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UC Exec Ryan Announces Additional Funding to Support Youth Programs

As a part of the next phase of Project Resilience, County Executive Ryan announces expanded support for child care programs



KINGSTON, N.Y. - County Executive Pat Ryan is pleased to announce an additional round of Project Resilience child care funds to support school-aged, full-day programs in Ulster County. Project Resilience, with the assistance of United Way, allocated \$72,000 in funding to the Center for Creative Education, The Boys and Girls Club, and the YMCA, directly supporting scholarships to 218 youth throughout the winter. The scholarships to these programs are vital to keeping local youth in safe and enriching environments with access to the internet and computers and support for their remote learning.

“As a parent, I fully understand the burden that this pandemic has put on our families and youth,” County Executive Ryan said. “Having a safe place for our children to learn helps to protect the next generation of Ulster County residents while allowing their families to keep their careers on track. I am so grateful for the community's support for Project Resilience so that we can continue to provide these much-needed services.”

“Project Resilience has made it possible for us to provide a safe place for youth to go while the parents are at work, with the providing proper role models to guide them through their virtual learning,” Dan Whalen, from the Executive Director, Boys and Girls Club said. “These funds aided us in extending the hours our facility is open and has allowed us to provide a safe place for teens to go in the evening when they are at most at risk.” (Contd. Pg. 8)

FCSD Welcomes New Principal to Junior/Senior High School



Fallsburg Central School District (FCSD) Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz introduced Mr. Kyle Roddey as the new Principal of Fallsburg Junior/Senior High School on January 7, 2021. Mr. Roddey was approved at the January 6, 2021 Board of Education meeting and he will begin his duties on February 8, 2021.

Mr. Roddey is currently the Assistant Principal at Goshen Central High School. Prior to Goshen, Mr. Roddey served as a Dean of Students and social studies teacher in the Enlarged City School District of Middletown, NY. In addition to being a school leader, Mr. Roddey served as the Mayor of Goshen for seven years and has a strong track record for improving building climate and culture. He is currently working on his Doctorate in Educational Leadership with an anticipated graduation in 2022.

On behalf of the District, Dr. Katz looks forward to Mr. Roddey's tenure as the new Junior-Senior High School Principal. He knows that Mr. Roddey is excited to begin working on this new chapter of his career. The Superintendent ended his welcome of Mr. Roddey with a wish that the new year will bring the FCSD community all great success at every level!

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Praise the Lord; for the Lord is good: sing praises unto his name; for it is pleasant.

Psalm 135:3

OBITUARY

Margaret Edith Ulrich, of



Never sink, passed away on Monday, January 4, 2021 at Garnet Health Medical Center. She was 85 and a lifelong resident of Sullivan County where she was surrounded by family and friends.

She was the daughter of the late Rufus William Porter and Edith Mary (Everett) Porter, born on January 7, 1935 in Divine Corners, Loch Sheldrake, NY.

Margaret attended school in Liberty, NY. In her early days, she made her living as an office manager for the Woolworth Company. In her free time, she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, listening to country music, knitting items to donate to various churches and organizations, watching TV - especially movies, and caring for her beloved cat, Gabby. But above all else, she loved her family and was a caring Mother and wife. She held dear the many memories that she made over the years with her growing family.

In her later years, Margaret appreciated the dedicated care given to her by her niece, Louise Dayton.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her daughters Brenda Distel and her husband Lenny, Karen Hess and her husband Tom, and Susan Giangiacomo; grandchildren Andrew McCabe, Tim Distel, Jon and Joe Giangiacomo and Jennifer Snodderley; great-grandchildren Michael, Kayleigh, Dominick and Derrick Giangiacomo; and her sister Mary Lee Haag, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She is predeceased by her loving husband Carl Ulrich, son-in-law John Giangiacomo and brother-in-law George Haag.

The family held a private funeral service on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery. The family will have a public gathering to celebrate their mother's life at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Rock Hill

SPCA, 104 Rock Hill Drive, Rock Hill, NY 12775, Orange and Sullivan Hospice, 800 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550 or the American Cancer Society PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.

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DAYS OF YORE...**Today's History****January 10, 1951**

The school on lower South Hill is closed by order of the trustee because some of the children attend Tri Valley School and the rest have moved out of the district. Mrs. Gallagher of Ellenville taught one month and Mrs. Mabel Hill of Grahamsville has been teaching up to the present.

Mr. Ralph Brackman of Grahamsville, with his saw and the help of four Dymonds, cut forty cord of wood for Mrs. Flossie Osterhoudt on last Saturday.

On Saturday at noon, the siren on the new Grahamsville Fire House will be tested. In order to ascertain its range, the Fire Co. will appreciate hearing from residents of outlying districts who are able to hear the siren.

The Sullivan County Office of the Civilian Defense Administration has announced that a house to house survey will be made in the Town of Neversink starting this week. According to County Coordinator, Monroe Davis, the purpose of such survey is to determine the availability of housing for evacuees from New York City in case of atomic bombing.

January 11, 1961

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wright of Napanoch announced the engagement of their daughter, Patricia to Raymond Birchall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Birchall of Ulster Heights. Miss Wright, a graduate of Ellenville High School, is presently employed by Channel Masters Corporation of Ellenville. Her fiancé, also a graduate of Ellenville High School, is employed at M&K Television, Woodbourne. No date has been set for the wedding. (Contd. Pg. 3)

DAYS OF YORE...**Today's History**

(From Pg. 2)

Frank Brundage Sr. died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Herman Wulf at Lindenhurst, L.I. on December 21st. He was born March 27, 1878 at Grahamsville, the son of Alger and Josephine Porter Brundage. In addition to his daughter, he leaves a sister, a son, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Christian M. Holmes of Curry has been assigned to the Military Police Detachment at Army Chemical Center, Md. A former employee of Woodbourne Correctional Institution and is a graduate of Tri Valley School, Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Telfer are the parents of a son, John Cameron, born at Maimonides Hospital on Monday, Jan. 9th, weighing 5 lbs. 4 1/2 oz.

January 13, 1971

The Board of Education extended an appointment to Miss Maureen Mahoney as a teacher of grade 6. The Board also appointed Mrs. Charlotte Stratton as a teacher of mathematics in the high school. Mrs. Stratton formerly taught grade 6. She is a graduate of Beaver College and has been employed at Tri-Valley since 1967.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ackerley are the proud parents of a son, Clinton John, born at Community General Hospital in Monticello last week.

On Monday the Tri-Valley Chapter of the FFA held the local speaking contest. In the afternoon, five contestants from Tri-Valley competed for the honor of representing the school. Walter Garigliano placed first. Also competing were Alan Bitter, Jim Gorman, David Bertholf and John Szemplenski.

January 8, 1981

Clara S. Ballentine, 57, of Sundown, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 1980 at Horton Hospital, Middletown. The daughter of Louis and Catherine Salamone, she was born April 7, 1923 in N.Y.C. She was a member of the Lows Corners Baptist Church in Sundown.

Sara Scheinman of Woodbourne, community affairs activist and wife of Sull. Co. Judge Louis Scheinman, died Saturday, at Community General Hosp., Harris at the age of 58. She was born Dec. 20, 1922 in Bayonne, N.J. She was a member of the Ladies Chapter of B'nai Brith and she belonged to the Hadassah and the Sisterhood, both of Woodbourne.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Roberts of Cypert Road, Woodbourne are proud to announce that their son, John H. Roberts is on the Dean's List at SCCC. John, who is a 1979 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School, is studying Engineering and plans a future in Solar Energy.

Congratulations to Don Wiseman of Lackawack Hill who will retire from the New York Telephone Co. on January 8th after 35 years of service.

Household Hints:

Does the wood paneling in your den look dull and dreary? Liven it up with this simple homemade remedy: Mix 1 pint warm water, 4 tablespoons white or apple cider vinegar, and 2 tablespoons olive oil in a container, give it a couple of shakes, and apply with a clean cloth. Let the mixture soak into the wood for several minutes, then polish with a dry cloth.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Where are all the Red Berries?

Where are all the red berries that we usually see during winter? They are there, but we just can't see them. Things are looking pretty drab out in the backyard. Without the winter white background – snow – even the brightest of red berries seem to fade into the dreary landscape.

The exception are the attractive cluster of seeds from the Staghorn sumac (*Rhus typhina*). Just a slight dusting of clinging snow and they tend to brighten the scene with a vibrant contrast.

Staghorn sumac is native to eastern North America, Southeastern Canada, the Midwestern United States and in the Catskill Mountains. You will often see Staghorn sumac along highways as it tolerates pollution and smog. The Staghorn sumac is not too fussy and is often found in dry, rocky soils. But it doesn't usually grow in heavy clay as it does not like its roots to stay wet for too long. They do like sun or partial sun.

The Staghorn sumac is a deciduous shrub or small tree that grows from 4 to 15 feet high and 20 feet wide. There are male and female trees.

During the summer a quick glance of its lush green foliage, might give the impression that it is a type of tropical plant. Its lengthy branches are heavily lined with multitudes of long, odd-pinnately lobed, flame-shaped leaves that are compound, with up to 15 leaflets on each side.

Its common name, "staghorn", refers to the fuzzy appearance of the young shoots. They look like the branched antlers of a male deer in velvet.

In early summer, conical clusters of yellow flowers appear at the tip ends of branches. By mid-summer the flower cones evolve into fuzzy, tightly packed, red berries that grow in an upright cluster of red drupes (little fruits with a single seed in each). They are easy to spot, even from a distance.

The berries are edible but very tart. Most birds will eat them as a last resort during winter when other food sources have diminished.

Native Americans used the berries in cough syrup. Beekeepers use the wood from the sumac as fuel for their smokers. The ground-up clusters are valued as a spice in some parts of the world. A natural dye can be made from the leaves, stems and fruit. And the berries can be made into a lemony-tasting drink that needs lots of sugar!

The wood of the Staghorn sumac is soft. They are often considered as junk trees as they are weedy little trees. However, like any other weed, it becomes that because it is growing where it shouldn't. There are however, many people who grow the Staghorn as ornamentals and hedges.

This year, the crowning glory of the Staghorn sumac was in the fall when their bright flaming foliage and clusters of red fruit were distinctly visible.

Looking at the weather forecast it looks like nature's palette will lack the luster that can only be enhanced by a showy snow backdrop.

**Revitalize wood paneling**

Tuskegee Airmen Announce Annual Scholarships: Tri-Valley Central School Student Among Winners

The New Windsor-based Maj. Gen. Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of the national Tuskegee Airmen Inc. organization has announced eight scholarships totaling \$13,000 to be tendered to deserving Hudson Valley high school seniors. The awards will be made at a "virtual dinner" to be held on February 6, 2021 at seven p.m.

