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## ONE DOLLAR/ONE LINE/ONE ITEM AD FLYER IN THE FEBRUARY 4th ISSUE

The Townsman will resume the *ONE DOLLAR/ONE LINE/ONE ITEM AD* in the February 4th, 2010 issue.

All ads for the February *One Dollar, One Line, One Item* flyer must be received in our office by **Friday, January 29th at 3:00 pm**. You may either mail your ad along with \$1 to: The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, Ny 12740, drop it in the drop box on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Buidling or email it to: [tvtownsman@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsman@yahoo.com)

## GRAHAMSVILLE UMC THRIFT SHOP UPDATE

The Grahamsville UMC Thrift Store will be open for shopping on Saturday, January 16, 2010 from 9am-1pm. Bring a friend and come shop on all three floors for gently used clothing and household items. For more information, call 985-2283.

## FIRST THURSDAY READERS

The Daniel Pierce Library First Thursday Readers selected the memoir "Dream from my Father" - a story of race and inheritance by Barack Obama. A discussion regarding this selection was held at the library on January 4, 2010.

## PROVIDENT BANK DONATES BUILDING IN ELLENVILLE TO SHADOWLAND THEATRE -Non-profit theater group will use building to provide housing for actors



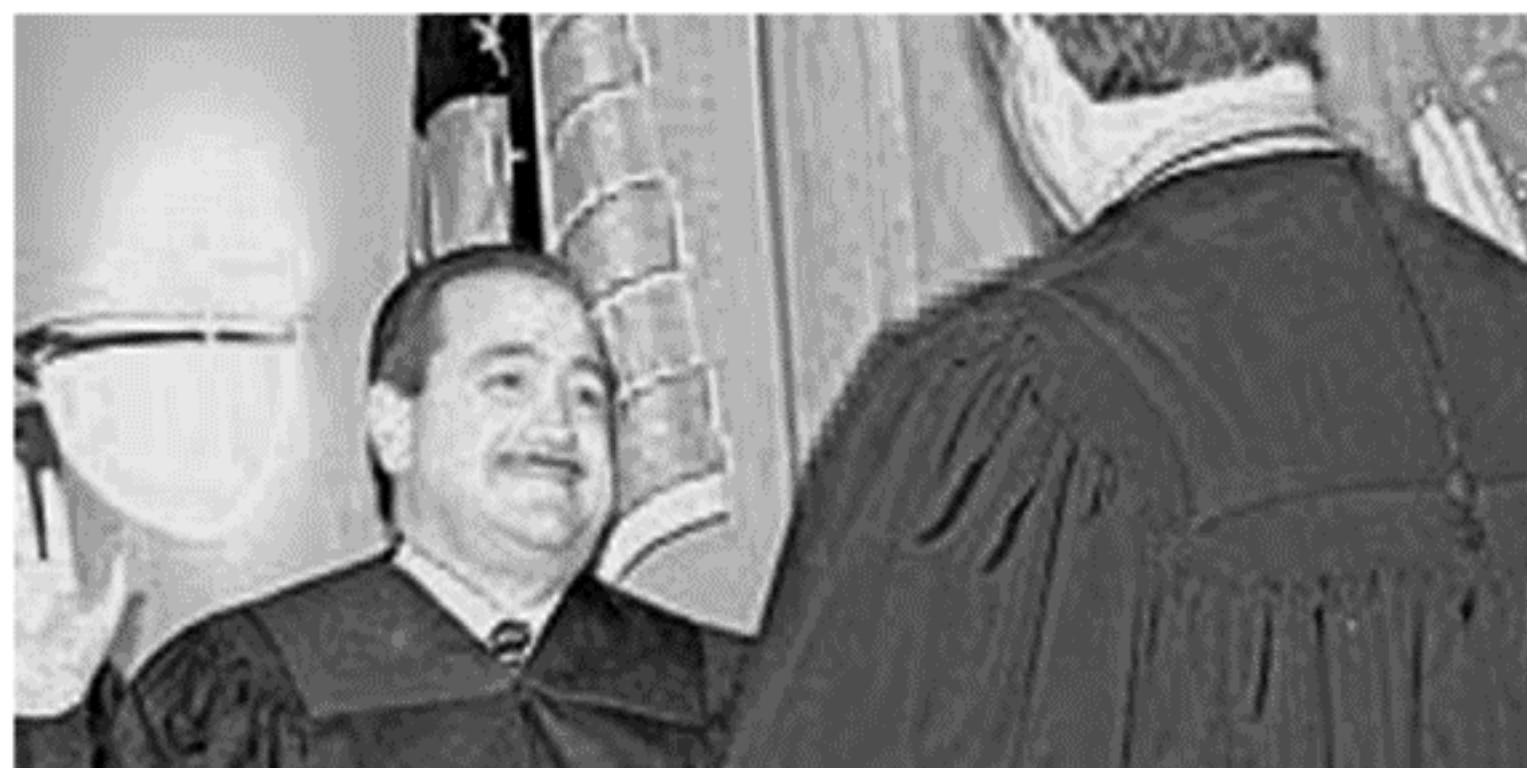
Actors working for the Shadowland Theatre in Ellenville, N.Y., will have a much nicer place to live next year thanks to Provident Bank's decision to donate a house to the non-profit regional equity theater company. (Contd. Pg. 8)

## SCCC TO HOST FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP AND CAMPUS TOUR ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

Sullivan County Community College (SCCC) will be hosting a financial aid workshop on Saturday, January 9 at 8:30 a.m. in the Seelig Theatre followed by a tour of campus departing at noon from the admissions office.

The workshop, which is free and open to the public, is designed to help prospective students and their families better understand various federal financial aid programs including loans, grants and college work-study. In addition, SCCC Financial Aid Office staff will offer guidance on filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as well as review procedures for applying for the New York State TAP grant. Computers will be available for those attendees interested in completing the FAFSA online directly after the workshop discussion. (Contd. Pg. 10)

## GILPATRIC TAKES OATH AS STATE SUPREME COURT JUDGE



Supreme Court Judge Christopher Cahill administers the oath as Honorable James P. Gilpatric was sworn in as Justice of the Supreme Court at the Ulster County Courthouse, Kingston, NY on Sunday, December 27, 2009. (Contd. Pg. 3)

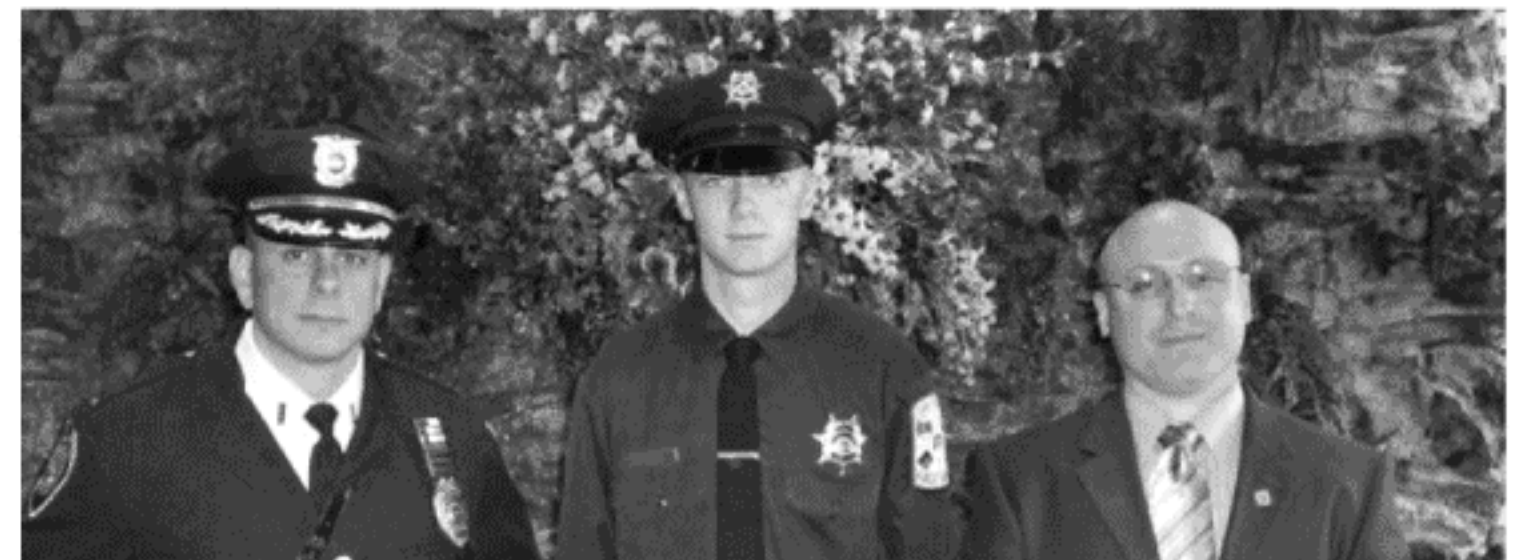
## TOWNSMAN VOLUNTEERS INVITED TO TOUR NEW DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY ADDITION



After mailing out the last issue of *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman* for 2009, the *Townsman Volunteer Ladies and Gents* were invited to a Christmas Brunch and tour of the new Daniel Pierce Library facility that is nearing its final phases of construction.

Phil Coombe proudly led the tour. His colorful and energetic explanations were explicit as he explained not only local historical themes that have been incorporated in to the project, but also the new technologies that will be utilized. In the above picture he is explaining to Barbara Barkley and Martha Ahrens how the geothermal heating/cooling system will work. (Cont. Pg. 10)

## THE GEORGE KRUPICA POLICE ACADEMY AWARD PRESENTED



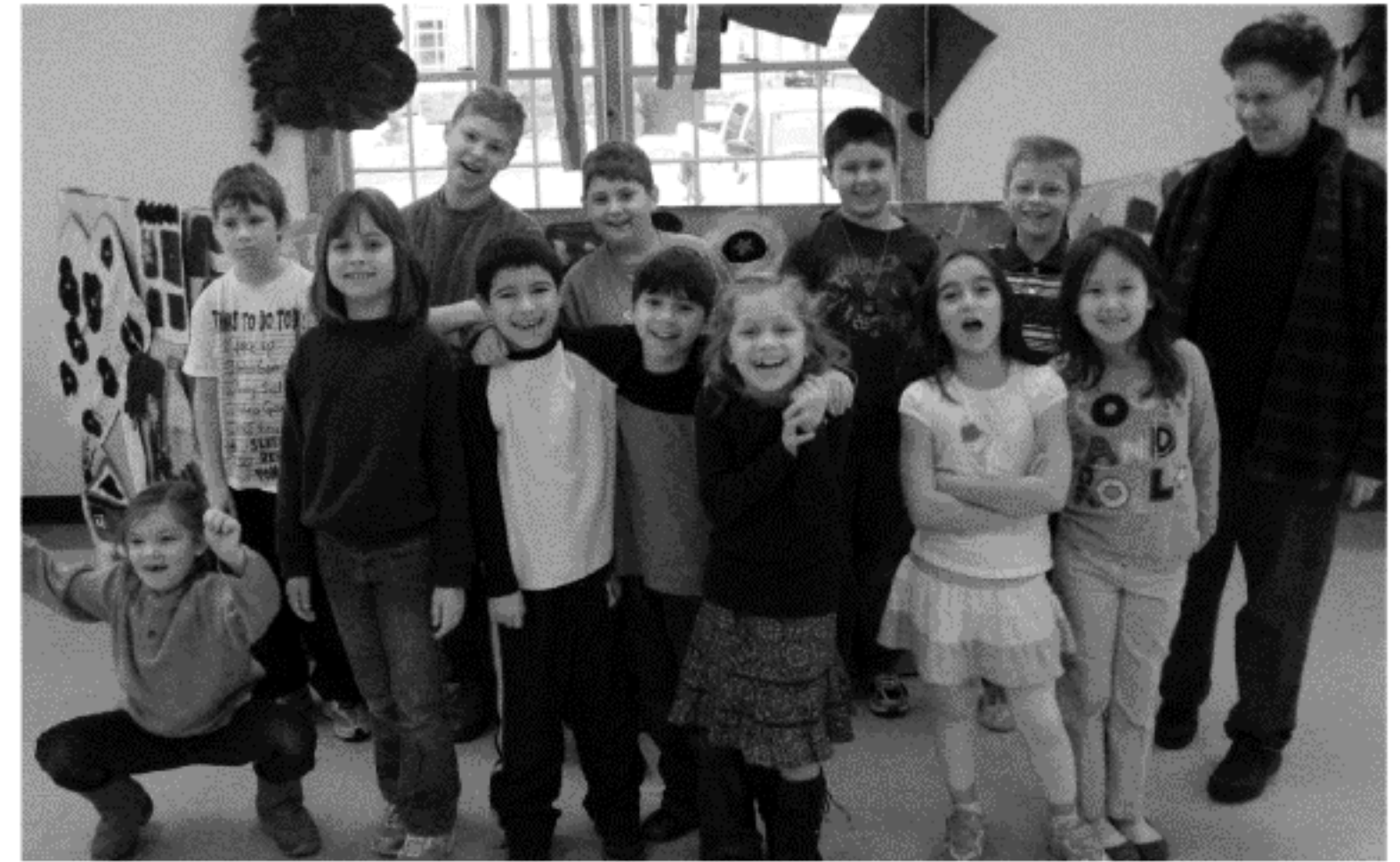
Lieutenant Matthew Taggard, Senior Drill Instructor, Ulster County Law Enforcement Training Group, Jonathan McHugh, and James Truitt, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice, Ulster County Community College Police Academy Graduation

George Krupica, SUNY Ulster alumnus and retired law enforcement officer, has established the George Krupica Police Academy Award with the Ulster Community College Foundation, Inc. This annual award is presented to a graduate of the SUNY Ulster Police Academy who holds the highest cumulative grade point average in his or her class. (Contd. Pg. 7)

## "PROJECT" TO PERFORM FREE CONCERT AT TVCS THEATRE

When was the last time you heard of a world famous trio of virtuoso musicians performing a FREE concert for the public in a tiny rural town? The answer is...never! Well, that is exactly what is happening Wednesday, January 13th, at 7:30 pm in the Tri-Valley Central School Theatre. World famous trio, "PROJECT" is offering this very rare and generous community outreach concert for free as part of their concert tour to several schools within Sullivan County. Do yourself and your family a favor and come see these amazing performers in action! (Contd. Pg. 3)

## DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY'S JUMANJI WORKSHOP



On Saturday, December 19, family and friends gathered at the Grahamsville UMC Social Hall for the Library's Puppet Theater Workshop performance of Chris Van Allsburg's *Jumanji*.

