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## Shandelee Music Festival Founder Receives Gift from World-famous Musician

SHANDELEE, NY - On the eve of launching her 40th anniversary world tour, world-class violinist Midori learned that her friend Daniel Stroup, Founding President of the Shandelee Music Festival, was retiring from his 38-year job with the United Nations International School (UNIS).



*Midori and pianist Leva Life in performance.*

Midori decided to gift her friend with a special concert.

Visionary artist Midori is an activist and educator, marking the 40th anniversary of her professional debut with the New York Philharmonic at 11 years old.

Her concert venues read like a world atlas, having performed with the London, Chicago, and San Francisco Symphony Orchestras, the Berlin and Vienna Philharmonics, the Mahler Chamber Orchestra, and Festival Strings Lucerne.

The anniversary tour will include concerts in Chicago, Washington, DC, Seattle, Vancouver and San Francisco, and a solo recital return to Carnegie Hall. Midori will also appear with the Boston and National Symphony Orchestras, the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Erie Philharmonic, Toledo Symphony and Glacier Symphony (in Montana).

Other concerts will follow in Hamburg, London, Dresden and Bon.

Among her many honors, Midori was awarded the Asian Cultural Council's John D. Rockefeller 3rd Award, the Brahms Prize and a Kennedy Center Honor in 2021. She serves as a UN Messenger of Peace.

Daniel Stroup's life has always been focused on music, studying in his hometown of Portland, Oregon, then New York under scholarship at the Manhattan School of Music. He earned his Master of Music Degree in 1989, and performed in the Far East, Europe, Hong Kong, and Alice Tully Hall in Lincoln Center. (Contd. Pg. 8)

## State Giving Sullivan \$100,000 to Create a Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County is getting \$100,000 to develop a biking/walking plan, State officials just announced.

"In order to boost our health ranking and make our communities more attractive and vibrant, we asked the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation to consider us for a Climate Smart Communities Grant, and I'm delighted that they agreed to fund the creation of a bicycle/pedestrian plan," Sullivan County Planning Commissioner Freda Eisenberg said.

The plan will focus on improving the safety, comfort and convenience of walking and biking paths in local downtowns and along major transportation corridors. Particular attention will be paid to:

- Connecting people to work, school, shopping and essential services destinations
  - Ensuring access for people with disabilities
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John 3:16

## Days of Yore... Today's History

### January 28, 1953

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sheeley of East Mountain announce the engagement of their daughter, Verna to Mr. Donald Geiselhart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geiselhart of Honk Hill. The wedding date has been set for February 1st.

Mr. Mahlon Rose died at his home in Grahamsville on Wednesday, January 21st after a long illness. He was born May 6, 1882 in Sundown, the son of Peter and Cecelia (Milford) Rose and had lived most of his life in this vicinity. He is survived by his widow, the former Pearl Eckert; two brothers, Charles of Sundown and William of Grahamsville; one nephew, Albert of Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moshier held open house on Saturday in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Moshier were among those who attended.

### January 30, 1963

Mrs. Richard M. Misner, 65, a resident of Neversink, died January 24, 1963 at Liberty Loomis Hospital. She was born June 27, 1897 in Englewood, N.J., the daughter of Charles and Philopena Kerber Grasing. Mrs. Misner was married October 25, 1927 to Richard H. Misner of Tuxedo, N.Y. She was a registered nurse and a member of the Women's Auxiliary of the Neversink Fire Department. She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Mrs. Milton Kortright of Neversink; one granddaughter; two nephews and several cousins.

The Rt. Rev. William J. Guinan of Newburgh, former pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Woodbourne, has been appointed Dean of the Clergy of Orange County. Monsignor Guinan is pastor of St. Patrick's Church where he was assigned when he left his position at Woodbourne in November.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hornbeck are the proud parents of a daughter, Elyse Suzanne, born on January 28, 1963 at Veterans Memorial Hospital, Ellenville. She weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hornbeck are the paternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greenrose of West Nyack are the maternal grandparents.

### January 24, 1973

Life Scout Greg Pond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pond of Grahamsville, passed the Hudson-Delaware Council Eagle Review Board held last Thursday night. Greg is a member of the Order of the Arrow, is the Troop Scribe and Assistant Patrol Leader.

Nellie Childs Smith, 87, the first woman attorney in Sullivan County, died Tuesday in Hamilton Avenue Hospital after long illness. A 55-year resident of Grahamsville, Miss Smith lived on Rt. 42. She was born August 3, 1885 in Eureka to James B. and Angelia Reynolds Smith. A 1904 graduate of the Chappaqua Mountain Institute, she studied law at the office of attorney John D. Lyons in Monticello. She was admitted to the bar in 1916 and had practiced law for over 55 years. She served as attorney for the Town of Neversink from 1955 to 1972 and was a member of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers).

### January 27, 1983

Rick Denman was notified that he is on the Dean's List at New Paltz College. He is majoring in Business Administration and is also studying Solar Architecture. He is in his third year.

Assemblyman Richard I. Coombe has been appointed to the Assembly's Standing Committees on Agriculture, Social Services and Tourism, Sports and the Arts by Assemblyman Minority Leader C.D. "Rapp" Rappleyea.

Anniversary wishes go to Linda and Ed Donnelly on their 20th year. Congratulations!



## State Giving Sullivan \$100,000 to Create a Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan

(From Pg. 1)

- Seeking guidance from underserved and disadvantaged communities
- Creating alternative modes of transportation that can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions

"We have several compelling reasons for dedicating funding to this important effort," noted Eisenberg. "Sullivan County's motor vehicle-related mortality rate is nearly triple that of the entire State, and our health rankings are already near the bottom for all counties in New York. In addition to promoting health and wellness, this plan can help address the needs of those without a vehicle of their own. For example, 18% of Monticello households don't have a car, meaning they need safe and convenient places to walk and bike."

"These paths also route more wealth and opportunity into communities," explained Deputy Planning Commissioner Heather Brown, whose Office of Sustainable Energy played a key role in the grant application. "Research has shown positive correlations between improved walkability and increased retail activity, job creation and real estate values."

Sullivan County is one of only 25 municipalities Statewide to be awarded a Climate Smart Communities grants in this latest round.

"The significant funding under New York's Climate Smart Communities Program is critical in supporting local efforts to protect residents and infrastructure from the effects of climate change," Governor Kathy Hochul said. "We continue to see increasingly extreme weather each year, and these grants help empower locally-driven, bold action to help meet New York's ambitious climate goals while setting an example for other municipalities to follow."

Established in 2016, the Climate Smart Communities Grant Program is a competitive 50/50 matching grant program for municipalities to implement projects focused on climate change adaptation and greenhouse gas mitigation. Project types also include certain planning and assessment projects that are part of a strategy to achieve Climate Smart Communities certification.

Of the total grant funds awarded this round under the implementation and certification categories respectively, 36 percent was awarded to implementation projects located in disadvantaged communities that face a disproportionate burden of environmental pollution, and 66 percent was awarded to certification projects by municipalities that contain a disadvantaged community, as identified by the Climate Justice Working Group.

## Household Hint: Clean a Dirty Thermos

To get a thermos bottle clean, fill it with warm water and 1/4 cup white vinegar. If you see any residue, add some uncooked rice, which will act as an abrasive to scrape it off. Close and shake well. Then rinse and let it air-dry.

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

## Very Berry Wintergreen!

If you are taking advantage of the weather and getting out for a walk in the forest, there is one more evergreen you may come across. Not quite as noticeable as a fir tree, fern or moss –it is Wintergreen, a crawling rhizomatous shrublet that creeps along the ground. This tiny aromatic evergreen is a scant four to six inches tall and spreads only about four inches annually by stolons (a creeping horizontal plant stem or runner that takes root along its length to make new plants) making this little plant ideal for a dish garden.

Several genera contain species known as wintergreen often are referred to as Christmas Wintergreen, Chimaphila, Gaultheria, Polygala, Pyrola, or Trientalis.

The leaves of the wintergreen are scalloped or bristly toothed, glossy and dark green with a strong wintergreen scent when crushed. They are alternate, simple, evergreen, oval to elliptical, and are 1 to 2 inches long. Leaves appear whorled since they cluster at tips of plant. The leaves are dark shiny green above, and much paler below often with black dots. Urn-shaped white or pale pink flowers appear in summer and mature to aromatic scarlet fruit that often persists into the following spring if it is not eaten by a bear, birds, squirrel, chipmunks, deer mice, grouse, partridges, bobwhites, turkeys, or a red fox in emergency.

Wintergreen berries were used medicinally by the Native Americans to alleviate rheumatic symptoms, headache, fever, and various aches and pains.

The Ojibwa Indians called it *Winisbugons*, usually translated "Dirty Leaf" but perhaps better translated "Leaf in the Bog". The French in Quebec gave it the poetic name *la Petit te du bois* –"The Little Tea of the Woods." Throughout its extensive range it has gained a number of regional names: Box Berry, Canadian Mint, Checkerberry, Deerberry, Leatherleaf, Ground-tea or Groundberry, Hillberry, Mountainberry, Partridgeberry, Spiceberry, or Teaberry. Perhaps you may remember when wintergreen found its way into chewing gum that was appropriately called "Teaberry Gum".

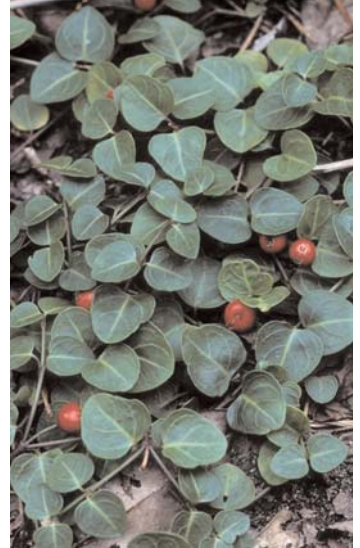
Today, Wintergreen is still a common flavoring in American products ranging from chewing gum, mints and candies. It is also a common flavoring for dental hygiene products such as mouthwash and toothpaste, and is used in medicines such as Pepto Bismol®.

For the artist, wintergreen oil can be used in fine art printing applications when transferring a color photocopy image or color laser print to a high-rag content art paper, such as a hot-press watercolor paper.

One surprising use for Wintergreen oil is rust removal and degreasing of machinery. Wintergreen is particularly effective for breaking through seawater corrosion.

Wintergreen is native in much of eastern North America and throughout the Catskills, and is cultivated beyond that area wherever conditions permit. It is prized mostly as an ornamental plant. Relatively few people use it today as an edible, or medicinally. A word of CAUTION: about 1 fl oz) of oil of wintergreen is equivalent to 55.7 g of aspirin, or about 171 adult aspirin tablets (US). This conversion illustrates the potency and potential toxicity of oil of wintergreen even if ingested in small quantities.

Wintergreen, that festive little plant that can brighten up even the dark dreary days of winter may be creeping around your back yard just waiting to be discovered. If you happen to be out in a woody area, look for a few cheery bright red berries on a little crawling Wintergreen plant.





## News from your Town of Neversink Parks & Rec

Our Community Ice Rink is a great success this year. We are seeing lots of skaters, new and old, visiting the rink. Many of these folks are not only new to skating but new to our community. So we welcome them to the rink with bladed skates and we welcome them to our Town of Neversink with open arms!

Friday, January 20 from 7 pm-9pm we will have our Disco Nite at the Community Ice Rink. We'll have the rink decked out in disco lights---and what would a disco nite be without DISCO MUSIC!!! So come on down to the rink and have some old-fashioned disco fun! And as a reminder, the rink is open every Tuesday & Thursday from 7pm-9-pm, Saturday 1pm-3pm & 7pm-9pm and Sundays 1pm -5pm. Check our Facebook page for more info on Disco Nite and for any closures to the rink due to weather conditions.

And a final note on the ice rink----we are in dire need of larger size skates (sizes 10 thru 13). So if anyone has any larger size skates they want to get rid of please donate them to the ice rink. One thing we are really in need of is LARGER SIZE SKATES! Donations can be dropped off at Town Hall. We appreciate any donations you may have for your Community Ice Rink.

So everyone is buzzing about our 2nd Annual Winterfest-WINTERFEST 2023! This year's Winterfest is scheduled for Saturday, February 4th from 11am until 4 pm (with a weather reschedule date of Saturday, February 11th). We will have lots of vendors selling their wares, food and beverage (non-alcoholic) provided by our Tri-Valley Little League and Bear Cub Basketball organizations, the Roadhouse Rolling Bar beer and wine garden providing other libations, and What's Poppin with their incredible popcorn! Jesse Noren and Shane Rennison will be sharing their musical talents with us. Our Kids Craft area will be open again this year and if weather permits we will have a Snowman Building contest, sledding and even snowshoeing around the fairgrounds. Of course the Ice Rink will be open through out the event. So come join us at Winterfest 2023. ITS FREE TO ATTEND! And if you would like a vendor space, please let me know at [cwparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:cwparksandrec@gmail.com). Spaces are free but limited. Keep checking Facebook and your Townsman for updates on the event!

Until our next update, everyone be safe, stay healthy and most of all be happy.

Cher (your Parks & Rec Director)



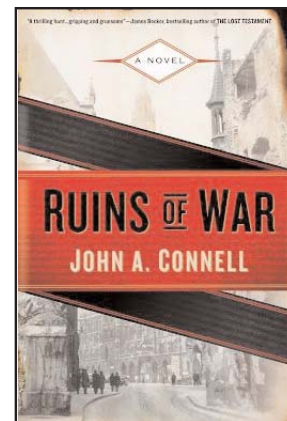


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## Legacy Mysterious Book Report 17 Ruins of War

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### Mysterious Book Report No. 234 by John Dwaine McKenna



Every time we start thinking that the deep, thoroughly-explored and fully-drawn well of World War II stories is about to run dry . . . along comes another author with a whole new, and fascinating point of view, coupled together with a totally original plot to disabuse us of the notion. So move over Ken Follett, make way Alan Furst and brace yourself Philip Kerr –there's a new WW II novelist come to town –and he's got some serious wordsmithing chops to go along with one of the most interesting new detectives since Bernie Gunther was shanghaied into the Nazi SS.

*Ruins of War*, (Berkley/Penguin-Random House, \$26.95, 372 pages, ISBN 978-0-425-27895-6) by John A Connell opens with a gruesome ritualized murder that takes place in Munich, Germany during the month of December, 1945. It's been seven months since the unconditional surrender of the Third Reich; the weather is freezing; the city has been destroyed; people are starving and living like rats in the ruins. The American Army is in charge, trying to maintain order while restoring and putting in place a functioning government. At the same time, the Americans are worried about preventing an outbreak of deadly diseases like typhus or cholera, from the lack of clean water and sanitation. On page one, we meet Warrant Officer Mason Collins of the US Army's Criminal Investigation Division, or CID. He's on his way to a murder scene that's unlike anything he's ever experienced in all his years as a civilian or military detective. When he arrives on-scene he finds a nightmare waiting: an obscenely desecrated human corpse, displayed in so grotesque a manner that it's making hardened combat veterans turn away and gag. Collins realizes he's dealing with a depraved serial killer when a second mutilated body turns up just as his boss—a non-combat experienced colonel who's more concerned with his position and career advancement than catching the killer puts him on such a tight leash that catching the monster would be impossible. The Colonel's in full CYA mode and wants deniability if Collins can't catch the murderer. Collins knows he'll be the scapegoat. In the midst of all the chaos, the task is all but impossible. Thousands upon thousands of displaced persons, along with deserters, former Nazis trying to escape retribution and the survivors of the concentration camps roam about the shattered country and city. Finding a single madman before he kills again seems an impossibility . . . but Collins is destined to try . . . or die in the attempt.