In years past, the Newburgh Free Academy has always been the home school of multiple winners, but this year, Cornwall Central High School students won three of the scholarships with a fourth from Cornwall-on-Hudson's Storm King School. The winners are:

- o Michaela Brown, Cornwall Central High School
- o Hannah Cullen, Newburgh Free Academy
- o Nicole Davis, Cornwall Central High School
- o Dominique Gooden, Storm King School
- o Celest Ibarra, Tri-Valley Central School
- o Manpreet Kaur, Middletown High School
- o Nathan Woinicki, Cornwall Central High School
- o Mya Zilberberg, Newburgh Free Academy

The Trowell-Harris Tuskegee Airmen chapter has been granting tuition-assistance awards since 1999. During those 22 years, it has bestowed a total of over \$238,000 on students bound for colleges and vocational schools. The chapter has now established the Hudson Valley Tuskegee Airmen Endowment Fund to guarantee the viability of future scholarships in perpetuity, as part of the chapter's mission to protect the legacy of the original World War II Tuskegee Airmen and their part in the vast movement for Civil Rights for African Americans

Message from Daniel Pierce Library Happy New Year!!

While 2020 was a tough year, I am hopeful that 2021 will be better for all of us. My hope for 2021 is that we will soon be able to enjoy time together with family and friends. I'm also hopeful that we will be able to resume programming and enjoy time together with our patrons here at the library.

While our goal was to be reopened for normal hours early this year, with the second wave of Covid-19 currently hitting the US, we have put that on hold for now. Currently we are still open for limited hours, we are limiting time patrons can be in the building or on a public computer, and we are still offering curbside pick up. With that in mind, I thought it was time to resume our e-communication with patrons so that we can keep you up to date with what's going on at the library and what to look forward to in the coming months.

Our wi-fi is available from the parking lot 24 hours a day 7 days a week - no password needed! During the nicer weather we encouraged patrons to use the back patio to access wi-fi. The patio is not maintained during the winter months, therefore it is closed until the spring. While we can't allow patrons to stay in the building for extended periods of time, we encourage you to park in the parking lot and access the wi-fi for any of your internet needs.

Our online resources have been a focal point this year for not only our library, but all of the libraries in the Ramapo Catskill Library System. The Libby and Overdrive apps have thousands of books available for you to choose from.

As a Daniel Pierce Library card holder you can also access Rosetta Stone - for FREE. Just call the library and ask a staff member how it works.

We are as anxious as you are to welcome patrons and groups back in to the building. Myself, along with the Board of Directors, continue to monitor Covid-19 numbers in our county to decide when it is safe to reopen as normal. For now, we continue to encourage everyone to utilize our curbside services, come in for limited browsing, or call to make an appointment to access one of our computers (30 minutes limit).

Sincerely,
Jessica Dymond

Following Continued Advocacy, Gillibrand Announces \$1.5 Billion in Funding for the Impact Aid Program to Provide Critical Resources for Schools on Federal Land

FY2021 Bipartisan Appropriations Package Included \$15 Million Increase In Funding To Support Several School Districts In The North Country, Western New York And The Hudson Valley

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand announced that the recently passed bipartisan FY2021 government funding package includes \$1.5 billion in funding for the country's Impact Aid Program. The funding delivers a \$15 million increase from previous years. Federally impacted school districts educate some of the most vulnerable student populations - including Native American and military connected children - and rely on Impact Aid for resources. As these school districts struggle to respond to the challenges caused by the coronavirus pandemic, this continued funding will help alleviate expected state funding cuts and avoid lay-offs, provide adequate technology for online learning, and spur economic recovery in their communities. Earlier this year, Senator Gillibrand led a bipartisan letter alongside U.S. Senator James Inhofe (R-OK), urging appropriators to prioritize Impact Aid Funding to support more than 1,200 school districts across the country including several near Fort Drum, West Point, and Native American lands in Western New York.

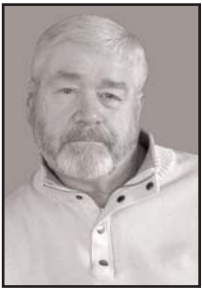
"I'm proud to have delivered this vital \$15 million increase in Impact Aid funding to provide a lifeline for federally impacted school districts that have struggled to adapt to the challenges of the COVID-19 crisis," said Senator Gillibrand. "This pandemic has only increased the learning gap and this funding will help students who attend schools affected by federal activity have equal access to the same educational opportunities as other children. Continued funding for the Impact Aid Program will deliver necessary resources for school districts to address the unique challenges of the pandemic and ensure their success in the future."

The Impact Aid Program is a federal program designed to supplement school budgets in districts that are on a large portion of federally owned, nontaxable land, such as military bases and Native American reservations. Several districts in the North Country around Fort Drum, including the Sackets Harbor Central School District, the Carthage Central School District, and the Indian River Central School District rely on this funding in order to support educational development at schools. (Contd. Pg. 7)

Old Anger

Mysterious Book Report No. 430

by John Dwaine McKenna



Although this novel was released in late 2020, it's still as timely as tonight's news. That's because it's about racism and how it's felt from both black and white perspectives.

Old Anger, (Brash Books, PB, \$18.99, 277 pages, ISBN 978-1-7343480-7-1) by Phillip Thompson, takes place in present day rural Mississippi and features a white, small town sheriff named Colt Harper. He's a local man who grew up on the area; joined the US Marine Corps. after high school; served in the war in Iraq and returned to his hometown, where he eventually became the County Sheriff. He knows everyone in the area — and along with his friend and main deputy, John Carver, a black man and fellow marine who saw combat with Harper in the Middle East— Colt assumes that he knows all that's happening in the county where he was born and raised. But the truth is . . . he doesn't.

The novel begins when the body of a black man named Lucius Wallace is discovered in a gravel pit. He's been murdered, and his death sets off a chain of events that are reminiscent of the vicious kind of racial episodes which took place in the south during the 1950s and earlier . . . turning Sheriff Colt Harper's world upside down and shattering his belief in harmony between the blacks and whites who live in the community.

When the first arrest in the case turns out to be a well-respected black minister and local leader with motive, means and opportunity, the black community goes into mass demonstrations and protests, accusing the beleaguered sheriff of racism, and causing him to examine his long-held beliefs. After new and further evidence exonerates the man . . . the white community believes Harper has let a murderer loose in their midst. But when two other murders of black men take place in quick succession, the seething racial resentment is near the boiling point. Sheriff Harper and Deputy Carver battle to keep the peace, catch the killer, and bring justice to both races, while outside forces try to start a race war and burn it all down in this thought provoking and easy reading whodunit whose pages are smoking with drama and oozing with irony!

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Johndwainemckenna.com or Mysteriousbookreport.com



January 14th Event! Resources for homeowners, renters & landlords to save money & help the environment! Programs for NY residents!

As Winter approaches, let us embrace it! Please join New Paltz Climate Action Coalition, Interfaith Earth Action, New Paltz Climate Smart and Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess & Sullivan Counties for our annual energy expo...

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The Olive Jar

By Carol Olsen LaMonda

Trivia

In addition to a number of unsettling events this week, last night marked the last taped episode of °∞Jeopardy°± with Alex Trebek. I cried. It was like losing a dear friend or family member who was invited into our home, right after supper, for decades.

When we lived in our farmhouse, my good friend Pat had cable while we had Direct TV. °∞Jeopardy°± aired a half hour earlier on cable. Every night, Pat would call me and tell me the answer to the final Jeopardy question. I would blurt it out impressing my husband with my knowledge of trivia.

We did this for years!

So, in honor of Alex Trebek, I hope to lighten the mood this week with some light trivia. Try working some of this into a casual conversation rather than discussing politics:

There is a word for the fear of long words. It's called "hippopotomonstrosesquippedalio-phobia."

Lake Superior State University in Michigan offers a unicorn hunting license.

It officially takes 364 licks to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop. Also, Tootsie Rolls were used as part of the rations for World War II soldiers.

The hashtag symbol is technically called an octothorp.

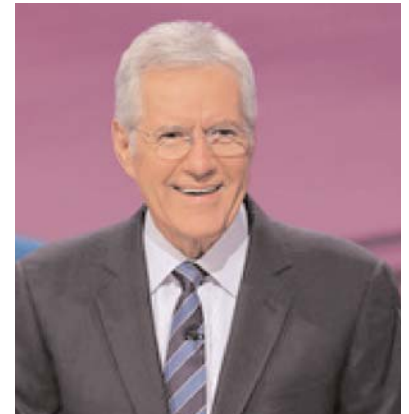
It's been said that nearly 3% of the ice in Antarctic glaciers is penguin urine.

China owns nearly all of the pandas in the world, even the ones you see at zoos. They rent them out for about \$1 million a year.

The heart of a shrimp is located in its head.

A group of flamingos is called a °∞flamboyance°±.

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**Following Continued Advocacy,
 Gillibrand Announces \$1.5 Billion
 in Funding for the Impact Aid Program
 to Provide Critical Resources for Schools
 on Federal Land**

(From Pg. 4)
 Additionally, the Highland Falls-Fort Montgomery Central School District, in the Hudson Valley around West Point, relies on critical Impact Aid funding. Lastly, the Salamanca, Gowanda, Lake Shore and Silver Creek School Districts, which are all located on Native Americans land, also depend on impact aid funding.

Since its creation in 1950, the Impact Aid program has provided assistance to local school districts with concentrations of children residing on Native American lands, military bases or other Federal properties, and concentrations of children who have parents in the uniformed services or employed on eligible Federal properties who do not live on Federal property.

In addition to the letter to appropriators sent in March, Senator Gillibrand has continuously advocated for robust Impact Aid funding during the coronavirus pandemic. During negotiations for the coronavirus relief package, she led a bipartisan group of senators in urging Congress to prioritize Impact Aid funding. Gillibrand also introduced legislation to provide \$1 billion in supplemental funding for school infrastructure construction grants through the Impact Aid program to help school districts adapt to, and recover from, the COVID-19 crisis.

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Christmas Flooding Storm Response - Statewide



ECOs block closed road in Greene County due to flooding conditions

In response to flooding caused by melting snow on Dec. 24 and 25 in parts of the state, ECOs partnered with additional DEC staff and New York State agencies to respond to emergency calls. Flood Incident Support Team members were staged in Ulster, Broome, Washington, and Schoharie counties and responded to various calls from residents and motorists requesting assistance. Heavy rains on Christmas Eve caused significant flooding in Greene County, as well, resulting in ECOs assisting first responders with home evacuations, welfare checks, and calls for assistance.

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UC Exec Ryan Announces Additional Funding to Support Youth Programs

From Pg. 1) “Keeping our youth nurtured and supported during this pandemic is hugely important for our entire community,” Drew Andrews, Executive Director, Center for Creative Education said. “Thanks to Project Resilience we were able to keep our program running this winter while families still urgently need our help.”