The twelve children, 2nd through 5th graders, had worked diligently for the previous five weeks, creating their puppets and painting scenery for this special event.

During the workshop, the children listened to some of Van Allsburg's other stories, *The Garden of Abdul Gasazi*, *The Wreck of the Zephyr*, *Wretched Stone*, and *The Polar Express*. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## ERH PRESENTS WORK BY CAROL PEPPER-COOPER

Carol Pepper-Cooper will be the featured artist in Ellenville Regional Hospital's ongoing "Healing Art Gallery" program. The show, which open on January 4th and runs for 8 weeks, is free and open to the public! (Contd. Pg. 8)

## WATERSHED CORP OKs CHURCH, MOTEL STORMWATER FUNDING

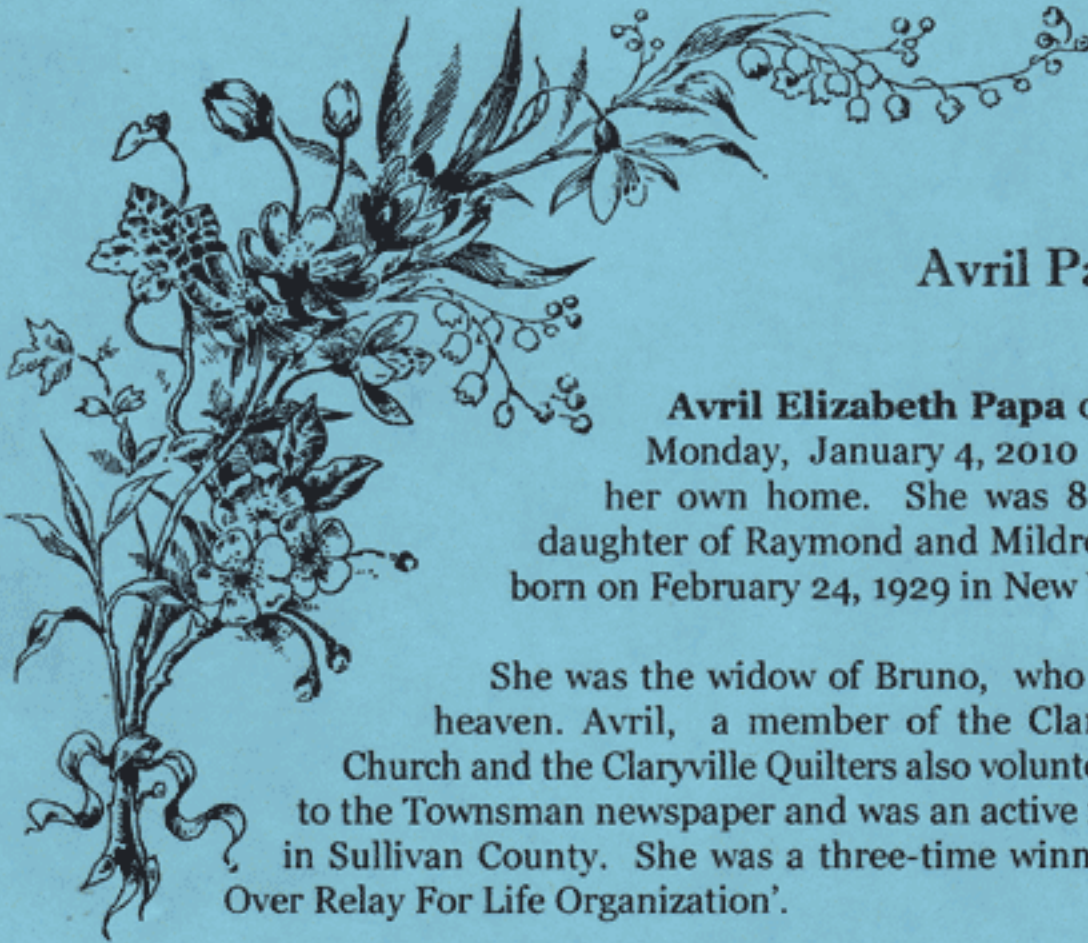
The Catskill Watershed Corp. Board of Directors met December 1 and approved reimbursement to an Ulster County church and a Delaware County business for recently installed stormwater controls.

Both projects are funded under the CWC's Future Stormwater Program for new construction.

Reservoir United Methodist Church on Route 28 in Shokan was required to design and construct new stormwater control measures for an addition that was built earlier this year. The CWC will reimburse \$24,365 in costs solely attributable to New York City Watershed Rules and Regulations and not otherwise required by state or federal law. (Contd. Pg. 6)

## CMRC WELCOMES FIRST BABY OF 2010

Catskill Regional Medical Center (CRMC) has delivered its first baby of the New Year. William Alfred Speirs, was born to Gina Varall and Allan Speirs of Wurtsboro at 12:20 p.m., weighing in at 7 pounds and 4.4 ounces. (Contd. Pg. 10)



## Avril Papa

**Avril Elizabeth Papa** of Claryville, died Monday, January 4, 2010 in the comfort of her own home. She was 80. Avril was the daughter of Raymond and Mildred Greene Smith, born on February 24, 1929 in New York City.

She was the widow of Bruno, who she now joins in heaven. Avril, a member of the Claryville Reformed Church and the Claryville Quilters also volunteered many hours to the Townsman newspaper and was an active member of AARP in Sullivan County. She was a three-time winner of the '76 and Over Relay For Life Organization'.

Avril was a devoted and loving mother to her two sons that she leaves behind; Bruce and his fiancé, Susan, of Claryville, along with her two children Amanda and John, and Barry and his wife, Eve of New Fairfield, Connecticut, her children, Christopher, Rachel, Stephanie, and Zachary and Avril's loving grandchildren, Shannon and Brendon; one brother, Raymond Smith.

Visitation will be held today, (Wednesday) January 6, 2010 at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home in Woodbourne from 2 - 4 p.m. and from 7 - 9 p.m.. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at the Claryville Reformed Church. Rev. Paul Nulton will officiate and interment to follow at the Claryville Reformed Church Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Claryville Reformed Church in Avril's name. Arrangements are under the direction of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home 845-434-7363 or [www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com](http://www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com)

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Have a question- please call: Linda Comando (845) 985-0501. As always, thank you for your support.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER :** Let your heart therefore be perfect with the Lord our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day. I Kings 8:61

**OBITUARY**

**KATHRYN "KITTY" BURCH**

On December 14, 2009 the life journey of Kathryn ("Kitty") Burch Thomson, ended peacefully at the Thomson family farm at the age of 87. Kathryn was born in Eureka, New York, the daughter of Arthur and Beatrice (Carlile) Burch. She spent her entire life in and around the Catskill Mountains which provided a serene setting for contented living; a life built around an appreciation of natural beauty, personal commitment, strong values and firm faith. A pillar of strength, she became the quiet force within the Thomson family, ensuring the survival of traditions built around family and the preservation of the farm land.

Kathryn moved to Delhi, in 1940 to attend the State University College there, and received a degree in food service management. It was there that she made many life-long friends with whom she remained steadfast. While at college she met fellow student, Robert F. Thomson whom she married at her childhood home in Grahamsville, New York on August 7, 1943. After their marriage, they made their home at the family farm on the Little Delaware. Robert predeceased her in 1980.

Those who knew Kathryn were keenly aware of her commitment to faith and community. Before moving to Delhi, she was a member of the Religious Society of Friends. She later became a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Delhi where she was active for over 65 years, serving 12 years as an Elder, teaching Sunday School, leading Vacation Bible School and participating in Presbyterian Women.

Mrs. Thomson worked at A.O. Fox and O'Connor Hospitals in Dietary Management and for 20 years was School Lunch Manager at Delaware Academy, in Delhi.

She was a member of the Delhi Business and Professional Woman's Organization and active in the State University Alumni Association. Following the death of her husband, Kathryn was instrumental in organizing a local Widowed Persons Support Group. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Greeter Program at Delaware Academy.

Kathryn Thomson is survived by her children, James and Nancy Thomson of Delhi, John and Susan Thomson of West Simsbury, Connecticut and Kathleen (Thomson) and Kevin Sullivan of Delhi; Grandchildren Brenda (Thomson) and Eric Greenfield of Syracuse, Patrick and Ryan Sullivan of Delhi and David and Graham Thomson of West Simsbury, CT; and a great-granddaughter, Abigail Greenfield of Syracuse. Several cousins also survive.

Memorial Contributions are asked to be made to the SUNY Delhi College Foundation, c/o the Kathryn Burch Thomson Scholarship, 2 Main Street, Delhi, NY 13753.

Arrangements were by the MacArthur Funeral Home of Delhi.

**DAYS OF YORE.....**

**Today's History**

**1950** not available for this issue.

**Jan. 6, 1960** - Another year has rolled around, the dread disease of "Polio" has been brought down to size by the Salk Vaccine, made possible by the dimes and dollars collected each year throughout the nation. There is still a great deal of work to be done in this field. This year the March of Dimes drive in your community is headed by Mrs. Elwood Velie and Co-chairman, Mrs. Joseph Raffa of Neversink.

Mrs. Nancy Seaman and Mrs. Oma Barnes accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tillson to Woodbourne on New Years Eve to spend the evening with Mrs. Pearl Tillson.

Mrs. James Grey and son, Scottie arrived home on Wednesday. They are staying with Mrs. Russell Grey and family for a month and will then stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson VanWagner. James is attending school at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas for the next two months.

The Tri Valley Diner, closed since December 24 for the purpose of redecorating, reopened on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Knight entertained on Thurs. evening at dinner in honor of their son, Harold's 10th birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Donald TerBush and 4 children, Barry, Deborah, Timothy and Mary Lou attended.

Winter's cold  
"three-blankets" weather  
Brings us wind and snow  
together,  
Hearty foods  
help keep us warm  
In spite of blizzards,  
ice and storm!!  
KUM TO KRUM'S

**Jan. 7, 1970** - Theron Hasbrouck, rural mail carrier in Grahamsville for the past twenty-eight years has announced his retirement. Mr. Hasbrouck joined the United States Postal Service on March 23, 1942 and served continuously in the Grahamsville area since that date.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman DeWire announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy to Sam Hook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hook of Neversink. Nancy, a 1969 graduate of Tri Valley Central School is attending SUNY at Brockport where she is majoring in elementary education. Sam also graduated from Tri Valley in 1968. Wedding plans have not been completed.

The Methodist Women's Sunshine Society will meet Thursday, Jan. 7th beginning with noon lunch. All women who would like to give a helping hand will be welcome. Call Mrs. Elthea Many for details.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Terwilliger entertained at a snowmobile party on Saturday evening.

Lynn Krom spent New Year's night with her cousin, Kathy Mickelson. On Friday she and Kathy, Mrs. George

Krom and Mrs. Robert Mickelson spent the day in Middletown shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fuller took their daughter, Kathleen, back to Plattsburg on Sunday where she is a student.

The corporate business meeting of the Lows Corners Baptist Church will be held, weather permitting, this Saturday.

**Jan. 3, 1980** -Scoliosis Screening Program - New York State is the first state (as of Feb. 1979) to adopt a law making it mandatory for every child between the ages of 11 and 16 to be examined in a spinal screening program. Scoliosis is a medical term for sidewise curvature of the spine.

Mrs. Pamela Moore Epstein, the famous "Lady Auctioneer", has graciously consented to be the auctioneer at the Senior Class auction, to be held Jan. 12, 1980 in the high school auditorium. Mrs. Epstein's dry humor and expertise make her auctions enjoyable as well as profitable for the buyers.

