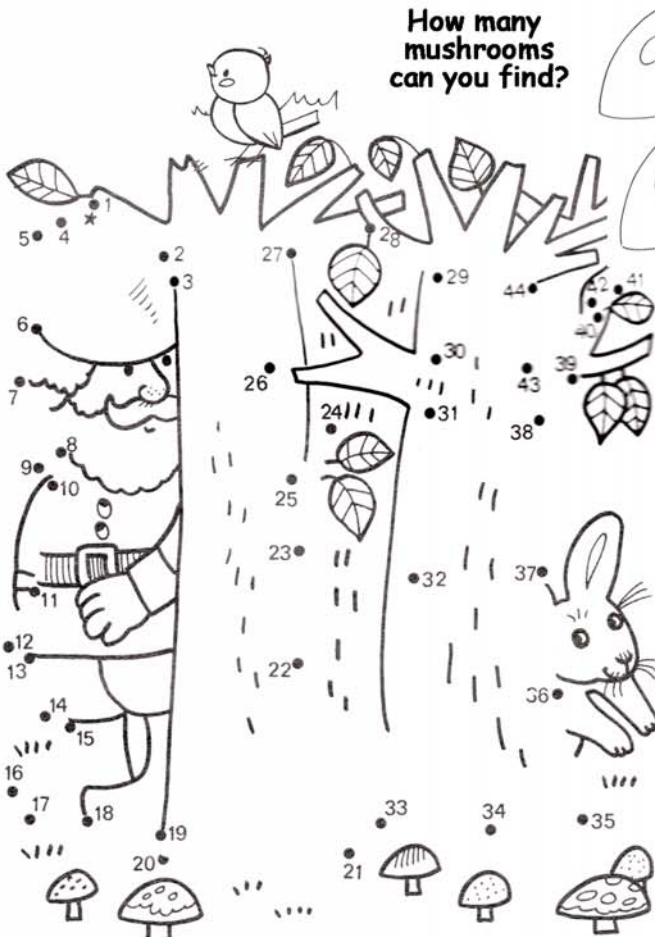
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Kids' Summer Fun Page - L. Comando

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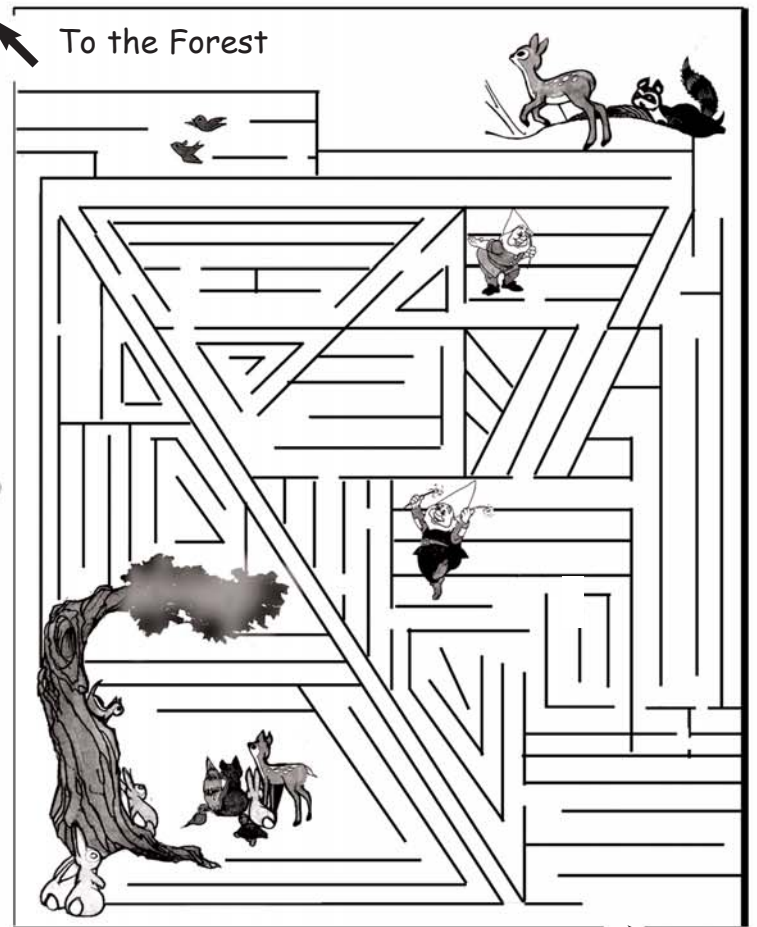
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BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD  
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## Cuomo Signs Legislation Allowing Online and In-person Instruction and Examination of Election Workers

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed legislation (S.1277A/A.4257A) that provides a more flexible approach to election worker training, permitting both online and in-person instruction and examination of election inspectors, poll clerks and election coordinators. In-person training may still be required for specialized issues, such as the use of voting machines.

"Zoom and virtual meetings are not going away in a post-pandemic world and it's important that our laws continue to be modernized to fit current and future needs of New Yorkers," Governor Cuomo said. "Elections are a key component to our democracy and expanding laws to allow for online training will help ensure election workers receive the training they need without antiquated barriers getting in the way."

Additionally, this legislation removes the requirement that the course of instruction be taken every year. Election inspectors, poll clerks and election coordinators will still be required to pass the annual examination, but they will only need to take the training course once.

**Senator Liz Krueger** said, "Well-run elections are vital to maintaining voters' confidence in the fairness and accuracy of our electoral process. Poll workers are on the front lines of our elections, and this bill will make it easier for local boards of elections to attract and retain qualified election inspectors, poll clerks, and election coordinators. I thank Assembly Member Epstein for his leadership on this issue, and my colleagues in the Legislature for making election reform a top priority."

**Assemblymember Harvey Epstein** said, "To attract more qualified poll workers we need to simplify and modernize trainings while preserving the quality and rigor of instruction. We must do everything we can to support the integrity of our elections. This bill allows us to attract additional talent to work at the polls without requiring them to go on site for every training. I am proud to have worked with Senator Krueger to push this commonsense legislation over the finish line and want to thank Assembly leadership for bringing this bill to the floor."

## Tri-Valley CSD Board Meeting

**Thursday, August 12, 2021**

Anticipated Proposed Executive Session will be at 5:00 pm. in the Secondary School Library Upper Level  
Regular Meeting #3 will be at 6:00 p.m. in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

This meeting will be broadcast on our YouTube Live channel, <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkl224vKQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live>

**Next Scheduled August Meeting  
August 26, 2021**

## Sullivan County ROAD CLOSURES

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

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

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

**Hortonville, NY** - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will close a portion of Town Highway 5 (**Beechwoods Road**) in the **Town of Delaware** to repair **County Bridge 455**. This section of road will be closed to traffic starting at 8

a.m. on Monday, July 12 and will remain closed for approximately four (4) weeks.

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



DETOUR LENGTH: 3.5 MI. ■■■■■

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## Tick-Transmitted Diseases Rising Public Health Urges Awareness and Prevention

Liberty, NY - Lyme Disease and other tick-borne illnesses continue to be a health concern in Sullivan County.

"While Lyme Disease remains the prevalent tick-transmitted disease in the County, we are seeing a dramatic rise in the number of cases of anaplasmosis, another tick-borne illness," notes Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "In all of 2019, Sullivan County had 653 cases of Lyme and 32 cases of anaplasmosis. In the first half of 2021, there have already been 322 cases of Lyme and 32 cases of anaplasmosis."