*Ruins of War* has enough pathos and joy, good and evil, drama and moral dilemmas to keep any reader happy. But for lovers of historical crime fiction, like me, this one's a treasure. I expect the author and his character will only improve with age, and, great news! The second Mason Collins novel, *Spoils of Victory* is now out. We'll report on it as soon as we get the copy that's on order. John Connell is as exciting an author as has come down the pike in a good long time. Don't miss your chance to make his early acquaintance. You'll be well rewarded.

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# The Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda Hint, Hint



Here are some tried and true hints I have discovered, tried, and recommend: Forget steel wool pads. Wad up some used tin foil and use instead. It works on pots and grills.

If you want to renew your old cast iron skillets, you can put them in the woodstove or fireplace coals and let the intense heat burn off any sludge. Then re-season the pan.

Be careful to use fireproof gloves and tongs.

If you want to destroy mail or receipts and do not have a shredder, you can soak them in some soapy water and then squish them into a wad or smaller wads. They will be unreadable in the garbage.

Always pay credit cards off in full otherwise you will pay on them forever! Be sure to use cards that give 2% or more.

Use cloth napkins. Buy men's colored handkerchiefs or use inexpensive wash cloths.

If you have a partially used onion or tomato or cucumber or banana or whatever, wet a small piece of paper towel and seal the cut end. It will dry in fridge or on counter sealing the cut edge.

Proofread texts and be sure they go to the right person. Learned that the hard way!

If you have gut feelings or see "red flags", heed them.

Wrap salad vegetables in foil, not plastic film.

Put herbs, stems down, in a glass of water.

Don't leave dishes in the sink overnight. No one wants to face them in the morning. Keep a small blackboard to write notes in chalk.

Keep an old fashioned calendar or planner. Don't trust them to memory.

Call or write one person every day. Be sure to remind them how important they are in your life.

Don't go to bed mad. Clear the air and make way for pleasant dreams.







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## DEC's Annual Tree and Shrub Seedling Sale is Now Open

### More Than 50 Species Available from Colonel William F. Fox Memorial Saratoga Tree Nursery

School Seedling Program Application Period Now Open

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced the start of the Colonel William F. Fox Memorial Saratoga Tree Nursery annual spring seedling sale, which is open to the public and runs until May 12. Each year, the nursery offers low-cost, New York-grown tree and shrub species for sale to encourage plantings that help conserve the state's natural resources and foster the next generation of forests.

"Planting trees provides a multitude of environmental, economic, and social benefits," said DEC Commissioner Basil

Seggos. "Trees absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, making them a powerful tool in the fight against climate change. Trees lower heating and cooling costs, provide food and shelter for wildlife, improve water quality by filtering runoff, prevent erosion, supply a variety of wood products that support local economies, and increase our overall health and well-being. I encourage everyone to take advantage of our nursery's locally grown stock for all of your reforestation and conservation planting needs."

DEC's tree nursery grows more than 50 conifer and hardwood species from local seed sources, creating seedlings that are well-suited to our state's climate. They are available in bundles of 25 or more, plus there are several mixed species packets for those looking for a variety. Seedlings are a minimum of five inches tall and are one to three years old depending on the species. For more information including how to order, visit the Spring Seedling Sale webpage on DEC's website. Some species sell out early, so it is recommended to place orders by phone for the most up-to-date availability information.

#### Free Seedlings Available for Youth Education Through the School Seedling Program

Applications are now being accepted for the nursery's School Seedling Program. From now until March 31, schools and youth education organizations across New York State may apply to receive up to 50 free tree or shrub seedlings to plant with their students.

The goal of the program is to help instill a sense of environmental stewardship at a young age and set a foundation that will allow students to make informed decisions about the use of natural resources. The program is an excellent tool for educators to use in meeting the Next Generation Science Standards as it provides a hands-on opportunity for students to learn about natural systems and the valuable role that trees play, while building their awareness of conservation issues.

All schools (public, private, nursery, elementary, secondary, vocational, college or university), homeschool groups, and any youth education-based organization may apply, provided trees are planted within New York State. Individual homeschools must apply through a homeschool group, co-op, or other association. Seedlings are two to three years old, about four inches to 12 inches tall, and bare-root. There are three packets available - 50 white spruce, 25 red oak, or 30 mixed shrub species good for wildlife habitat - and each school or organization may only receive one packet per year. Visit DEC's website for more information and to apply online. For assistance or questions, contact the Colonel William F. Fox Memorial Saratoga Tree Nursery at [nysnursery@dec.ny.gov](mailto:nysnursery@dec.ny.gov) or 518-581-1439.



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## Shandelee Music Festival Founder Receives Gift from World-famous Musician

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Stroup was an invited guest choral conductor for the annual Messiah "Sing In" at Avery Fisher Hall for seven years. As the conductor of the UNIS Vocal Chamber Ensemble, he's led his students in performances at the Harvard Club, the Shandelee Music Festival Showcase Series, La Guardia High School Center for the Performing Arts, the UN General



*Daniel Stroup with his faithful companion Ricky on the grounds of their beloved Shandelee.*

Besides the UNIS Vocal Chamber Ensemble, Stroup conducts the Senior Choir and Chamber Ensemble. He's the coordinator for the UNIS Performing Arts Program, and teaches private piano. After retirement from UNIS, he will focus all of his energies on the Shandelee Music Festival including plans for expansion of the Outreach Programs in the Sullivan County public school system, as well as expansion of SMF's Sunset Concert Series on the Festival grounds.

On December 15, 2022, dear friends, Midori and Daniel Stroup were reunited at the United Nations International School, where, in honor of his upcoming retirement, she performed a concert for 150 students of the UNIS Senior Chorus, String Ensemble and Wind Ensemble.

Along with her pianist Leva Life, Midori performed works for violin and piano by Dvorak, Prokofiev, Schumann and Franck.

In a "thank you" letter, the students told Midori that they "really enjoyed the repertoire and were thoroughly impacted" by her emotionally charged performance.



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Assembly Hall and many others. Performance venues include Massachusetts, Connecticut, Portland, Oregon, Sweden, Germany, Vienna and France. The ensemble has also performed for former UN Secretary General Kofi Annan and also for the 60th Anniversary celebration of the UN School.



*World famous violinist  
and Kennedy Center  
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## A Legendary Vacation Land Just 90 Minutes from Manhattan

Acclaimed by *Lonely Planet*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Fodor's Travel* and others, the Sullivan Catskills is just 90 minutes from Manhattan. We're a legendary vacation-land that's long been a destination for wellbeing.

Once home to hundreds of bungalows, summer camps and resorts, city dwellers came for our fresh mountain air, hospitality and on-site entertainment. The world-famous Woodstock Music and Art Fair came next, attracting half a million people to a dairy farm in August, 1969.

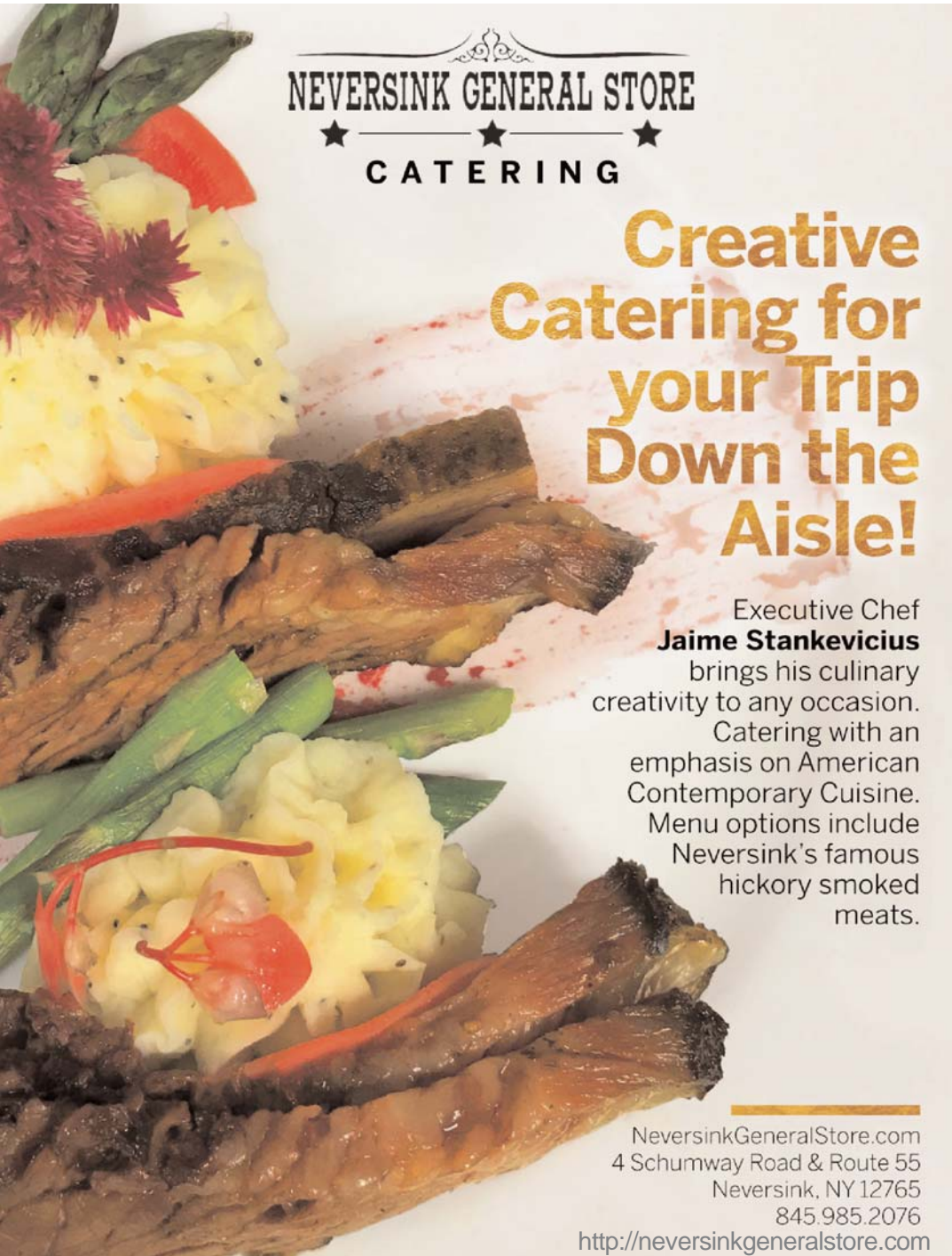
Today –spurred on by a handful of new destination resorts, and a multi-million-dollar arts center at the site of the Woodstock festival –a new generation of city dwellers seeks wellbeing. They come to recharge and unwind through soft adventure like fly-fishing, rails-to-trails hiking, eagle watching and more, surrounded by a stunning rural landscape.

Our Catskill-icious local cuisine is as sumptuous as it is inventive. The hand-crafted beverages on the Good Taste Beverage Trail are award-winning and not to be missed. Something else not to be missed: The Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail –a collection of 50 hand-painted doves perched throughout our towns, villages and attractions, in honor of the 50th anniversary of Woodstock.

Accommodations here range from full-service resorts and vacation rentals to campgrounds, charming inns and B&Bs. A good night's sleep is waiting. We're close, always open, and always ready to welcome you. How soon can you visit?

Download a FREE copy of the Sullivan Catskills travel guide: <https://scva.wpenginepowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/scva-dove-trailmap2022-issuu.pdf>

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

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/120094.html>

For Sundown Wild Forest go to: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/75346.html>

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# The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

No column this week. Wishing you all a Happy New Year!




**The New York State Citizen Preparedness Corps Training Program**

**invites you to participate in a public training event at:**

**Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library**  
**479 Broadway, Monticello, NY 12701**  
**Robert D. Norris Community Room**  
**Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 6:00 PM**  
 Max Capacity= 40  
*Seating will be on a first come, first served basis*

With severe weather events becoming more frequent and more extreme, it is more important than ever that New Yorkers are prepared for disasters. **The NY Citizen Preparedness Training Program** teaches residents to have the tools and resources to prepare for any type of disaster, respond accordingly and recover as quickly as possible to pre-disaster conditions. The training course will provide an introduction to responding to a natural or man-made disaster. Participants will be advised on how to properly prepare for any disaster, including developing a family emergency plan and stocking up on emergency supplies.




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**An Evening with Lee B. Karasik,**  
 Understanding Disability in a Judgement Free Zone



Born with a mild form of Cerebral Palsy (CP) and raised in Sullivan County, NY, Lee Brian Karasik, a musician, photographer, EMT, disability educator, self-proclaimed foodie and all around nice guy is on a mission to clear up the misconceptions that are floating around out there regarding what it's like to live every day with a varying ability.

Join us for an educational discussion, followed by an open Q & A forum. Community members of all ages and abilities are welcome to attend.




**Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6 p.m. \***  
 in the  
**Robert D. Norris Community Room**  
 \* Snow Date: Thursday January 26th

Monticello-Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library  
 479 Broadway Monticello, New York 12701-1300 (845)754-2660  
<https://ebcpl.org>


**And That's the Way it Is:**  
**A Look Back at 70 Years of TV News**



Television news has undergone remarkable transformations in the last seven decades. In this presentation, film lecturer Brian Rose will look at these sweeping changes and examine the history and the impact, both good and bad of television journalism.

**Monday, January 30th at 7 PM on ZOOM**

To register, visit <https://bit.ly/3vDtvx3> or scan the code



This program is brought to you by Warner Library, Florida Public Library, Chester Public Library & Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library

**The Black Library Monthly Meeting**

The Black Library's (TBL) Monthly Meetings are held at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello. Stay up to date with the project. Let Douglas Shindler & Michael Davis, TBL founders, know what you would like to see happening in the community, or discuss anything else you have on your mind.

See you there!

**Tuesday, January 31st**  
**5-7PM**

in the Robert D. Norris Community Room  
 at The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library  
 479 Broadway, Monticello, NY 12701

## The Wayne County Arts Alliance invites the public to join them at their 6th Annual Sketchbook Parti Launch Reception and Art Show

The Wayne County Arts Alliance invites the public to join them at their **6th Annual Sketchbook Parti Launch Reception and Art Show** on Sunday, January 15, 2023 1-5pm at the Bodhi Tree Gallery, 214 Sixth Street, Suite B, Honesdale PA 18431. At this event you have the opportunity to see all the original 2023 sketch boards on display, meet and greet the artists, and see the newly printed 7th annual Sketchbook Parti Book. When you join or renew your membership with WCAA, you can take home your own copy of this book.

The Sketchbook Parti book is a collection of original sketches created by local artists this past year. The book is then given to each new and renewing WCAA membership during 2023. Fifty artists are featured in the 2023 book. This is the 6th year for the Sketchbook Parti project, created and curated by WCAA Artist/member Dave Justice. Join us for an afternoon of art and refreshment as the Wayne County Arts Alliance kicks off its 20th anniversary year.

## Woodstock Farm Fest Winter Market

We hope you will join us for the Woodstock Farm Fest winter market. You will find all your pantry staples, plus plant-based ice cream, sustainable charcuterie, farm-brewed beer, local grains, hand-blended herbal teas, fresh and dried mushrooms, and more.