A mass of Christian Burial for Grant A. Finch, 73, who operated Finch's Restaurant in Grahamsville from 1949 to 1973 was celebrated at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Citrus Heights, California on Dec. 26, 1979. Mr. Finch died on Dec. 22, 1979 after a short illness.

A daughter, Calvin Yvette was born December 25th to Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaGueux of Rte. 42, Grahamsville. Calvin Yvette was born at Horton Memorial Hospital in Middletown and weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and is 20 1/2 inches long.

WINTER ODE TO A DOG -  
from a Sundown reader  
I took my Nikki for a walk  
The snowflakes fell  
like melting chalk  
A snowman stood  
erect and straight  
Before Crowfoot's house  
and gate  
Nick stood still,  
her coat did shine  
With diamond snowflakes  
on her hind  
She knew not what  
this snowman was  
But sure did want  
to know its kind!

**BOCES TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING**

Liberty, NY: The Sullivan County Board of Cooperative Educational Services has scheduled a special Board of Education meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2010. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. and take place in the BOCES Administration Building Conference Room #1, 6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on January 19, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. and take place in the BOCES Administration Building Conference Room #1, 6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty.

All BOCES Board meetings are open to the public. For more information, call 295-4016.

**HERE AND THERE**

Happy New Year to all! The name of our first month comes from Janus, the Roman god of doorways, who had the ability to look forward and back at the same time. Like Janus, we can look back at the past year, to evaluate our mistakes and our accomplishments; then look ahead, resolving to learn from those mistakes, and hoping to repeat the conditions that brought about the successes. It's an exciting time of year!

After two weeks, we have a lot of catching up to do, so let's get started.

At the end of each year, the Sullivan County Realtors publish a list of "bests" in various categories; two of their recent choices are located in our area. The new sap-house at the Garigliano deer-camp on Glade Hill was named "best architectural design for a new business establishment." Not far away, on Little Hollow Road (the lower branch-off from Big Hollow), a charming old house has earned a "best renovation" rating. (I don't know the complete description.) That house was previously owned by three sisters from New York City who spent summers up here; our daughter Susan loved to stop in there to visit "the Golden Girls" as she called them. Congratulations on both awards!

Also, a "well-done" rating to the Sullivan County Transformation Choir, who performed three concerts in local churches before Christmas, raising over \$1,000 which was donated to the area's Food Pantry program.

And double congratulations to Tri-Valley Ag teacher Tara Berescik, who received the Outstanding Agricultural Educator Award for New York State; then in competition with winners from surrounding states, won the same award for Region VI! Way to go, Tara!

Birthdays, past and present: Dec. 30 - Julie (Schulte) Starnier, "Jackie" (Mrs. Spence) Quick; Dec. 31 - Barbara Millspaugh, Kathryn Robertson; Jan. 4 - Don Hasbrouck (Smith Lane); Jan. 7 - Loretta Ackerley, Fred Robertson. Happy returns to all!

We're sorry to hear that Karl Allison of Neversink is in Kingston City Hospital having some tests done. We wish him a speedy return home. .... Update on Herb Lepke: Herb has been a patient at CRMC, Harris, since Dec. 14, when he suffered a broken hip. He has been receiving physical therapy there, but hopes to come home soon, perhaps by this weekend. We'll add our hopes to yours, Herb.

Did you know that the Emancipation Proclamation was issued on January 1, 1863? It was issued by President Lincoln during the Civil War, and led ultimately to a Congressional amendment abolishing slavery in 1868. (I found a quick reference card to "Important Events in the History of the United States. You may see more of these in the weeks ahead.)

Quote - and thought - for the week:  
"The past, the present and the future are really one: They are today." (Harriet Beecher Stowe)

Let's make the coming week one of the best, and let the coming weeks follow its example. Enjoy! ..... (pah)

P S Is anyone missing a hooded winter coat/jacket? I have one at my house that I don't recognize and I don't know who left it here.

**NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy**

Condolences to the Bill Vantran family of New Berlin, NY. Their oldest daughter, Kathy, passed away on Tuesday, December 22nd. They were former residents who lived on Denman Mountain Road in Grahamsville. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

Get well wishes to Karl Allison of Neversink. A big thank you to the folks who put out the luminaries on Schumway Road. They were magnificent! Hope everyone's holiday was great, and a Happy, Healthy New Year to all!

**GILPATRIC TAKES OATH (From Pg. 1)**

Following the ceremony, approximately 250 guests joined Gilpatric and his family for a brunch at the Wiltwyck Golf Club in Kingston.

Gilpatric was elected as a state Supreme Court Judge, a 14-year term, in November 2009. He will serve the Third Judicial District that includes Albany, Rensselaer, Schoharie, Columbia, Greene, Sullivan and Ulster Counties.

**DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY'S JUMANJI WORKSHOP (From Pg. 1)**

The workshop was conducted by local author and illustrator Helena Clare Pittman. Ms. Pittman has authored several children's books, including *Uncle Phil's Diner*, *The Angel Tree*, *Once When I was Scared*, *The Snowman's Path*, and *Crow Flies*. Ms. Pittman's writing and artistic talents make her a gifted workshop leader.

The parents of the participating children were very involved throughout the workshop, col- (Next Col.)

laborating and supporting the children in their work. The spirit of cooperation exhibited by everyone was one of the greatest results of the many hours spent together.

**"PROJECT" AT TVCS (From Pg. 1)**

PROJECT is a passionate, high energy chamber music ensemble comprised of three virtuosic composer/performers from Brooklyn, NY. Blending their classical training with an eclectic taste in musical styles, PROJECT has made an impact on audiences of all ages. Bursting onto the scene with their landmark videos, right out of the internet generation, PROJECT is a musical experience defining a new level of entertainment.

Each member of this incredibly original and talented trio has made a name for himself in various genres of music and media. PROJECT member, Greg Patillo, is known around the world as the greatest "beatboxing" flutist on the planet. Over twenty million viewers have watched his jaw dropping videos, displaying his ability to play everything from "Inspector Gadget" and "Mario Brothers", to "Flight of the Bumblebee" or "Peter and the Wolf" while providing hip hop style drum beats with his lips AT THE SAME TIME! He also is featured on the popular electronic greeting card website, "Jib Jab". Cellist, Eric Stephenson, and Double Bassist, Peter Seymour are both extremely versatile musicians who have performed in several orchestras, won prestigious awards, and have performed with some of the biggest artists in Jazz. When these extremely creative musicians combine their unique styles and techniques, you get a new form of high energy music which is both artistic and highly entertaining.

Mark January 13th on your calendar and come enjoy one of the most unique concert experiences you will ever have. PROJECT appeals to people of all ages and backgrounds. See you at the TVCS theatre at 7:30!

**ERH PARTNERS WITH CENTER FOR DONATION & TRANSPLANT TO HONOR THOSE WHO DONATE LIFE**

In 2010, Ellenville Regional Hospital is partnering with the Center for Donation & Transplant (CDT) to honor patients and their families that choose to give the gift of life through organ or tissue donation. Ellenville Regional Hospital will recognize its organ and tissue donors by flying a Donate Life Flag in their honor each time a donation is facilitated at the hospital in 2010. After the flag has been flown it will be given to the donor's family in memory of their loved one, as part of an aftercare packet designed to help families cope with their grief. Ellenville Regional Hospital will also fly the flag during National Donate Life Month in April to help raise awareness of the life-saving benefits of organ and tissue donation. "I am thrilled that Ellenville Regional Hospital is recognizing the life-saving benefits of organ and tissue donation by flying the Donate Life Flag in honor of their donors," said Jeffrey Orłowski, Chief Executive Officer of CDT. "The flags provide awareness of the importance of donation and also serve as a symbol of respect for those who have given the gift of life. The families of our donors find it very meaningful to receive the flag in recognition of their loved one."

To thank Ellenville Regional Hospital's for its support of CDT's mission, CDT has dedicated a rose in honor of Ellenville Regional Hospital's donors that will be placed on the Donate Life Float in the 2010 Rose Parade. 2010 marks the seventh year that the donation and transplant community has participated in the Rose Parade through the Donate Life Float, which is designed to inspire more than 30 million U.S. television viewers to give the gift of life. Ellenville Regional Hospital's dedicated rose will join hundreds of others from across the nation to create a living memorial called the "Family Circle Garden" that is incorporated into the float. For more information about the Donate Life Float, or to read Ellenville Regional Hospital's rose dedication, visit the Donate Life Float website at

[www.donatelifefloat.org](http://www.donatelifefloat.org).

The Center for Donation & Transplant is the federally designated non-profit organization that coordinates the retrieval of donated organs and tissues at 46 hospitals throughout western Vermont and northeastern New York State.

For information on Ellenville Regional Hospital, please call 845 647-6400 or visit [ellenvilleregional.org](http://ellenvilleregional.org)

**NEW SEASON QUICKLY APPROACHES!!!**

The Sullivan County YMCA is holding our second annual Winter Adult Basketball League. This Season we have two leagues our Premier League which is a very competitive top level (Next Col.)

Basketball League and our Recreational League which is geared more towards fun than competition. Last season we had 16 teams and we are looking to go as high as 20 teams this season. All players over 17 years old and teams are welcomed to join this league. Please contact Michael Greco at 845-665-9298 for more information or go to our website <http://leaguelineup.com/ymcabb>. The season will start January 17th so get your info to us soon.

**Volleyball League!!!!**

The Sullivan County YMCA is holding our First annual Winter Adult Volleyball Co-ed League. This Season we are looking to have at least 8 teams All players 17 years old or older and teams are welcomed to join this league. Please contact Michael Greco at 845-665-9298 for more information or go to our website <http://leaguelineup.com/ymcavb>. The season will start January 19th so get your info to us soon.

**SC PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEETING**

The Sullivan County Philatelic Society will have a guest speaker at its January 12th meeting in the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center located at 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY 12701. The business end of the meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. followed by the speaker.

Refreshments will be served during the meeting with the give-aways and door prizes. This meeting is open to the general public as well as members. This year we will have our annual Stamp Show in August. It will be held in Monticello with exhibits and a post office. More information will follow as available.

For those interested in joining our Society, or if you need to know any stamp information, please contact Art at 794-2586, or write to P.O. Box 549, Monticello, NY 12701-0549.

**BLACK ALDER BUSH**

By Peggy DeWire

A few days after Christmas, Betty and I were walking her dog back to the farmhouse when we were stopped by a shout from her young children who came running up yelling, "Look, Mom, we found a Santa Claus bush!"

Betty admired the sticks which were covered with bright red berries and handed them to me asking, "What are these, Peggy?"

The kids added, "Can we eat the berries?"

Twirling the sticks in my hand, I praised the kids for finding a Black Alder bush and said, yes, the berries were edible though you could eat only a few at a time because they contained medicine for headaches and stomach aches.

So as we stood around chewing the spicy slightly bitter berries, we talked about how Black Alder bushes came from Europe to America

a long time ago and spread across the northeastern states. Nowadays there are four cultivars used in landscaping and controlling erosion on banks of rivers and ponds.

Black Alder or Winterberry is a many-stemmed bush that grows 10-15 feet high on moist ground in full sun. Its leaves are oval bright glossy green until the first frost when they turn black and all off. Young leaves are so sticky and gummy that they inspired the Black Alder family's Latin name *Alnus glutinosa*.

Another unusual thing about Black Alder is its wood which is white when fresh cut - look at the ends of these sticks - but turns blood red. In Norse and Irish myths the first humans were made of Black Alder wood. Back then cutting a bush down was forbidden because it was a symbol of the resurrection.

Today we make furniture from the wood and use the bark to tan leather and smoke fish and other foods. Old timers made a tonic tea by boiling three ounces of bark in three pints of water.

Black Alder contains so much tannin that it repels insect pests. The wood is very durable under-water for pilings.

The pretty red berries are winter food for songbirds, wild turkeys and deer. When I asked if anyone wanted more berries, they all held out their hands. Betty had a twinkle in her eye as she high-fived her kids for finding the Santa Claus bush.



**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING,  
OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF  
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Tri-Valley Central School District shall be held at the Tri-Valley Secondary School, Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York, 12740, on: Tuesday, January 19, 2010, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m. The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

**PROPOSITION**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District, is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of addition to, construction and reconstruction of the roof of the Tri-Valley Elementary School and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$700,000: and to appropriate, encumber, and expend \$700,000 from the general fund of the 2009-2010 school year.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the text of the foresaid proposition may appear on the ballot labels in the following abbreviated form:

**PROPOSITION**

Shall the proposition set forth in the legal notice of this special voter meeting, authorizing addition to, construction, reconstruction of the Elementary School Roof all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$700,000 to be appropriated, encumbered, and expended from the general fund of the 2009-2010 school year all as more fully described in said notice, be approved?

The School District, acting as lead agency to the extent necessary for this purpose under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on December 3, 2009, has duly determined and found the purpose to be a type II action which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to any further environmental review under SEQRA.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots to vote on the proposition may be applied for at the office of the School District Clerk. Any such application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the date of the aforesaid special district meeting if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before such special district meeting if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued shall be available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk during regular office hours on each of the five days prior to the day of the vote (excluding Saturday and Sunday). An absentee ballot must reach the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of such special district meeting.