Lyme Disease and anaplasmosis both can be transmitted through the bite of the black-legged tick, or deer tick. They can cause symptoms such as fever, muscle aches and pains, headache



and sometimes insomnia.

"But while Lyme Disease can sometimes cause the characteristic 'bullseye' rash, anaplasmosis does not cause any rash whatsoever," explains Public Health Educator Jill Hubert-Simon, well-known as the County's "Tick Chick." "Even if you have not seen a tick, if you are feeling any of these symptoms, please reach out to your health care provider to discuss both Lyme Disease and anaplasmosis testing. These illnesses can be successfully treated with antibiotics if diagnosed early."

The best defense against all tick-borne illnesses is prevention. Ticks live in shady, moist areas at ground level. They will cling to tall grass, brush and shrubs, usually no more than 18-24 inches off the ground. They also live in lawns and gardens, especially at the edges of woods and around old stone walls. To decrease the number of ticks on your yard, make sure the grass is cut, and remove any leaf litter and other litter. Also, keep the area under birdfeeders clean to minimize the number of rodents who will visit the yard.

There are some easy ways to protect yourself from tick bites and tickborne illness:

- 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 on the skin.
- Consider treating clothes with permethrin.
- Stay on cleared, well-traveled trails. Walk in the center of trails. Avoid dense woods and bushy areas.
- Avoid sitting directly on the ground or on stone walls.
- Keep long hair tied back, especially when gardening.
- If possible, remove clothes prior to entering the main part of the house to prevent ticks from coming into the home. As an alternative, use a lint roller over clothes prior to coming into the home to remove any ticks which may remain on clothing and skin
- Bathe or shower as soon as possible after going indoors (preferably within two hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that may be on you.
- Do a final, full-body tick check at the end of the day (also check children and pets), and remove ticks promptly.

For more information, call Sullivan County Public Health at 845-292-5910, ext. 2243 or visit the following websites:

<https://www.sullivan.ny.us/Departments/PublicHealth/HealthEducation>

<https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/lyme/>

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As New York begins to open allowing churches to once again have services, we encourage our readers to contact their individual church or parish for updated information.

**Good News!**  
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 and  
**Clothing Sale**  
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 every Friday  
 from 10 - 3



**Sundown United**  
**Methodist Church**  
**Indoor Thrift**  
**Sale & Yard**  
**Sale**  
**Fri., Aug 6 &**  
**Sat., Aug 7**  
**Fri., Aug 13 &**  
**Sat., Aug 14**  
**9am - 12 noon**  
*Sundown*  
**United Methodist**  
**Church Hall**



**Grahamsville**  
**United**  
**Methodist**  
**Church**  
**Thrift Sale**  
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**& Aug 21st**  
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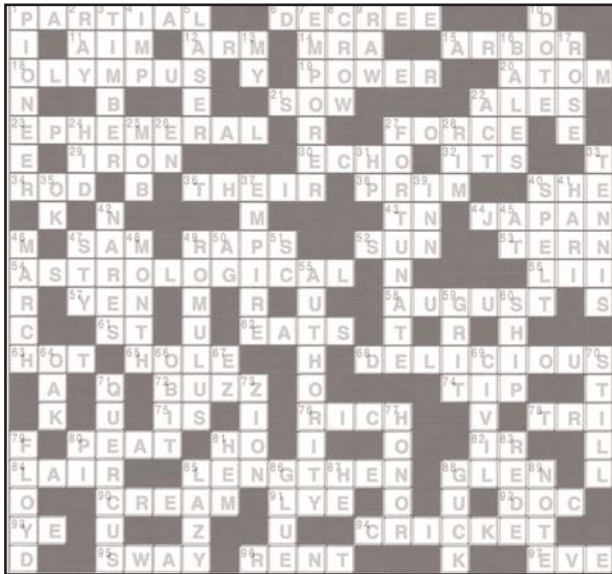
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Ans to last week's Crossword



## Community Driver Safety Programs Defensive Driving Classes

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

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

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

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## The History of Winton: A Grand Neversink Estate

A Virtual and In person Talk on Sunday, August 8th 2 p.m.  
Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - The Time and the Valleys Museum is sponsoring the first dual in-person and virtual program: The History of Winton, A Grand Neversink Estate, on Sunday, August 8 at 2 p.m. on Zoom and at the Museum on St. Rt. 55 (332 Main Street) Grahamsville, Sullivan County, NY.



Summer resident and descendent Laura Brock will speak about the history of Winton, an estate built by her great grandfather Clarence Roof in 1882. An avid fly fisherman, he purchased miles of land along the Neversink River in Claryville. Roof's adopted

daughter, Jenny Franklin Hovey Roof, married surgeon and inventor Karl Connell who developed the first all American gas mask used in World War I. They raised their family in Winton in the 1920s and 30s.

Members are free, and non-members: \$5. Attendance is limited to 30 and registration is required. To register please email [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) with your name and number of attendees, and put In Person Registration in the subject line, or call 845 985-7700. To attend the program virtually on Zoom, email [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) for the link, and please put Zoom Program Registration in the subject line.

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Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne  
Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

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

**LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 8/3/21 Claryville Fire District meeting 6:30 pm Warren Cole Hall in Claryville  
 8/6/21 **Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift Sale** - 9 am - 12 Noon  
 8/7/21 **Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift Sale** - 9 am - 12 Noon  
 8/8/21 Time & the Valleys Museum The History of Winton, A Grand Neversink Estate, 2 p.m. (See pg. 23)  
 8/4/21 ~~Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm (App submission Dt. 7/21/21) - CANCELLED~~  
 8/7/21 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale** - 9 am - 12 noon  
 8/10/21 Town of Denning Town Board and Business meeting at Denning Town Hall 6:00 pm (Please note: 2nd Tuesday)  
 8/11/21 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - Regular  
 8/13/21 **Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift Sale** - 9 am - 12 Noon  
 8/14/21 **Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift Sale** - 9 am - 12 Noon  
 8/17/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm- Submission date 8/3/2021  
 8/19/21 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm  
 8/21/21 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale** - 9 am - 12 noon

**Save the Date!**

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

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

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

Unless otherwise noted, all **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.

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

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

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Update For The Week Of July 26 - July 30, 2021

**Monday, July 26**

o 12:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board of Directors, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston, NY

o 7:00 PM - Climate Smart Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston. In addition to attending in person, members of the public may also listen via phone at (845) 443-8880, Conference Bridge #: 113900

**Tuesday, July 27**

o 4:30 PM - Special Meeting of the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance, in the Economic Development Conference Room, 3 Development Court, Kingston, NY, the public may also attend at 28 Vista Dr., Manorville, NY

**Wednesday, July 28**

o 3:00 PM - Ulster County Electrical Licensing Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

o 4:30 PM - Criminal Justice Reform Task Force, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

o 7:00 PM - Ulster County Soil & Water Conservation District Board, at 7 Park Ln, Highland, NY

**Thursday, July 29**

o No Meetings

**Friday, July 30**

o No Meetings

**The First Friday of  
 the month book  
 discussion group  
 resumes  
 August 6th, 2021.**

**The group meets at  
 the Daniel Pierce  
 Library in  
 Grahamsville, N.Y.  
 from 1 to 3 p.m.  
 Refreshments are  
 provided by  
 its members.**

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**THURSDAY AUGUST 5TH 7:00 PM**

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**Thursday, August 5  
7:00 pm at Davis Park**

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## The Wayne County Arts Alliance 2021 WCAA Artist's Studio Tour

The Wayne County Arts Alliance is excited to invite all to attend our 2021 WCAA Artist's Studio Tour on August 27, 28, 29 at Studios around Wayne County and our Headquarters at The Cooperage Project 1030 Main St. Honesdale. Free and open to the public August 27, 28, 29 10am - 6pm each day.