Project Resilience provided support for these programs in the fall and is continuing funding through the winter to support local youth and families impacted by the pandemic through an additional round of funding to Center for Creative Education, The Boys and Girls Club and the YMCA so that they can continue to offer tuition assistance to families in need.

As the needs of our county evolve over the winter, the County will continue to re-imagine Project Resilience to meet the needs of the Ulster County community. Project Resilience is made possible through partnerships with the United Way and Community Foundations.

Launched in March, Project Resilience started as a community fund and local food distribution efforts established to support residents impacted by COVID-19. Within 24 hours of its inception, County Executive Ryan secured over \$2 million dollars in funding and announced partnerships with municipal governments, local businesses, and not-for-profits. Since launching, Project Resilience has provided nearly 300,000 meals while supporting over 100 small businesses

Donations are accepted here through the United Way of Ulster County. For more information on Project Resilience, please visit: <https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/project-resilience/>



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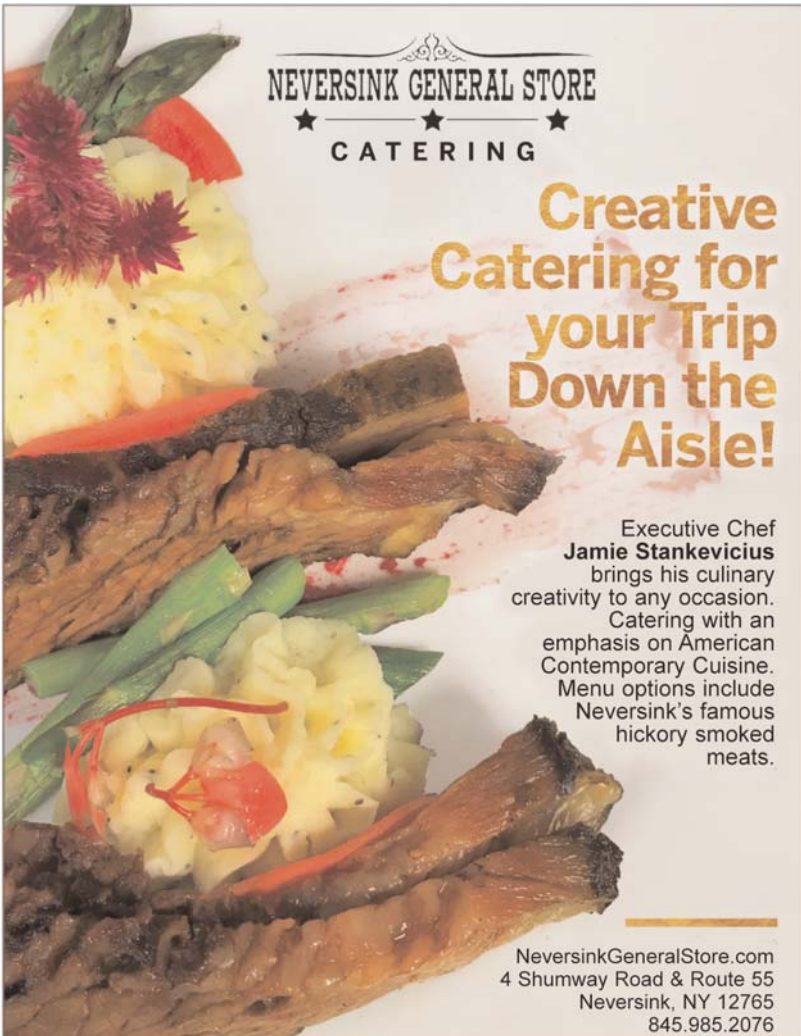
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DEC Encourages New York Anglers to Try Ice Fishing During Winter Months

Anglers Reminded to Put Safety First Before Ice Fishing and Observe Public Health Guidelines During State's Ongoing Response to COVID-19 State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos encouraged New York's new and experienced anglers to get outside and safely enjoy ice fishing during the winter months

"From small local ponds to large lakes and reservoirs, New York has a tremendous array of ice fishing opportunities for anglers to experience close to home," Commissioner Seggos said. "Many fish species are active throughout the winter months and the fishing can be just as good as during the open water season. As always, before venturing onto the ice, DEC asks all anglers to make sure the ice is thick enough to fish safely."

Four inches of solid clear ice is usually safe for anglers accessing ice on foot. Ice thickness can vary on waterbodies and even within the same waterbody. Anglers should be particularly cautious of areas of moving water and around boat docks and houses where bubblers may be installed to reduce ice from forming. Testing the ice can easily be done with an auger or spud bar at various spots. Fishing with a family member or a friend is also encouraged for safety. Local bait and tackle shops are a great resource for finding out where there is safe ice and what anglers are catching.

As part of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's NY Open for Fishing and Hunting initiative, the weekend of February 13-14, 2021, is a designated free fishing weekend. The requirement for a fishing license is waived during this period. This is a great opportunity to try ice fishing for the first time or for experienced anglers to take friends ice fishing for the first time. Beginning ice anglers are encouraged to download the Ice Fishing Chapter (PDF) of DEC's I FISH NY Beginners Guide to Freshwater Fishing (PDF, 16 MB) for information on how to get started ice fishing. Additional information, including a list of waters open to ice fishing, can be found on the DEC ice fishing webpage and the Public Lakes and Ponds maps.

The use of fish for bait is popular when ice fishing and bait fish may be used in most, but not all, waters open to ice fishing. Anglers should take these important steps when using baitfish while ice fishing:

- o Review and follow the DEC baitfish regulations;
- o Make sure that the use of baitfish is permitted in the waterbody by checking the special regulations by county section of the Freshwater Fishing Regulations Guide;
- o Use only certified disease-free bait fish purchased at a local tackle store or use only personally collected bait fish for use in the same waterbody in which they were caught;
- o Do not reuse baitfish in another waterbody if the water the baitfish were purchased in has been replaced; and
- o Dump unused baitfish and water in an appropriate location on dry land.

DEC reminds anglers to make sure that they have a valid fishing license before heading out on the ice. Fishing licenses are valid for 365 days from the date of purchase.

Ultimately, ice fishing is a great way to enjoy the outdoors during the winter months while practicing social distancing. Unlike some other styles of fishing, ice fishing is unique because groups can spread out and fish safely together. DEC is reminding anglers to be SMART when fishing this year:

- o Socially distance at least six feet apart;
- o Mask - Wear one when you cannot maintain social distancing, especially in parking lots and along footpaths;

- o Avoid sharing gear when possible;
 - o Respect your fellow anglers and the resource by providing space and practicing ethical angling; and
 - o Take out what you bring in or place trash in receptacles.
- Get Outside Safely, Responsibly, and Locally**

New York State's PLAY SMART * PLAY SAFE * PLAY LOCAL campaign encourages residents to engage in responsible recreation during the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis. New York State Parks and DEC recommendations for getting outside safely incorporate guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the New York State Department of Health for reducing the spread of infectious diseases. PLAY SMART * PLAY SAFE * PLAY LOCAL encourages New Yorkers to recreate locally, practice physical distancing, show respect for all outdoor adventurers, and use common sense to protect themselves and others. Wear a mask, even when visiting the outdoors. For more information about how to PLAY SMART * PLAY SAFE * PLAY LOCAL, visit DEC's website.

Governor announces NYS Scheduling for Vaccinations

On Monday, New York State began scheduling vaccinations for "Phase 1b" groups-the next category of people eligible for the vaccine. This group includes: People aged 75 and up; education workers (pre-K through 12 teachers and education workers, licensed and registered child care providers, and school-bus drivers); first responders (local police, State Police, Sheriff's Office employees, professional and volunteer firefighters); EMS workers (including professional and volunteer paramedics and EMTs); public transit workers (airline and airport employees, passenger railroad employees, subway and mass transit employees, ferry employees, Port Authority employees, and public bus drivers); and public safety workers. About 3.2 million additional New Yorkers will now be eligible.

There will be many more sites where New Yorkers can get vaccinated as we enter Phase 1b-more on that below-and we will be sure to keep you informed in this newsletter with the latest updates. While we all want to vaccinate even more New Yorkers, we must also keep things in perspective. We have a real supply problem with regards to the vaccine. Without increased supply from the federal government, we expect it will take 14 weeks to vaccinate the Phase 1a and 1b groups, which takes us to...April 16. We are in communication with the incoming Biden administration on the issue of supply, which must increase, but it is critical that all New Yorkers continue to wear a mask, social distance and exercise caution.

Next week, New York will expand to a larger provider network for vaccine distribution. To assist with Phase 1b vaccine administration, the expanded network will include doctor networks, Federally Qualified Health Centers, county health departments, ambulatory centers and pharmacies. Starting next week, 500 pharmacies will come online to assist in the vaccine distribution. All of these new providers will begin accepting vaccination reservations on Monday-stay tuned for more details. Hospitals will continue to serve as vaccination sites as well.

The State Department of Health is setting up 20 mass distribution sites over the next several weeks. One of these sites will be the Javits Center on the West Side of Manhattan, which will open to begin distributing the vaccine on Wednesday by appointment to eligible New Yorkers.

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Martucci Announces Office Locations and Key Staff

ALBANY, NY - Senator Mike Martucci (R, C, I - New Hampton) announced his District and Albany office contact information as well as senior staff appointments aimed at providing strong and consistent representation for all the residents of the 42nd State Senate district.

“We are in the midst of a pandemic and I want my constituents to know that help is on the way,” Senator Martucci said. “That’s why I’ve maintained the same district office location and contact information as my predecessor and hired an experienced, professional staff. I promised each of you that I would fight for our families every day and my staff appointments demonstrate that commitment.”

Office Locations and Hours

Senator Martucci’s District Office will be located at 90 North Street, Suite 205 in the City of Middletown. The phone number is (845) 344-3311 and the office will be open and staffed from 9 AM-5 PM, Monday to Friday. The Senator’s Albany Office is in the Legislative Office Building, Room 415. The phone number is (518) 455-2400. The Senator can always be reached via email at martucci@nysenate.gov.

Key Staff

Matt Nelligan will serve as Senator Martucci’s Chief of Staff. Matt is a seasoned professional who has served in this role for two previous senators and has more than twelve years’ experience in senior leadership roles in the State Senate. He has authored and negotiated dozens of pieces of legislation and built an extensive network of contacts that will be used to benefit constituents in the 42nd district. He lives in Schenectady with his wife Jackie and has eight children and stepchildren. He holds a Master’s in U.S. Government and Politics from the College of Saint Rose.

Thomas Corlett will serve as Senator Martucci’s District Director - the senior district representative for the Senator. Tom has strong local roots having been born and raised on his family’s multigenerational farm in the district. Tom was the Campaign Manager for Mike Martucci’s successful bid for the state senate in 2020 and personally knows the issues and the people of the district. Tom is involved in local government as a member of both the Planning Board and the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee in the Town of Greenville. He is also a small businessman who founded his own management and consulting firm and brings wide-ranging prior work experience to the job. Tom lives in the Town of Greenville.