By order of the Board of Education  
Dated: December 4, 2009  
Tri-Valley Central School District  
Grahamsville, New York  
Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk

12/10; 12/17; 1/7; 1/14

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

Will hold a Regular Board Meeting  
On Thursday, January 7, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.  
In the Secondary School  
Library Lower Level

**TAX COLLECTOR LEGAL NOTICE:**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I, Lisa Garigliano, Tax Collector for the Town of Neversink, County of Sullivan and the State of New York, will collect taxes according to the following schedule:**

**MONDAY thru FRIDAY:** 9:00 AM-4:00 PM (excluding holidays) at the:

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GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740  
(845) 985-2262 x307

**SATURDAY:** 10:00 AM-2:00 PM at the Town Hall on the following date: January 30, 2010

Taxes will be collected until the 31st day of January, 2010 without interest. All taxes post-marked after January 31, 2010 will be subject to late penalties as listed below. **LATE PAYMENT PENALTIES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**

**SCHEDULE OF FEES:**

Jan. 1 - Jan. 31	No Penalty
Feb. 1 - Feb. 28	1% of Tax Amount
March 1 - March 31	2% of Tax Amount

• AN **ADDITIONAL \$2 PENALTY** WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR BILL IF THEY ARE NOT PAID WHEN THE UNPAID NOTICES ARE SENT ON OR BEFORE MARCH 3RD.

**AFTER MARCH 31st,** TAXES ARE PAYABLE TO COUNTY TREASURER; CALL (845) 807-0200 FOR AMOUNT DUE OR CONTACT THEM AT: Sullivan County Treasurer's Office, 100 North St., PO Box 5012, Monticello, NY 12701.

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** Lisa Garigliano, Tax Collector

**TO PAY BY MAIL IN FULL:** Send **ENTIRE TAX BILL** with payment to: Lisa Garigliano, Tax Collector, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740.

• Upon receipt of payment the top portion of your tax bill will be marked paid and returned to you for your records. It is this reason that it is important to return the entire bill.

**INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN:** The Installment Payment Plan will be available again the year. You will use the receivers stub marked "Payment #1" and pay the indicated amount by 1/31/2010. The next payment with stub marked "Payment #2" will give you the choice of the second installment amount or the second and third installment amount and must be paid by 2/28/2010. These amounts include 1% interest. The final payment is due by 3/31/09 with receivers stub marked "Payment #3" which also gives you the option of paying third installment or the second and third installment. These amounts include 2 % interest. Installment payments must be made timely (postmarked) or they will not be accepted. Receipts will be mailed for each payment. **In order to use the Installment Plan you must start with the first payment in January, you may not skip January and begin in February.**

• If you no longer own this property, please return bill to collector with the new owner's name and address; or forward the bill to the rightful owner.

• If your address has changed, please note your correct mailing address, along with your SBL# and return it with your tax bill.

• You may obtain a duplicate tax bill/receipt or check the status of you payment via the Internet at [www.taxlookup.net/neversink](http://www.taxlookup.net/neversink).

For information regarding Veteran's, Senior Citizens or Star Exemptions please contact the Town of Neversink Assessor's Office:

Gene Froehlich (845) 985-2262 x 323  
Joan McNeill (845) 985-2262 x 319

Hours are Monday to Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, or by Mail at PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740.

12/17/2009 and 1/7/2010.

**TRANSFER STATION NEWS**

2010 Transfer Station Permits will go on sale at the Town Clerk's Office on Monday, January 4, 2010. The cost of the permit is \$5.00. Coupons may be purchased at the Town Hall or at the Transfer Station. Just remember that to purchase coupons at the Transfer (Next Col.)

Station you must have your 2010 permit and are required to pay by check, NO CASH will be taken. The Town Hall is open Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding holidays. The Town Hall will also be open on Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for the payment of taxes and the sale of permits and coupons. If you have any questions regarding the Transfer Station please stop by or give us a call at 985-2262 x 300 or 307.

12/17/2009 & 1/7/2010

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Town of Neversink Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals invite all interested residents to a special meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 6:00 pm at the Town of Neversink Town Hall, 273 Main St., Grahamsville, NY 12740

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Alternative Energy Strategy in the Town of Neversink.

Lisa Garigliano, Town Clerk  
Dated: December 10, 2009

12/17; 1/7/10

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

The Town of Denning Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2009 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725 set to begin at 7 P.M. The purpose of SAID meeting is for discussion of the sub division sought by Steven O'Dell and a variance sought by James Sheeley and any other business, which may come before the Board.

BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Mark Boncek  
Chairman

1/7/10

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

STAR and the ENHANCED STAR forms are available at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725, or by mail.

Renewals have been mailed to eligible residents. ALL STAR and ENHANCED STAR applications must be RECEIVED by MARCH 1, 2010.

Applications may be mailed to Assessor Michael B. Sommer at 28 Cooper Street, Accord, N.Y. 12404. For questions please call Michael B. Sommer, Town of Denning Assessor, at 626-4342 or the Town Hall at 985-2411.

Michael B. Sommer  
Town of Denning Assessor  
Jam

1/7/10

**TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL  
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740  
AGENDA -  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
December 17, 2009 7:00 p.m. Secondary  
School Library - Lower Level**

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  - 1. Enrichment
  - 2. CSE Recommendations
  - 3. Minutes
  - 4. Building Use Forms
  - 5. Personnel
- D. OLD BUSINESS
  - 1. School Photographer
- E. BUSINESS REPORT
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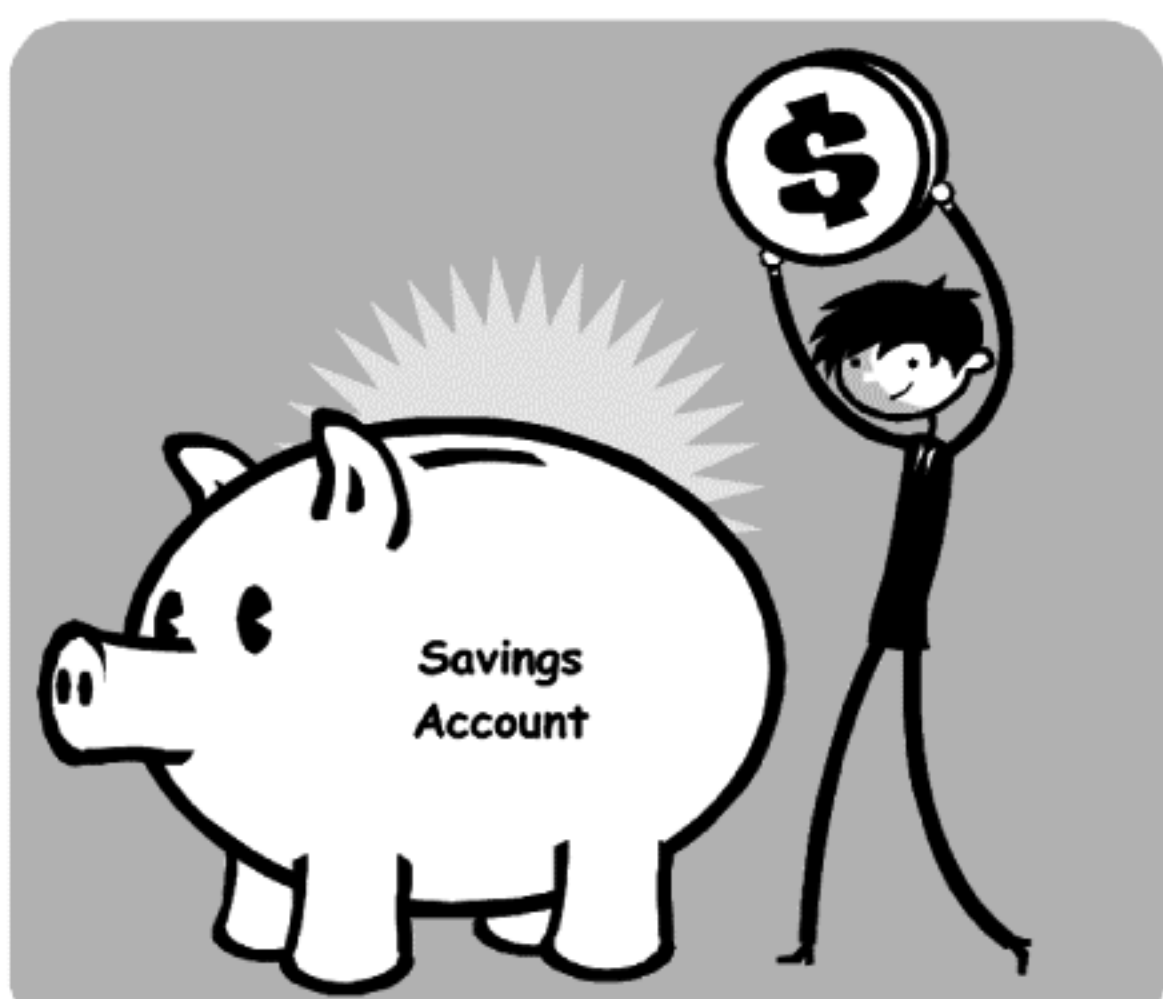
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**WATERSHED CORP** (From Pg. 1) Approval was also given to reimburse Masserson Properties \$42,000, representing half the cost of stormwater controls for a building now under construction that is part of The Roxbury motel complex in Roxbury. The owners are eligible to apply to the NYC Department of Environmental Protection for reimbursement of the other half.

In other business, the CWC Board approved modifications to existing economic development loans to Masserson Properties in Roxbury, Crossroads Veterinary Practice in Arkville, Culwell Development in Ellenville and ARC Foods in the Town of Kingston.

The Board also adopted a Resolution honoring T. Patrick Meehan, long-time supervisor of the Town of Windham, who died last month. Meehan was a member of the Coalition of Watershed Towns in the mid 1990s, signed the New York City Watershed Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the Town in 1997, and served on the CWC Board from 1996 to 1998. He had also served on the Watershed Protection and Partnership Council since 2007. "Pat will long be remembered for his honesty, perseverance and hard work, and for his dedicated service to Windham and the greater Catskills," the Resolution states.

The CWC is a non-profit organization based in Margaretville. It is committed to protecting water resources, encouraging environmentally friendly economic development and supporting watershed education in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River, a region encompassing parts of five counties - Delaware, Greene, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster.

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**THE GEORGE KRUPICA POLICE ACADEMY AWARD** (From Pg. 1)

The first award was given to Jonathan McHugh at the December 11, 2009 Police Academy Graduation at Hillside Restaurant in Kingston, NY. In addition to holding the highest academic average in his class, McHugh was also the 1st runner up for the "Top Cop" award. The "Top Cop" titles are awarded to the top three graduates based on academics, physical fitness, and evaluated performance during the police academy. Officer McHugh is employed by the Greenwood Lake Police Department.

**UCSPCA REPORTS:**

Heather Miller of Kingston, NY, has pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges in Town of Ulster court on Wednesday for Failure to Provide Sustenance to Impounded Animals, a violation of state Agriculture and Markets Law. Ulster County SPCA Investigators arrested Miller last September after finding two dogs abandoned in a small apartment. The animals were confined to a single waste filled cage and both dogs were covered in fecal matter. According to witnesses, the dogs were left without food and water for over three days. Appearing before Judge Marsha Weiss, Miller was convicted of both misdemeanors and ordered to pay \$1,141 restitution to the UCSPCA. The court returned both dogs to Miller and UCSPCA Investigators will monitor the animals' care for three months.

A Wawarsing man arrested earlier this month by the Ulster County SPCA now faces additional charges from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for Illegal Commercialization of Wildlife, a Class E felony. Juan "Victor" Caniglia of 18 Foordmore Road was arraigned in Town of Wawarsing court on December 18th and charged with seventy eight original misdemeanors by the UCSPCA for Failure to Provide Sustenance under state Agriculture and Markets Law. On December 4th, UCSPCA investigators confiscated over seven dozen birds from a small shed on Caniglia's property including macaws, cockatiels, and two wild birds; a female cardinal and a tufted titmouse. Three rabbits were also seized based upon their poor health. Appearing before Town Justice Charles Dechon, DEC Environmental Conservation Officers alleged that Caniglia "did offer for sale, and possess with intent to sell, protected wildlife consisting of wild birds with a value in excess of \$1,500, without having obtained a license or permit from the New York State DEC." Additionally, Caniglia did not possess a valid breeder's license.



**SHADOWLAND** (From Pg. 1) "We've used the building to provide housing for our actors for about 10 years thanks to the generosity of Provident Bank and, before that, Ellenville National Bank," said William H. Collier III, president of Shadowland Theatre's board of directors. "Our union contract requires us to provide housing for our actors, so the banks' support has been essential to keeping our expenses low, which helps us keep tickets affordable. Now that we own the building we'll be able to renovate it to accommodate more actors and staff. We wouldn't be able to do that without Provident Bank's support."

George Strayton, President and Chief Executive Officer of Provident Bank, said he is pleased to help Shadowland Theatre, a critically acclaimed organization that presented five shows during its box office, record-breaking, 25th anniversary season in 2009.