This is our 18th Annual Artists Studio Tour. The tour provides an opportunity to meet Wayne County's established and emerging artists in their studios. Something for everyone! Paintings, sculpture, jewelry, textiles, ceramics, collage, photography, and more original artwork of all kinds.

We encourage you to start your tour at our Headquarters at The Cooperage Project, 1030 Main St. Honesdale, where you can view a sample of art from each Tour Artist and talk with our docents to help you plan your tour. Visit one or all 14 locations. Our Studio Tour Artists for 2021 are: Bill Westmoreland, Sally Talaga, Kevin Storms, Ellen Silberlicht, Matt Povse, Paul Plumadore, Nancy Palubniak, Linda Krause, Bozena Janiszewski, David Harvey, Sue Stephan Foster, Denis Folz, Elaine Flynn, Jerry DeCrotie, Elizabeth Castellano, Berton Bullis and Susan Cottle Alberto.

The Artists Studio Tour is the premier event which was the catalyst for establishing the WCAA. The Tour gives the public a rare opportunity to visit with some of the professional artists who call this area their home. Here is your chance to meet the artists and discuss their philosophies, inspiration and working techniques while viewing their most recent collections of artwork. And if you see something you want to own, take advantage of the artist's studio pricing. Don't miss this opportunity to visit Wayne County's diverse and talented artists right in their own studios.

Our 2021 WCAA Studio Tour Brochure with map and detailed artist information is available at Visitor's Centers and other area businesses, and online at [waynecountyartsalliance.org](http://waynecountyartsalliance.org).

## 18th annual Bike for Cancer Care 5K Run/Walk

The 18th annual Bike for Cancer Care / 5K Run/Walk Event is Going LIVE on Sunday, September 26th at Dietz Stadium. Event honorees are our caring Volunteers who without their assistance, this event would not be possible.

5K Run/Walk honoring Tommy Keegan, a long-time supporter of the Benedictine Health Foundation and Bike for Cancer Care 5K participant "Play Nice, Have Fun"

50-mile ride dedicated as "Dan Barnes Memorial Ride". Dan was a Kingston High graduate who was an outstanding student, athlete, and friend to all who knew him.

Please join us by either riding, running, walking or volunteering for the great fundraising event.

Proceeds from the event will support the Foundation's Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund

Each year we strive to raise more money to continue our work in providing financial support to our neighbors diagnosed with cancer.

You are a vital partner in helping us to build a sustainable fund to assist patients diagnosed with cancer while they undergo arduous treatment. We extend our gratitude for your unwavering support, and look forward to seeing you on September 26th!

Volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e49a4a82aa6fa7-bike>

More info:

<https://bikeforcancer.org/>



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#### **ANNUAL BYO PICNIC & MEETING**

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

#### **DUES REMINDER -**

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

1. **Tracey Testo**, NYSDEC, will speak on deer browse and forest regeneration (known as AVID)
2. **Update on Neversink River West Branch Stream restoration.**
3. **Update on Neversink River fishing.**

## Shandelee Music Festival presents the Ulysses String Quartet in “An Evening of Chamber Music”

SHANDELEE.ORG - The anticipation is building for “An Evening of Chamber Music” with the Ulysses String Quartet at the Shandelee Music Festival on Thursday, August 12 at 8 p.m. “Textual versatility,” “avid enthusiasm,” “exuberance and polished artistry,” are just a few of the phrases used to describe the performances of the Ulysses String Quartet.



Founded in 2015, the group won the 2016 grand prize and gold medal in the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition, and won the first prize in the 2018 Schoenfeld International String Competition. Other awards followed in 2017 and 2019. In the fall of 2019, the Ulysses String Quartet was named as Lisa Arnhold Fellows of the Juilliard School, an appointment that has been extended through May 2022.

Members of the quartet are Christina Bouey and Rhiannon Banerdt (violin), Colin Brookes (viola), and Grace Ho (cello). They hold degrees from the Juilliard School, Manhattan School of Music, New England Conservatory and Yale University.

Recent performance highlights have included their debut at Alice Tully Hall and appearances at the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, the Buffalo Chamber Music Society, Sprague Hall at Yale University, and many others.

Ulysses has recently completed work on their debut album, and four more albums are forthcoming.

The August 12 program will feature the music of Haydn, Schubert and Tchaikovsky, and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor.

All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. and are followed by a specialty dessert reception. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. New this year is the ability to attend the concert virtually for \$20. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277. Or purchase your tickets and get more information online at [www.shandelee.org](http://www.shandelee.org).

## Two New Exhibitions Meld Nature and Humanity Samuelle Green's “In the Absence of Reality and Other Constraints” and Kathleen Anderson's “Tuning Compositional Strategies”

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) warmly invites the public to two upcoming exhibitions in its galleries, beginning with an opening reception on Saturday, August 7th from 2-4 pm. The visual language of paper will adorn the Alliance Gallery, whilst the language of abstraction will fill the Loft Gallery. “In the Absence of Gravity and Other Restraints” by Samuelle Green and “Tuning Compositional Strategies” by Kathleen Anderson will be on view through September 19 and are free and open to the public. **SAMUELLE GREEN “IN THE ABSENCE OF GRAVITY AND OTHER RESTRAINTS”**

Beloved for her walk-through “Paper Caves” installation in Honesdale, Pa., Samuelle Green's body of multidisciplinary work all has a common thread. Her paintings, drawings, sculptures, and installations reference the interaction between human-made and non-human visual languages. At times the encounters are contentious and at other times symbiotic. Many of her works are stills that simultaneously reflect the processes of decay and those of lush growth.

Through mark making or the use of repurposing discarded materials (like paper), Samuelle seeks to highlight the forms and details of nature that are frequently overlooked and under-appreciated. She starts with rigid structures or self-imposed parameters representing metaphorical frameworks of natural laws. She then creates elements that repeat and propagate until they give way to organic forms free of both their literal and non-material scaffolds.

Samuelle was raised in rural Pennsylvania and attended Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia and Parsons School of Design in New York. After graduation she continued to live and work in Brooklyn, NY for 18 years before renovating an 1800s building into a studio and art space in her hometown in Pennsylvania, where she continues to develop her work.

To learn more about Green, visit

<http://www.samuellegreen.com>.

### **KATHLEEN ANDERSON “TUNING COMPOSITIONAL STRATEGIES”**

Kathleen Anderson is an artist, drummer, and certified Jin Shin Jyutsu practitioner living and working in upstate New York in a homemade house from reclaimed materials. Her work encompasses drawing, sculpture, sound, bodywork and earth tuning. Her work has been exhibited at numerous venues including the Bronx Museum of Art, Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Oberlin College, Brown University, and Dorsky Museum at SUNY-New Paltz.