Heidi Haynes will serve as Director of Community Relations. Heidi most recently served as Constituent Coordinator for Senator George Amedore. She has a strong understanding of the issues the district faces. She currently serves as a Legislator for Ulster County and will bring her passion for public service to the community.

Jane Kunzweiler will serve as the Director of Constituent Relations. She has worked as a Program Coordinator for St. Stephen’s Parish in Warwick and most recently as Director of Constituent Services for Assemblyman Colin Schmitt. She lives in the Town of Warwick with her husband Steve and has five children



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Camille O'Brien will serve as Director of Legislative Affairs. Camille is very familiar with public policy issues and the needs of local governments. She previously served in the office of Assemblyman Felix Ortiz and is a resident of Port Jervis.

Doug Jetter will serve as Legislative Assistant in Albany. Doug brings nearly twenty years of experience in the senate to this job, including serving in this role for retiring Senator Rich Funke. Doug will focus on budget and constituent issues as well as event organization and management.

Renea Molineaux will serve as the Senator’s Albany Executive Assistant. Renea has more than thirty years of experience in this role under two previous senators. She looks forward to working on behalf of the residents of the 42nd district.

The Scene Too

- Jane Harrison

I have a barometer in my house. Actually, three of them. They are called "cats" and they have never been wrong. And they are eating. And eating. What tells me is this beautiful weather over the weekend will be short lived. What's interesting is that only one of the three ever spent time outside, and he, only for the first two months of his life. But they have never been wrong, so I've stocked up on medicines, heavy cream (can't have coffee without 2 drops of this stuff) cat food and litter.

Ah, medicine. For the first time ever, I have agreed to take one on a regular basis. Pandemic. Idiots. Can you guess what it is?

Ah, idiots. I have to place a large electronic and appliance chain store in this category. I ordered a new TV online...because, well, if I'm not setting foot in a grocery store, I'm not driving thirty five - forty miles to set foot in one of their stores. So, I get the TV (it was sent through the postal service), I hook it up, it works just fine. BUT it's missing the four screws to affix the base to the TV. So, I go online and engage in a 'live chat' because the automated chat does not recognize what I'm saying. The live chat is equally exciting. They keep telling me that "because it's a TV, I have to bring the TV to the nearest (store)." - which is thirty five miles away. This makes no sense to me. The following day, I call the number given by the website for that store. After being on hold for almost an hour, I get to talk to a real live person who tells me that yes indeed to get those four screws I need to pack up the TV, take that bulky box down a flight and a half down the stairs, trundle it into the car, drive the thirty five miles, take it into the store...because in order to get those four screws I have to exchange the entire TV! IF they have one (she assured me the inventory said they did). Ever the pessimist, I enquire about them NOT having one. She then tells me about another store but she's not sure how far that one is because she's in WASHINGTON, "...or you can upgrade." BINGO. Pretty darned slick. For four missing screws! Ummm, no. I ordered 'guaranteed' replacement screws online, and if they don't work, perhaps Gorilla Glue will.

Sorting my yarns recently for my Penance Blanket, I ran across two skeins given to me by my good friend ANNIE CADDEN, former Director of Fiber On Main in Hurleyville. The minute I saw them, what she said as she handed them to me came flooding in "Work your magic". I remember agonizing as to what to make with them, before putting them away. Upon finding them again, there was no doubt because I don't remember starting these socks. I have never ever used worsted yarn (the most common size of yarn) for socks but there I was making these. At the end of each day I relax before bed, a time I really enjoy. I'm always missing one slipper. These will be what I wear then. Period. And I will look at these, propped on the ottoman and think of Annie, as I prop them 'just so' to view my new TV propped against my bookcase.

I hope your next week is fabulous!

Stay well. Stay safe. Stay masked.
Until next time.....



Her Quirky Journey

-Marilyn Borth

<http://www.herquirkyjourney.com>



Sorrowful endings, but sweet beginnings.

Marilyn's *Quirky Journey* has taken a new path. As we all know too well, Her Quirky Journey came to a brief halt late last spring when she was in South America and barely made it home before the COVID lockdown. Since then Marilyn has been providing us with stories of her past journeys. Now she is on a new

mission right here at home.

Marilyn filled us in, "I actually will be starting an online teaching program (I'm finally getting my teaching license!), so I'll have two jobs and schooling online. Guess I'll never leave my computer. Ha!"

With all that going on, at least for the next several months, anytime away from the computer, Marilyn will be studying.

We will miss her, however we want to wish her the best for success in her new endeavors.

Remember you can always visit her website - that has many of her colorful stories about *Her Quirky Journey*.

<http://www.herquirkyjourney.com>

Congratulations and best of luck Marilyn and also a big THANK YOU for stepping into our lives and sharing your extraordinary journey.

The Design Table

In this roundtable talk, we are joined by industry professionals Cheryl Bowers, Julie Jordan, Ron Sauer with moderators Maryline Damour and Kate Walsh. We've gathered a few of the many long-standing, established businesses in the Hudson Valley to discuss how they've weathered, evolved and thrived centuries of economic upheaval and what we can learn from them about creating successful businesses!

To register go to: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/at-the-design-table-hudson-valley-lessons-learned-from-local-businesses-tickets-135905327493?utm-medium=discovery&utm_campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&aff=escb&utm-source=cp&utm-term=listing

Panelists

Herzog's Home and Paint Centers was founded in 1909 as a paint, wallpaper, and picture framing store. It is run today by the same family who founded the company 112 years ago.

Rondout Savings Bank was established in 1868 to serve workers after the Civil War. It has been serving the community for 153 years.

Excelsior Wood Products has been in business since 2002. It is a family-owned and operated full-service mill and lumber supply company.

Moderators

Maryline Damour, Kingston Design Connection

Kate Walsh, Hudson Valley Magazine

Robert Doherty About Chaos at U.S. Capitol

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty (R-District 1) today released the following statement:

"Peaceful protests are an American right and tradition. But once a protest crosses over into chaos or violence, it loses its credibility and reason for being. It's time to accept the results of this presidential election and for Congress to embrace a new era of bipartisanship. And it's time for we the people to allow our elected representatives to do their jobs."

Gillibrand Announces Nearly \$25 million for Poison Control Funding in FY 2021 Appropriations Bill

As Overdoses Spike Across New York State, Poison Control and Drug Information Funding Will Help Address the Opioid Crisis and Public Health Challenges;

Washington, DC - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand announced that \$24,846,000 in federal funding was secured for the Poison Control Program in the bipartisan FY 2021 appropriations package. Gillibrand originally called for \$30.1 million to support the nation's network of 55 poison control center, however the appropriated funding is a \$2 million increase from FY20. As public health and addiction support services operate on thin margins, these increased federal funds are necessary to continue providing life-saving health care services in every state. During public health emergencies, poison control centers serve as first responders to prevent injuries, help reduce poisoning-related health care costs, and save countless lives.

"For over 50 years, the Poison Control Program has been our nation's top defense against injuries, unintentional poisonings, and deaths from poisoning," said Senator Gillibrand. "In addition to saving countless lives, this funding is a smart economic investment and will save \$1.8 billion annually in medical costs. As the pandemic has exacerbated our country's addiction and drug poisoning crisis and has placed a severe financial strain on health services, this program is needed now more than ever to keep our communities safe."

The Poison Control Program, authorized by the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA), is available to the general public and health care providers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The program supports 55 Poison Control Centers (PCCs) that utilize their network's information and data capabilities to manage public health emergencies including COVID-19, Ebola, and the Zika virus. Additionally, Poison Control Centers have a database and network that are uniquely positioned to help address the growing opioid crisis. The COVID-19 pandemic has interrupted addiction support services across the country, which were overburdened before the pandemic, making poison control services more critical now than ever.

The services provided by poison control centers lower treatment and medical costs by reducing ER visits, hospital stay time, and work-loss days each year. Every dollar invested in the poison control center system saves \$13.39 in medical cost and lost productivity, for a total savings of more than \$1.8 billion every year. The Poison Control Program also provides critical surveillance and real-time data to federal, state, and local agencies, including the CDC and Food and Drug Administration.

Gillibrand has long championed poison control prevention efforts such as the Safe Chemicals Act and she recently secured \$15.5 million in federal funding to reduce lead hazards in nearly 900 households across New York State. Senator Gillibrand also urged the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy to host prevention and treatment forums to educate Americans on the harmful consequences of opioid use and risk of poisoning.




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Attorney General James Issues Warning About Scam Targeting Grandparents During Pandemic “Grandparent Scam” Targets Seniors with Phone Calls from Fraudsters Posing as Grandchild Asking for Money

With Seniors More Isolated Than Ever Due to COVID-19 Restrictions, AG James Offers New Yorkers Tips to Protect Themselves

NEW YORK - New York Attorney General Letitia James today issued an alert to New Yorkers, warning them about the “Grandparent Scam,” a common phone scam that targets senior citizens with calls from fraudsters posing as a

grandchild of the victim and asking for money. Attorney General James also shared a public service announcement, in which high school students explain how the scam works and offers tips on how to avoid becoming a victim to grandparents. The announcement features television personality Dr. Ruth Westheimer, who shares her experience about almost falling victim to the scam.

“Due to COVID-19 restrictions, many grandparents have not seen their grandchildren for months and may be especially susceptible to this common and despicable scam,” said Attorney General James. “I urge all New Yorkers to be on the alert for this type of fraud, and to protect themselves and their family members by following these tips. We should all be speaking with elderly family members and warning them that scammers are ready to prey on their love of family in an effort to take their money.” (Contd. Pg. 26)

Mysterious Stone Sites in the Hudson Valley

VIRTUAL Program by the Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Join the Time and the Valleys Museum for an on-line virtual program: Mysterious Stone Sites in the Hudson Valley, on Sunday, January 24th at 2 p.m..



Author and researcher Linda Zimmermann explores mysteries in the woods of the Hudson Valley of New York and northern New Jersey. Stone chambers, perched boulders, standing stones, and massive walls could be unique historical treasures which should be studied and preserved. Some stone sites are assumed to be the work of colonial farmers, but Zimmermann has found compelling evidence that disputes this misconception. Could the astronomical alignments

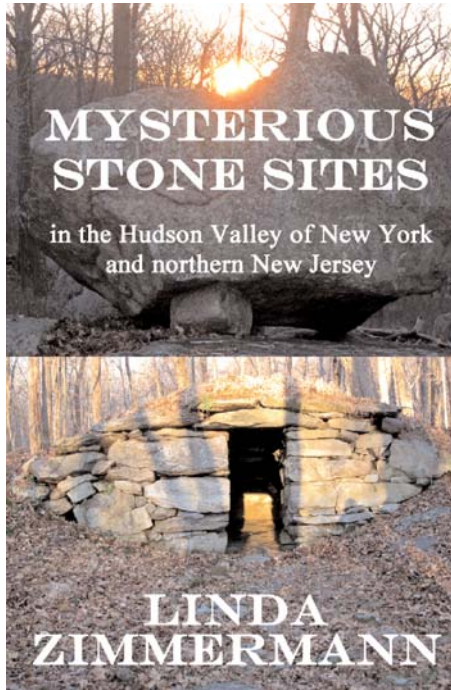
at these sites provide answers? Could they be the work of Native Americans or Pre-Columbian voyagers?