Beginning Saturday, January 7th from 10 am - 2 pm and every other Saturday at Utopia Soundstage, Bearsville Center, Woodstock, NY. SNAP accepted.

January 21 –ARTISAN AND CRAFT VENDORS AT THE MARKET

February 4 and March 4th –KNIFE SHARPENING WITH ROCKY HILL FORGE. Bring your knives and have them sharpened while you shop!

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## Woodstock Farm Fest Winter Market

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## UlsterCorps' 14th Annual MLK Day Celebration of Service

*Saturday, January 14th, 2023 from 12-2pm*

*Rosendale Recreation Center*

A thank you event honoring all volunteers in Ulster County Celebrating your service to the community and honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Volunteers from ALL Ulster County non-profits are welcome at UlsterCorps' 14th Annual MLK Day Celebration of Service, Saturday, January 14th, 2023, 12-2pm at the Rosendale Recreation Center, 1055 NY-32, Rosendale (Monday, January 16th snow date). The event honors volunteers from service organizations throughout Ulster County for their hard work and dedication.

The event will celebrate the broad circle of kindness and generosity that knits us together as a community and demonstrates the value of the volunteer spirit across all generations. The event is free and will include live music, refreshments and raffles. Attendees can choose to join us for a sit-down meal together, or simply stop by for a to-go box. There will also be an event program listing the names of all volunteers who pre-register by January 10th, and all businesses and agency partners contributing raffle items and supporting the event.

To register for this free event please email [register@ulster-](mailto:register@ulster-)

[corps.org](http://corps.org) or call/text (845) 481-0331. Please register by January 10th if you would like your name and the agency where you volunteer included in the event program. If you'd like to sponsor the event or donate items for the raffle or goodie bags, please click here for sponsorship details or call/text Beth at (845) 481-0331.

Thank you so much to these local businesses and community partners who are contributing to the event: speakers Rev. Evelyn Clarke, Manna Jo Greene, Loriman Rhodell; food, music and raffle prizes: Adams Fairacre Farms; Angel Food East; Bardavon; Blackboard Bistro; Green Cottage; Holistic Health Community; Hudson Valley Current; Hudson Valley Farm Hub; Hurds Family Farm; Love Is Love; Marysa Sacerdote Jewelry; Mental Health Association in Ulster County; Michael DeWan Appraisal & Assoc.; MyKingstonKids; New Progressive Baptist Church Choir; People's Place; Raising HOPE; RCAL; Rondout Valley Lions Club; Royalty Enterprises; The Big Cheese; The Rosendale International Pickle Festival; Seasoned Delicious; Split Rock Recording Studio; Ulster Literacy Association; Ulster Savings Bank; Vitality Yoga and more

## UC Repair Cafes

**Kingston Repair Café Saturday, January 14th**, 11am - 3pm  
Redeemer Lutheran Church 104 Wurts Street, Kingston

**New Paltz Repair Café Saturday, January 21st**, 10am - 2pm  
New Paltz United Methodist Church 1 Grove Street, New Paltz

**Esopus Repair Café Saturday, January 28th**, 10am - 2pm  
Ascension Church 1585 Route 9W, West Park

A Repair Cafe is a free community event. You bring your broken but beloved items and together with volunteer repair coaches, WE FIX THEM! People bring all kinds of things to a repair cafe: clocks and other mechanical items; chairs, frames, and other wooden items; electrical items and small appliances; digital devices; clothing and textiles; dolls, stuffed animals, and toys, tools in need of sharpening; jewelry and watches; and so much more! Most items get fixed, and even when they don't - we have a good time trying! Questions? Contact [hshader@gmail.com](mailto:hshader@gmail.com) or visit [www.repaircafehv.org](http://www.repaircafehv.org).

## AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Seeks Volunteers

Are you looking for a rewarding volunteer opportunity that can put your experience and skills to good use, while helping others in your community? AARP Foundation Tax-Aide are looking for volunteers to become certified tax preparers. Help low and moderate-income individuals, families, and seniors get refunds and credits they may not have known about and efile at no cost.

If you have prepared personal income taxes in the past and are looking for a way to use these skills, consider volunteering. In addition to tax preparers, whom the program will train, Tax-Aide needs people who can provide technical and communications assistance, interpreters, and program leaders. Volunteers come from a variety of industries and range from retirees to university students. All levels and types of experience are welcome. Volunteers get a great deal of satisfaction from helping people prepare their taxes and get the refunds and credits they may not have known about.

Tax sites are open from February 2023 through April 2023 and are located throughout Ulster County. Volunteers must commit to at least four hours once a week at their assigned site during tax season, flexible hours are available.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Steve Weir, at 845-255-4442 or [sweir12525@gmail.com](mailto:sweir12525@gmail.com)



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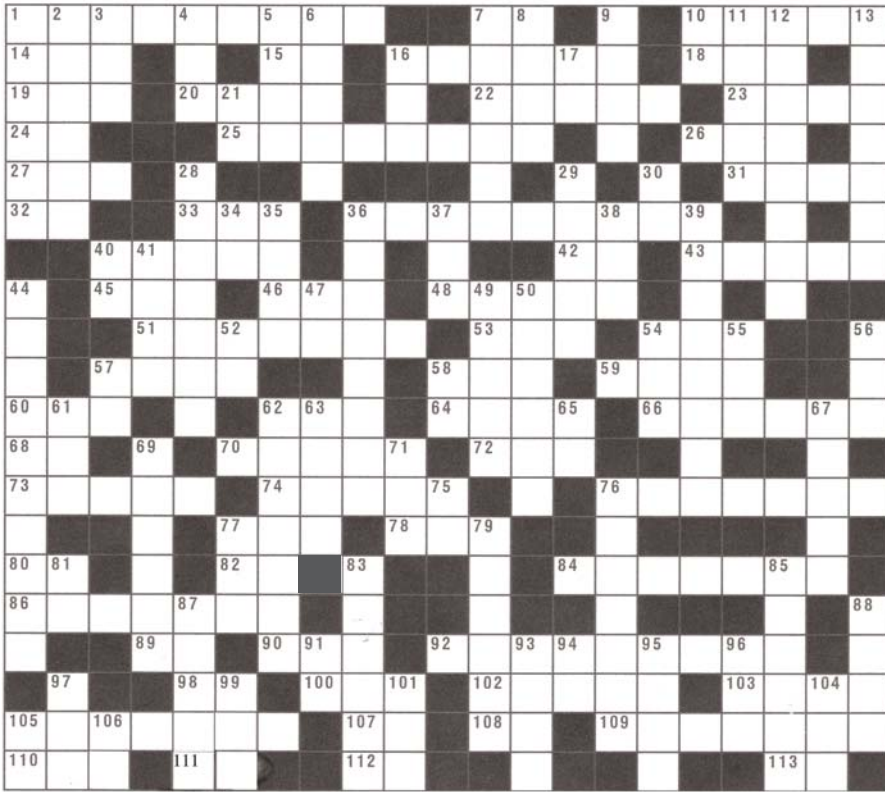
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- 1 Aware
- 7 Living Room
- 10 Vision
- 14 Exists
- 15 United States
- 16 Discourse
- 18 One of the slender curved bone protection the thoracic cavity
- 19 Nocturnal flying mammal
- 20 Large amount
- 22 Not silent
- 23 Relating to teenagers
- 24 Nearby
- 25 Study of the nature of God
- 26 Lair
- 27 Less than average height
- 31 Perceives with the eyes
- 32 Chem. element Argon
- 33 Staff
- 36 College attended by Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 40 Turned to ice
- 42 Rupees
- 43 Search
- 45 A great deal
- 46 Long period of time
- 48 Thick
- 51 City where Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated
- 53 Female deer
- 54 Male human
- 57 Trial
- 58 Honey-producing insect
- 59 Hindu rosary
- 60 Distinctive philosophy
- 62 High degree of heat
- 64 Against
- 66 Moral entitlement
- 68 Street
- 70 Swedish chemist, entrepreneur and pacifist who invented dynamite
- 72 Be seated
- 73 International system of telegraphy
- 74 Folk traditions
- 76 Avoid
- 77 Pastry
- 78 Secretary-General of the U.N. from '58-'61

- 80 Northeast
- 82 Part of the human psyche
- 84 Birthplace of Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 86 Martin Luther King, Jr.'s wife
- 89 Regarding
- 90 Term for Cantonese language
- 92 Alaska's largest city
- 98 Ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter
- 100 Short sleep
- 102 Yiddish dish
- 103 "\_\_\_ & Andy"
- 105 Submissive
- 107 Modus operandi
- 108 Surrounded by something
- 109 Icons
- 110 Curved line
- 111 Delaware
- 112 Chem. element tellurium
- 113 Road

**DOWN**

- 1 Jewish mystical tradition
- 2 Skilled public

- speaker
- 3 Overall
- 4 Projection on a rotating part of machinery
- 5 Cry of pain
- 6 Escort
- 7 Union
- 8 Depend on
- 9 Close
- 10 Doctor
- 11 Solemn ceremonial acts
- 12 King was the pastor of this church
- 13 Someone's established set of attitudes
- 16 Sun
- 17 Colorado
- 21 State that observed Human Rights Day until 2000
- 28 Objection
- 29 According to their mythology, the first humans were made from Black Alder wood
- 30 Objective reality or genuine
- 34 Frank Baum's fantasy land
- 35 Not shallow

- 36 Cleric
- 37 The color of Black Alder berries
- 38 Employ
- 39 Egalitarianism
- 40 Florida
- 41 Capital of Italy
- 44 Refuse to comply
- 47 Exclamation of surprise
- 49 Belonging to Adam and Eve's garden
- 50 Relating to mental intellect
- 52 Mountain
- 54 Mutilate
- 55 Badger
- 56 Belonging to him
- 57 Trademark
- 58 Bachelor of Arts
- 61 Female saint
- 62 Celebration
- 63 Slender woodwind with a double reed mouthpiece
- 65 That thing
- 67 Small freshwater tropical brightly colored fish
- 69 Overseer
- 71 Organized and

- directed
- 75 South America
- 76 Lower half of 2-piece garments
- 77 Digging up
- 79 Noted civil rights leader in India
- 81 Executive Order

- 83 Had a cherished aspiration
- 85 Quake
- 87 Lukewarm
- 88 Multitude
- 91 United Nations
- 93 Penny
- 94 Hour
- 95 Lines of light
- 96 Chat
- 97 Face value of a stock
- 99 I have (contraction)
- 101 Author of "The Raven"
- 104 Not new
- 105 Father
- 106 State that officially began to observe Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday as an official holiday in 2000

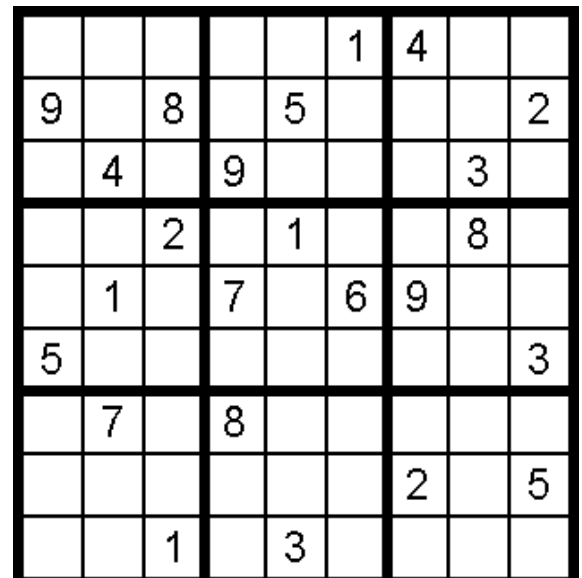
**Slow Cooker Bread Pudding with Bourbon Sauce**

- 3 large eggs
- 1-1/4 cups milk
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 4-1/2 cups day-old cubed brioche or egg bread
- 1-1/4 cups raisins
- Bourbon Sauce:**
- 1/4 cup butter, cubed
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup light corn syrup
- 3 tablespoons Tennessee bourbon

In a large bowl, whisk together first seven ingredients; stir in bread and raisins. Transfer to a greased 4-qt. slow cooker. Cook, covered, on low 3 hours. (To avoid scorching, rotate slow cooker insert one-half turn midway through cooking, lifting carefully with oven mitts.)

For sauce place butter, sugar and corn syrup in a small saucepan; bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Cook and stir until sugar is dissolved. Remove from heat; stir in bourbon. Serve warm with bread pudding.

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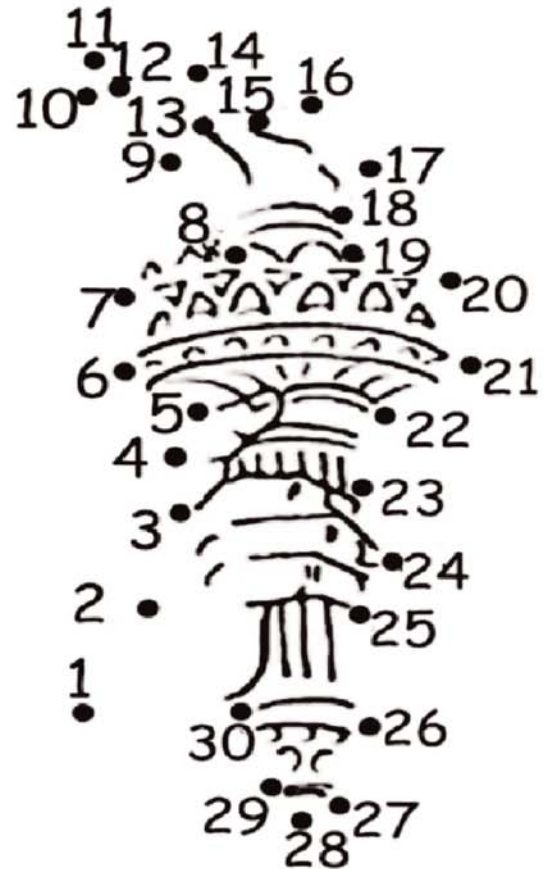
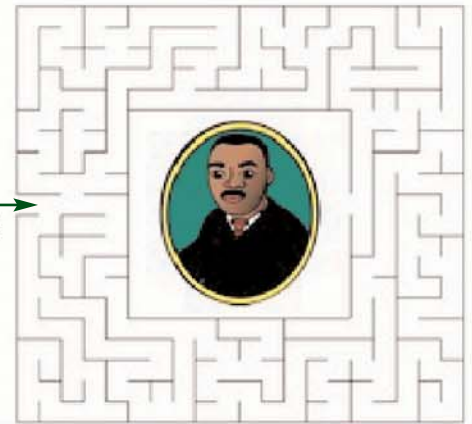
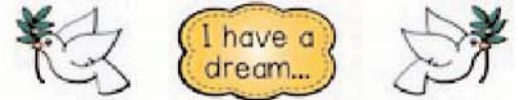
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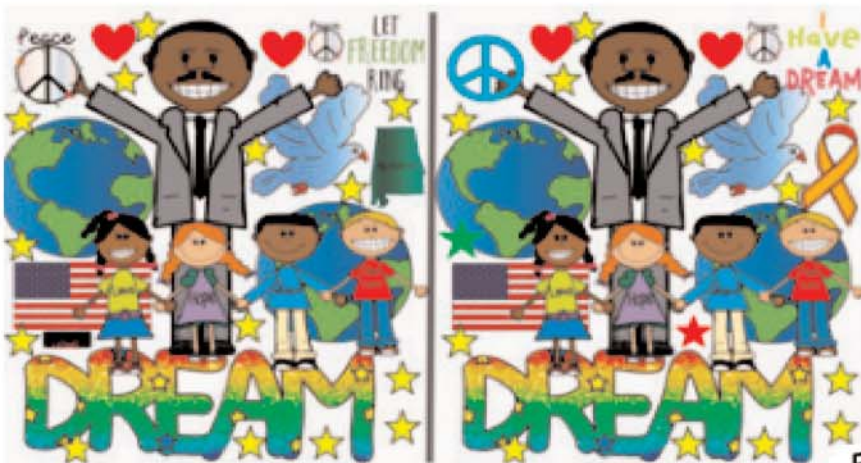
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Martin Luther King, Jr. - Maze



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## Fallsburg Strong Family Engagement Extravaganza

Fallsburg Central School District (FCSD) presents a day of food, entertainment, games, and fun for the Fallsburg community on Saturday January 21, 2023 from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM at the Fallsburg Junior Senior High School. The FCSD Board of Education School Community Relations Committee is coordinating the event. Supporting them are the school administration, the Parent Teacher Association, the Parent Teacher Organization, the SGA, and My brother's Keeper. The event is free to all Fallsburg residents.