“Tuning Compositional Strategies” explore the language of abstraction as a means of distilling the intersections of art, energy healing modalities, percussive patterns and sound into a visual investigation of the body's rhythms and alignment. Drawing from a range of sources, the physio-philosophy of Jin Shin Jyutsu, Brazilian Candomblé drumming, neural pathways, meridian points, circuitry, pulses, particles, networks, Kathleen explores materials, primarily copper, for conductive and therapeutic qualities. Referencing the spine, nervous system and right/left polarities of the body, the vibratory patterns interact as a kind of radiation from within the object, exploring how the body unifies and balances itself. (Contd. Pg. 29)

## Two New Exhibitions Meld Nature and Humanity Samuelle Green's "In the Absence of Reality and Other Constraints" and Kathleen Anderson's "Tuning Compositional Strategies"

(From Pg. 28) In conjunction with the exhibition, DVAA will present a free live music performance on Sunday, August 29, at 2 pm in the Gloria Krause Recital Hall, featuring an improvisational trio with Hudson Valley musicians singer/composer Timothy Hill, percussionist Evry Mann, and multi-instrumentalist sound healer Thomas Workman from the band Levanta. Unusual instruments in combination give Levanta a breadth, depth and ability to morph through a wide range of textures, rhythms and musical landscapes. This event is made possible through the New York State Council on the Arts and Arts for Sullivan Decentralization Program. There is limited seating: the performance will feature a livestream for audiences unable to experience the event in person.

To learn more about Anderson, visit <http://www.kathleenanderson.net>

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Walk-ins are welcome (no advance registration is required for these shows). Gallery hours are Thursday - Sunday, 11am - 4pm and by appointment.

The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

For more information, visit [delawarevalleyartsalliance.org](http://delawarevalleyartsalliance.org) or call 845-252-7576.

## Congresswoman Tenney Strongly Opposes White House Censorship Plan

Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22) sent a letter to President Joe Biden expressing concerns regarding the White House's plan to pressure social media companies into censoring American speech. Our First Amendment rights are sacred and must be protected. Tenney joined several other members in sending this letter, including Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Ranking Member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

White House Press Secretary Jen Psaki recently confirmed publicly that the Biden Administration is actively pressing social media companies to remove online posts that it finds problematic.

In part, Tenney and others wrote, "Your administration's efforts to pressure private entities to promote approved speech and censor disfavored speech undermines fundamental foundation of the First Amendment. It is the type of behavior we would expect from a Cuban dictator, not a President of the United States who is also the former Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary."

Full text of the letter  
President Biden:

We are concerned that your administration's actions are undermining First Amendment principles by pressuring private companies to censor free speech. On July 15, 2021, your press secretary, Jen Psaki, announced that your administration is "in regular touch with" social media platforms and "flagging problematic posts for Facebook that spread disinformation." [1] The federal government's ongoing efforts to pressure private companies to censor speech that it disagrees with is alarming and an affront to the First Amendment.

The Democrat Party has been attacking the First Amendment since day 1 of your administration. For instance, earlier this year, House Democrats sent letters to 12 Multichannel Video Programming Distributors (MVPDs) pressuring these companies to block certain conservative media outlets. [2] In response, House Republicans

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sent a letter to the Acting Chair of the Federal Communications Commission, Jessica Rosenworcel, asking her to stand on the side of free-speech and denounce the behavior of these House Democrats. [1] Unfortunately, the Acting Chair still has not responded to our request.

Your administration's efforts to pressure private entities to promote approved speech and censor disfavored speech undermines fundamental foundation of the First Amendment. It is the type of behavior we would expect from a Cuban dictator, not a President of the United States who is also the former Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

It is also clear from recent history that certain information related to COVID-19 that was once labeled as "misinformation" is now viewed quite differently. For example, until recently, Facebook would not allow any discussion on its platform about the lab leak theory, and for months your chief medical advisor denounced any suggestion that COVID-19 may have escaped the Wuhan lab. Presumably, your administration would have flagged content about the lab leak theory as "disinformation" and demanded social media companies suppress such speech. But you would have been wrong. This is the problem with your censorship mission. Not only are you attacking the First Amendment, but your "truth" might be wrong.

As staunch defenders of the First Amendment and free speech, our position is simple: the answer to speech you disagree with should be more speech, not less. As the President of the United States, you have a duty to defend the Constitution. Every American cherishes free speech, but your administration is attacking this fundamental right.

We urge you to abandon your censorship mission and ask that you respond to the following no later than August 2021:

1. Please provide a list of every social media company the Biden-Harris administration is working with to censor content your administration deems as "disinformation."
2. Please provide a complete list of the social media posts and content the Biden-Harris administration has flagged for social media companies to censor and identify which company such content was requested to be removed from.
3. Please provide a complete list of social media users the Biden-Harris administration has requested social media companies to suspend or ban and identify which company such requests were made of.
4. Please produce any written policy or plan outlining the Biden-Harris administration's censorship program.

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## Community Invited to Discover 10 Benefits of Shopping at Farmers Markets During National Farmers Market Week, August 1st-7th

Liberty, NY -The Sullivan Catskills Farmers Markets collective is inviting the community to join in the celebration of farmers markets during National Farmers Market Week, August 1st through the 7th. For National Farmers Market week, many of the markets will have a special activity or event scheduled like live music or tasting demos.

“Everybody wins at the farmers market, and we have data to back it up. Nine in ten of 398 Catskills shoppers surveyed believe local farmers market food tastes more flavorful and fresher, and 94 percent even think a trip to the market makes it easier to eat healthy. Our farmers win too, with studies showing that they earn over 90 cents per dollar when they sell at farmers markets, as opposed to just 17 cents when selling to grocery stores,” said Melinda Meddaugh, Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Agriculture and Food Systems Issue Leader.

“When the Sullivan Catskills Farmers Markets say 'everybody,'” they mean it,” affirmed Sullivan County Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. “Those who receive SNAP, WIC, senior, and veteran benefits all are incentivized to shop local at the markets. WIC mothers and seniors over 60 that meet basic qualifications are able to receive \$20 in farmers market checks, free through the Farmers Market Nutrition Coupon (FMNP) program. In fact, SNAP/EBT recipients are given \$14 free for every \$10 they spend in benefits at the farmers markets.

If you haven't yet visited a local farmers market, Farmers Market Week is the perfect opportunity to experience today's farmers market: it's fun, socially fulfilling, and a great way for the entire family to eat healthier and support our neighbors - hard-working Catskills farmers!

2021 Sullivan County Farmers Market Schedule and Locations:

**Barryville Farmers' Market**  
3405 Scenic Route 97 Barryville, NY 12719 (United Methodist Church)  
Saturdays, 10am - 1pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Callicoon Farmers' Market**  
A. Dorrer Drive, (Callicoon Creek Park), Callicoon, NY  
Sundays, 11am-2pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Jeffersonville Farmers' Market**  
4906 NY-52, Jeffersonville, NY 12748  
Sundays, 10am - 1pm

**Kauneonga Lake Farmers' Market**  
3594 State Route 55, Kauneonga Lake, NY  
Saturdays, 10am - 1pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Liberty Farmers' Market**  
119 North Main Street, Liberty, NY (Creekside Park)  
Fridays, 3 - 6 pm  
\*Accepts SNAP/EBT, FMNP Coupons

**Livingston Manor Farmers' Market**  
Main St., Livingston Manor, NY  
Sundays 10am - 2pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Mamakating Farmers' Market**  
2948 Route 209, Wurtsboro, NY  
Fridays, 4-7pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Sullivan Fresh Monticello Farmers' Market**  
10 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY (Behind the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center)  
Mondays, 10:30am -1pm  
\*Accepts SNAP/EBT, FMNP Coupons

**Narrowsburg Farmers' Market**  
Located behind The Narrowsburg Union, 7 Erie Ave, Narrowsburg, NY  
Saturdays, 10 am - 1 pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Rock Hill Farmers' Market**  
223 Rock Hill Drive, Rock Hill, NY  
Saturdays, 10 am - 1 pm  
\*Accepts FMNP Coupons

**Roscoe Farmers' Market**  
Niforatos Field, Roscoe, NY  
Sundays, 10 am - 2 pm

or a full listing of farmers markets VISIT: [www.sullivan-catskillsfarmersmarket.com](http://www.sullivan-catskillsfarmersmarket.com) and [www.facebook.com/sullivan-catskillsfarmersmarkets](http://www.facebook.com/sullivan-catskillsfarmersmarkets)

## Galligan Announces Sentencing of Liberty Man for Gas Station Robbery

Sullivan County District Attorney Meagan K. Galligan announced that Bradley Goodnough, 60, of Liberty, was sentenced by Sullivan County Court Judge Jim Farrell on July 21, 2021, to an eight year prison term to be followed by five years of post-release supervision for robbing a convenience store in the Town of Thompson in May of 2020.