About Linda Zimmermann:

Linda Zimmermann is a research chemist turned award-winning author of 30 books on science, history, the paranormal, and fiction. Her books, including Mysterious Stone Sites in the Hudson Valley and Northern New Jersey can be purchased on amazon.com.

Admission to the Museum's virtual events is FREE and virtual attendance is EASY. Just email the Museum at info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org to register, and you will receive a reply email invitation with information on how to log in for the talk. Please call 845 985-7700 or info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org for more information.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is currently closed, but will open Memorial Day to Labor Day, Thursday to Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m. and



weekends in September. The Museum has everything in place to protect the health of both visitors and staff. Staff will be wearing masks at all times, using hand sanitizer frequently and thoroughly cleaning all touched surfaces several times a day. Visitors to the Museum and 1930s Lost Catskill Farm must wear masks, practice social distancing and use hand sanitizer



frequently throughout their visit.

Exhibitions:

- o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This newly renovated exhibition includes a section on the Lenape Native Americans, early area settlers, farming, local industries and more.

- o Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an engaging exhibition on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to

build the system, includes why New York City needed water, a description of the three water systems, the heartache of the people who had to give up their homes and how the complex system was built.

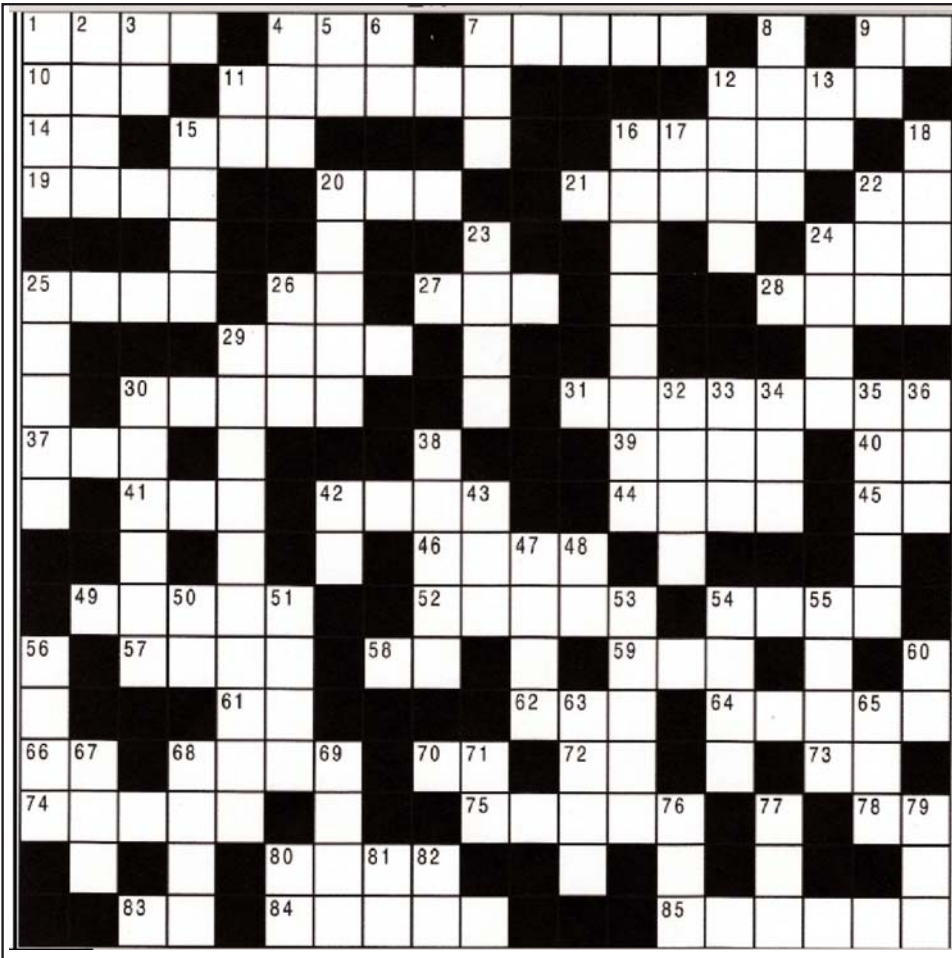
- o 1930s Catskill Family Farm is an outdoor, open air experience with several early farm buildings all illustrating life on a Catskill family farm during the 1930s, about to be removed for the building of a NYC reservoir. Building include a farm house, 1870s barn, electric plant, milk house, outhouse and workshop with WORKING waterwheel.

- o One Teacher, Eight Grades, One Room a temporary exhibition on one room schools in the Tri-Valley area.

The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. Adults admission is a suggested donation of \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday. As a Blue Star Museum, the Museum offers free admission to active duty military members and up to five family members. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. Groups, camps and schools are always welcome - Guided tours are conducted for groups of 15 to 100 people throughout the year.



OOOoops! Correct puzzle for last week - L. Comando



ACROSS

- 1 Engrave
- 4 Stay in a seated position
- 7 Fracture
- 9 Resting atop
- 10 Compete eagerly
- 11 Period of time following now
- 12 Regarded as bringing about good or bad things
- 14 A printer's measure
- 15 Adult human male
- 16 Perfect happiness
- 19 Depend on
- 20 Do something
- 21 Neighboring Tri-Valley town
- 22 Egyptian sun god
- 24 Signal of distress
- 25 Wealthy
- 26 Post Office
- 27 Now for the first time
- 28 Every one of
- 29 Precipitation
- 30 To make a change
- 31 A date book
- 37 Indefinite period of time
- 39 Wander
- 40 California
- 41 New

- 42 Urgent request
- 44 Restricted course of food
- 45 Right (abbrev)
- 46 Swiss mountains
- 49 Mythological guardian of doorways
- 52 Not cloudy
- 54 Crowds
- 57 Taking place after the expected time
- 58 Exist
- 59 Epoch
- 61 Indo-European
- 62 Having three
- 64 Objects of a person's ambition
- 66 Integrated Circuit
- 68 Strategic position
- 70 Road
- 72 Chemical element silver
- 73 Perform
- 74 California evergreen of the Rose family
- 75 Wrote "Auld Lang Syne"
- 78 In the direction of
- 80 Political party not in office
- 83 Vermont
- 84 Passenger boat
- 85 Five cents

DOWN

- 1 Always
- 2 Indefinite continued progress of existence
- 3 Common Era
- 4 Star around which the Earth orbits
- 5 Expressing location of a place
- 6 Trade Union
- 7 Humbly ask for something
- 8 A trick
- 9 In good shape
- 11 Fourth tone in the diatonic scale
- 12 Reside in
- 13 ___ Lewis, famous visionary and author
- 15 A traditional story of history using supernatural characters
- 16 Nor'easter
- 17 Long Island (abbrev)
- 18 Money
- 20 Stop oneself from doing
- 22 Giant mythological bird
- 23 365 Days
- 24 Parenthetically suggested
- 25 Section of the Kalevala
- 26 Metal container used to cook food
- 29 Firm decision to do or

- not to do something every year
- 32 Part of the lower body on both sides of the spine
- 33 Night before an event
- 34 Open meshed material
- 35 Units of land
- 36 Scoundrel
- 38 Tranquility
- 42 Father
- 43 Entire
- 47 Nuisance
- 48 South America
- 50 North America
- 51 A person with supernatural insight
- 53 Be sovereign

- 54 Magician
- 55 Globule
- 56 Discontinue
- 60 Adverb used to emphasize an amount
- 63 Uncommon
- 65 A large amount
- 67 Domestic bovine
- 68 Paw
- 69 Genuine
- 71 Decibel
- 76 Male child
- 77 Curved shape
- 79 "Wise" nocturnal bird
- 80 Relationship between a part and the whole
- 81 Treasurer
- 82 Senior

Easy Cajun Jambalaya

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
 - 2 boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-size pieces
 - 8 ounces kielbasa, diced
 - 1 onion, diced
 - 1 green bell pepper, diced
 - 1/2 cup diced celery
 - 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
 - 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
 - 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
 - salt and ground black pepper to taste
 - 2 cups uncooked white rice
 - 4 cups chicken stock
 - 3 bay leaves
 - 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
 - 1 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- Heat oil in a large pot over medium high heat. Saute chicken and kielbasa until lightly browned, about 5 minutes. Stir in onion, bell pepper, celery and garlic. Season with cayenne, onion powder, salt and pepper. Cook 5 minutes, or until onion is tender and translucent. Add rice, then stir in chicken stock and bay leaves. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat, cover, and simmer 20 minutes, or until rice is tender. Stir in the Worcestershire sauce and hot pepper sauce.

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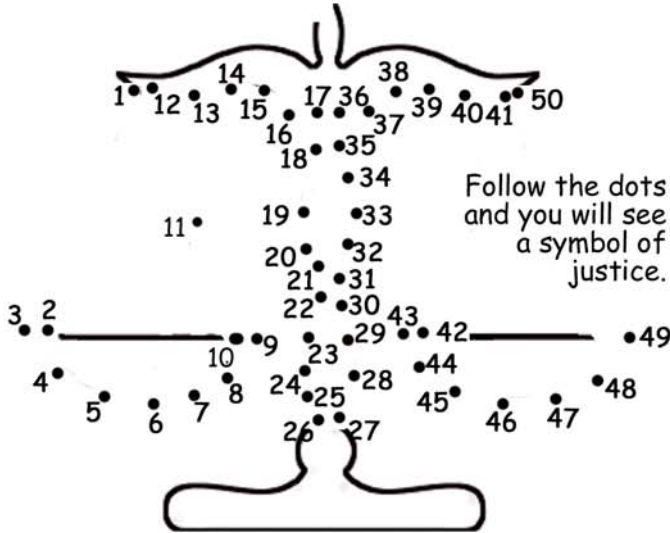
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- Harriet Beatrice Stowe



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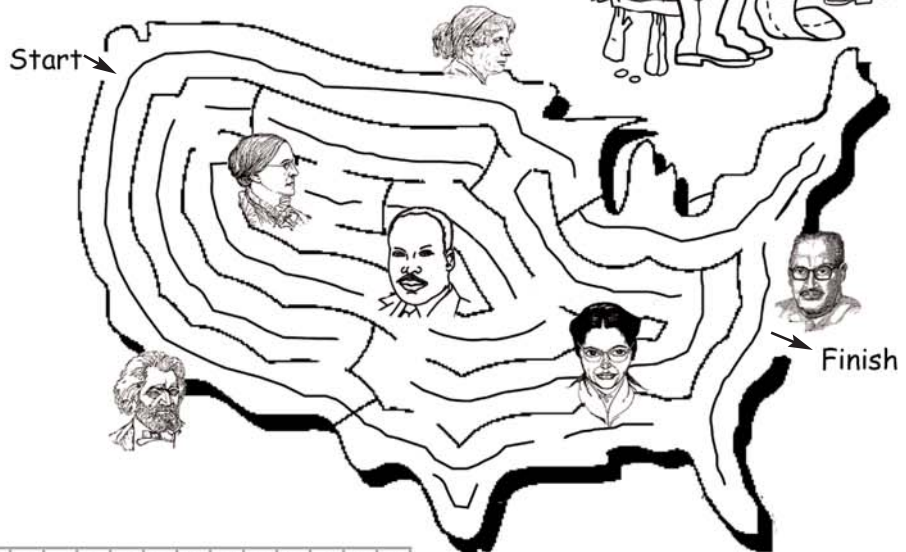
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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES**TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I, Joy Monforte, Tax Collector for the Town of Denning, Ulster County, State of New York, have received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes within the Town of Denning for the year 2021.