The day will feature a multicultural food tasting, live music, winter coat drive, raffles, gifts, and resource tables. Some of the family games and fun are a sack race, three legged race, beanbag race, arts and crafts, an arcade, Karaoke, and much more!

All small children must be accompanied by an adult.

Beginning at 10:15 AM, the Rolling V Bus Corp. will pick up people at Mountaindale Post Office, Woodridge Town Hall, a Woodbourne Fireman's Parking Lot. At the same time, a second bus route is Loch Sheldrake Municipal Parking Lot, Hurleyville Post Office, Laurel Avenue by Apartments, Griff Court, and Main Street Houses. At 3PM, the two busses will return in the opposite direction. Thanks to Rolling V for taking part in sponsoring the day's festivities.

For further information, please contact the Fallsburg JSHS at (845) 434-6800, ext. 1223.

## SCDW Audition Notice

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop - the Catskill's award-winning Community theatre - is seeking actors to cast "A Lovely Day to Kill Your Spouse" by Lindsey Brown. This is an rollicking comedy of a bickering, long-married couple seeking to do each other in, thwarted by the realities of the situation and by their evil siblings.

**Seeking 2 males** - 50ish and **2 females** 40ish. Also, seeking a **stage manager, props person, set crew & painters.**

Auditions will take place on Saturday, March 11, and Sunday, March 12, from noon to 2:00 PM at the Senior Center on Laurel Avenue in South Fallsburg. Show dates are June 9, 10, & 16, 17, at 8:00 PM and June 11 & 18, at 2:00 PM.

Please make your interest known to Director, Sally:

h. 845-434-0209 or c. 845-798-8896 or  
gladsally@gmail.com

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**until they are gone.**

Call (845) 985-2411 for more  
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**Proof of Denning**

**residency required**

**ONE kit per household**

**(2 tests)**

**Signature required**

### Tri-Valley Central School District Board of Education

Tri-Valley CSD  
Board of Education Meeting will be on

Thursday, January 19, 2023,

Regular Meeting #11

7:00 p.m.

Secondary School Library Lower Level.

Meeting will be advertised, conducted,  
streamed live on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckI224vKQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live>.



## Congressman Pat Ryan Sworn Into Office as Member of 118th Congress, Outlines Priorities

*Ryan reiterates promise to defend  
fundamental American rights, deliver  
much-needed economic relief*

WASHINGTON, DC - After a more than four day delay, Congressman Pat Ryan was finally sworn into office in the early hours of this morning.

"The stakes for this country and for every American are simply too high for partisan games to continue- we must now come together as patriots to govern," said Representative Pat Ryan. "I'm here to defend fundamental rights, and deliver much-needed relief. It is my job first and foremost to serve the Hudson Valley. While this body may appear divided, I commit to working with anyone, regardless of party, to serve our constituents, to fight on the side of freedom, and to get things done.

"I now have the unique honor of being the first West Point graduate to represent the institution in Congress, a responsibility I do not take lightly," continued Representative Ryan. "Supporting West Point, along with all of our region's veterans and military families, is a top priority. In addition, we need to keep building an economy that works for all, grow the manufacturing base in New York, and provide clean water for the region. I look forward to taking immediate action on these critical issues, as well as a number of others, in the weeks and months to come."

## Statement from Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger on the Organizational Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature

"I want to congratulate all the Legislative leaders who were re-elected to their positions--Chair of the Legislature Tracey Bartels, Vice Chair Eve Walter, Majority Leader Jonathan Heppner, Deputy Majority Leader Abe Uchitelle, and Minority Leader Ken Ronk. All are thoughtful and committed public servants who I have had the pleasure of working with in my previous role in the State Senate, and I look forward to working with them as Ulster County Executive. We have all the building blocks right here in Ulster County to create a sustainable, resilient, thriving local community and economy that leaves no one behind, and I'm excited to get to work with my Legislative partners on both sides of the aisle. There's no end to what we can accomplish when we work together."

## Statement from Rep. Marc Molinaro on Congressional Swearing-In



WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement after being sworn in to the 118th Congress:

"I am humbled and honored to take the oath of office today and begin representing New York's 19th District in Congress.

"I have dedicated my adult life to public service. First as a village Mayor, then as a State Assemblyman, and most recently as County Executive. I view my new role in Congress as a continuation of my commitment to public service.

"Serving at all levels of local government, I have seen firsthand how Washington ignores the issues that matter most to our community. In Congress, I will ensure Upstate New York's voice is raised and as I have always done, work to deliver real results by bringing those with differing perspectives together.

"It is the honor of a lifetime to serve Upstate New York in the People's House. While it took longer than I had hoped to be sworn in, this time has underscored the importance of working within my own party and across the aisle to get things done for the people of this district. My team and I are excited to get to work, and make a difference for our community."

## Lunch and Learn Series –The New Virtual Workplace: How to Manage a Virtual Office/How to be an Effective Virtual Worker

In recent years, we have learned a lot about what makes for an effective remote workplace. Under the right conditions and using the right guidelines, a virtual office environment can be efficient and productive. Learn about what it takes to be a good manager, or worker, or both, in a virtual setting. –January 20, 2023 - 12:00 PM at SUNY SULLIVAN Upper Hermann Conference Room in the E building (upstairs from the theater)

No cost for Members, \$5 for non-members All must register. Please Click The Link Below! Bring your own brown bag lunch and join us in person or on Zoom. REGISTER NOW! Go to: <https://business.catskills.com/events/details/the-new-virtual-workplace-lunch-and-learn-series-13618>

# SC Drug Task Force Shifts Into Gear for 2023

## Focused on Helping Community, Including Veterans



*Members of the Sullivan County Drug Task Force include, from the left, Scott Kinne (Law Enforcement Pillar), Meagan Galligan (outgoing Co-Chair), Annette Kahrs (Data Pillar), Travis Hartman (Law Enforcement Pillar), Wendy Brown (Co-Chair), Michael Schiff (Law Enforcement Pillar), Brian Conaty (Co-Chair), Steven D'Agata (Law Enforcement Pillar) and County Legislator Nick Salomone, who chairs the Legislature's Public Safety Committee.*

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County's Drug Task Force enters 2023 with new additions to its "pillar" structure. Each pillar represents a key strategy and focus of the Task Force.

Acting District Attorney Brian Conaty will co-chair the Drug Task Force with Wendy E. Brown, Deputy Commissioner of Health and Human Services, now that former DA Meagan Galligan has become a State judge.

The Law Enforcement Pillar will continue to be led by Sheriff Michael Schiff and co-chaired by Liberty Police Chief Steve D'Agata.

"We are very pleased to welcome Chief D'Agata, who has been an ardent supporter of the success of the Hope Not Handcuffs Program here," noted Brown. "We are also pleased to announce the formation of a new Veterans Pillar. We've partnered with three agencies to support our efforts to improve outreach to those who have served our nation. Membership on this Pillar will consist of representation from the SC Veterans Service Agency, Action Towards Independence's (ATI's) 'Vet to Vet' program and the Hudson Valley VA, as well as interested members of the community."

**The new Veterans Pillar will be led by Ryan Fuller and Carl LoFaro. The other pillar leads are:**

- o Medical Provider Pillar: Nicholas Batson and Heather Guinan-Clark
- o Hope & Prevention Pillar: Jill Hubert-Simon and Dawn Wilkin
- o United Sullivan Pillar: John Liddle and Martin Colavito
- o Policy Reform Pillar: Aileen Gunther and Judy Balaban
- o Treatment Programs Pillar: Melissa Stickle
- o Care (Perinatal) Pillar: Karen Holden and Janna Walter
- o Data Pillar: Lorne Green and the future Sullivan County Commissioner of Public Safety, when hired





# Exploring the Night Sky

Telescopes and More

at the Daniel Pierce Library

Presented by John Kocijanski, Catskills Astronomy Group

Thursday, January 26, 2023

*Snow Date: Thursday, February 23, 2023*

6:00-7:00 pm

Join us for an informative talk and exploration of different types of telescopes needed to observe the night sky. Weather permitting, we will enjoy a viewing of the Moon, Mars, and Jupiter.

Please note: program will be in the Adult Reading Room as well as the outdoor patio, dress accordingly and check our website for weather related cancellations.

Program open to patrons eleven and up interested in astronomy.

Registration required online @ [www.danielpiercelibrary.org](http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org)

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**Sundown United Methodist Church**

**Covered Dish Supper**

**5:30 pm**

**Feb. 4, 2023**

*Tables with Yard Sale items will be available during the supper*

*Sundown United Methodist Church Hall*



**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION**

The Little Church with the Big Heart  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**Sunday, 8:00am Service of Holy Communion**  
Music by Fred VanWagner

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845-436-7539

For information contact:  
**The Reverend Diana Southwick Scheide**  
Canon Missioner of the Delaware Catskill Episcopal Ministry  
PO Box 296 Callicoon, NY  
vicardcem@gmail.com  
845-887-3201 • 717-870-7874 cell

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)  
**6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY**

**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm  
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

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

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

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team looks forward to returning in the Spring of 2023

**Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches House Worship Plan**

**Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link**

Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>  
Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740

Dial by your location  
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)  
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

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

*Grahamsville Reformed Church*

*The Church with a friendly welcome*

**Pastor Kenneth Ronk**  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 9:30 am  
P O Box 238 - Route 55  
Grahamsville, NY 12740  
845-985-7480

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Claryville Road  
Claryville, NY 12725  
845-985-2041



Worship Services @ 10:00 am  
Rev. Ken Tenckinck, Pastor  
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Sunday Mass - 9:30 am  
Holy Days 5:30 pm  
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month  
Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, Pastor



Ans to last week's Crossword



**GRAHAMSVILLE  
UMC THRIFT MINISTRY**

We are no longer accepting donations for the Thrift Ministry as of November 1, 2022. Thanks to all for your generosity which has helped to make a successful season. We look forward to returning in the Spring of 2023.

**The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team**

**Sundown  
United Methodist Church**

**Covered Dish Supper  
Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023 5:30 pm  
at the Church Hall**

*Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale*

*(Covered Dish Suppers will be held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)*

**All Aboard!**  
Join the Fun!  
**Play Mexican Train**  
FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1-4 pm  
in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall

Also **WANTED** People to play cards

SUUJI WA TANSU NI KAGIRU answer

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**Community Blood Drive  
Proudly Hosted by  
Daniel Pierce Library**

In the Community Room  
32B Main St.  
Grahamsville, NY 12740

**Tuesday, January 17, 2023  
2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Please Call 1-800-RFD-CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) to make your lifesaving appointment today!

Walk-ins Welcome - Appointments Preferred!

Please consider giving a Power Red Cell donation if you are O+, O-, A+, or B+

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

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<http://gnomehomeinc.com>

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

**LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

1/10/23	Denning Town Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
1/11/23	Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
1/15/23	Claryville Fire Department <b>All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast</b> 8 am - 12 noon
1/17/23	Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
1/19/23	Town of Denning Planning Board 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
2/1/23	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
2/4/23	<b>Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper</b> 5:30 Church Hall

**To all Local Municipalities, Civic Organizations, Churches, etc.**

Please remember to send us your **Events Calendar for 2023** so that we may continue to post your meetings and events throughout the coming year. You may email them to: tvtownsman@yahoo.com or  
USPS Mail - The Townsman, PO Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740

**Save the Date!**

February 4, 2023 **2nd Annual Town of Neversink Winterfest** (Blizzard date Feb. 11, 2023)-Watch for details.  
May 6, 2023 f **Tri-Valley Lions' Journey For Sight Walk** at 8:30 am at Grahamsville First Aid Squad Bldg and Fairgrounds. Call Lion Esta Jacob for more information at 845-866-1579.

**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.

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week of January 9 - January 13, 2023

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

**Monday, January 9**

- o **5:00 PM - Community Services Board**, at 239 Golden Hill Lane, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Kingston
- o **6:00 PM - Ulster County Traffic Safety Board**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**Tuesday, January 10**

- o **3:30 PM - Ulster County Workforce Development Board**, at 535 Boices Ln., Kingston, and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 824 9753 0059, Passcode: 470834
- o **5:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Health**, at 239 Golden Hill Lane, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Kingston

**Wednesday, January 11**

- o No Meetings

**Thursday, January 12**

- o **5:00 PM - Ulster County Charter Revision Commission**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston. The public may also attend at and 1250 Penbrook Club Dr, Venice, FL and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 840 4292 4344

**Friday, January 13**

- o No Meetings

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Classified ads - \$5.00  
for the first 20 words/  
20 cents each additional word

1" Boxed ad (1" x 3")- \$6.00 per week  
Business card ad ( 2" x 3")  
- \$12.00 per week

(3" x 4") - \$24.00 per week  
(3" x 6") - \$36.00 per week  
1/4 pg (4" x 5") - \$40.00 per week  
1/2 pg (4"x8") - \$64.00 per week  
(6" x 8") - \$96.00 per week

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

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

•• **Full Page Flyer for Local Municipalities  
and Organizations -  
one time fee- \$20.00**  
(once the flyer is inserted we will  
publish it each week  
through the week of the event)  
**As in the past, there is no fee for  
advertising for our local churches**

**Low Rates  
High Visibility!**



# Dept. of Motor Vehicles dates for the Neversink Town Hall.

## 12/8/2022, 1/5, 2/2 & 3/2/2023.



Go on the DMV Website to make a reservation.

Search [sullivancountydmscheduling](#)

*Please read all appointment types before selecting one. If you select the wrong appointment type you may have to reschedule due to time constraints.*

### **Now conveniently doing business at 9 locations:**

- Neversink Town Hall - 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Callicoon Town Hall - 19 Legion Street, Jeffersonville, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Rockland Town Hall - 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Delaware Town Hall - 104 Lower Main Street, Hortonville, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Mamakating Town Hall - 2948 US 209, Wurtsboro, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Tusten Town Hall - 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Town of Liberty Senior Center - 119 N Main St. Liberty, NY (rotating schedule)**
- Bloomingburg Town Hall - 13 North Rd. Bloomingburg, NY (rotating schedule)**

Customers **MUST** have all forms completed **PRIOR** to arriving for their appointment. You can access forms through the NYS DMV website - [dmv.ny.gov](#)

**\*\*\* IF YOU ARE LATE OR NOT PREPARED YOU WILL BE ASKED TO RESCHEDULE \*\*\***

*Please limit the number of people coming to your appointment. Additional people not necessary to the transaction may be asked to wait outside.*

The DMV will continue to take mail-in license renewals with proof of an eye exam and registration renewals to: Sullivan County DMV, 100 North Street, Monticello NY, 12701

For further information please contact us at: 845-794-3872

# Catskill Strategic Planning Advisory Group Submits Final Report to DEC Commissioner Seggos

## *Final Report Recommendations Build on DEC's Ongoing Efforts to Promote Sustainable Recreation, Diversity, and Protection of the Park's Natural Resources*

The Catskill Strategic Planning Advisory Group (CAG) submitted its final report on promoting sustainable recreation in the Catskill Forest Preserve to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos. Comprised of stakeholders with expertise in local government, recreation, natural resource protection, business and tourism, and other priority areas, the CAG was tasked in October 2020 with providing recommendations to DEC on how to address critical issues associated with increased public use of Catskill Park resources in order to protect these areas in the short term, as well as for future generations.