"Provident Bank and Ellenville National Bank, which Provident acquired in 2004, have supported Shadowland Theatre since it was founded 25 years ago, and donating this house reflects our commitment to helping the theater thrive and attract tourists to Ellenville," Strayton said. "Shadowland Theatre is an important part of Ellenville's downtown economy and Provident will continue supporting Shadowland in the future. We expect to help finance the upcoming renovations and in the past gave Shadowland a mortgage to pay for improvements to its theatre. This is a vivid reflection of Provident Bank's commitment to supporting the communities we serve, which is a core principle for Provident as a community bank."

Time has taken a toll on the house at 7 Elting Court, and Collier said the growing need for repairs presented a dilemma. It did not make sense for Shadowland to pay to renovate a building it did not own, while Provident Bank had little incentive to rehabilitate the old house it was letting the theatre group occupy for free. The solution, Collier said, was for Shadowland to assume ownership of the building so it would be able to make the necessary investments.

"We approached Provident Bank earlier this year to see if they would consider donating the building because it needs renovations," Collier said of the house a short walk from Shadowland's theater. "They decided it made good sense to donate the house for use as housing for our actors and staff drawn from all over the United States. This is a step forward for us and we're very thankful for Provident Bank's support. This addition broadens Shadowland's scope and Shadowland's presence in the industry."

The house, Provident said, is worth about \$50,000 in its current condition. Collier said renovating the two-family home to provide six-to-eight bedrooms, bathrooms and a kitchen probably will cost about \$50,000. Shadowland is planning a campaign to seek funds and donations of labor and materials.

"It will be a big project, but when it's done we'll have a much more comfortable place for our actors and staff to live," Collier said. "It will let us offer performances year-round for the first time and also will provide a space for us to hold receptions and other meetings during the off-season. Provident Bank's donation will have a tremendous positive impact on our operations."

The Shadowland Theatre plays a key role in attracting tourists to Ellenville, a village in the foothills of the Catskill Mountains with a year-round population of 4,130 that is seeking to increase its summer tourism; nearly 1,000 people per weekend attend Shadowland's performances. The theater company is required to provide housing for Actors' Equity cast members within walking distance of the theater, and Collier said the renovated housing will make it easier for Shadowland to attract professional, experienced actors who typically live and work in New York City.

"It's critical that the accommodations be comfortable because we don't give the actors much of a stipend," said Collier. "But they get to spend seven or eight weeks on vacation in the country, and now hopefully they will have a nice place to reside. It's a cute building and we're going to fix it up so the bank is proud that we own it."

Headquartered in Montebello, N.Y., Provident Bank, with \$2.9 billion in assets, is the largest independent full-service community bank in the lower Hudson Valley. Provident Bank operates 33 branches that serve the Hudson Valley region including two Commercial Banking Centers in Westchester County, and one office in Bergen County, N.J. The bank offers a complete line of commercial, retail and investment services. Visit the Provident Bank Web site at [www.providentbanking.com](http://www.providentbanking.com).

Shadowland Theatre is the leading professional nonprofit Actors' Equity company in the Lower Hudson Valley/Catskill Mountain re- (Next Col.)

gion. Located only 90 miles from New York City in Ellenville, NY, Shadowland was named "Best of the Valley" by *Hudson Valley Magazine* in 2004, 2005 and 2007; "2006 Cultural Business of the Year" by Ulster Development Corporation and Ulster County Chamber of Commerce; "Best Theatre 2006" by the *Times Herald Record*; and "Best Drama of the Year" by The Daily Record in NJ for *The Good German*.

Founded in 1984, Shadowland performs in a restored 1920's Art Deco vaudeville/movie house converted to a 148-seat theatre. For more information, visit <http://www.shadowlandtheatre.org>.

#### CAROL PEPPER-COOPER (From Pg. 1)

Carol Pepper-Cooper has been making art for the past 50 years. During that time she has used a variety of media and has produced both representational and non-objective work, from small etchings to massive stage sets. The work in this exhibit spans many years, and although it omits her more abstract art, suggests some of the distance she has traveled.

While Pepper-Cooper was growing up near Manhattan's Metropolitan Museum of Art, which she visited regularly, she was most influenced by the work of Van Gogh, Gauguin and Rembrandt. She attended Radcliffe College, Harvard University, graduating magna cum laude in English. While studying for her MFA at Pratt Institute, her mentor, George McNeil, introduced her to Abstract Expressionism and to Hans Hofmann's concept of space and the push-pull of the colors that create it. All her work is informed by that concept, often within a dream-like context. Recently she has been developing a series of paintings related to the flow of time passing, works which are haunted by the transience of all things physical...including the earth and all who live on it.

The lyrical, sinuous line characterizing Pepper-Cooper's work, along with the luminous color for which she is known, can be seen in the three, 7 foot high stained glass windows she designed for Kingston's Temple Emanuel. Pepper-Cooper has shown her work throughout the Hudson Valley, in Westchester and in New York City, winning numerous awards and citations. Her work is in collections throughout the country and in Israel.

Ellenville Regional Hospital is located on Route 209 in Ellenville. For more information about the Healing Art exhibit or the Ellenville Regional Hospital, please contact (845) 210-3043.

#### COMMUNITY SUPPORTS OUR TROOPS OVERSEAS GUNTHER HELD OPEN HOUSE TO COLLECT ITEMS FOR SOLDIERS

Assemblywoman Aileen M. Gunther (D, C, I - Forestburgh) held an open house at her office in Monticello last month to collect items for care packages for soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan. The event



was attended by individuals from both Sullivan and Orange counties.

Attendees were provided a "Troop Wish List" which included a selection of items needed by our deployed service members. The list included items such as disposable razors, shaving cream, sunscreen, bug repellent, eye drops, powdered drink mixes, instant soups and DVDs. The overwhelming amount of items received enables Gunther and Operation Support our Troops to send substantial care packages to more than 25 soldiers.

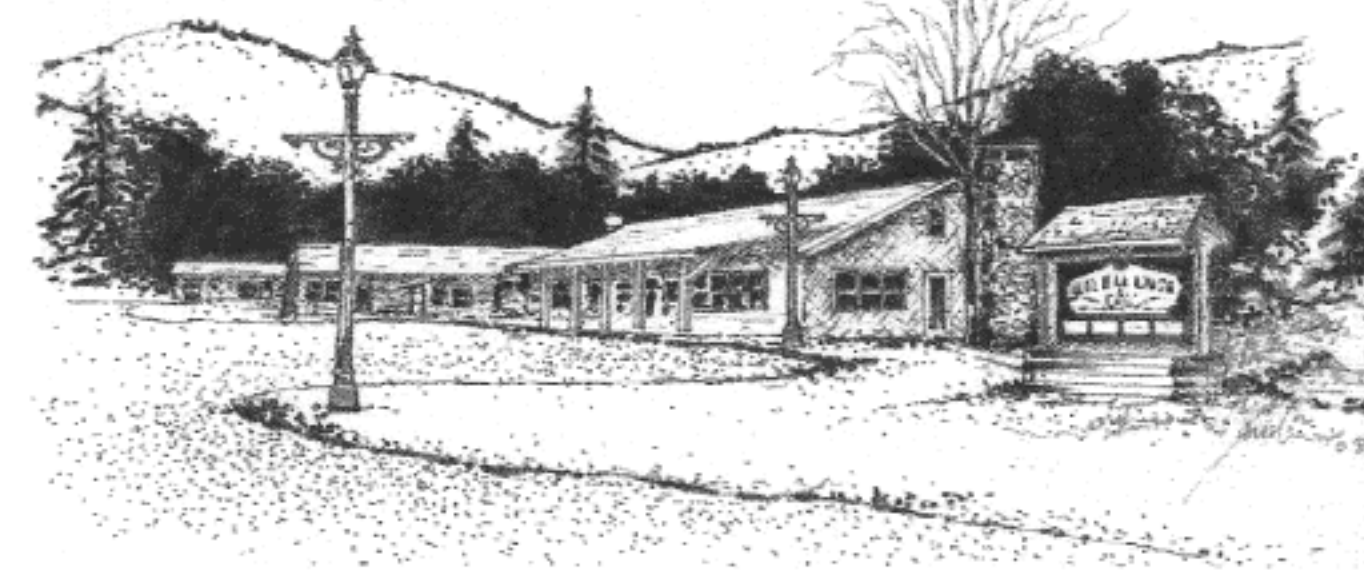
"I thought it was important to provide some cheer and support for our men and women deployed overseas," said Gunther. "We have been collecting the names of soldiers from Sullivan and Orange counties to receive these boxes and over the next few days we will be packing the boxes and mailing."

The Sullivan County Community College collected from staff, students and instructors. At the Fallsburg School District's, Benjamin Cosor Elementary School, Barbara Strong and the teachers asked the parents to forego giving gifts to them but instead, to bring an item for the troops. Thunder 102 gathered hundreds of handmade greeting cards and bookmarks from local children to send with the care packages. There were so many more groups and individuals who provided items for this great effort.

"The response has been truly amazing," Gunther said. "The residents of the 98th Assembly District support our deployed soldiers and want them to have some of the essentials we all enjoy here at home. These men and women will know they are on our minds this holiday season and that we appreciate their service to our country."

Stephanie Johnson from Operation Support our Troops is helping Gunther coordinate the (Next Col.)

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packing and shipping of the packages. "I have sent many boxes to our soldiers," said Johnson. "I know our men and women appreciate these packages. They are often living without items we all take for granted. This is how we can say "we care and we appreciate you."

#### YOUNG FALLSBURG CHILDREN THINKING ABOUT OTHERS

Students in Ms. Ellyn Levy's third grade class at Fallsburg's Benjamin Cosor Elementary School are reading the book "Fly Away Home," a novel about a homeless father and his small son. To learn more about children and families in the Sullivan County community who do not have permanent housing, Ms. Levy, English as Second Language teacher Ms. Martha Zalkin, and Social Worker Gwen Billips-Newton invited Ms. Jaime Latimer and Ms. Kim Conway to come to the classroom on December 16, 2009. Ms. Latimer spoke with the children about the Academic Support for Kids (ASK) Program that is part of Sullivan County BOCES assistance for children and families that are in temporary housing facilities. There are currently more than 180 children in the county that are serviced by this agency.

The third grade students brought in canned and non-perishable food that the ASK program will provide to children in need. Ms. Zalkin told the children that they could make cards and crafts as simple gifts to these kids. Other ways that the program reaches children are through donations of toys, clothing, toiletries, and school supplies. Ms. Latimer and Ms. Conway thanked the students and told them that they will be making lots of kids smile with their gifts.

If you would like to help bring smiles to children who are impacted by life's circumstances and the effects of economic hard times, please contact Jaime Latimer of the ASK Program at (845) 794-4405. Ms. Latimer welcomes your call.

#### GILLIBRAND STATEMENT ON PASSAGE OF HEALTH CARE REFORM: "A HISTORIC CHRISTMAS"

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand released the following statement on the passage of health care reform legislation the week of Christmas.

"Today is a great day for New York families. There are 2.7 million New Yorkers who are now one step closer to getting affordable, quality health care coverage, which will also reduce the hidden tax to New York for caring for the uninsured. Now, that is a historic Christmas.

"This legislation will provide coverage to 31 million uninsured people across the count- (Contd. Pg. 9)



ry and lower costs for everyone. In fact, 1.6 million New York residents and 249,000 small businesses will receive premium tax credits to help them purchase health coverage. America's small businesses will receive tax credits worth \$37 billion. More than a half a million New York seniors who are currently being denied prescription drug coverage because they fall into the Medicare Part D "doughnut hole" will now get coverage for their medicine, saving New York seniors \$1.3 billion.

"I worked hard to include the Medicare Advantage fix, which will save New York up to \$7 billion and help hundreds of thousands of seniors. I also worked to ensure that the Senate bill does not cut teaching hospitals - a fix that saves New York an estimated \$30 billion.

"And for New Yorkers and all Americans, this bill ends unscrupulous insurance practices. No longer will people be denied coverage for pre-existing conditions and no longer will one illness force families into bankruptcy. And, now, all preventative care must be covered by all insurers at no or low cost. This will save billions for New York because it moves us to a preventative care system and away from an emergency-based system.

"While this is a good bill, it is not perfect. I believe that a public option is the best way to reduce costs. I fought hard to defeat the harmful Stupak language, which would have put the lives of women and girls at grave risk and deny them their constitutional rights. I'm troubled by the Nelson compromise, but I believe it is still dramatically better than Stupak.

"There are aspects of the House bill that that would provide New York with more funding for Medicaid, and I am working closely with Majority Leader Reid, Senator Schumer, other Senators, and members of New York's Congressional delegation to adopt some of the House measures during the conference process.

"But make no mistake, this is a good bill for new Yorkers, and today we have taken a great step forward and all Americans will benefit."

**EARLY INTERVENTION COORDINATING COUNCIL TO MEET**

The Sullivan County Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council (LEICC) will meet Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 3 p.m. at the Sullivan County Shared Clinic Facility in Liberty. Early Intervention (EI) provides in-home services like physical, occupational and speech (Next Col.)

therapy to children with disabilities and or developmental delays.

The LEICC is an advisory board to the Local Early Intervention Official with regard to services provided in Sullivan County. Parents and other interested parties are invited to the session. The LEICC will be reviewing services and local data for the current and previous program years.