Taxes will be collected at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725 on Monday thru Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., and at the Catskill Hudson Bank, 279 Main Street, Grahamsville, N.Y. 12740 and by mail to the Town of Denning, P.O. Box 277, Claryville, N.Y. 12725.

PLEASE NOTE; YOU ARE URGED TO PAY BY MAIL DUE TO COVID-19.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE as pursuant to Ulster County Law No. 8 of 2012 an insert has been provided describing each Unfunded Mandate required by New York State.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that taxes may be paid on or before the 1st day of February or postmarked by that date are paid without interest. On all taxes received after such date there shall be, added, interest of one percent of the amount of the unpaid taxes for each month or fraction thereof until taxes are paid or until the return of unpaid taxes to the Ulster County Department of Finance pursuant to law.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of law, the tax roll for the Town of Denning will be returned to the Ulster County Finance Commissioner on the date of expiration of the Collector's Warrant for 2021.

Joy Monforte, RMC
Tax Collector
Town of Denning

January 4th, 2021

1/14/2021

Please Be Advised:

The Public Hearings scheduled for the Chicko Lot Line Change and Yeshiva Beth Joseph Dushinsky that was scheduled for Tuesday, January 12th, 2021 at 7:00pm has been **CANCELLED**. The meeting will still take place as there are other items on the agenda via Zoom and the following information is needed to view the meeting:
Topic: Village of Monticello Planning Board Meeting

Time: Jan 12, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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All are welcomed to attend.

Thank You

Village of Monticello
Janine Gandy-McKinney
Village Clerk

Please Be Advised:

The Village of Monticello Board of Trustees will be holding their Regular Village Board Meeting by video and teleconference, pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 202.1, and applicable COVID guidelines, Executive Orders of the State and Resolutions of the Village, **the public will not be permitted to attend in person on Wednesday, January 13th, 2021 at 6:00pm**. The meeting will be available to the Public via the ZOOM app and the following information will be needed to access the meeting:

Topic: Village of Monticello Board of Trustees Meeting

Time: Jan 13, 2021 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting:

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All are welcomed to view this meeting at the said date and time.

Thank You

Village of Monticello
Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

DEC Proposes Circle Hook Requirement for 2021

Comments Accepted until Mar. 8, on Proposed Regulation for Circle Hooks to Help Improve Striped Bass Survival

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today released a new proposed regulation for public review and comment that would require the use of circle hooks when recreational fishing for Atlantic striped bass. This proposed regulation would reduce release mortality in recreational striped bass fisheries as required by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC). Catch-and-release practices contribute significantly to overall fishing mortality in recreational striped bass fisheries and circle hooks work effectively to increase survival. DEC is accepting public comments on the proposal through Mar. 8, 2021.

"From Montauk Point to the Hudson River, New York's waters provide critical habitat for striped bass of all ages and offer some of the best striped bass fishing along the East Coast," Commissioner Basil Seggos said. "Circle hooks improve the survival of fish that are returned to the water, and this requirement further supports conservation efforts that ensure we're protecting this highly sought-after sportfish for future generations of anglers to enjoy."

The Atlantic coast-wide harvest of striped bass is managed by ASMFC. To address the finding that the striped bass resource is overfished and experiencing overfishing, ASMFC initiated and approved Addendum VI to Amendment 6 of the Interstate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Atlantic Striped Bass to reduce harvest, end overfishing, and bring fishing mortality to the target level.

New York State adopted recreational slot size limits regulation changes in 2020 that reflect ASMFC's Addendum measures and are in accordance with the FMP. In marine waters the recreational slot size is 28-35 inches total length and in the Hudson River the slot size is 18-28 inches total length; the possession limit is one fish per angler.

The open seasons and size limits for striped bass in all New York waters have not changed for 2021. Recreational striped bass seasons start April 1 in the Hudson River and tributaries and April 15 in marine waters. New York State worked cooperatively with other members of ASMFC to adopt consistent slot limit regulations and comparable season dates.

The proposed regulation includes all New York State waters where recreational fishing for Atlantic striped bass occurs, including coastal waters of Long Island and New York City, the Delaware River, and the Hudson River to the Federal Dam in Troy, New York. The full text of the proposed regulation can be found at DEC's website. Comments on the proposed circle hook regulation should be sent to fw.marine@dec.ny.gov or by mail to: Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Mead Rd. Suite 1, East Setauket, NY 11733. The public comment period closes on March 8, 2021. After reviewing public comments, DEC will be adopting and publishing a final regulation.



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DEC encourages anglers to check DEC's Recreational Saltwater Fishing Regulations for the most up-to-date information before going fishing. Make sure to also enroll in the annual no-fee Recreational Marine Fishing Registry before going fishing in New York's Marine and Coastal District waters or when fishing in the Hudson River and its tributaries for "migratory fish of the sea" (which includes striped bass.) Anglers can enroll in the registry online or by phone or by visiting a license issuing agent location. To enroll, go to DEC's website

NYS Sen. Martucci Announces Committee Assignments for 2021 Legislation

ALBANY, NY - Senator Mike Martucci (R, C, I - New Hampton) released the following announcement regarding his committee assignments for the 2021 legislative session of the New York State Senate:

"In what will be a critical year for New York State, I'm thrilled to announce that I will be representing the 42nd senate district on some of the most important committees in the Senate chamber. My committee assignments will put me in a leading role for many of the concerns facing women and children, those with developmental disabilities, and a range of business and economic affairs.

"I sincerely thank Republican Leader Rob Ortt for entrusting me with the roles of Ranking Member of the Senate Standing Committees on Developmental Disabilities, and Small Business, Commerce and Economic Development. I also look forward to joining my colleagues on the Senate Standing Committees on Children & Families; Cities 1; Corporations, Authorities and Commissions; and Housing, Construction and Community Development.

"Through every day of the 2021 Legislative Session, I will always represent the interests and values of my constituents and use my voice as their representative to make sure we are no longer forgotten when the biggest issues facing our state - economic recovery, public health, and safety and security - come to the table."

If you wish to download this week's Church bulletin from St. Peter's, Liberty, NY please go to: stpeters/bulletin

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

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Sundown United Methodist Church Hall



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Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm
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Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
Pastor Seung Jin Hong
845-985-2283
e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Rte. 55, Grahamsville
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30 a.m.
Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available!

Regular Office Hours
Wednesday 9 am - Noon
Friday 3 pm to 6 pm

If you wish to make an appointment to talk to Pastor Seung Jin Hong please call 845-985-2283

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 Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne
 Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

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

Ans to last week's Crossword12/31



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AUDITIONS

Young Frankenstein - the Mel Brooks Musical Book by Mel Brooks & Thomas Meehan, Music and Lyrics by Mel Brooks Presented by The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop,

It's 1934 and the villagers of Transylvania Heights are celebrating the death of their neighborhood mad scientist, Dr. Victor von Frankenstein, sure the doctor's neurosurgeon grandson will never appear. Once he arrives, chaos reigns as the younger scientist is convinced to take up where his grandfather left off. A highly entertaining musical comedy with an endless dose of vaudeville-style humor, the cast is rounded out with a beloved hunchback, a yodeling lab assistant and, of course, the famous monster. This Mel Brooks musical is sure to leave audiences in stitches.

Auditions:

January 16, 2020 at 2 - 6:00 pm (individual Zoom Appointment)
 January 17, 2020 at 2 - 6:00 pm (individual Zoom Appointment)
 January 18, 2020 at 6 - 8 pm - **CALLBACKS** - Combined Zoom
 Performance Dates: August 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, & 22 at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg.

Requirements: All auditioners should prepare a 16-32 bar cut of music in the style of the show. Selections from the show are preferred. Acapella or audio tracks are fine. You will be asked to read from the script - please make director aware of part you are auditioning for, and your flexibility in roles

CAST: Dr. Frederick Frankenstein, The Monster, Igor, Elizabeth Benning, Frau Blücher, Inspector Hans Kemp, Ensemble/Swing cast, Dr. Victor Von Frankenstein, Ziggy, Blind Man

Want to Keep Your Family Safe From Medications in Your Home?

Liberty, NY - The newly redesigned Sullivan County Drug Task Force, along with Sullivan County Public Health and Sullivan County Rural Health Network, is asking the public's input regarding the availability of drug drop boxes and other safe and responsible methods of drug disposal.

"The input gained will help direct our attempts to reduce the amount of unwanted or unneeded medication in our communities," stated Sullivan County Public Health Educator Jill Simon.

The public is urged to take the survey, which can be found on the Sullivan County Public Health Services Facebook page, or at : https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Drug_Disposal_Survey.

The deadline to complete the survey is January 15, 2021.

They're also encouraged to use the drop boxes to get rid of old or unwanted medicines.

"There are drop box locations around Sullivan County," said Nancy McGraw, Public Health Director. "Drop and go, there will be no questions asked when dropping off. Please: no liquids, needles or syringes."

Drop boxes can be found in these locations:

24/7 drop off

- o Village of Monticello Police Department, 2 Pleasant Street, Monticello
- o Town of Fallsburg Police Department, 19 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg
- o Village of Liberty Police Department, 159 N. Main St., Liberty

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- o Department of Family Services. 16 Community Lane. Liberty.

For more information, visit Sullivan County Public Health Services and Sullivan County Rural Health Network.