"I commend the efforts of the Catskill Strategic Planning Advisory Group for producing this comprehensive report and key recommendations to help enhance DEC's ongoing efforts to manage use and protect all the natural resources within the Catskill Forest Preserve," Commissioner Seggos said. "DEC continues to see increased visitation to State lands with a growing number of outdoor enthusiasts looking to experience New York's treasured natural resources. This report focuses on addressing sustainable use and ensuring visitors of all abilities and backgrounds can share in these outdoor experiences. DEC is already working with our partners to implement the CAG's recommendations and looks forward to continuing our progress."

The final report includes proposed actions DEC and its state and local partners could undertake, pending available funding and continued partnership, to balance increasing and diverse recreational use of the Catskill Forest Preserve, protecting the park's natural and historic resources, and ensuring visitor experiences when using the Park are welcoming, accessible, and inclusive.

The CAG has been meeting throughout the past two years to develop this report with recommendations for immediate actions and strategic investments and priorities under six major themes: Whole Park Management - The Catskill Park is currently broken down into many different jurisdictions. Recommendations include management strategies to operate the Catskill Park as a whole park in a more cohesive manner;

Natural Resources - Ensuring the protection of the Park's natural resources remains a high priority for the State and all stakeholders;

**Marketing, Communication and Education** - Recommending the State and other stakeholders work together to promote the Park, while also educating visitors about how to reduce their impacts;

**Traffic and Parking** - The current infrastructure of the Park was not developed to handle the volume of cars that are traveling to the area. Recommendations include joint investment between the State and other stakeholders to address overflow at locations that are particularly affected by the impacts of frequent visitation;

**Benefits to Park Communities** - Recommending the State and stakeholders work jointly in efforts to maximize the economic opportunities of the Park to better the lives of the residents of the Park; and

**Building Diversity, Equity, Inclusivity, and Justice (DEIJ) principles** - Recommending these principles be included in recreational, educational, and operational frameworks and the eco-

nomics provided in the Catskill Park and seeks to promote and embrace the benefits of DEIJ and to achieve a more welcoming and inclusive Catskill Park.

Commissioner Seggos and DEC experts are reviewing the final report as the agency continues its efforts to promote sustainable use while supporting communities in the region and throughout the Catskill Park, as well as in other popular recreation destinations on public lands across New York State. DEC established a similar effort with Adirondack Park stakeholders with the creation of the High Peaks Strategic Planning Advisory Group (HPAG) in 2019.

DEC has already begun to implement many of these recommendations including the hiring of a Catskill Park Coordinator. The Catskill Park Coordinator position was created in 2021 after the CAG recommended this position in its interim report. DEC continues to work through a Visitor Use Management Frame (VUMF) process to protect the trailless peaks of the Catskills and is planning to begin a second VUMF in the Kaaterskill Clove area in 2023. Additionally, DEC is working to expand professional trails construction and visitor education capabilities. Leading into the peak hiking seasons, DEC worked with many other public and private partners to protect public safety and natural resources in the busiest Catskill corridors and trails.

### **CAG members:**

**Melissa Abramson**, Local Brand Engagement and Impact, REI

**Ramsay Adams**, Founder and Executive Director, Catskill Mountainkeeper

**Patrick Barnes**, Region 1 Director, New York State Department of Transportation

**Adam Bosch**, President, Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress

**Thomas Davidock**, Acting Section Chief, Bureau of Water Supply, Watershed Lands and Community Planning

**Dr. Joshua R. Ginsberg**, Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies and Catskill Science Collaborative

**Warren Hart**, Deputy County Administrator, Greene County Economic Development, Tourism & Planning

**Joshua Howard**, Executive Director, New York-New Jersey Trail Conference

**David Kukle**, Town of Hunter Councilman and Director of Food and Beverage at Hunter Mountain Ski Bowl, Inc.

**Adrienne Larys**, President, Mountain Top Historical Society, Inc.

**Lisa Lyons**, Owner, Morgan Outdoors, Livingston Manor

**Gilles Malkine**, Architectural Modification Consultant, Resource Center for Accessible Living

**Cathy Pedler**, Director of Advocacy, Adirondack Mountain Club

**Jeff Senterman**, Executive Director, Catskill Center for Conservation and Development

**Matthew Shook**, Director of Development and Special Projects, Palisades Interstate Park Commission

**Markly Wilson**, Director of International Marketing, New York State Division of Tourism - I LOVE NY, and Ross Levi, Executive Director/Vice President, New York State Division of Tourism - I LOVE NY

**Michelle Yost**, Watershed Assistance Program Manager, Greene County Soil and Water Conservation District

**Ross D. Levi**, Empire State Development Vice President and Executive Director of Tourism, said, "The Catskills are a jewel in New York State's tourism crown, offering year-round opportunities to explore the region and experience all the park has to offer. I LOVE NY welcomes recommendations that will help make the region more accessible and inviting to guests of all backgrounds and needs, while preserving and supporting its sustainability for future generations of visitors." (Contd. Pg. 27 )



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**Ramsay Adams**, Catskill Mountainkeeper's Executive Director, said, "Since October 2020, the Catskill Advisory Group members have collaborated to develop strong recommendations for investing in the Catskill Park, in its residents and visitors, and in protecting its lands and waters to preserve the Catskill Park's splendor for generations to come. I'm looking forward to working with Governor Hochul, Commissioner Seggos, and the advisory group over the long term to bring to life the dynamic whole-park management plan for the Catskills envisioned in our report. By seizing on the many great park management opportunities within reach, New York will usher in the next Golden Age of the Catskills."

**Michael Barrett**, Adirondack Mountain Club Executive Director, said, "As contributors to both CAG and HPAG, we are excited to see the completion of this report and look forward to the continued implementation of its recommendations. We commend the Governor's Office and the DEC for convening the CAG and working with its members over the past several years to produce this actionable plan to honor the vibrant culture of the Catskills, protect its biodiversity, offer first-rate recreational opportunities, and advance the economic vitality of its communities."

**Adam Bosch**, President of the Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress, said, "The recent surge of visitors to the Catskills has yielded new challenges and opportunities that require our attention and investment. The CAG's research underscores that intensive use of the park must be met with intensive management. Our report provides a blueprint for the state to invest in the people, infrastructure and partnerships that will protect and preserve the Catskill Park while keeping it accessible to all visitors who responsibly enjoy its wild and scenic lands."

**Joshua Howard**, New York-New Jersey Trail Conference Executive Director, said, "The New York-New Jersey Trail Conference is excited to share this report with DEC Commissioner Seggos and the public. The Catskill Advisory Group's final recommendations are the culmination of a great deal of collaboration and consensus building amongst organizations who care about the Catskills Forest Preserve. This report provides a roadmap for making recreation in the Catskill Park sustainable, welcoming, and equitable for all who seek the benefits of one of New York's greatest treasures."

**Jeff Senterman**, Executive Director of the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development, said, "As one of New York's crown jewels, the Catskill Park and Forest Preserve must be protected and actively managed to ensure natural resource protection and recreational access, while also safeguarding and supporting the communities within the Park. The CAG's Final Report recognizes these challenges and opportunities, and makes specific, implementable recommendations that will improve the Park for all. Within those recommendations, we note the importance of the Catskills Visitor Center as the official visitor center for the Catskill Park and the increased investments in the CVC called for in the CAG's report. We are proud to have been part of the CAG's process leading up to the Final

Report, and look forward to working with the DEC and our fellow stakeholders to ensure adequate and necessary long-term funding exists and that all recommendations are implemented."

The final report and summaries of CAG meetings are available on the DEC Catskill Strategic Planning Advisory Group webpage at DEC's website at: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/122227.html>

## Mountainkeeper —Big Opportunities for 2023

Happy New Year! Mountainkeeper is excited about the big opportunities ahead in 2023, and we're determined to keep last year's momentum going strong as we work to protect New York communities and natural spaces in 2023. Keep reading to learn about the Catskill Advisory Group's plan to make major improvements in the Catskill Park, get the lowdown on Governor Hochul's failure to sign an important bill that would have protected indigenous burial sites, and start your weekend right with some good news about the work being done to clean up some of our planet's dirtiest industries.

Sincerely,

Ramsay Adams, Executive Director

### Positive Change in the Catskill Park

Mountainkeeper knows all about what makes our region so special, so it comes as no surprise that in 2021 over 12 million people came here to hike, camp, and enjoy the beautiful vistas that the Catskill Park has to offer. This means that our Park welcomed more visitors in 2021 than the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, and Yellowstone combined!

We're thrilled to see so many people getting in touch with nature in the Catskills, and the recent surge in park-goers has been an economic boon for adjacent communities that rely on tourism. While this is great news, the uptick in visitors also brings challenges like overcrowding at trailheads, public safety hazards along busy mountainside roads, increased litter, illegal camping, and more. All of these present considerable challenges for already-strained local emergency services, foresters, rangers, and Catskills towns. Working with community stakeholders and environmental experts, the Catskill Advisory Group (CAG) has developed a roadmap for NY State to adopt a whole park management plan that will help address these issues and make our Park an even more spectacular resource for the people who work, live, and play here. As a member of the CAG, Mountainkeeper is proud of the work we've done, and very excited about its potential to help NY State usher in a golden age for the Catskill Park.

The CAG report lays out recommendations for tackling some of the biggest issues head-on. First, we need New York State (NYS) to heavily invest in some basic park infrastructure: staff like rangers and stewards to keep visitors safe and educate them about how to enjoy wild areas in a responsible way, trail crews to maintain and improve hiking trails, and expansions to parking areas where appropriate. In order to get there, we also need an ongoing commitment to collecting thorough and robust data to help NY State understand the carrying capacities of each area within the park, and develop management strategies to give visitors the best experience possible while also protecting our lands and waters. A full report with CAG's recommendations can be found on our website. (Contd. Pg. 28)

## Mountainkeeper

(From Pg. 27)

### Unmarked Graves Bill Vetoed

We're disappointed to share that on December 30th, New York State Governor Kathy Hochul vetoed the Unmarked Burial Site Protection Act, a vital piece of legislation that would protect sacred indigenous burial sites from desecration by looters and land developers. Mountainkeeper advocated tirelessly for this bill, and we were hugely disappointed to learn about the Governor's veto despite unanimous support in both the Assembly and Senate.



### New Year's Reflections

What are your goals this year? Do you have any New Year's resolutions? In our first podcast episode of 2023, hosts Eugene Thalmann and Taylor Jaffe reflect on how their lives have changed over the last 12 months, and discuss their plans for the new year. This conversation is all about engaging in new healthy activities, overcoming pesky bad habits, and the importance of self care and personal wellness. You can listen to this episode on Spotify or Anchor, and we hope it inspires you to be your best in 2023!

*Magic in the Mountains* is a podcast for nature enthusiasts, environmentalists, and everyone in between who wants to learn about the environment, food systems, sustainable farming and agriculture, personal wellness, and more. Hosts Eugene Thalmann and Taylor Jaffe—two young farmers based in different parts of the Catskills—are connected through their respective roles as Mountainkeeper's Agricultural Program Coordinator and Environmental Justice Coordinator. Each week they get together to discuss a different aspect of life on their farms, and how it relates to environmental justice, ecosystem sustainability, local and global food systems, and more.

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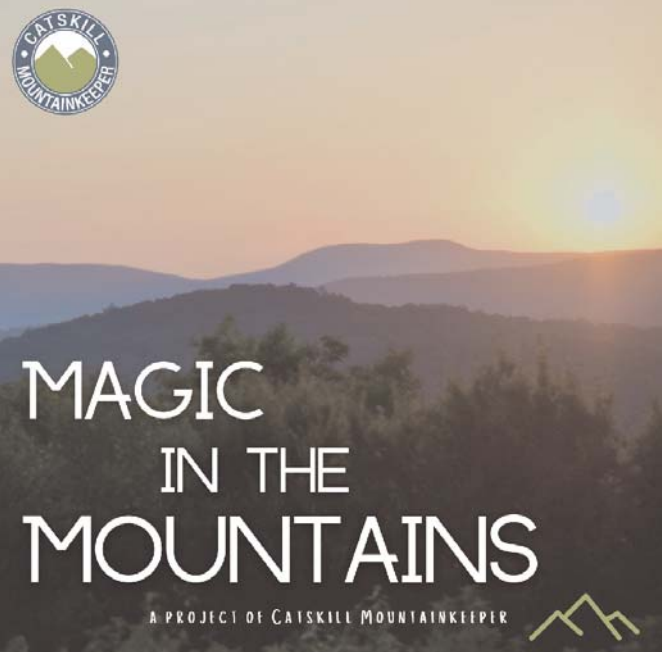
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However, by garnering unanimous legislative support for this bill and getting it all the way to the Governor's desk, we reached a major milestone in this fight. The bill would never have gotten this far without the help of all the friends and supporters who sent hundreds of letters to the Governor advocating for action to protect indigenous culture and heritage. The timeline for creating meaningful, positive change isn't always as speedy as we'd like it to be, but we are undaunted and will keep fighting for indigenous rights.

Looking ahead to next steps in 2023, we will continue to raise awareness about this issue and urge our elected officials to pass this bill. In all of this work, Mountainkeeper will continue to rely on the collective energy and support of our wonderful friends and allies.





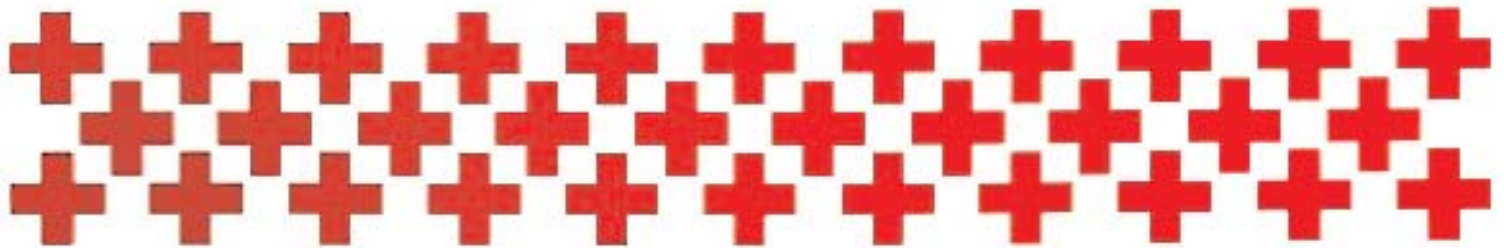
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## Whispers of Rimfire in the Night - Sullivan County

On Dec. 4, Lieutenant Buckley, ECO Wood, K9 CJ, and ECO Parker completed an investigation into an illegally harvested deer in the town of Highland.