Goodnough had previously pled guilty to Robbery in the First Degree, admitting that he displayed what appeared to be a firearm while stealing money from the clerk of the Citgo Gas Station on Wolf Lake Road in Rock Hill on May 21, 2020. Following an investigation by the New York State Police and Sullivan County District Attorney's Office, Goodnough was identified, located and taken into custody the next day.

Galligan said, “Violent crimes like this change the lives of innocent victims. This defendant's actions put store employees and anyone who may have entered this shop in serious danger and the sentence imposed sends the clear message that this conduct will not be tolerated in Sullivan County.” Galligan commended the work of the New York State Police and Assistant District Attorney Brian Conaty, who represented her Office on this case.

## Shandelee Music Festival's Sunset Concert Series continues with “An Evening of Chamber Music”

SHANDELEE - The ever-popular “Evening of Chamber Music” at the Shandelee Music Festival (SMF) will make its 2021 premiere on Tuesday, August 10, featuring award-winning musicians Sergey Antonov (cello) and Ilya Kazantsev (piano).

SMF's audiences are familiar with the pair, having seen them



*Cellist Sergey Antonov (left) and pianist Ilya Kazantsev will perform “An Evening of Chamber Music” at the Shandelee Music Festival on Tuesday, August 10 at 8 p.m.*

several times as part of the Hermitage Trio.

Robert Battey of “The Washington Post” has saluted pianist Ilya Kazantsev as “virtually flawless.” He's performed with orchestras and in recital in Russia, Germany, Japan, Italy, France, Canada, Ukraine, Belarus, the U.S. and Slovenia. Awards and honors include first prize at the Nikolai Rubinstein International Competition (Paris), the International Chopin Competition (Moscow), and the 2007 & 2008 World Piano Competitions (Cincinnati).

Kazantsev studied at the Tchaikovsky State Conservatory and later at the Mannes College of Music and the Manhattan School of Music.

According to a Washington Post critic, cellist Sergey Antonov is “destined for cello superstardom.” He has toured Europe, Asia, and North and South America, performing in the Great Hall of Moscow Conservatory and the Suntory Hall in Tokyo. He won the Gold Medal in the 2007 International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow, and was a recipient of the 2008 Golden Talent Award by the Russian Performing Arts Foundation. Antonov frequently gives master classes to solo cellists and chamber music groups in colleges and universities throughout the world.

He started playing cello at the age of five, has studied at the Central Music School and graduated from the Moscow Conservatory. He's appeared on Russian National Television in performances with the Moscow Philharmonic, and in live concerts on Boston's NPR radio station WGBH.

The August 10 “Evening of Chamber Music” will feature the music of Richard Strauss, Rachmaninoff and others, and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor.

All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m.

and are followed by a specialty dessert reception. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for SMF members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. New this year is the ability to attend the concert virtually for \$20. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277. Or purchase your tickets and get more information online at [www.shandelee.org](http://www.shandelee.org).

## The Shandelee Music Festival presents “An Evening of Chamber Music” with The Neave Trio

SHANDELEE, NY - Shandelee Music Festival audiences just can't get enough of the popular “Evening of Chamber Music” during the Sunset Concert Series. And so, returning to the Festival after their triumphant 2019 performance is the esteemed Neave Trio.



*The exciting Neave Trio will perform “An Evening of Chamber Music” at the Shandelee Music Festival on Saturday, August 14 at 8 p.m.*

Formed in 2010, the Neave Trio - violinist Anna Williams, cellist Mikhail Veselov and pianist Eri Nakamura - has earned much praise from radio station WQXR, Fanfare Magazine, The New York Times and BBC Radio 3. The Boston Musical Intelligencer said, “it is inconceivable that they will not soon be among the busiest chamber ensembles going. . . .”

Just a few of their performance venues and festivals include: Lincoln Center's Mostly Mozart Festival, Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall, Smithsonian American Art Museum, and the Samoylov and Rimsky Korsakow Museums' Chamber Music Series in St. Petersburg (Russia). The Trio has held residency positions at Brown University, University of Virginia, San Diego State University, the MIT School of Architecture and Design, and many other institutions.

In keeping with their goal - “To Engage. To Exchange. To Connect.” - the Neave Trio strives to champion new works by living composers and reach wider audiences through innovative concert presentations. Critically acclaimed recordings include: “Celebrating Piazzolla,” “French Moments,” and their debut album, “American Moments.”

The Saturday, August 14 program will feature the music of Rachmaninov, Ravel and Brahms, and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor.

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## **NICK NEEDS A KIDNEY TYPE O OR A(2)**

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

### **More about our warrior Nick....**

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

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

## Congresswoman Tenney: Parents, Not D.C. Bureaucrats, Should Make Decisions About Their Children

Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22) called for the CDC to reverse its anti-science decision recommending vaccinated Americans and K-12 students to wear masks.

"This recent change by the CDC demonstrates once again that federal bureaucrats continue to erode our freedoms, while completely disregarding the facts," said Congresswoman Tenney. "The vaccine works and Americans who want a vaccine can receive one. But it should never be mandated and if they do receive it, they should not then be forced to wear a mask. The vaccine mandates being pushed in New York and elsewhere are unconstitutional. Americans should be able to make their own health care decisions.

"The CDC's director said recently that breakthrough infections that occur in vaccinated Americans can be contagious only in 'rare occasions.' The fact is vaccinated Americans are still at significantly less risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19. The science has also consistently demonstrated that children and schools, especially elementary schools, are not significant for transmission.

"This bait and switch by the CDC is a knee-jerk reaction to political pressure from activists, not scientists. It is going to harm our nation's vaccination efforts, not help them. Parents know what is best for their kids, and children two and above should not be forced to wear a mask as the CDC is now recommending."

## YOGA ANYONE?



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

Two (2) classes per week will be held thru mid-August  
Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30pm - 5:30pm.

All classes will be for beginners to those experienced in yoga. Classes will be held at the Town Hall grassy area by the stream. Parks & Rec is subsidizing the cost of the classes allowing us to offer each class for \$5 per person payable to LeeAnna at each session.

- Classes are for Town of Neversink and Tri-Valley School District residents who are 18 years or older
  - Bring your own yoga mats
  - If you have yoga blocks you can bring them too!
  - Classes are open
  - If you can't attend every class, come when you can!
  - Registration sign-up sheets will be at each class
- If you are interested and plan on attending, please let us know  
via email [cwparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:cwparksandrec@gmail.com).