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Ulster County Legislature Weekly Update For The Week Of January 11 - January 15, 2020

Monday, January 11

- o 5:00 PM - Community Services Board Powered by Zoom Meeting. Meeting ID: 936 9554 3061, Passcode: 948888, Dial In Number: (646) 558-8656
- o 5:30 PM - Caucus: Democrats Powered by Zoom Meeting. Public Attendance by phone (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 912 6169 1009
- o 6:10 PM - Public Hearing: On Proposed Local Law No. 13 Of 2020, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008) To Further Clarify Budget Modification after Adoption
- o 6:20 PM - On The Sale And/Or Transfer Of Lands Owned By Ulster County Located At 101-899 Enterprise Drive and 605-695 Boices Lane in the Town of Ulster
- o Immediately Following the Public Hearings - Organizational Meeting Powered by Zoom Meeting and available via vimeo <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>. Public Comment administered by "Call In Studio": Dial 205-ULSTER-0 or (205) 857-8370 to be connected. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk via email to vfab@co.ulster.ny.us
- o 6:30 PM - Ulster County Board of Health Powered by Zoom Meetings. Dial (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 995 2964 7493 Passcode: 763694

Tuesday, January 12

- o 4:30 PM - Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Powered by Zoom Meeting. Dial (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 883 4735 9181 Passcode: 610349
- o **6:00 PM - Commission on Reapportionment Powered by Zoom Meetings. Public Attendance by Phone (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 956 5023 7364**

Wednesday, January 13

- o 9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Governance Committee Powered by Zoom Meeting. Dial (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID 816 4111 9687
- o 10:00 AM (or immediately following the

UC UDA Governance Comm) Governance Comm) - Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Governance Committee Powered by Zoom Meeting. Dial (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID 816 4111 9687
o 6:00 PM - Commission on Reapportionment Powered by Zoom Meetings. Public Attendance by Phone (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 956 5023 7364

Thursday, January 14

o 6:00 PM - Commission on Reapportionment Powered by Zoom Meetings. Public Attendance by Phone (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 956 5023 7364


Friday, January 15

- o No Meetings

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UC Exec Pat Ryan Announces COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Center

The new online webpage will serve as a hub for information regarding the COVID-19 vaccination process in Ulster County

The County releases a new vaccination information request form which will notify the public as the vaccine becomes available to residents in phased roll-outs

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today announced the Ulster County virtual COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Center. The webpage, which can be found at ulstercountyny.gov/vaccines, will serve as a hub for residents to find relevant information about the COVID-19 vaccination process in Ulster County. The webpage includes pertinent information to help residents navigate the phases for the vaccine. Additionally, the hub includes a COVID-19 Vaccination FAQ page that addresses common questions and concerns regarding the COVID-19 vaccine which can be found here. Included in the COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Center is a new Vaccine Notification Request Form. The form will allow residents to sign up to be notified of when they are eligible for a vaccine and to receive instructions on how to register.

"Ensuring all residents are informed of the COVID-19 vaccination roll-out process and have access to the most up-to-date resources and information is critical to our pandemic response," Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said. "The virtual COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Center will serve as a key component of the County's vaccine distribution plan, assisting us in ensuring we can distribute the vaccine as quickly, safely, and equitably as possible, maximizing efficiency and strengthening our communication with the public as we navigate these next few months and phases together."

The purpose of the form is to gather contact information for individuals wishing to receive the COVID-19 vaccine as it becomes available to the public in phased roll-outs. The form does not pre-register residents for a COVID-19 vaccination appointment-rather, the form will allow the County to notify individuals when appointments become available.

Currently, the COVID-19 vaccine is being rolled out to specific groups included in Phase A outlined by New York State's Phased Distribution of the Vaccine. Individuals who fill out the form will be notified by the Ulster County Department of Health at their preferred contact information when it is your time to receive the vaccine and will be provided instructions on how to register.

Earlier this week, County Executive Ryan announced significant elements of Ulster County's Vaccine Distribution Plan. The county has developed its plan in partnership with the Mid-Hudson Regional Vaccine Hub, led by WMC Health, and the New York State Department of Health. The county has selected the Kate Walton Field House at Kingston High School as its primary vaccine distribution site and The Ellenville Regional Hospital Center as its secondary distribution site. These two locations will be key to the county's efforts to ensure all residents can receive the coronavirus vaccine rapidly, safely, and equitably. These sites will serve as a central component to expanding access to the vaccine through a multi-faceted

approach in addition to eventual distribution at hospitals, health care facilities, pharmacies, and other partners throughout the county.

The county will be able to perform up to 50,000 vaccinations a month at these county-led facilities. The primary vaccination distribution site in Kingston will be equipped to be able to perform up to 45,000 vaccinations per month and will be open seven days a week. The Ellenville site will be able to perform up to 5,000 vaccinations per month to start and will be open Monday through Friday. In addition, the County is coordinating closely with other key partners -- including hospitals, health care facilities, pharmacies, and providers -- to add additional vaccination capacity throughout the county. (Contd. Pg. 24)



Why wear a mask?

Out of respect.

When you wear a mask you are saying,
I respect my neighbors.

When you wear a mask you are saying,
I respect nurses and doctors.

When you wear a mask you are saying,
I respect other people.

We all need to show respect to one another in difficult times.

Wearing a face covering is a small inconvenience to protect others. We have gotten through this crisis by standing together and doing the right thing. The right thing - the respectful thing - is to wear a mask.

- 1/12/21 Town of Denning Town Board and Business meeting at Denning Town Hall 6:00 pm (Please note: 2nd Tuesday)
 1/13/21 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - Rewgular
 1/18/21 **Town of Neversink Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
 1/19/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
 1/24/21 Time and the Valleys Museum- Virtual Program – **Mysterious Stone Sites in the Hudson Valley** 2 p.m (See Pg. 1)
 2/3/21 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm (App submission Dt. 1/20/21)
 2/15/21 **Town of Neversink Holiday - President's Day**

Save the Date!

Matthew Bertholf's 10th Anniversary Memorial Horseshoe Tournament Sunday, July 11, 2021
 Neversink Fire Department Pavilion.

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.

PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION FOR UPDATES ON OPENINGS

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

UC Exec Pat Ryan Announces COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Center

(From Pg. 23) The County's vaccine distribution plan emphasizes a strong focus on reaching underserved populations, with the selection of these sites aiding in ensuring fair and equal access to the vaccine.

The County will continue to follow the State's guidelines on the phased distribution of vaccines and encourages residents to familiarize themselves with the phases and identify what phase they are in by checking the State website here. The Kingston site will begin operations on January 11th and the Ellenville site will begin operations on January 14th for eligible groups specified in Phase 1 including health personnel, EMS, and residents and staff at congregate facilities.

For more information and questions, please visit our Ulster County COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Center at:

<https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/vaccine-resource-center/> or call the Recovery Service Center at 845-443-8888.

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SBA PPP to Re-opens

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), in consultation with the Treasury Department, announced today that the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) will re-open the week of January 11 for new borrowers and certain existing PPP borrowers. To promote access to capital, initially only community financial institutions will be able to make First Draw PPP Loans on Monday, January 11, and Second Draw PPP Loans on Wednesday, January 13. The PPP will open to all participating lenders shortly thereafter. Updated PPP guidance outlining Program changes to enhance its effectiveness and accessibility was released on January 6 in accordance with the Economic Aid to Hard-Hit Small Businesses, Non-Profits, and Venues Act.

This round of the PPP continues to prioritize millions of Americans employed by small businesses by authorizing up to \$284 billion toward job retention and certain other expenses through March 31, 2021, and by allowing certain existing PPP borrowers to apply for a Second Draw PPP Loan.

“The historically successful Paycheck Protection Program served as an economic lifeline to millions of small businesses and their employees when they needed it most,” said Administrator Jovita Carranza. “Today’s guidance builds on the success of the program and adapts to the changing needs of small business owners by providing targeted relief and a simpler forgiveness process to ensure their path to recovery.”

“The Paycheck Protection Program has successfully provided 5.2 million loans worth \$525 billion to America’s small businesses, supporting more than 51 million jobs,” said Treasury Secretary Steven T. Mnuchin. “This updated guidance enhances the PPP’s targeted relief to small businesses most impacted by COVID-19. We are committed to implementing this round of PPP quickly to continue supporting American small businesses and their workers.”

Key PPP updates include:

- o PPP borrowers can set their PPP loan’s covered period to be any length between 8 and 24 weeks to best meet their business needs;
- o PPP loans will cover additional expenses, including operations expenditures, property damage costs, supplier costs, and worker protection expenditures;

- o The Program’s eligibility is expanded to include 501(c)(6)s, housing cooperatives, destination marketing organizations, among other types of organizations;
- o The PPP provides greater flexibility for seasonal employees;
- o Certain existing PPP borrowers can request to modify their First Draw PPP Loan amount; and
- o Certain existing PPP borrowers are now eligible to apply for a Second Draw PPP Loan.

A borrower is generally eligible for a Second Draw PPP Loan if the borrower:

- o Previously received a First Draw PPP Loan and will or has used the full amount only for authorized uses;
- o Has no more than 300 employees; and
- o Can demonstrate at least a 25% reduction in gross receipts between comparable quarters in 2019 and 2020.

The new guidance released includes:

- o PPP Guidance from SBA Administrator Carranza on Accessing Capital for Minority, Underserved, Veteran, and Women-owned Business Concerns;
- o Interim Final Rule on Paycheck Protection Program as Amended by Economic Aid Act; and
- o Interim Final Rule on Second Draw PPP Loans.

For more information on SBA’s assistance to small businesses, visit sba.gov/ppp or treasury.gov/cares.

About the U.S. Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration helps power the American dream of business ownership. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow or expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit www.sba.gov.

Sen. Martucci Responds to Governor Cuomo’s State of the State Address

ALBANY, NY - Senator Mike Martucci (R, C, I - New Hampton) issued the following statement in response to the Governor’s annual State of the State Address:

“We are living in unprecedented times and that calls for strong leadership. Today’s message included policy proposals I support, such as mobile sports betting, greater access to telemedicine, and providing our nurses with greater access to SUNY and CUNY schools. These are common sense, bipartisan ideas that I look forward to working on with the Governor. However, one thing must be made crystal clear - New York does not have a revenue problem, New York has a spending problem. Broad-based tax increases should be off the table completely, and additional ideas to raise revenue should not be a substitute for making the tough choices needed to address our multi-billion-dollar deficit.

“Budgets are about priorities, and in this budget, I will work to protect our seniors, fully fund our schools, and defend the most vulnerable among us from painful cuts. I will also fight to ensure we cut wasteful spending like the Hollywood tax credit and invest that money directly in our own communities instead. I ran for State Senate with the goal of putting our families first and that is precisely what I plan to do as we move through the budget process.”