The Officers received a call a day earlier from a local resident who witnessed a deer being loaded into the bed of a pickup truck. The witness obtained a license plate number and shared it with ECOs.

The Officers interviewed the subject who admitted to shooting a deer with a rimfire rifle several hours after sunset the previous night. ECOs also determined through the investigation that the same hunter took two other deer during the bow season without a bowhunting privilege. The Officers seized all three deer and charged the subject with illegally taking three deer, taking two deer during the bow season without a bowhunting privilege, hunting with rimfire ammunition, discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a residence, hunting game at night, failing to tag deer as required, and failing to report his harvest.

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## Too Late for Turkey Sausage

On Dec. 10, ECO Wamsley received a call from the Town of Hyde Park Police reporting an individual hunting from their porch near several homes. Officer Wamsley responded to the location, interviewed the hunter, and asked to see his hunting license. While the hunter was retrieving his license from the home, ECO Wamsley noticed a freshly killed wild turkey hanging from machinery on the property. The hunter, who returned with his license, said he shot the turkey that morning as it was walking through the yard and planned to make sausage from the illegally taken bird. The 2022 turkey season in Dutchess County was only open during the month of May and from Oct. 15 to 28. Officer Wamsley ticketed the hunter for taking a turkey out of season, illegally taking a protected species, failure to immediately fill out a hunting tag, and failure to tag the turkey upon harvest. Since measurements determined the hunter was further than 500 feet away from nearby homes when he shot the bird, the hunter did not receive tickets for hunting too close to a residence. The case is pending in Hyde Park Town Court.



## Deer Poacher Caught with Unregistered Firearm

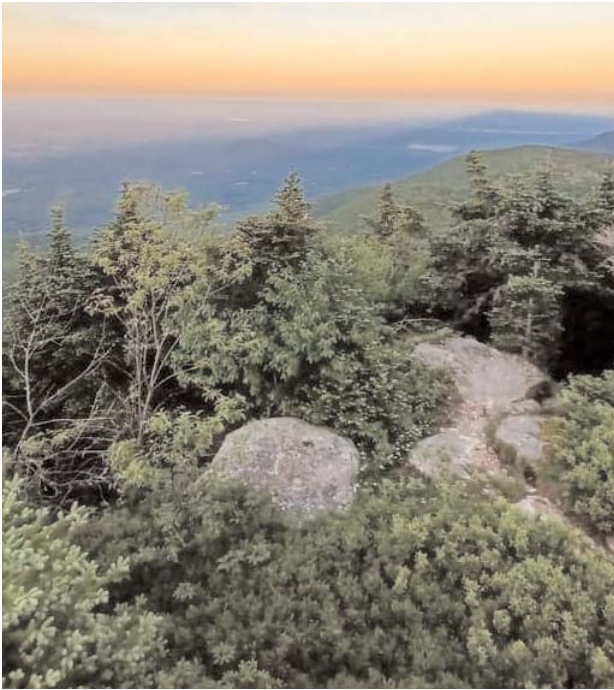
ECOs Doroski and Lovgren recently received a call from a witness claiming they saw two men shoot a deer out of a truck in Orange County. When the Officers arrived on scene, they found two subjects field dressing the deer. Both hunters admitted to discharging their respective firearms, killing the animal. ECO Wood and K9 CJ arrived and located a freshly fired, spent nine-millimeter shell casing, consistent with ammunition found in one of the weapons. Officers ticketed the men for the illegal take of protected wildlife, using a motor vehicle to take wildlife, and discharging a weapon within 500 feet of a dwelling. One of the subjects received a felony charge for unlawful possession of a firearm.



## Catskill Center Wants NYS To Fund Catskill Park Priorities

Arkville, NY: The Catskill Park Coalition (CPC), which the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development co-chairs, is asking Governor Kathy Hochul to include a number of Catskill Park funding priorities in the Executive Budget proposal. The top three priorities are public safety and Catskill Park management, continued funding in the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), and support for local economies.

These funding priorities secure protections for clean water, natural resources, and public health. They also safeguard recreational access and quality of life for residents of and visitors to the Park. The Catskill Center's Executive Director recently signed a letter to Governor Hochul with CPC co-chair Catskill Mountainkeeper.



For public safety and Catskill Park management, the CPC wants to see the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) adequately staffed, especially by adding staff in the Division of Lands and Forests, to better manage the Catskill Park and its more than 1.7 million annual visitors.

The CPC asks that within the EPF, existing funding lines for the Catskills remain, including for the Catskills Visitor Center as well as for Smart Growth grants. In addition, the CPC requests a new line in the EPF containing at least \$200,000 to support the existing education and stewardship program. Catskill stewards have proven vital to educating the growing number of visitors to help preserve the Park's gem of an environment. The Catskill Stewards Program is a partnership with NYSDEC and Catskill Mountainkeeper.

The CPC advocates supporting local economies by improving cell service, expanding affordable housing, improving trail connectivity, and supporting the construction of Phase 1 of the U&D Trail (Ulster & Delaware Railroad Corridor).

In its letter to Governor Hochul, the CPC mentions working with NYS to help implement the Environmental Bond Act in the Catskill Park and greater Catskills.

Read the letter here:

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Read the report here.

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“The CPC represents more than two dozen organizations that work to protect, promote, and care for the Catskill Park,” said Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center. “The Catskill Park Coalition reached its 2023 priorities by consensus and identifying unmet needs in the Park. We look forward to working with the Governor and Legislature to ensure that these critical funding priorities for the Catskill Park are met.”

# Governor Hochul Announces Completion of Saranac Lake Civic Center's Nearly \$7 Million Upgrade Venue Will Host Curling Competitions During Upcoming Lake Placid 2023 World University Games

## *Revitalized Facility Enhances Regional Sports Infrastructure to Support Future Events, Complements State Investments in ORDA Facilities*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced the completion of the nearly \$7 million upgrade project at Saranac Lake Civic Center in Franklin County. The year-round, not-for-profit recreation and events facility underwent significant interior and exterior improvements, and the completion coincides with the upcoming Lake Placid 2023 FISU World University Games beginning January 12, and the Center will host the Games' men's and women's curling competitions. The project was supported by more than \$5 million in Upstate Revitalization Initiative funds from Empire State Development, through the North Country Regional Economic Development Council.

"As New York's North Country welcomes visitors from around the globe for the World University Games, we have a unique opportunity to showcase our world-class competitive winter sports facilities with the upgraded Saranac Lake Civic Center," Governor Hochul said. "The upgraded Civic Center will not only provide an optimal experience for curlers and fans, but it will also bolster future generations of youth sports groups, our local communities and the entire North Country region."

The nearly \$7 million capital project included interior and exterior renovations, as well as energy efficiency, fire and safety improvements. Rink improvements ensured that the ice surface meets world class competition standards. Additional upgrades to kitchen, locker room facilities and spectator seating offer a better athlete and visitor experience, and better position Saranac Lake to attract future events, enhancing the regional sports competition infrastructure. The project coincides with the North Country Regional Economic Development Council's strategy of strengthening the region's global sports brand by attracting international sporting events that would stimulate private investment and job growth and catalyze the renovation of the area's sports and hospitality facilities.

Lake Placid 2023 FISU Games are an 11-day multi-winter sports event and educational festival, happening January 12-22 in communities throughout the North Country. Nearly 1,500 athletes from more than 540 universities and 46 countries will participate in 12 winter sports and 86 medal events. Competitions include Alpine skiing, biathlon, cross-country skiing, curling, figure skating, freestyle and freeski, ice hock-

ey, Nordic combined, ski jumping, snowboarding and speed skating.

The Games will also attract thousands of winter sports fans to Saranac Lake and Lake Placid as well as the surrounding communities, including Canton, North Creek, Potsdam, and Wilmington. More information about the Games, including ticket purchasing options.

Ollie Burgess, Saranac Lake Civic Center Board Member, said, "On behalf of the Saranac Lake Civic Center Board of Directors and management team, we are proud to celebrate the completion of our capital improvement and expansion project. We would like to thank Governor Hochul, Empire State Development, the North Country Regional Economic Development Council, and our local supporters, without all of whom this incredible project could not have happened. As we prepare to host the international curling community, the facility modernizations and improvements have further solidified the Saranac Lake region as a world class winter sports destination, and a leader in supporting the children, families and communities of the North County."

This project complements other state investments to boost the region's winter sports infrastructure. Over the last six years, New York has invested more than \$550 million in the state's Olympic Regional Development Authority facilities to help reposition the region as a global winter sport destination. The ORDA venues are open year-round for events, athlete training, and recreation, while providing world-class experiences and competitions. Last winter, New York welcomed 68.5 million visitors, generating more than \$16.1 billion in direct visitor spending.

The Saranac Lake Civic Center was originally built in the 1970s to support youth hockey in the region. In 1989, Saranac Lake Civic Center, Inc. was created to take over the lease of the arena and to operate the facility. The center hosts winter sports including hockey, curling and figure skating, along with non-sporting events like auctions and tradeshow. The 24,000 square-foot center has 15,000 square-feet continuous open floor space and includes six new locker rooms, plus a new heated and air-conditioned lobby, and a heated second-floor mezzanine.

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Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) are specially-trained, objective community volunteers appointed by Family Court to advocate for children who are in out-of-home placement or who are at risk of being placed in foster care.

CASA is appointed by court order to collaborate with others involved in a child's case and gather information from all interested persons including parents, foster parents, teachers, case managers, doctors, therapists, attorneys, other service providers, and the child. CASA provides fact-based reports to assist the court in addressing the child's needs and in determining what is in their best interest.

When CASA is appointed, children are either in foster care or in the care of their parents or extended family with services and family court oversight. Many are safely reunified with the parents. In other cases, children and youth are permanently placed with relatives or are adopted.

CASA's ultimate goal is for children to grow up in permanent, safe, healthy family homes.

A CASA's role does NOT replace that of a caseworker or any attorney assigned to a case. CASAs do NOT provide services such as parenting classes or counseling, or direct assistance like food banks, transportation, and temporary assistance.

### Our Mission

To seek permanency for abused and/or neglected children who are involved in Family Court proceedings and have been removed or are at risk of being removed to foster care.

### How Do We Do This?

**LEARN** - Advocates learn all they can about the child and their life

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**COLLABORATE** - Collaborate with others to ensure that necessary services are being provided

**REPORT** - Advocates report to the court what they have learned and observed

**ADVOCATE** - CASA advocates by using the information gathered and working with the service providers to bring factual information to the Court.

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CASA volunteers are regular people, from all walks of life, who have been thoroughly screened and trained.

Each volunteer receives more than 30 hours of training before they can be assigned to a case.

They also have an additional 12 hours of continued education required annually.

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Washington, DC - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY- 24) today announced the locations of her Washington, DC office as well as her district offices across New York's newly drawn 24th Congressional District. Tenney also highlighted her senior leadership team, which includes experienced caseworkers and public servants who will continue to provide top-tier constituent services and policy expertise to the residents of New York's 24th District.

In addition to the office locations and satellite hours listed below, Congresswoman Tenney's team of expert caseworkers will also host regular mobile office hours in communities across the 24th District to bring our assistance directly to the communities we serve. Mobile office hour sessions will be announced monthly on a rolling basis in all 12 counties of the 24th District.

Congresswoman Tenney previously represented the 22nd Congressional District for two terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. Following New York's redistricting process, Tenney was re-elected for a third term in November representing the newly drawn 24th District, which now includes portions of the North Country, Central New York, the Finger Lakes, and Western New York. Tenney resides in Canandaigua, New York.

"I made a commitment to the residents of New York's 24th District that we would be ready to serve you on day one of the new Congress, and I am honored that we have made good on this promise. Our new office locations and excellent team of seasoned policy and customer service professionals will provide the highest level of support and care to every resident of the 24th District," said Congresswoman Tenney. "Our commitment to this community is that we will serve transparently with honor, integrity, and compassion. We will provide top-tier constituent services and work proactively to address the full range of constituent needs and concerns while advancing policies that improve our region, uphold the Constitution, and make our nation stronger than ever."

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Oswego District Office  
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Lockport District Office  
Address: 75 Hawley Street Lockport, NY 14094  
Opening details will be announced in the coming days  
Watertown Satellite Hours  
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Starting the week of January 9, 2023, Congresswoman Tenney's team of expert caseworkers in partnership with New York State Senator-Elect Mark Walczyk's office, will host satellite hours every Tuesday from 9:00AM to 1:00PM and Thursday from 1:00PM to 5:00PM

## Update on Efforts to Hold NY Comptroller Accountable

I recently sent a letter to the New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli expressing concerns over his office's decision to delay key findings related to the audit of the New York State Unemployment Insurance system until after an election. The audit report 2021-S-3 titled, "Department of Labor: Controls and Management of the Unemployment Insurance System (The Report)," details rampant waste, fraud, and abuse of taxpayer funds intended for COVID relief.

Our letter to DiNapoli emphasized that the comptroller's decision to delay making the findings public until after the 2022 election was potentially a deliberate attempt to limit damage to Governor Kathy Hochul's New York campaign and withhold vital and relevant information from voters.

I will continue to seek all documents and communications between any New York Comptroller employee and employees with the Office of the New York State Governor until New Yorkers have answers. Read the full letter here.

## My Comments on the Election of Kevin McCarthy as Speaker and Republican Priorities in the 118th Congress

Congratulations to Speaker Kevin McCarthy and all those elected to serve this great nation in the 118th Congress.

House Republicans have offered a bold, productive, and positive agenda for America that is built on the foundation of freedom and prosperity for all. The deliberative process over the last several days was healthy for our Republican Conference and our nation's democratic process. It resulted in a set of rule changes that make good on our Commitment to America by restoring transparency to Congress, reining in runaway spending, holding China accountable, and strengthening oversight.