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

**Cher Woehl, Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Director**

## Peekamoose Blue Hole Permit Updates

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

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





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EDITORIAL

Dear Santa Claus,

I know you must be a very busy man at this time of the year, but I hope you will get some time to read my letter. Like the other folks writing to you, I've got a list of things I'd like to see dropped down our chimney when you rush through the Tri-Valley area. I admit that the list isn't long, but it's mighty important to us. I say 'us', because the gifts aren't for me alone, but for everybody living in this area. And we need these things so much I think, Santa.

I won't waste your valuable time any longer. Here are our requests, and the things we want you to bring for us for the future.

o CIVIC LEADERSHIP-- We need more people to be imbued with the sprit of taking the initiative in organizing and directing young and old in social and civic projects (such as the Boy Scouts, Tri-Valley Citizens' Association, Bridge Clubs, etc.) We have some people doing these things, but they are few in number. Can't we get more?

o CIVIC PRIDE: -- This gift is the most important, just look at the things we in the modern age need: a new school with ample and adequate facilities for meeting the educational needs of children and adults, a community hall opened at all times to appropriate organizations providing for the social and cultural needs of the area, a large and well-equipped recreational area for athletic and sports use by folks of all ages, greater attendance at local functions so that they may be more representative and present more unified appeals for correcting what needs to be corrected, a 'dolling up' of our main thoroughfare and home fronts so that people riding thru will say: "This is a clean and attractive town." And some way to protect our pedestrians from dangers of zooming traffic.

o CIVIC FORESIGHT -- It seems to me that whatever growth (in population, homes, etc.) that this area has enjoyed, has been Topsy-like in character: if we are to grow in numbers and in progress, we need some planning for it now! We could, for sake of our future, get out of tolerating this transient stage in which we are involved at present. Let's attract more and sound citizens by making plans for such attraction. What home industries could be developed? What could we offer newcomers in the line of permanent housing? What civic and occupational opportunities will be available to the people who will live here in the future? Will we be converted (after dam construction) to a desolate four corners hamlet, or

will we be an alive and progressive little town? (I think this must be decided now - don't you, Santa?)

Well, Santa, I could go on listing things -- but there's no use in making your bag overloaded and I know I've asked for a lot of things. If you can't bring us all of these gifts, I hope you will give us enough to get us started in the right direction.

Wishing you Godspeed and Good Luck, I am

Hopefully,  
Justany Boddie  
From Tri-Valley

We are looking for clues to solve the question -- who is Justany Boddie (a/k/a Just Any Body) from Tri-Valley.

This letter to Santa appeared in the December 10, 1947 issue of the *Townsmen*. If you have any clue who wrote this, information regarding the letter or comments, please contact Carol Smythe, Neversink Historian. You can send her an email at:

[neversinkhistorian@gmail.com](mailto:neversinkhistorian@gmail.com)

I am sure that Carol will share any information, clues or the identity of the author of the letter if she solves this mystery.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

We recognize Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature for their unwavering commitment to the recovery of the arts."

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

### **About the New York State Council on the Arts**

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

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## **UC Executive Pat Ryan Announces a Pop-up Vaccination Site at the Ulster County Fair**

**Ulster County is partnering with New York State to provide vaccines to fair attendees on August 6th and 7th from 11am to 7pm**

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced that those attending the Ulster County Fair will be able to get vaccinated on-site. Through a partnership with New York State, the Ulster County Department of Health is making vaccines available to all fair attendees, over the age of 12.

"With the national rise in cases due to the Delta variant, Ulster County is redoubling our efforts to make vaccines accessible," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "Vaccines are safe, effective, and will allow us to bring back a sense of normalcy to our community. I encourage all of our residents to get vaccinated."

The Ulster County Point of Dispensing (POD) at the Ulster County Fair will be open on August 6th and 7th from 11am to 7pm. Located near the First Aid booth between the UC Sheriff's Office ORACLE vehicle and Dive Tank. Second dose appointments will be scheduled at the first dose appointment. Appointments are available at [VaccinateUlster.com](http://VaccinateUlster.com), and walk-ins are also welcome.

The Pfizer vaccine is approved for people ages 12+. For anyone under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must accompany and give consent for vaccination. Documentation is not required. Any necessary forms will be available at the POD in English and in Spanish, and a Spanish interpreter will also be on site.

These locations will be key to the county's continued efforts to ensure all residents can receive the coronavirus vaccine conveniently, safely, and equitably. In addition, the County is continuing to coordinate closely with other key partners -- including municipal governments, not-for-profit organizations, and religious institutions -- to add additional vaccination capacity throughout the county.

## UC Executive Pat Ryan Announces that Ulster County Has Hit Over 100 Active COVID Cases for the First Time Since May 24th

- *In response to the increase in positives, County Executive Ryan is re-activating Ulster County's Emergency Operation Center to assess possible next steps*
- *Since announcing the first positive Delta variant case on June 27th, Ulster County has had 168 positive cases*
- \* *County Executive Pat Ryan is encouraging unvaccinated residents to do their part and get vaccinated*

KINGSTON, N.Y. - County Executive Pat Ryan announces that in the month since Ulster County saw its first confirmed Delta variant case, Ulster County has had 168 positive cases. The recent increase puts Ulster County at over 100 active cases for the first time since May 24th. In response to the increase, Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan is re-activating Ulster County's Emergency Operation Center to evaluate next steps.

"While we have made great strides in fighting this virus, we are not out of the woods yet, and the Delta variant poses a real threat to our ability to fully recover from the pandemic," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "The science is clear, the new variant is spreading at an alarming rate and it is overwhelmingly impacting those who have yet to be vaccinated. We are all in this together, and I am asking everyone who has yet to receive the vaccine to do so for their neighbors, their family, and themselves."

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), 83% of cases circulating in the United States are from the Delta variant. The CDC also notes that the variant carries a viral load that is more than 1,000 times that of those infected with earlier forms of the virus, allowing the virus to spread rapidly among unvaccinated people.

To date, 74.8% of Ulster County residents over the age of 18 have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. Since the first confirmed report of the Delta variant on June 27th, 70.2% of new positive cases have come from residents who are unvaccinated. While those vaccinated may still get COVID-19, the CDC has stated that vaccinated individuals will make the illness less severe for those who still get sick. For information on how you can get a vaccine, visit: <http://VaccinateUlster.com>.