For more information, contact Lisa Wissman, Early Intervention Manager at 292-5910, Ext. 2202

**JOHN EVANS NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF ROSCOE CSD**

The Roscoe Board of Education is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. John Evans, of Livingston Manor, as the new Superintendent of Schools for the Roscoe Central School District. Mr. Evans was officially appointed on December 10th at a special Board of Education meeting to fill the position currently held by Interim Superintendent, Grayson Stevens. Mr. Stevens has been at the helm since August when Carmine Giangreco retired. Mr. Evans will begin his role as Superintendent of Schools on January 9th.

Mr. Evans has strong ties to the community and a strong commitment to the students of Roscoe. John and his family currently reside in Livingston Manor and he is a graduate of Roscoe Central School. When asked how he felt about the opportunity, Mr. Evans stated, "I am very excited and eager to begin working with the staff, students and community at Roscoe."

Mr. Evans brings with him a strong commitment and dedication to doing what is best for the district. His experience and commitment have allowed him to positively impact the districts where he has worked. John started his educational career in 1994 at the Hammondsport Central School in Hammondsport, New York as a Technology Education Teacher.

After a year, John was given the opportunity to return home when he was offered the position of Technology Education Teacher at Livingston Manor Central School. Soon after, John took on the role of District Technology Coordinator and then was promoted to Director of Technology. During his time at Manor, he was also a coach and the Athletic Director. John is also an Adjunct Professor for the Masters Program at the New York Institute of Technology, a position he currently holds.

In 2006, he joined the team at the Fallsburg Central School as the Jr./Sr. High School (Next Col.)

Assistant Principal. From there he became the District Assistant Principal for Technology & Instruction and then was appointed to his current position as Assistant Superintendent for Technology & Student Information, in addition to the role of Director of Extended Day Programs.

"I am very pleased to have John Evans join our team; he is a good fit for our district and community," stated Gary Dahlman, Board President. "Although Mr. Stevens will be missed, John Evans is an excellent choice to lead our district," stated Dahlman.

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Auditions: will be held Saturday, January 9, 2010 11 am - 3 pm Sunday, January 10, 2010 1 pm - 3 pm at the Sullivan County Museum - 265 Main Street, Hurleyville. Phone director, Constance Slater at 845-436-6309 to schedule an audition

Production is scheduled for May 7-9, 14-16 at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg.

Strong actors Needed, particularly for Max and Horst. Some Flexibility with ages, but should be able to play approximately these ages:

Max: is a thirty four year old homosexual wheeler-dealer. He is a survivor.

Rudy: (his lover) is a bespectacled, thirty year old dancer. Gushy, effusive, he adores Max, and his collection of plants. Ultimately captured by the Nazis and killed.


Horst: 20's-30's has a relatively muscular physique and a kind nature. He assists Max on the prison train. He & Max form a strong bond in the camp.

Greta: Late thirties - a man dressed as a woman. He is a tough, practical proprietor of a gay nightclub. Must be able to sing.

Wolf: Blond, good looking guy who goes home with Max for a night's pleasure and ends up killed by the Nazis who come after him.

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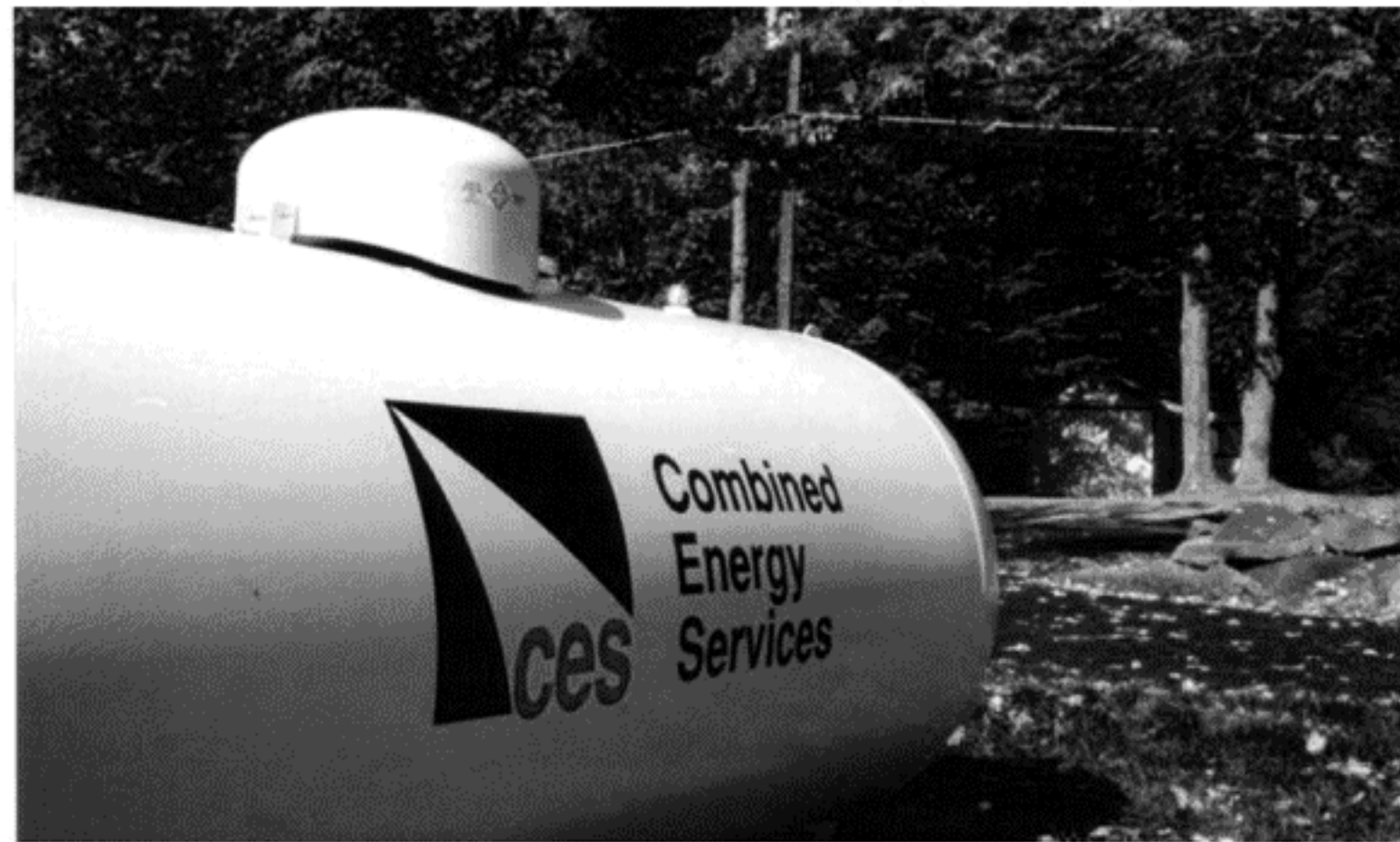
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**TOWNSMAN VOLUNTEER LIBRARY TOUR (From Pg. 1)**

For those who were visiting the new facility for the first time, they were greeted with a new realization of all the labor and love that has gone into the project.

The new addition to the Daniel Pierce Library will include the *Time and the Valley's Museum*, a *Children's Literacy Center*, as well as a reading room, computer learning stations and community meeting rooms. There will be adequate access for disabled and elderly patrons, and ample parking with outside lighting.



As he led the tour, Coombe could not stress often enough, the generous support that has been received by our community, local contractors and businesses, not only with contributions, but with the actual physical building of the library addition that will truly be a center of learning and community for many generations in the future.

Despite the busy holiday season, volunteers continued to work. Among them were Paul Lounsbury and his dog, who is now the library's mascot who joined the tour with wagging tail.

The Building Committee for the Daniel Pierce Library project was formed and chaired by Philip Coombe, Jr., former Commissioner of Corrections for the State of New York. Phil has literally built his life around the project since its inception. He shared quite a few of his stories with the Townsman volunteers. Despite many obstacles, his and good humor persist, as he continues to bring this entire project to fruition.

We, who live in the Tri-Valley community share in a high state of conscious awareness that understands the value of volunteerism and leadership. The work that has been accomplished by the generosity of the community, as well as the great leadership of Phil Coombe will long be appreciated. We are very fortunate and look forward, with the same ambition to the opening of the new Daniel Pierce Library facility in 2010.

SCCC WORKSHOP AND TOUR (From Pg. 1)  
Advance registration is strongly encouraged. Please call 845-434-5750 ext. 4319 or email [kwhitehead@sullivan.suny.edu](mailto:kwhitehead@sullivan.suny.edu) to register for the workshop and to get more information about the documentation needed to complete the FAFSA online. In case of inclement weather, contact the college before traveling.

In addition, there will be a tour of campus departing at noon from the admissions office located in Gold Founders Hall (upper J building). Call 845-434-5750 ext. 4287 for details and to make a reservation for the tour.

Founded in 1962, SCCC is a two-year community college and a part of the State University of New York (SUNY). It offers 40 associate degree and certificate programs, as well as a variety of continuing education and specialty courses, on its 405-acre campus, online and through its distance learning program. For more information, visit [www.sunysullivan.edu](http://www.sunysullivan.edu).

CMR WELCOMES FIRST BABY (From Pg. 1) Dr. Zedek from Crystal Run Healthcare delivered young William.

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ED NOTES:  
Dear Ellenville Rescue and Ellenville Regional Hospital,

On October 30th, I was driving down Route 209 when I developed severe chest pain. I pulled into the Wawarsing Post Office and called 911 on my cell phone. At about 8:30PM, Arnold Ortiz, EMT with Ellenville Rescue Squad, was on his way to dinner with his wife when he heard the call. Within seconds of the call, Arnold had pulled into the Post Office and applied oxygen to me. State Trooper Gleason arrived right after Arnold.

Heather Hampel, a Paramedic with Ellenville Rescue Squad, arrived a few minutes later, followed by driver Bob Hunt and EMTs John Gavaris and Christine Alexander.

They put me on their EKG machine and it showed that my heart was hardly beating and that I was having a heart attack. Heather gave me aspirin, nitroglycerin and started an IV. At ten minutes to nine, they transported me to Ellenville Regional Hospital where Miguel Castillo, RN took care of me with Adrienne Perry, ER Tech. They connected me to their heart monitor. Gene Epstein, Nurse Practitioner determined that my heart attack was so severe, it was necessary to give me the clotbuster medication TNKase.

About 1/2 hour after receiving the medication, my heart rate returned to a more normal rate. Gene Epstein, NP had Alicia Perry, ER Unit Clerk make arrangements for my transport by ambulance to Vassar Bros.Hospital, where I had two cardiac stents placed. At one point, I overheard someone say that in another 30 minutes, I would have been dead!

I am now home, recovering and wanted everyone to know how grateful I am for the Ellenville Rescue Squad and your Hospital. I would not be here today if not for your excellent care.

Sincerely,  
Harlan Noles  
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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT,** the following policy for use of the Town Transfer Station will be in effect for the year 2010

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**

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**ALLOWABLE USE:**

The following items generated within the Town of Neversink will be accepted at the Transfer Station:

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- C D (Construction Demolition Debris) Coupon Books \$30.00
- Tires - Price varies by size
- Refrigerators & Air Conditioners - Freon Removal Fee \$10.00
- Television Set (all display types) - \$10.00
- Computer/Monitors - \$10.00
- Miscellaneous Electronics - Varies depending on size
- Fluorescent Lamps (Bulbs) - \$1.00
- Recyclables, Scrap Metal - Free

**ANNUAL PERMIT:**

Allowable users must obtain an Annual Permit from the Town Clerk's Office. A Permit must be obtained for each individual residence and business. If two residences, two businesses or a residence and business are located on the same parcel, each must have its own annual permit.

The Permit will serve as Proof of Residency in the Town of Neversink. The staff at the Town Clerk's office will review residency proof before issuing a Permit. The Permit would need to be shown upon the request a Transfer Station Attendant. In addition to being used for I.D. purposes, the Permit will be punched during Spring Cleanup as well as for the free tire disposal program. Each permit holder is entitled to dispose of 4 tires at no charge. Tires must be off the rims. No large equipment tires will be accepted for the free tire program. To continue to keep our fees low, the Town asks that no items are brought into the Transfer Station from locations outside the Town of Neversink.

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A 30 gallon bag of garbage will require 1 coupon. Old coupons will still be accepted, but will require 2 coupons per 30 gallon bag. Coupons may be purchased at Town Hall or at the Transfer Station by check.

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- **TIRES:** Rims must be removed. 16 inches or smaller are \$5.00. 17 to 20 inches are \$6.00. Over 20 inches are \$22.00. There will be an extra \$3.00 charge per tire for tires brought to the Transfer Station on rims. Payment at the Transfer Station by check only.

- **FREE TIRE PROGRAM:** Each permit holder is entitled to dispose of 4 tires at no charge. Tires must be off the rims. No large equipment tires will be accepted for the free tire program.
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disposing of these items. This fee can be paid at the Town Hall or at the Transfer Station by check.