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- Jan. 1:** **First Day Hikes**, various New York State Parks in Ulster County
- Jan. 4:** **"Stories of the Marginalized Workers on the D&H Canal,"** High Falls
- Jan. 8:** **"We Remember – Songs of Survivors,"** Woodstock
- Jan. 13-16:** **Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend**, Olivebridge
- Jan. 14:** **Robert Burke Warren's Bowie Birthday Bash '23**, Woodstock
- Jan. 21:** **"One on One – A Survey of Contemporary Monotypes & Monoprints,"** opens in Woodstock
- Jan. 21:** **"Joe Pera in Ice,"** Woodstock
- Jan. 21:** **The Hudson Valley's 14th Annual Traditional Robbie Burns Supper/Celebration**, West Park
- Jan. 21, 22, 23:** **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Catskill Ice Climbing Festival 2022**, Shawangunks

*Please see the last two pages for a list of outdoor winter activities in Ulster County!*

DATE	New Year's Eve
30-Jan 2, 2023	<b>New Year's Weekend at Ashokan:</b> A fun-filled three-day weekend of music and dance classes, evening dance parties, sing-alongs and jams. Lodging is a separate fee. Noon. \$245-\$620. If you are unable to attend the whole weekend, you can still buy tickets for New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance. \$30 and up. The Ashokan Center, 477 Beaverkill Rd, Olivebridge. 845-657-8333; ashokancenter.org
31	<b>New Year's Eve Bash at the Colony:</b> Featuring Sean Matthew Whiteford & The House Party Band. Party all night to your favorite jams of the 70s, 80s and more. 8 p.m. \$22.37-\$29.02. 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com
31	<b>Ars Choralis Presents "Forward Together-A New Year's Eve Concert:"</b> Through words and song, the concert showcases the challenges that many people have as they weave themselves into the fabric of American society, enriching it with their culture and helping to move us all forward together. 6 p.m. Free Old Dutch Church, 272 Wall Street, Kingston. arschoralis.org
31	<b>New Year's Eve with "The Big Takeover:"</b> Celebrate New Year's Eve at the Falcon. Opening act "What?" and more. Dancing all night. Dining 6-10 p.m. Music 8 p.m. No cover. 1348 Route 9W Marlboro. 845-236-7970; liveatthefalcon.com
31	<b>Fifth Annual New Year's Eve Event - New Year's Eve Boo's and Spirits Masquerade Party:</b> Includes Buffet, champagne toast, accommodations and more. 5:30 p.m.-10 a.m. \$399-\$1,200. The Haunted Shanley Hotel, 56 Main St., Napanoch. 845-2107-3112; thehauntedshanleyhotel.com
31	<b>Celebrate New Years' Eve 2023-The Hottest NYE Party in the Hudson Valley:</b> Featuring DJ's: J-Break, Lady Verse and Majic Juan. Live Drumming. Performances by Diata Diata. Hosted by Isis Vermouth. Special guests. Pop-up Portrait Photo Booth with Kristopher Johnson, Visuals, Tarot Readings and More. 8 p.m. \$35-\$200. Bearsville Theater, 291 Tinker Street, Woodstock. 845-684-7133; bearsvilletheater.com
31	<b>Levon Helm Studios Presents The Helm Family's Midnight Ramble:</b> New Year's Eve Bash Featuring Sean Matthew Whiteford & The House Party Band. 9 p.m. \$115. 160 Plochmann Lane, Woodstock. 845-679-2744; levonhelm.com
31	<b>New Year's Eve @ The Lodge:</b> Ring in The New Year with another great party with your friends at The Lodge. Live vinyl DJ, fireworks; cocktails and dinner. 5 p.m.-12:30 a.m. \$187.92. Urban Cowboy Lodge, 37 Alpine Rd, Big Indian. 802.274.0948; urbancowboy.com
31	<b>New Year's Eve at Edgewood Mansion:</b> Join us for an evening of vintage celebration with a carefully curated five-course meal and optional wine pairings from our in-house sommelier. Ring in the New Year in the Parlor Bar with a champagne toast at midnight. 5 p.m. \$85-\$125. Edgewood, 200 North Street, Kingston. 845-444-5231; huttonbrickyards.com



31	<b>New Year's @ Sonder:</b> Vegetarian alternatives available. Sparkling wine from all over the world and incredible shellfish. Music, dancing prix fix dinner and drinks until midnight. 7 p.m. \$65 Sonder Wine Bar, 346 Broadway, Kingston. sonderkingston.com
31	<b>New Year's Eve with Teri Roiger 4tet:</b> Dinner set 7-10 p.m. Dance set 10 p.m.-midnight. Cost includes food, dessert, champagne toast at midnight. \$75. Lydia's Café, 7 Old US 209, Stone Ridge. 845-687-6373; lydias-café.com
31	<b>New Year's Eve Party at Mariner's Harbor with "The 90 Proof Band:"</b> 10 p.m.- 1 a.m. Cash Bar. Cover includes live entertainment, champagne toast and Ball Drop. 7 p.m. \$20. 1 Broadway, Kingston. 845-340-8051; marinersharbor.com
31	<b>"Let's Disco" - Hudson House New Year's Eve Party:</b> Five hours of open bar along with DJ performance to your favorite 70's tunes. Champagne toast to 2023. Live feed of the famous Times Square Ball Drop. Disco-themed attire encouraged. Open bar and prix fixe menu. 8 p.m. \$55-\$85. Hudson House & Distillery, 1835 Route 9W, West Park. 845-834-6007; thehudsonhouse.com
31	<b>Keegan Ales New Year's Eve with "Lara Hope &amp; the Ark-Tones:"</b> Special guests, "Greek Nite Band," a sixties psychedelic Greek and Balkan band. Midnight toast and Keg Drop. 9 p.m. No cover. 20 Saint James St., Kingston. 845-331-2739; keeganales.com
31	<b>New Year's Eve Celebration featuring "The Cabinet Band:"</b> American diner classics with a Latin American twist. 9:30 p.m. No cover. Pearl Moon, 52 Mill Hill Road, Woodstock. 845-684-5537; facebook.com/PearlMoonWoodstock

## DATE

## Trending January 2023

Please Note	<b>The Ulster County Tourism Office is located in the County Office Building, 244 Fair St., 3rd Floor, Kingston, 12401. The Trending Calendar of Events is now digital and is no longer printed for mass distribution. To receive a digital copy via email, please contact tourism@co.ulster.ny.us, call 800-342-5826, or sign up on our website at visitulstercountyny.com. Calendar listings are based on information received prior to publication; changes may occur after distribution so you may want to contact the event sponsors in advance.</b>
Through Jan. 3	<b>LUMAGICA at Stone Ridge Orchard:</b> Spectacular light show, timed to music and featuring over a half-million LED lights including shooting stars, giant whimsical creatures, holiday decorations and more. Drinks, dinner, tasting room and food trucks available for purchases. Free-\$31. 3:30-9 p.m. 3012 NY-213, Stone Ridge. 845-687-2587; stoneridgeorchard.com
1	<b>First Day Hike at Minnewaska Preserve-Frozen Waters:</b> Invigorating hike to see the Peter's Kill stream. Wehike first to the bridge across the Mossy Glen Footpath, where we will observe the icy cascades of the winter stream. Next, we'll see Awosting Falls. Surfaces may be very icy, so participants are encouraged to bring Micro Spikes or other ice traction devices. Dress appropriately for the cold. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over the age of 18. Meet at the Lower Parking Lot. Pre-registration required: call 845-255-0752. Minnewaska State Park, 5281 Route 44-55, Kerhonkson. parks.ny.gov
1	<b>First Day Hike at Sam's Point:</b> Approximately three-mile loop hike. Snowshoes may be rented for a fee of \$5 per person. If there is insufficient snow cover, this will be offered as a hike. If renting snowshoes, please arrive early. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over the age of 18. 1-3:30 p.m. Minnewaska State Park, 400 Sam's Point Rd, Cragmoor. 845-255-0752; parks.ny.gov
4	<b>"Stories of Marginalized Workers on the D&amp;H Canal:"</b> In Person or Virtual. With historian Bill Merchant. Learn about the lives and diverse experiences of the people of color, women, immigrants and children who built and worked on the Canal. 7 p.m. \$7; free for members. D&H Canal Museum, 1315 Main Street, High Falls. 845-687-2000; canalmuseum.org
5	<b>The Pink Floyd Project:</b> Performs a tribute to the British progressive rock legends. Under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. 8 p.m. \$23.37-\$29.02. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com
6	<b>Saugerties First Friday:</b> Shops keep their doors open every first Friday of each month. Shop, drink, dine and play local. 1/6/2023 10:00:00 PM 1/7/2023 3:00:00 AM 0 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/DestinationSaugerties">https://www.facebook.com/DestinationSaugerties</a>
6, 7, 8	<b>Rock Academy Presents "A Tribute to Neil Young:"</b> Words and music of Neil Young. 7 p.m. \$20-\$25. Wall Street Music Hall, 323 Wall St., Kingston. 323-538-3012; Facebook: The Rock Academy
7	<b>Seasoned Gives and Holistic Health Community Present:</b> Holistic healthcare sessions, including Massage, Ayurveda, Reiki, Energy Work, Acupuncture, Therapeutic Yoga and more. Deliciously healthy food and drink for purchase and artisan vendors. Noon-5 p.m. Seasoned Delicious Foods, 11 Lohmaier Lane, Lake Katrine. 845-802-3317; seasoneddeliciousfoods.com
7	<b>New Year Swing Dance:</b> Welcome the New Year Swing Dance with the Swing Shift Orchestra. No partner or experience necessary. Beginner lesson 7:30-8 p.m. \$25 Admission at the door includes lesson. 845-236-3939; got2lindy.com. White Eagle Hall, 487 Delaware Avenue, Kingston. whiteeaglehall.com
7, 21	<b>Woodstock Farm Festival Winter Indoor Market:</b> A celebration of local farmers, producers and artisans. Featuring locally roasted coffee, grains and beans, pasture raised meats, fresh produce and more. Saturdays, biweekly through April 7th. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Bearsville Center Utopia Soundstage, 93 Tinker Street, Woodstock. woodstockfarmfestival.org
8	<b>Esopus Fire Dept Pancake Breakfast:</b> 8:30-11:30 a.m. Donations. 1142 Broadway, Esopus. 845-384-6575; Facebook: Esopus Fire Dept.
8	<b>"We Remember: Songs of Survivors" - A Musical Celebration:</b> Audiences have been very moved by the PBS Documentary that tells the story of Holocaust survivors and talented singer songwriters whose lives mesh through this project. Musicians from the documentary will perform their original music and music from the film. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com

12	<b>Wolfman Jack:</b> A live music project of veteran musicians from the New England area performing the psychedelic and electrifying era of The Grateful Dead. 8 p.m. \$17.46. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com
13	<b>"Moral Rights of Artists in America and Europe: What Rights Do artists Retain in Their Work After It has Been Sold?"</b> Featuring Wall Street lawyer Hume Steyer. Suggested donation of \$15 per person if guests wish to help support the Canal Society and its mission. 7-8:30 p.m. D&H Canal Museum, 1315 Main Street, High Falls. 845-687-2000; canalmuseum.org
13	<b>Justin Adams &amp; Mauro Durante:</b> New collaboration with Mauro Durante stems from a concert led by Ludovico Einaudi, the legendary Notte de Taranta in Puglia, where the two first played together, recognizing kindred spirits in the trance rhythms of Taranta which transcend "melancholia" or the blues. 8 p.m. \$23.37-\$29.02. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com
13, 14	<b>Rock Academy Presents: Arena Rock!</b> Features the music of bands like Cheap Trick, Boston, Heart, Queen, Bon Jovi and more by the Academy's students. 7 p.m. \$20-25. Woodstock Playhouse, 103 Mill Hill Road, Woodstock. 845.473.2072; woodstockplayhouse.org
13-16	<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend:</b> Enjoy a winter wonderland of beautiful scenery and nutritious, tasty meals. Cross-country ski and snowshoe trails, ice skating on Lake Cole, ice fishing, and snow-covered hills perfect for sledding and snow tubing. Warm up indoors in our indoor floor hockey arena, climbing gym, archery range, and arts and crafts studio. \$167 per person (2-nights), or \$225 per person (3-nights) + lodging rate. The Ashokan Center, 477 Beaverkill Rd, Olivebridge. 845-657-8333; ashokancenter.org
14	<b>Robert Burke Warren's Bowie Birthday Bash '23:</b> Once again RBW and the band deliver songs spanning Bowie's entire catalog - from Ziggy Stardust to Aladdin Sane to the Thin White Duke; from 1969's "Space Oddity" to 1980's Scary Monsters to 2016's Blackstar. 8 p.m. \$25-\$28. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com
14, 28	<b>Kingston Winter Farmers Market:</b> Bi-weekly indoor farmers market hosting 20+ local food vendors, music, and workshops. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Bethany Hall at Old Dutch Church, 272 Wall Street, Kingston.kingstonfarmersmarket.org
18, 25	<b>Sip and Stretch - Mozzarella Making Class:</b> Chef Tamara Christians will take you through hands-on techniques for stretching a sweet, tender curd into your own fresh mozzarella balls. Ticket includes supplies to make the cheese, recipes to take home, instruction and demo,, light snack and a glass of wine. 6 p.m. \$80. Dixon Roadside, 261 Tinker Street, Woodstock. 845-684-5890; dixonroadside.com
20, 21	<b>Queens of Soul:</b> Various artists. 7 p.m. \$20-25. Levon Helm Studios, 160 Plochmann Lane, Woodstock. 845- 679-2744; levonhelm.com
21	<b>"One on One - A Survey of Contemporary Monotypes &amp; Monoprints:"</b> Reception for the Artists. Dedicated to the art of singular printmaking. Artists have turned to monotype printmaking for many reasons: to inject spontaneity in their art practice, reboot their creativity, explore the parameters of the medium or simply enjoy the rich possibilities of pigment embedded into paper. Exhibition opens to the public January 13, 2023. Free. Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild, 36 Tinker Street, Woodstock. 845-679-2079; woodstockguild.org
21	<b>14th Annual Robbie Burns Supper/Celebration:</b> Reserve now; seating is limited. Donor Ticket includes pre-show Distillery tour, product sampling, meet & greet with Hudson Valley storyteller Jonathan Kirk and honorary membership in the Robert Burns Scottish Society of the Hudson Valley. 6:30-9:30 p.m. \$75-\$125. Hudson House & Distillery, 1835 Route 9W, West Park. 845-834-6007; thehudsonhouseny.com
21	<b>"Joe Pera in Ice:"</b> Best known for his current Adult Swim series, 'Joe Pera Talks With You', which The LA Times refers to as 'TV's quietest, most artful comedy.' He has performed his subdued standup on Conan, Late Night with Seth Meyers and Comedy Central. 10 p.m. \$40. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com
21, 22, 23	<b>25th Annual Catskill Ice Climbing Festival:</b> Choose from multiple clinics on all the skills and techniques you need to get out on ice - from basic skills, to dry-tooling, to glacier travel techniques. Rock and Snow will offer 25% off for apparel and 15% off ice gear for all ice climbing festival registrants. \$195-\$230. Alpine Endeavors, PO Box 291, Rosendale. 877-486-5769; alpineendeavors.com
22	<b>Stories for Choice - A Night of True Storytelling for Reproductive Justice:</b> On Sunday, January 22, 2023 (what would have been the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark case, Roe v. Wade) TMI Project is proud to present "Stories for Choice." Features an international cast of 11 storytellers who will be traveling to Kingston from Mexico, Cameroon and across the U.S. for the performance. Pay what you wish. 7-9 p.m. Senate Garage, 4 North Front Street, Kingston. 845-802-5900; senategarage.com
28	<b>The Dolly Disco - The Dolly Parton Inspired Country Western Dance Party:</b> Dance party. 8 p.m. \$14.37-\$17.46. The Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. 845-679-7625; colonywoodstock.com

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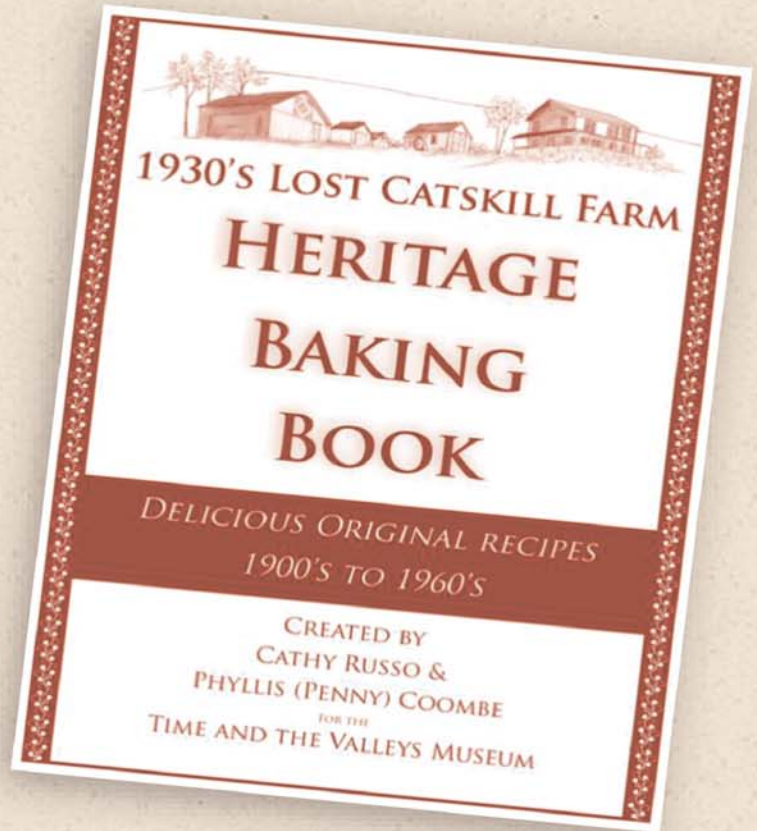
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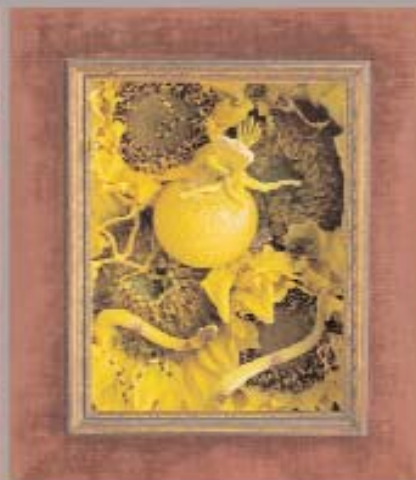


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## 2023 SHOULD BE A GREAT YEAR FOR US

BY JOSHUA POTOSEK, COUNTY MANAGER

A County budget with no new taxes, no layoffs, no service cuts.  
Check.