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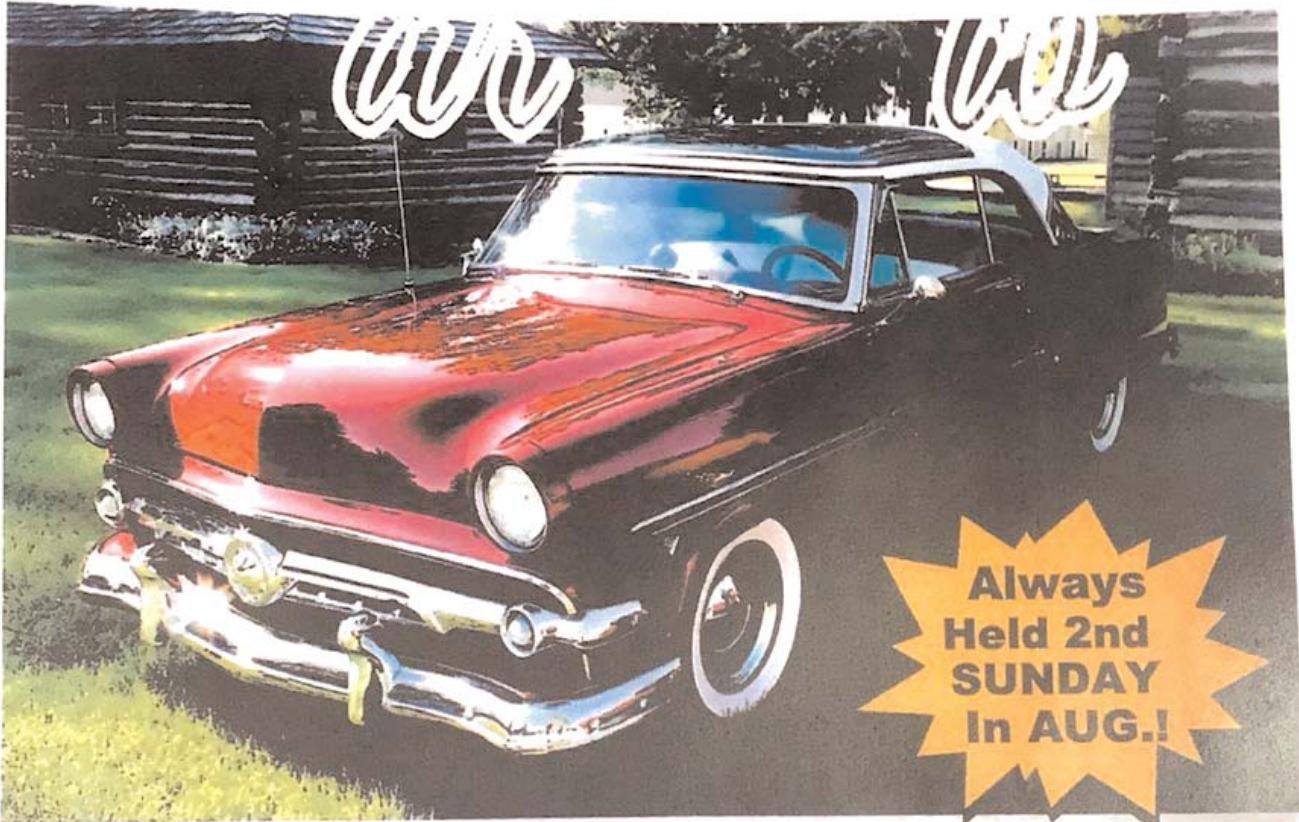
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## Local COVID-19 Numbers Rising Again Public Health Offers Vaccine, Encourages All to Wear Masks

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

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

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

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

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

1. Getting vaccinated prevents severe illness, hospitalization, and death; it also helps reduce the spread of the virus in communities. Unvaccinated individuals should get vaccinated and continue masking until they are fully vaccinated. With the Delta variant, this is more urgent than ever. The highest spread of cases and severe outcomes are happening in places with low vaccination rates.
2. Data show Delta is different than past versions of the virus: it is much more contagious. Some vaccinated people can get Delta in a breakthrough infection and may be contagious. Even so, vaccinated individuals represent a very small amount of transmission occurring around the country. Virtually all hospitalizations and deaths continue to be among the unvaccinated.
3. In areas with substantial and high transmission, CDC recommends that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) wear a mask in public indoor settings to help prevent the spread of Delta and protect others.
4. CDC recommends that community leaders encourage vaccination and masking to prevent further outbreaks in areas of substantial and high transmission.
5. CDC recommends universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status. Children should return to full-time in-person learning in the fall with layered prevention strategies in place.

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

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

[sullivanny.us/Departments/Publichealth/COVIDvaccines/clinics](http://sullivanny.us/Departments/Publichealth/COVIDvaccines/clinics).

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

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

## Gillibrand Calls for Senate Appropriations Committee to Support Israel's Emergency Request for Iron Dome Assistance

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand joined a bipartisan group of senators in sending a letter to Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Vice Chairman Richard Shelby (R-AL) urging them to support Israel's recent emergency request of \$1 billion in security assistance to help replenish and prepare its Iron Dome missile defense system for a future conflict. Israel's request for emergency assistance comes on the heels of the recent conflict with Hamas in the Gaza Strip this past May.

Senator Gillibrand has been a consistent supporter of the U.S.-Israeli Cooperative Missile Defense Program, of which the Iron Dome is a key pillar. Iron Dome is indispensable in helping Israel fortify its defenses against missile and rocket attacks. Senator Gillibrand secured \$500,000,000 for U.S.-Israel cooperative missile defense programs in the Senate text of the FY 2022 National Defense Authorization Act and earlier this year led a similar push to appropriate these funds as part of the Defense Appropriations bill for FY 2022. This funding is in line with the 2016 Memorandum of Understanding that includes funding for the Iron Dome, David's Sling and Arrow programs.

"Iron Dome is critical for the safety and protection of Israel, our close friend and ally," Senator Gillibrand said. "As a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I'm proud to fight to replenish this vital program, which promotes stability in the region and helps Israel repel incoming missile attacks."

In addition to Senator Gillibrand, the letter was signed by Senators Marco Rubio (R-FL), Mike Rounds (R-SD), Joe Manchin (D-WV), Susan Collins (R-ME), Jacky Rosen (D-NV), and John Thune (R-SD).

## Galligan Announces Sentencing of Monticello Man for Illegal Gun Possession

Sullivan County District Attorney Meagan K. Galligan announced that Daniel Ridley, 35, of Monticello, was sentenced to state prison today for his illegal possession of an unloaded firearm in Monticello last year. Ridley was convicted by a Sullivan County jury of possessing a Deutsche Werke 7.65 mm pistol, the equivalent of a .32 ACP, during a domestic dispute on June 5, 2020, in the Town of Thompson. Ridley was not entitled to possess firearms as a result of his previous convictions for domestic violence and felony drug possession. Galligan's Office recommended Ridley be sentenced to the maximum legal sentence of two and one-third to seven years of incarceration, which Sullivan County Court Judge Jim Farrell imposed.

Galligan said, "This defendant's conduct threatens the lawful exercise of Second Amendment rights in our community. Our current laws that prohibit people with histories like this defendant from possessing pistols must be enforced so that law-abiding gun ownership is not undermined." Galligan thanked ADA Steven Goldberg and the New York State Police for their work on this case.

## New Hope Community's Erin Rion Appears on Jeopardy—Staff Member's Knowledge and Poise Clinch Second Place

(LOCK SHELDRAKE, NY - August 2, 2021): Erin Rion, of Napanoch, NY, appeared on national television recently as a contestant on the popular game show, "Jeopardy," much to the delight of her friends, family, co-workers and the people with developmental disabilities whom she supports at New Hope Community.



Erin Rion

Rion is the director of clinical services at New Hope Community, a leading human services organization supporting men and women who have intellectual and developmental disabilities located in Loch Sheldrake, NY. Always a voracious reader - who as a young adult would read a book a day -- she seized the opportunity to try out for the show over a year ago.

During the show's airing on June 15th, Rion joined fellow guests in introducing herself with a fun fact, revealing to the show's Guest Host, Savannah Guthrie, that she has long had "glitter phobia." The fear stemmed from a warning given by a kindergarten teacher who once said that if glitter got in your eyes it could blind you! Laughing it off and looking back on the experience, she recalled, "My Jeopardy experience was wonderful, and Savannah was so kind and so professional. She made all of the contestants feel really comfortable."

"It was also nerve wracking," she recalled, because due to the COVID-19 pandemic, she could not bring anyone on the trip for moral support. She even had to do her own hair and makeup, and bring her own snacks for the day.