• **RECYCLE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FREE OF CHARGE:** Bottles, Tin Cans, Plastics & Clean Aluminum Cans, Cardboard, Newspapers, Mixed Paper, Scrap Metal, Used Motor Oil and Used Clothing. There are also bins for Deposit Bottles; the proceeds will go to various civic causes.

**USING THE TRANSFER STATION:**

Persons entering the Transfer Station must show the Annual Permit Card to attendant BEFORE depositing items. Attendants will answer any questions with regard to fees and disposal of items.

12/17/2009 and 1/7/2010.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that I, Joy Ann 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 2010.

Taxes will be collected at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725 on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 A. M. to 2:30 P.M., and at the Catskill Hudson Bank, in the Cannie D's Plaza, Route 55, Neversink, N.Y. 12765 and by mail to the Town of Denning P.O. Box 277, Claryville, N.Y. 12725.

Taxes will also be collected at the Sundown Church Hall on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 and on Saturday January 30, 2010 the Denning Town Hall from 10A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that taxes may be paid on or before the 31st day of January 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 2010.

Joy Ann Monforte  
Tax Collector  
Town of Denning  
December 10, 2009

12/17/09 & 1/7/10

**SC, LOCAL 17 REACH AGREEMENT TO SAVE 21 JOBS**

Sullivan County and Laborers' Local Union 17 have reached a tentative agreement to save roughly 21 jobs in the Sullivan County Department of Solid Waste.

The agreement, which came after marathon negotiations between union and county officials, calls for the County to employ 15 of the 27 employees slated to be laid off when the Sullivan County Landfill reaches capacity in January 2010. These employees will become Solid Waste Operators, at salary and benefit levels similar to their current levels when IESI, Inc. begins its exportation operations.

"This is a great example of how the County can work with our local union representatives, think creatively and save County jobs," said Legislature Chairman Jonathan F. Rouis.

IESI, Inc. will also immediately employ 3-4 of the targeted employees at the Ferndale Transfer Station during 2010, and an additional 1-2 of the targeted employees at the new Materials Recovery Center and Long-Haul Station on the site of the Sullivan County Government Center, when construction is completed next year.

"When labor and management meet and take the time to discuss the issues, usually things can be resolved responsibly and financially. The shoot-from-the-hip, gun-to-the-head approach no longer works in Sullivan County. Things need to be more

thought out. Moving forward in 2010, labor and management need to meet more often for the betterment of the County," said L. Todd Diorio, Business Manager for Laborers' Local 17.

This agreement must be approved by the Sullivan County Legislature at its end-of-year meeting on Tuesday, December 29, 2009 and the members of Laborers' Local Union 17 next week, in order to take effect on January 1, 2010.

**ULSTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE ANNOUNCES SUCCESSFUL JOB RETENTION AND BUSINESS EXPANSION EFFORT**

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and Empire State Development announced today the retention and expansion of Gillette Creamery in Ulster County. Gillette Creamery is the largest ice cream distributor in eastern New York and employs 60 people in Ulster County and 12 people in Albany. The company will be moving from its present site in Ellenville, New York, to a larger facility in Gardiner, New York. To facilitate its expansion, Gillette will invest \$5.7 million and add 10 additional employees over the next few years.

Gillette Creamery grew out of its current Ellenville, New York location after an expansion just 5 years ago. After an exhaustive two-year search for a new and more suitable location in the Ellenville area, Gillette began considering relocation options. The State of Vermont presented significant financial incentives to encourage a move there. The financial incentives would have helped Gillette build a larger facility and take advantage of new, out-of-state distribution opportunities.

A partnership between Ulster County and New York State aided in helping secure the assistance needed for Gillette to retain and expand its New York operations. Empire State Development provided a \$600,000 grant and an additional \$400,000 was secured from the Ulster County Revolving Loan Fund (UCRLF), administered by Ulster County Development Corporation (UCDC). Area lending institutions including Rondout Savings Bank, Catskill Hudson Savings Bank and New York State Business Development Corporation are also participating.

"This is a real win for the people of Ulster County. I am pleased that we were able to persuade Empire State Development to provide the essential funding needed to preserve a strong business in Ulster County," said County Executive Mike Hein. "In this economy retaining jobs is of paramount importance. Although Gillette will be moving from Ellenville to Gardiner, all of its current employees will keep their jobs. Ellenville residents can commute to Gardiner, however they can't commute to Vermont."

"Gillette Creamery has been faced with the difficult business decision requiring us to move from our current Ellenville location which we have outgrown. The Company looks forward to expanding operations in Gardiner and continuing to employ our current strong workforce to whom the Company remains committed," said J.B. Gillette, President of Gillette Creamery. He added, "Gillette

Creamery looks forward to working with the Village of Ellenville and Town of Wawarsing to ensure the continued productive use of the Ellenville facility. County Executive Michael Hein's help in getting the assistance of New York State and the Revolving Loan Fund ensured that Gillette could remain in Ulster County."

"For more than two decades Gillette Creamery has called New York its home. A successful family-owned small business, it has grown from a four person staff to more than 70 employees to-date," said Empire State Development Chairman & CEO designate Dennis M. Mullen.

"At the urging of County Executive Hein we came together with the Ulster County Revolving Loan Fund because we recognize the contribution small businesses make to our economy and the obstacles they face. Gillette's decision to recommit to Ulster County speaks volumes to what New York provides to businesses, and its dedication to seeing businesses like Gillette, continue to grow and thrive in New York State."

"It is very satisfying to know that UCDC's efforts contributed to Gillette Creamery's decision to remain, as it has always been an Ulster County company," stated Lance Matteson, President of Ulster County Development Corporation. "Our staff worked diligently alongside the County Executive's and ESD to keep this family-run business, and all of its jobs, here. We look forward to many more decades of success for Gillette Creamery."

"Ulster County is committed to keeping every local business we can. Gillette Creamery is owned by committed local residents who want to continue doing business here. The message from the Executive and Legislature is clear- We will do everything possible to keep our local businesses local," said Hector Rodriguez, Chairman of the Ulster County Revolving Loan Fund Committee.

**PRECISION FLOW TECHNOLOGIES, A LOCAL COMPANY RECEIVES PORTION OF FUNDS; ANNOUNCES IT WILL EXPAND OPERATIONS AND LOCATE AT TECH CITY**

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced that he's secured Congress' final approval of \$2.8 million for partners of The Solar Energy Consortium (TSEC) -- C9 Corporations, L-3 Communications, Precision Flow Technologies, and NanoDynamics-88 -- to continue their development of high-tech solar and LED products for the U.S. military. In order to accommodate an increasing workload, which is resulting in new jobs in Ulster County, Precision Flow Technologies announced that it's expanding its operations and moving into Tech City.

"This federal funding serves as a further investment in the solar energy sector that is helping to power the Hudson Valley's economy for years to come," Hinchey said. "The work that Precision Flow Technologies will be doing at Tech City will enable C9 and other TSEC partners to produce high quality solar and LED products for the U.S. military. Private companies will also have the need for this technology, which will help spur job growth at Tech City and throughout the region as Precision Flow Technologies, C9 and the rest of TSEC's partners keep up with demand."

Hinchey requested the funds as part of the fiscal year 2010 Defense Appropriations bill, to which the House and Senate just gave final approval. The funds will be used in part by Precision Flow Technologies to manufacture the highly sophisticated tools needed by C9 and the other companies to develop the solar and LED technology for the military. It's expected that the technology will also be able to be used in various commercial products.

Precision Flow Technologies' move to Tech City adds to the number of solar and renewable energy companies that are locating at the facility. The company, which is headquartered in Saugerties and will keep much of its operations there, is expanding into a 40,000 square foot space at Tech City. The company currently has 185 employees and is hiring 20 new workers to work at Tech City on a variety of solar-related projects with a total of 50-60 new employees expected to be hired at Tech City within one year. The work the company is doing in conjunction with C9 for the military will result in the creation of 5-7 new jobs.

C9 currently has a contract with the U.S. Department of Defense to develop Silicon Carbide-type semiconductors for the military to use with solar and LED applications. C9 and Precision Flow Technologies are collaborating with TSEC and serve as a link between the consortium and the federal government for future partnerships. Over the past three years, Hinchey has successfully secured \$8.4 million for C9 and its partners.

The Defense Department supports silicon carbide-based semiconductor/solar and LED development for its use in powering hand-held and backpack devices for troops, the recharging of unmanned ground and aerial reconnaissance platforms, and for Hybrid Electric Combat Vehicle drive trains. To date, there has been a lack of success in manufacturing low defect silicon carbide semiconductor grade material. (Next Col.)

The New York-based C9 Corporation is overcoming these difficulties by creating new, man-made silicon carbide materials and processes that it believes will revolutionize semiconductor/solar manufacturing. This technology will have widespread applications for the military as well as by private sector power utilities, automotive, aerospace and computer and control related industries.

Hinchey has now secured more than \$25 million in federal funds for TSEC and its partners with additional funding to be announced in the coming weeks that will increase that figure to nearly \$30 million. The congressman helped organize and create TSEC in 2007. The consortium is an industry-driven, non-profit organization that provides leadership, organization, resources, and support for the establishment of a major solar energy industry cluster in New York. The consortium has partnered with more than 70 small and large companies, including nearly a dozen that have already created 200 jobs in the Hudson Valley and collectively plan to bring more than 1,000 new jobs to upstate New York within the next five years.

"As the U.S. continues to invest heavily in renewable energy, the federal government and private companies are going to turn to the Hudson Valley for the products they need to meet that growing demand," Hinchey said. "This funding will help promote the growth of the solar industry in our area now, while continuing to lay the groundwork for more substantial growth over the next several years. We've already seen the creation of 200 jobs in the Hudson Valley and we know that continued investments like these will grow that new jobs figure exponentially."

To further his ability to secure funds for solar energy initiatives, Hinchey gained a seat earlier this year on the powerful and influential House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, which has enabled him to direct increased funding to advance the research and development of solar energy products for defense and commercial applications. The congressman said that he believes TSEC is well-positioned to take the lead on a wide array of those solar projects. As the single largest consumer of energy in the world, the U.S. military stands to benefit greatly from investments in solar energy products. Hinchey noted that a greater commitment to renewable energy will lower the military's operational costs, reduce the frequency that combat troops need to refuel and repower equipment, and help the environment through lower greenhouse gas emissions.

**HINCHEY FORMALLY SUBMITS COMMENTS ON NYS DEC'S DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR NATURAL GAS DRILLING ACTIVITIES IN NY-Congressman Says More Safeguards Are Needed to Protect Public Health**

- Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) formally submitted comments to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) in response to the agency's draft findings for how horizontal drilling and high-volume hydraulic fracturing to obtain natural gas in the Marcellus Shale would impact the environment and affect the quality of life for state residents. While noting the economic benefits that natural gas drilling could have on the state and its residents, Hinchey said that the DEC first needs to take a series of additional comprehensive steps to adequately ensure that hydraulic fracturing does not contaminate drinking water supplies or jeopardize public (Next Col.)

health in any other way.

"Natural gas development presents New York with a range of potential economic benefits, but those benefits come with some extraordinary environmental and public health risks that we cannot simply ignore and hope for the best," said Hinchey, regarding the comments he submitted on the DEC's draft Supplemental Generic Environmental Impact Statement (dSGEIS). "The DEC has taken a good step forward in setting some environmental guidelines, but a lot more work needs to be done. It is tempting to move forward with drilling now in order to realize the economic benefits, but doing so in haste would unnecessarily subject the state to potential environmental and public health disasters that would be far more costly in every way. Now is the time when we should be taking a closer look at what's happened in other states including Pennsylvania and Wyoming -- where waterways and drinking water supplies have been contaminated -- and take the steps needed to ensure such problems don't befall New York."

In his comments to the DEC, Hinchey laid out a series of 11 steps he believes the agency needs to take before drilling should be permitted in New York. Those steps are:

- 1) A cumulative impact analysis of natural gas drilling in the Marcellus formation to understand the full impact drilling could have on our water resources, air quality, local roads and infrastructure;
  - 2) A prohibition on the use of toxic chemicals in all fracturing fluids in order to prevent groundwater and surface water contamination;
  - 3) Require public disclosure of chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing;
  - 4) A thorough review of the growing number of incidents from other states, including Pennsylvania and Wyoming, in which gas drilling is alleged to have caused explosions, well-contamination, ecological damage and health impacts.
  - 5) Mandate that all baseline well water tests and complaints be handled by DEC, instead of county and local government as proposed in the dSGEIS, and be paid for by drilling companies.
  - 6) Develop a comprehensive wastewater plan for high-volume gas drilling in New York and require industry to put in place the necessary infrastructure to process and treat flowback fluids prior to the issuance of any drilling permits.
  - 7) Require on-site processing and reuse of fracturing fluids to minimize impacts from transportation and ensure that the water involved in fracking is used as efficiently as possible.
  - 8) Extend supplementary reviews with public input for key sensitive areas within the Marcellus Shale, including the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River and Catskill State Park, and accept calls for a drilling prohibition in the New York City Watershed.
  - 9) Dramatically increase the resources and staffing devoted to the permitting and oversight activities related to high-volume hydraulic fracturing.
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Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

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**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
Sunday Worship Service  
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Covered Dish Supper

**HINCHEY COMMENTS ON NYS DEC'S DRAFT** (From Pg. 13)

10) Only after addressing the questions raised by those who submit comments to the dSGEIS and dramatically improving safeguards and regulations for hydraulic fracturing, the DEC should adopt a phased-development approach to the Marcellus Shale and limit initial gas drilling permits to areas without significant environmental concerns in order to assess those operations and make adjustments to the permitting process.