A \$21 million plan to fix roads and bridges without going into  
any debt.  
Check.

An expanding transportation infrastructure, including free  
public busing and an airport on the cusp of major development.  
Check.

A plan to address the housing crisis in the County.  
Check.

A stable financial outlook, thanks to a close eye on expenses and  
the historic settling of eight labor union contracts in one year.  
Check.

Vibrant, growing downtowns with plenty more room for creative  
entrepreneurs.  
Check.

A tourism industry that is seeing healthy, sustained growth.  
Check.

A County-funded scholarship program that affords every local  
high school graduate not one but two years of tuition-free  
higher education.  
Check.

Increased salary offerings and leadership training to retain the  
top employees we have and recruit the next generation.  
Check.

Yes, Sullivan County has plenty of challenges ahead, but it is not  
hyperbole to note that 2023 is already shaping up to be a year

unlike any other in our history. Thanks to  
your hardworking County employees and  
your elected officials, Sullivan is  
recognized Statewide as a County to  
watch and emulate.

And we've got more in store, like a major  
rollout of broadband service Countywide.  
Our new year is one worth celebrating,  
and I look forward to sharing more good  
news with you in the months to come!

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# CREATING NEW JOBS & NOT A NEW LANDFILL

One of the last things to happen in 2022 was also one of the more interesting things to happen in 2022. The Sullivan County Funding Corporation (a sibling of the better-known Industrial Development Agency) successfully closed on the sale of 84.57 acres to Monticello Industrial Park (MIP), LLC on December 12. A check for \$599,183.73 was delivered to the County shortly thereafter.

This acreage, located just off Rose Valley Road in Monticello (behind the former Apollo Mall), had been obtained by the County decades ago for the expansion of the County Landfill. Called "Phase II," the project was ultimately cancelled by the Legislature.

Focus was then turned to developing the site as an industrial park, owned and operated by the County. Then one day a company called Apple Ice expressed interest in acquiring the property to create their own industrial park, and the Funding Corporation - which owned the acreage - entered into negotiations. A major ice and salt supplier, Apple Ice already owned an existing building adjacent to the landfill

property and had an option on expanding next door. The sale means they now have up to five developable portions of the property for light industry (like warehouses, distribution facilities and small manufacturers) - AND they'll be paying property taxes, unlike our tax-exempt ownership. Located right off Route 17's Exit 106, it's a prime piece of land that holds the promise of increasing jobs and tax revenue for the Village of Monticello, the Town of Thompson and Sullivan County.



The red pin marks the purchased property site.



This northward view of the proposed industrial park property in Monticello shows the now-closed County Landfill on the left, the former Apollo Mall just beyond, the Catskill Mountains and Resorts World Catskills casino in the distance, and Route 17's Exit 106 interchange at upper right.



# THE 2023 BUDGET DOES NOT RAISE YOUR TAXES

That's a headline we don't often get to see, but it's true. The tax rate does not increase under the 2023 Sullivan County Budget, as proposed by the County Manager's Office and just approved by the Legislature.

That comes with no layoffs and no service cuts. In fact, we're dedicating \$21 million to road and bridgework, without going into any debt. We've gotten rid of the Solid Waste Access Fee too, so some of us may see our taxes actually go down.

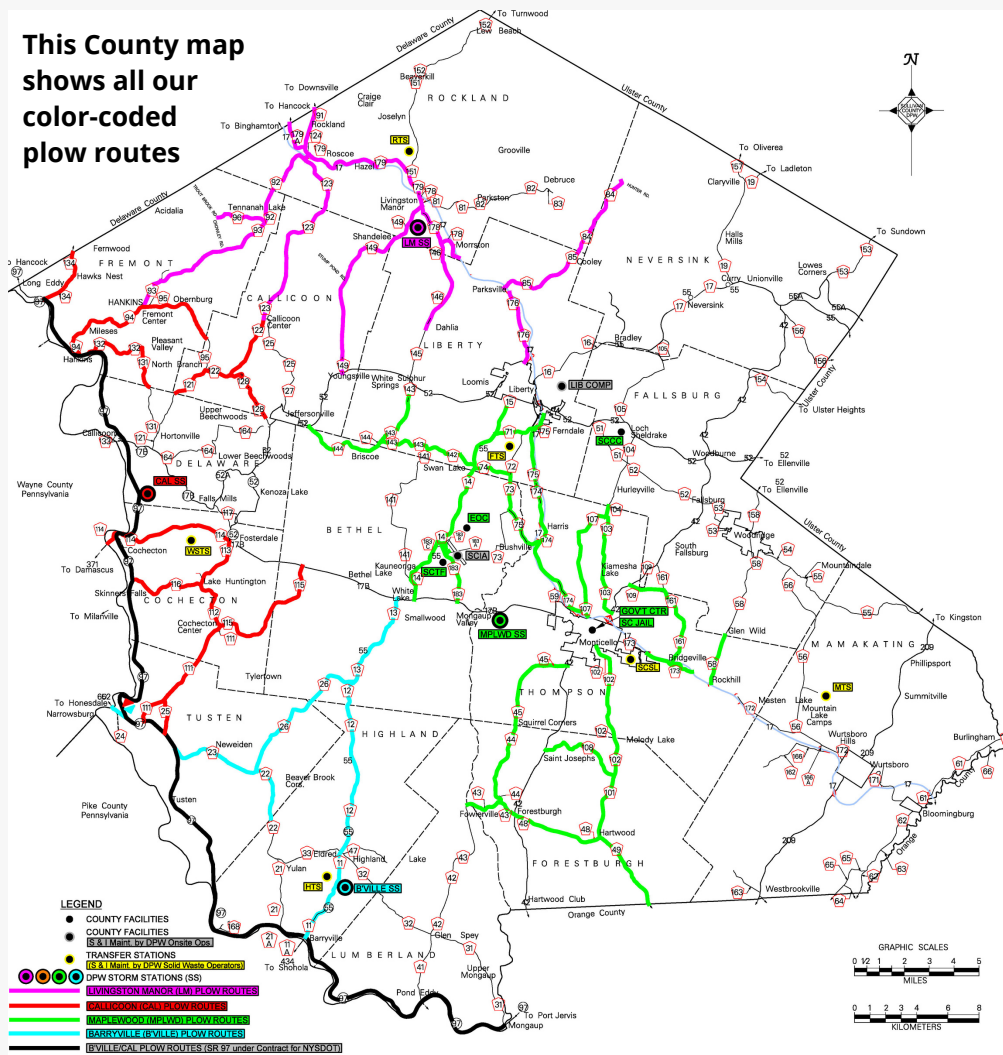
# THE WINTER IS NOT PUBLIC WORKS' 'QUIET TIME'

When people hear about our road crews, they usually think of traffic cones, flagmen, and paving equipment. But that kind of work happens in spring, summer and fall. What does our Public Works team do in the winter? Work harder than ever.

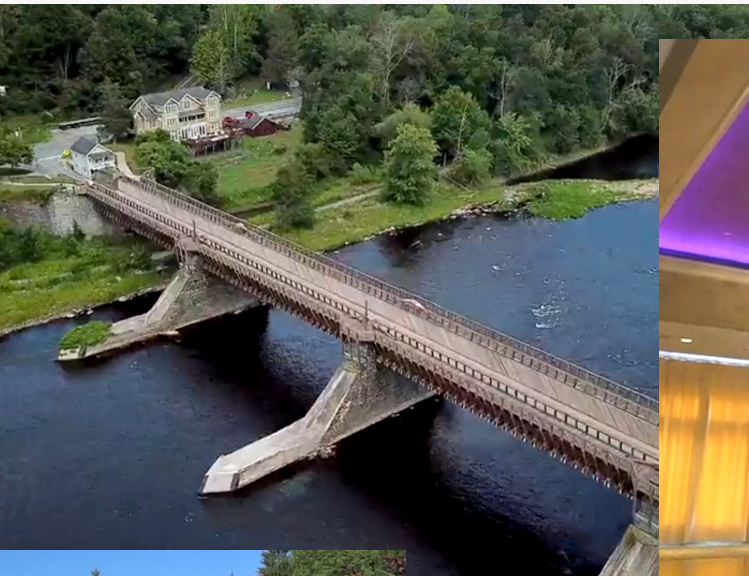
There's summer equipment to repair, paperwork to get caught up on, indoor maintenance to get to. And, of course, they still pay close attention to our roads - only this time they're making sure County routes (and SUNY Sullivan's lots) are plowed, sanded and salted.

We have:

- 21 active plow trucks each responsible for a route, all mounted with a plow, wing, and sander. 14 of those trucks have the capability to pre-treat salt with liquid brine prior to applying. (Pre-treating helps reduce salt usage and makes the salt much more effective in colder temps)
- 44 active drivers
- 6,000 tons of salt in stock with the ability to purchase 15,000 more tons when needed
- 269 miles of roads







# TAKE A TOUR OF THE COUNTY

Even if you've lived here all your life, it's a good bet there's more to Sullivan County's beauty and attractions than you know. So the welcome videos we recently posted on the County's website aren't just for visitors but for all of us. Take a look at all five (each is just a minute or so long), and you'll gain a whole new appreciation for the place we're fortunate to call home. Sullivan County truly is a gem!



## WHERE TO FIND THE VIDEOS

Go to [www.sullivanny.us](http://www.sullivanny.us).

Click on the video camera icon in the upper right corner.



Clockwise from top left: the Roebling Bridge in Barryville, the ballroom of the Hurleyville Performing Arts Center, the Tusten Theater in Narrowsburg, Route 17 crossing the Willowemoc near Livingston Manor, the Care Center at Sunset Lake in Liberty, and a Sullivan Renaissance garden in Livingston Manor.





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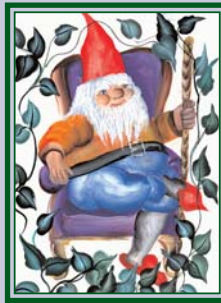
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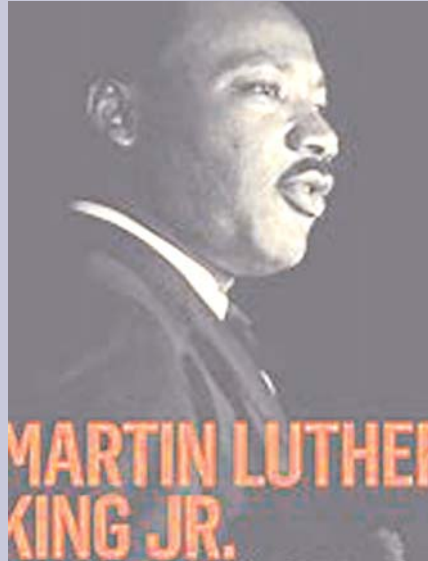
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 other movie channels in honor of one of the world's greatest humanitarians  
**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr,**  
**"ONE MAN AND HIS DREAM"**



On April 4th, 1968 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated—a catastrophic moment that shook the world. This year marks the 55th anniversary of the tragic event and in the two-hour documentary special, *Martin Luther King Jr.: One Man and His Dream*, with host **Sir Trevor McDonald**, explores the life and legacy of one of the most influential people to ever live and one who continues to influence modern politics decades after his death.

King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech—according to McDonald this documentary describes Martin Luther King Jr. as a civil rights leader "dreamed of black and white children playing together; people of all races around the same table."

Among those appearing in the documentary are Sir Trevor McDonald, John Lewis, Colin Powell and Harry Belafonte. (Contd. Pg. 60)




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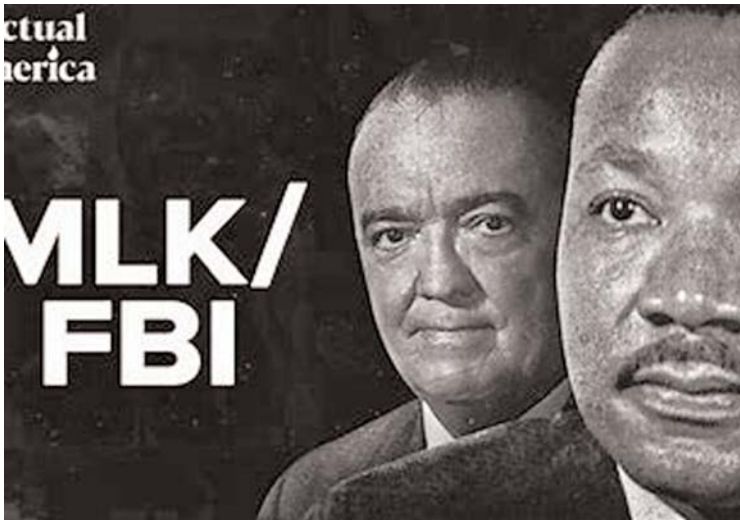
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From the *March on Washington* in 1963 up until his assassination in 1968, the FBI engaged in an intense campaign to discredit Martin Luther King Jr. and his work. Film director Sam Pollard chronicles those efforts in the new documentary, *MLK/FBI*.

Pollard's documentary is based on newly declassified files obtained through the *Freedom of Information Act*, along with restored archival footage. It shows the government's extensive targeting of King and his associates during the 1960s.



The FBI campaign against King began with wiretaps, but quickly ballooned. When wiretaps revealed that King was having extramarital affairs, the FBI shifted their focus to uncover all evidence of his infidelity by bugging and taping him in his hotel rooms and by paying informants to spy on him. Eventually, the FBI penned and sent King an anonymous letter, along with some of their tapes, suggesting that he should kill himself.



"The first fear that [FBI director J. Edgar Hoover] had was that King was going to align himself with the Communist Party, which J. Edgar Hoover was obsessed with destroying," Pollard says.



**FBI Chief Calls Martin Luther King 'The Most Notorious Liar in Country'**



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