However, when the cameras began to roll, Erin steadily chipped away at several categories showing her extensive knowledge in pop culture, theater, literature and general trivia. She was

even the victor of a Daily Double.

Going into Final Jeopardy with a lock on second place, she correctly answered the Final Jeopardy question: "During her second

marriage, she split her time among homes in New York, New Jersey, Paris, Greece and a yacht." Erin gave the correct answer ("Who is Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis?") but chose to wager zero dollars. Erin was awarded \$2,000 as the second-place finisher and received many hearty congratulations on her appearance.

"We are so proud of Erin for following her dreams and doing so well on the show. She is certainly a winner here at New Hope Community and it was a thrill for all of us to cheer her on!" said Debra McGinness, Chief Executive Officer, New Hope Community.

"The hardest part was the buzzer," she explained. "You only have a split second to ring in, and if you ring in too early, you get locked out. It's much harder than it looks on TV!"

Among the highlights of the experience, she adds, was meeting and spending time with all the other contestants. It is an accomplishment she can check off her bucket list and savor for years to come.



## Ulster County Receives Highest Bond Anticipation Note Rating and Maintains Strong Financial Standing with 'AA' Bond Rating

### Citing "Strong management, with good financial policies," S&P once again reaffirms Ulster County's 'AA' Bond Rating

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that Ulster County's credit rating remains strong at AA in the most recent July ratings by S&P Global citing "strong management, with good financial policies and practice." Coming off from strong economic headwinds due to COVID-19, this credit rating reaffirms the county's ability to respond to the pandemic and economic pressures while continuing to provide superior services for residents.

"Once again, S&P bond rating reaffirms the strong financial footing Ulster County has in protecting and delivering results for our residents," Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said. "As we continue to emerge from the pandemic, this rating allows us to continue to provide high-quality services for our residents while also ensuring the highest level of fiscal responsibility."

S&P cites a number of reasons for their rating, including Ulster's strong management with good financial policies, strong budgetary performance with operating surpluses in the general fund, and strong budgetary flexibility.

Ulster County's continued strength in the eyes of bond rating agencies is a direct benefit to taxpayers in the form of lower borrowing costs. As interest rates continue to climb, a strong bond rating corresponds with lower borrowing costs that will allow the County to continue to invest in long-term projects that serve constituents that require bond financing. The report states that S&P Global Ratings believes that Ulster County will maintain good budgetary practices, supporting its current level of very strong financial flexibility and liquidity profiles.

## Gillibrand Announces Eats Act to Expand SNAP Benefits for Eligible College Students

*As Many As 290,000 New York College Students And Almost 4 Million Nationwide Will Become Newly Eligible For SNAP Benefits Under The EATS Act*

WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, member of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, announced her bicameral legislation that would expand Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefit eligibility to college students attending 2 and 4-year universities part-time or more and some graduate students who also meet traditional SNAP income and other eligibility requirements. According to a 2019 SUNY survey, 55% of community college and 41% of 4-year college students in the SUNY system reported experiencing hunger while in school. Student work requirements, known as “work for food,” exacerbate food insecurity among college students and impede student learning, health, and stability. U.S. Representatives Jimmy Gomez (D-CA), Josh Harder (D-CA), and Jimmy Panetta (D-CA) are leading this legislation in the House of Representatives.

“College students should never have to choose between food and an education. We need to simplify eligibility for critical SNAP benefits to combat food insecurity plaguing low-income college students across New York State and the country,” said Senator Gillibrand. “This important legislation would eliminate work-for-food barriers for low-income students and ensure that nearly 4 million eligible college students can access the SNAP benefits needed to learn and thrive.”

“Breaking down barriers to higher education extends far beyond making college affordable, especially for first-generation students and students of color,” said Congressman Jimmy Gomez who introduced this bill in the House of Representatives earlier this year. “If we ignore the hunger crisis on campuses nationwide, we are setting this generation of students up for failure. The EATS Act is a necessary step to provide an equitable, healthy learning environment for all of our country’s bright young minds.”

“Struggling against hunger hurts college students’ chances to complete their education now and undermines their financial success in the long-term,” said Food Research & Action Center (FRAC) President Luis Guardia. “FRAC applauds Senator Gillibrand on her bill to ensure that college students have equitable access to SNAP.”

“Although SNAP is our nation’s most effective tool for fighting hunger, many food-insecure college students are excluded from its benefits,” said Andres Vives, Interim Executive Director of Hunger Solutions New York. “By permanently expanding SNAP access to struggling college students, this bill takes a huge step forward in addressing the growing hunger crisis in higher education. We thank Senator Gillibrand for her leadership and her work to ensure that all students have the food they need to succeed.”

Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, students on college campuses in New York and across the nation were experiencing high levels of food insecurity and hunger. According to The Hope Center for College, Community, and Justice, food insecurity is a serious problem on college campuses across the nation, especially for students of color, first generation students, low-income students, and students at community colleges:

- o In the fall of 2018, 45% of college students were food inse-

cure in the prior 30 days

- o In the fall of 2018, 48% of CUNY undergraduates were food insecure in the prior 30 days

- o In the fall of 2019, 36% of SUNY students were food insecure in the prior 30 days

- o Students of color were more likely to experience basic needs insecurity; 75% of Indigenous, 70% of Black, and 70% of Native American or Alaska Native students experienced food insecurity, housing insecurity, and/or homelessness.

Today’s SNAP eligibility rules for students are overly complicated and only include college students working 20 hours per week or participating in a federal or state work study, or those who meet very specific exemptions. In December 2020, Congress passed the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, which temporarily extended SNAP eligibility to students who are eligible for federal or state work study and students with an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$0, including students eligible for the maximum Pell Grant. These temporary student eligibility changes for SNAP will remain in effect until 30 days after the federally declared COVID-19 public health emergency ends. The EATS Act goes a step further and would permanently ensure that low-income college students have equitable access to SNAP benefits by amending the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to include “attending an institution of higher education” as a form of qualification the same as work. With this change, 470,000 New York college students would qualify for SNAP assistance, including as many as 290,000 newly eligible students.

## Gillibrand Successfully Calls for Emergency Supplemental Funding to Support the National Guard and U.S. Capitol Police In Wake Of The January 6th Select Committee Hearings, Senator Gillibrand Called For And Secured \$521 Million In Funding to Cover the Cost Of Deploying National Guard Units From New York And Across The Nation To Protect The Capitol From Insurrectionists

Washington, D.C. - In wake of the January 6th House select committee hearings, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) joined Senators Raphael Warnock (D-GA) and Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) in a letter successfully pushing Senate leadership and appropriators to secure \$521 million in emergency supplemental funding for the National Guard and U.S. Capitol Police to cover the unanticipated costs of responding to the January 6th insurrection.

“The January 6th insurrection will forever be a stain on our democracy and we must do more to thank the brave men and women who protected our nation’s capital and our most sacred democratic institutions,” said Senator Gillibrand. “With this funding, the Senate is following through on their obligation to ensure that both the National Guard and USCP have the resources and support needed to fulfill their missions and pay for their services.”

In the wake of the January 6th insurrection, both the National Guard and U.S. Capitol Police would have faced challenging funding cliffs if sufficient resources were not secured by August 1, 2021. Members of the National Guard and U.S. Capitol Police worked overtime during the insurrection and for months afterwards to protect our nation’s capital and democratic institutions. The funding was secured through the supplemental appropriations process and not the Department of Defense reprogramming, which would not have provided sufficient funding.



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