Attorney General James Announces Arrests in Nearly Decade-Long Ponzi Scheme that Defrauded Investors Across New York and Nation of More Than \$1 Million

(From Pg.13) The complaint lays out that instead of holding the investments in a cash reserve fund, Carro and Doyle deposited investor monies into various accounts, none of which ever had a balance of more than \$200,000. An OAG audit revealed that investor funds were used for personal expenses and to pay back previously defrauded investors. According to the audit, Carro and Doyle spent nearly \$500,000 on cash withdrawals, more than \$200,000 to pay credit card bills, squandered more than \$57,000 on pet expenses, and exhausted more than \$350,000 to pay previously defrauded investors, including over \$170,000 in restitution to victims in Carro's prior criminal cases. Carro and Doyle are charged with stealing between \$15,000 and \$30,000 from each of the more than 50 victims from 2012 to the present, with total losses to all victim-investors exceeding \$1 million.

To further their nearly decade-long scheme, Carro and Doyle allegedly engaged in a pattern of excuses and delay tactics regarding their inability to repay investors. These delay tactics included telling investors that the bank would not release their funds, when in fact the funds were already depleted; alleging that repayment checks were in the mail, only for investors to receive empty envelopes; and creating a fictitious attorney to act as in-house-counsel for Endeavor during disputes with investors' over the return of their investments.

The felony complaint also lays out how the two defendants engaged in a complex money-laundering scheme to conceal and promote their ongoing crimes. Carro and Doyle allegedly used bank accounts at multiple financial institutions in an effort to disguise and conceal the true source and ownership of the money. The complaint further charges that the proceeds were laundered in a Ponzi-like manner to make repayments to previously defrauded investors, without revealing that the actual source of the repayments was funds from newly defrauded investors. While the defendants repaid some investors a very small percentage of their investment, most investors received no repayment at all.

The OAG's 42-count felony complaint - filed in Walton Town Court in Delaware County - charges Carro and Doyle, acting in concert, with two counts of Money Laundering in the Second Degree (a class "C" felony), 19 counts of Grand Larceny in the Third Degree (a class "D" felony), 20 counts of Securities Fraud under the Martin Act (a class "E" felony), and one count of Scheme to Defraud in the First Degree (a class "E" felony).

Carro and Doyle were arraigned today before the Honorable Jacqueline Lampert. Carro was remanded and Doyle was released on his own recognizance.

The charges are merely accusations, and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

The OAG would like to thank the Delaware County District Attorney's Office for their invaluable assistance in this investigation. The OAG would also like to thank the New York state Department of Financial Services, as well as the New Hampshire Bureau of Securities Regulations, the Maine Office of Securities, and the Connecticut Department of Banking for their assistance.

Assistant Attorneys General Philip V. Apruzzese and

Maureen L. Grosdidier are prosecuting the case, with the assistance of Legal Support Analyst Jamirah Williams-Johnson, under the supervision of Supervising Analyst Paul Strocko and Deputy Supervising Analyst Jayleen Garcia. Forensic accounting was performed by Principal Auditor Investigator Meaghan E. Scotellaro, under the supervision of Chief Auditor Kristen Fabbri and Deputy Chief Auditor Sandy Bizzarro of the Forensic Audit Section. The Criminal Enforcement and Financial Crimes Bureau is led by Bureau Chief Stephanie Swenton and Deputy Bureau Chief Joseph G. D'Arrigo.

Detectives Mitchell J. Paurowski and William Lynch of the Investigations Bureau handled the criminal investigation, under the supervision of Supervising Detectives Mark Spencer, Michael Leahy, and Sylvia Rivera, and Deputy Bureau Chiefs Antoine Karam and John McManus. The Investigations Bureau is led by Chief Oliver Pu-Folkes and First Deputy Chief John Reidy. Both the Criminal Enforcement and Financial Crimes Bureau and the Investigations Bureau are part of the Division for Criminal Justice, which is overseen by Chief Deputy Attorney General José Maldonado.

Initial complaints were received by the OAG's Investor Protection Bureau, which is led by Bureau Chief Peter Pope and Deputy Bureau Chief Kevin Wallace. The Investor Protection Bureau is a part of the Division for Economic Justice, which is overseen by Chief Deputy Attorney General Chris D'Angelo.

Gillibrand Secures \$360M in Federal Funding for Lead Hazard Control in FY 21 Spending Package

Washington, D.C.--U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced the inclusion of \$360 million for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, including \$60 million for the Healthy Homes Program and \$95 million for lead-based paint reductions, in the recently passed FY 2021 government spending package. This funding provides competitive grants to cities and municipalities to reduce lead paint-based health hazards and correct serious threats to residents' health and safety caused by lead exposure. These funds are prioritized for low-income households with young children.

Gillibrand also announced \$25 million for lead reduction for federally-assisted housing through the Public Housing Fund. The funding will help protect children and families living in federally subsidized housing from easily preventable health hazards by identifying and treating individual units with lead hazards, improving oversight and remediation, and upgrading substandard housing with healthy homes interventions.

"Too many of our children have been exposed to lead paint, which studies show can have long-term, devastating health and development outcomes," said Senator Gillibrand. "As we fight against this second COVID-19 wave, no one should be put in a situation where following public health guidance and staying home means risking exposure to lead paint poisoning. I won't stop fighting until lead paint is a relic of the past and no longer a threat to New Yorkers."

Gillibrand wrote to appropriators urging support for \$376 million for HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, including \$100 million for the Healthy Homes Program and \$6 million for the Lead Technical Studies Program.

Senators Gillibrand and Schumer, along with Rep. Brian Higgins previously announced \$15.5 million in federal funding for lead hazard reduction in nearly 900 households across New York State.



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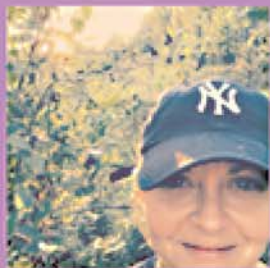
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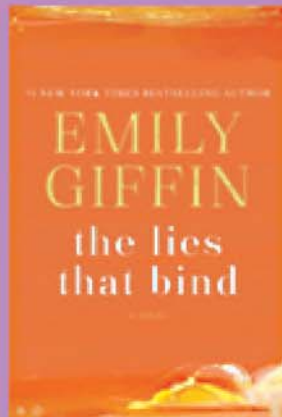
JESS'S
PICK



After the year we've had, when I look for a book to read, I look for something easy on the mind, something without politics or viruses, something that is an easy read, keeps me interested, and is a feel good story. David Rosenfelts' Andy Carpenter Series always have a complicated mystery to solve, keeping your attention from beginning to end. In his book Muzzled, he yet again, did not disappoint. Andy Carpenter is the main character, who tries to avoid practicing law at all costs, but always ends up on the defense of a complicated murder trial. In Muzzled, a man presumed to have been killed in a boat explosion walks in to Andy's dog rescue, to claim is dog. And just like that Andy ends up representing him as his lawyer and is tasked with the seemingly impossible job of proving his clients innocence. Mistaken identity, pharmaceutical secrets, mystery girlfriends, and potential mob involvement, are all stumbling blocks for Andy to work through to free his client.



MICHELLE'S
PICK



Just dumped, Cecily is drowning her sorrows at a bar and contemplating calling her ex when a man sitting nearby says "Don't do it". This begins a night that she will never forget with a man she has become enamored with. Shortly after, he disappears during the 9/11 attacks. Though Cecily never forgot him, it isn't until much later that questions arise about what actually happened to the man she met.

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The film is about part of the life of **Dr. Donald Walbridge Shirley (January 29, 1927 – April 6, 2013)** an American classical and jazz pianist and composer. He recorded many albums for Cadence Records during the 1950s and 1960s. He experimented with jazz using a classical influence. He wrote organ symphonies, piano concerti, a cello concerto, three string quartets, a one-act opera, works for organ, piano and violin, a symphonic tone poem based on the 1939 novel *Finnegans Wake* by James Joyce, and a set of "Variations" on the 1858 opera *Orpheus in the Underworld*. The film begins in 1962 when Dr. Don Shirley, an African-American pianist embarks upon a tour in the Deep South. In need of a driver, he hires Tony Lip, an Italian-American who works as a bouncer. Armed only with the 'Negro Motorist Green Book,' an essential guide to safe travel for people of color during the *Jim Crow* era, the unlikely pair develop an understanding for one another and a surprising bond. Take a lesson from the "Green Book," and Mahatma Gandhi – peaceful protest by all who feel they have been wronged is totally in order. May God Bless.

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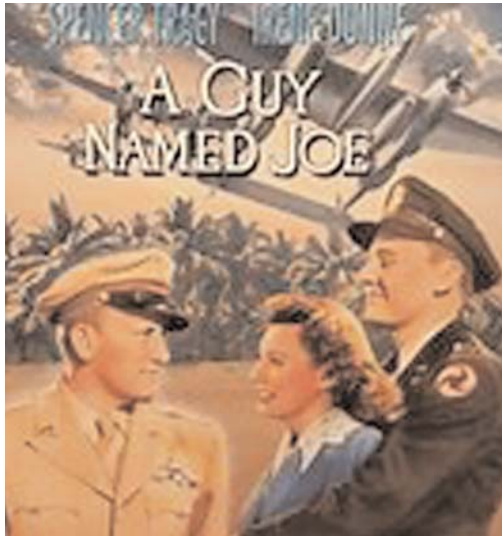
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A Guy Named Joe

(2h | Romance | TV-G1943)



When adventurous World War II bomber pilot Pete Sandidge dies in an aerial attack on an enemy ship. He becomes an angel, and learns new lessons of life death and love. **Directed** by Victor Fleming, **Starring** Spencer Tracy, Irene Dunne, Van Johnson, Bond, James Gleason

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE #2
ON TCM WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 20, 2021 @ 4:15 pm

Pal Joey

(1957, 1h 51m | Comedy | TV-14)



After he is thrown out of town for romancing the mayor's daughter, nightclub MC singer (Frank Sinatra) woo's the ladies for a night club.

Directed by George Sidney Starring Rita Hayworth, Frank Sinatra, Kim Novak,

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE #3
ON TCM THURSDAY
JANUARY 20, 2021 @ 6:15 pm
Mighty Joe Young (1949)
1h 34m | Drama | TV-G



Showmen try to exploit a giant ape raised by an orphan. **Directed by Ernest B. Schoedsack**- **Starring Terry Moore, Ben Johnson, Robert Armstrong,**

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE #4
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Seven Days in May

At the height of the cold war, a weakened President and a popular four-star general face off in a battle for control of the US government. President Jordan Lyman has successfully negotiated an arms deal. Military aide Martin Casey stumbles across a plot by his boss to overthrow the U.S. president, who has just negotiated a controversial peace treaty. Casey's dilemma: Follow orders and remain silent, or betray his boss.

Directed by John Frankenheimer Starring, Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas, Fredric March, Ava Gardner, Edmond O'Brien, Martin Balsam, Andrew Duggan.

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