11) Extend the public comment period for an additional 90 days.

Hinchey noted that strong state environmental protections are needed because of the lack of such safeguards on the federal level. In the now infamous 2005 Energy Policy Act, which Hinchey strongly opposed and voted against, the then Republican-controlled Congress exempted hydraulic fracturing from the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), which was designed to protect public water supplies from toxic chemical contamination. This loophole, which some have called the Halliburton Loophole, created an extremely dangerous set of circumstances.

Earlier this year, Hinchey, Congresswoman Diana DeGette (D-CO), and several of their colleagues introduced the FRAC ACT -- Fracturing Responsibility and Awareness of Chemicals Act, which would close the loophole that exempted hydraulic fracturing from the SDWA and require the oil and gas industry to disclose the chemicals they use in their hydraulic fracturing processes. Currently, the oil and gas industry is the only industry granted an exemption from complying with the SDWA.

In a separate step, Hinchey secured final congressional approval of a provision he authored as part of the fiscal year 2010 Interior and Environment Appropriations bill that formally urges the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to conduct a new study on the risks that hydraulic fracturing poses to drinking water supplies. In May, the congressman asked EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson at a House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee hearing about the need for such a study. Jackson told Hinchey that she believed her agency should review the risk that fracturing poses to drinking water in light of various cases across the country that raise questions about the safety of the natural gas drilling practice. Hinchey's measure formalizes a congressional request for an EPA study on the risks that toxic chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing pose to drinking water supplies in New York and across the nation. The EPA did conduct a study on the matter in 2004 under the Bush administration, but that study is widely considered to be flawed for a variety of reasons, including the way data was selectively collected from sources that had a vested interest in the oil and gas industry while other relevant information was ignored.

**UCAT PUBLIC HEARING**

Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT) will be conducting a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 12, 2010, from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, at the Ulster County Office Building, Legislative Chambers (6th Floor), 244 Fair Street Kingston, NY 12401. All members of the public are invited to comment on the proposed changes outlined below. The subjects of the Public Hearing are as follows:

1. A proposed base ride rate increase, which would take effect on February 1, 2010 and take the base fare of a ride on a UCAT bus from .75 cents to \$1.00 dollar.

2. New, proposed UCAT bus schedules that would also take effect on February 1, 2010

More information and details are available at UCAT headquarters, 1 Danny Circle, Kingston, NY 12401 or by calling (845) 340-3333.

**BONACIC: LOWER RESERVOIR LEVELS Reservoirs, normally only 76% full, are now more than 93% full**

State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/I/C - Mt. Hope), has written to officials at the Delaware River Basin Commission, the State DEC, and the New York City DEP to urge that steps be taken to lower reservoir levels, which are unseasonably high.

"Today, reservoir levels are substantially higher than normal. That means there is less capacity, and less ability to absorb inflow either from rain or seasonal melting snow. That means the risk of flooding is growing," Senator Bonacic said.

Reservoirs are not the only cause of flooding, but studies have shown that by leaving voids in them, damage can be reduced when flooding does occur. The City reservoirs are normally at 76% of capacity at this time of year, but currently are at 93% of capacity.

Senator Bonacic has introduced (Next Col.)

and had legislation passed in the State Senate to mandate voids in the reservoirs, however the State Assembly failed to act on that or any other legislation to mandate voids.

Rain precipitation has been down in the reservoirs in both November and December, however the water levels remain substantially higher in the reservoirs.

The Catskills and Hudson Valley have been devastated several times this decade by flooding associated with the reservoirs. "My concern is that when the snow melts and rains come in the spring, that areas nearby will be hurt. Engineered releases now can ensure there is adequate room in the reservoirs in the spring, while still leaving more than enough water for those who rely on the City's water supply," concluded Senator Bonacic.

**STATEMENT BY SENATOR JOHN BONACIC REGARDING AGRICULTURAL AID**

"I am very pleased aid to dairy farmers will finally be made available. We have been urging that additional aid be available for months. Recently, we invited New York's dairy farmers to the Capitol in Albany, to urge our Governor and Federal officials to make farm aid available.

Now, just weeks later, at least some aid is finally being made available. That is certainly positive for the agricultural community, and long overdue.

I applaud the farmers for speaking out on this issue. Farming is one of the most difficult jobs in America. It is never ending. No matter what the temperature or the weather, the cows and crops need to be cared for. We need to work to reduce the cost of government for our farmers, and work to ensure that they are paid a fair price for the product they work so hard to produce."

**HINCHEY STATEMENT ON RELEASE OF EMERGENCY AID TO NY DAIRY FARMERS**

Washington, DC -- Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today released the following statement regarding the U.S. Department of Agriculture's announcement that it will soon begin to release \$290 million in direct aid to local dairy farmers across the country in order to help stabilize their operations during the economic downturn. As a member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) helped secure a House-Senate agreement in September that resulted in the allocation of the emergency aid to dairy farmers, who play a critical role in New York's agriculture economy. In addition to the direct aid to farmers, the bill also included an additional \$60 million will be directed towards the purchasing of cheese products for food banks and other nutritional programs. Those funds will also help dairy farmers during the economic downturn.

"The downturn in the economy has put a severe strain on local, family dairy farmers who have seen the price of milk drop dramatically over the past year. This one-time emergency payment to dairy farmers will provide them with some relief as we continue working to strengthen our overall economy.

"While the U.S. Department of Agriculture has yet to announce specific state and county breakdowns, we know that this emergency aid means dairy farmers can expect to receive approximately \$6,400 for every 100 cows they have on their farms based on this past year's production numbers. That emergency aid is in addition to the annual federal assistance dairy farmers receive and will help keep their operations going. Dairy farmers are an integral part of New York's economy and it is very important that we help ensure their viability.

"As a member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, I look forward to supporting additional pieces of legislation that will help our state's dairy farmers. At the same time, I will work to make the dairy system fairer for farmers. Anyone who goes to buy a gallon of milk knows that the price of milk hasn't dropped at the store. That's because dairy corporations have dropped the price they are willing to pay farmers, but haven't passed those savings on to the general public. Instead, these dairy corporations are taking in a greater profit for themselves at the expense of hardworking family farmers and the American people. That has to stop and I will work to help make the system function more effectively for everyone."

**USDA USES GILLIBRAND MODEL TO DISTRIBUTE DIRECT PAYMENTS TO NEW YORK DAIRY FARMERS**

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) adhered closely to the formula in U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand's model legislation to distribute emergency assistance funds to dairy farmers. Senator Gillibrand introduced the Family Dairy Preservation Act this summer to provide emergency funding to small, family farms like those in New York. (Next Col.)

This fall, Senator Gillibrand helped secure \$350 million for the USDA to help New York farmers struggling during the dairy crisis in the final Agriculture Appropriations Bill. The agreement includes \$60 million in cheese and dairy product purchases for food banks and other nutrition and feeding programs, and \$290 million in direct support to dairy farmers. At Senator Gillibrand's urging, the USDA will use the Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) program to distribute the direct payments to help keep dairy farmers solvent during this current crisis. Specifically, farmers will receive payments based on their total pounds of production, from February 2009 to July 2009, multiplied by 2. There is a poundage cap of 6 million pounds per operation. This cap will help New York, as most producers fall under this cap. USDA estimates that the payment will be around 32 cents a hundredweight, based on preliminary data.

"During these tough economic times, this increase will bring some much needed relief for our farmers," said Senator Gillibrand, the first New York Senator in 40 years to serve on the Senate Agriculture Committee. "While this is great for New York's dairy farmers, this is only a temporary solution to the fundamental problems with the dairy pricing system. I will continue to work for a long term fix for our farmers."

"This emergency aid comes just in the nick of time, as dairy farm families struggle through the end of the year with dramatic cash flow problems," said Dean Norton, president of New York Farm Bureau. "We are hugely grateful to Senators Schumer and Gillibrand for getting this emergency aid pumped into the industry in quick fashion. It will surely help keep some of our farms in business to the long-term benefit of the Upstate rural economy."

Last month, in a letter to USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack, Senator Gillibrand urged the USDA to utilize the MILC program, since the infrastructure for the program is already in place. Using an existing program will ensure that MILC checks that farmers received were able to provide real help in a time of crisis. Senator Gillibrand cited that in the North Country alone, 15 dairy farms closed, leaving many without jobs. She argued that we are losing the economic driver for many of our rural communities and a cultural heritage that we may never again regain.

Senator Gillibrand is giving a strong new voice and a real seat at the table for New York's dairy farmers and agricultural communities struggling in these tough economic times.

In June, Senator Gillibrand introduced the Family Dairy Preservation Act that would index the MILC rate of \$16.94 to inflation. The MILC program payments were originally designed to help dairy farmers in their time of need, but have remained stagnant. The price floor of \$16.94 per hundredweight has not changed since the 1990s, yet the cost of production has increased exponentially.

In July, after meeting with Senator Gillibrand, the USDA announced immediate action to support struggling dairy farmers by increasing the amount paid for dairy products through the Dairy Product Support Program (DPPSP). The increase went into effect in August and will continue through the end of October. The increase is expected to generate an additional \$243 million in revenue for dairy farmers.

In August, Senator Gillibrand held a field hearing in Batavia, New York that focused on identifying major problems with the current dairy pricing system and determining effective solutions moving forward. Just last month, Senator Gillibrand chaired an Agriculture Committee Hearing on dairy pricing in Washington, D.C. which explored the various proposals currently being presented as a response to historically low dairy prices.

On October 30, Senator Gillibrand met with North Country dairy farmers to discuss short-term and long-term fixes to the dairy pricing system. Senator Gillibrand is working with stakeholders and economists to develop a proposal before the next Farm Bill is written in 2012 that will mitigate the boom and bust cycle that dominates the American dairy industry.

**HINCHEY INTRODUCES BILL TO REINSTATE GLASS-STEAGALL ACT-Break Up MegaBanks that Caused Financial Crisis, Measure Would Separate Investment & Commercial Banking to Protect the Public**

In an effort to restore commonsense and important safeguards to the financial sector, Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today introduced a bill that would reinstate the Banking Act of 1933, better known as the Glass-Steagall Act, in order to separate investment banking from commercial banking. The congressman, who introduced the Glass-Steagall Restoration Act with U.S. Reps. Peter DeFazio (D-OR), Jay Inslee (D-WA), Marcy Kaptur (D-OH), Jim McDermott (D-WA), and John Tierney (D-MA), said he intends for the measure to break up oversized banks, restore consumer protections, and avoid future financial collapses like the one that began last year. (Contd. Pg. 15)

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**HINCHEY INTRODUCES BILL TO REINSTATE GLASS-STEAGALL ACT**

(From Pg. 14) The repeal of Glass-Steagall has exposed the U.S. economy to a level of risk that is simply unacceptable," Hinchey said. "The Glass-Steagall Act was put in place during the Great Depression to safeguard the U.S. economy from greedy banking activity. Unfortunately, Congress ignored history in 1999 when it repealed the Glass-Steagall Act and the American people have been forced to pay the price while bailing out these megabanks, which should have never existed in the first place. This bill reinstates a commonsense protection that will help ensure average Americans are not taken advantage of by banks and helps mitigate the risk of another financial meltdown like the one from which we're still recovering."

The Glass-Steagall Act was repealed in 1999 by the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, which Hinchey strongly opposed and voted against. That bill paved the way for the establishment of super-sized banks that serve as both commercial lending institutions and investment companies. Today, just four huge financial institutions hold half the mortgages in America, issue nearly two-thirds of credit cards, and control about 40 percent of all bank deposits in the U.S. In addition, the face value of over-the-counter derivatives at commercial banks has grown to \$290 trillion, 95 percent of which are held at just five financial institutions.

Last week, Hinchey offered an amendment to the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act that was similar to the bill he introduced today. That amendment was blocked from coming up for a vote before the full House. The introduction of Hinchey's bill today would restart the legislative process for passing the reinstatement of the Glass Steagall Act. The bill would statutorily require banking giants to decide whether they want to serve as a commercial bank or an investment bank and require them to cease activities in one of those areas within one year of the bill's enactment.

"The repeal of the Glass-Steagall Act was done to help large banks become enormous and to line the pockets of banking executives with more money than most Americans could ever dream of earning in their lifetime," Hinchey said. "It was not done to help average working men and women in this country get ahead and that was wrong. This bill would help right the ship and return our country to the days when banks either participated in commercial lending activities or investment activities, but not both."

Hinchey is also the author of the Too Big to Fail, Too Big to Exist Act, which would require the Secretary of the Treasury to dismantle any U.S. financial institution deemed to be so big that its potential collapse would undermine the entire U.S. economy. U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) is the author of that legislation in the Senate.

**HOUSE PASSES BILL TO CREATE JOBS & PROVIDE EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR AMERICANS LOOKING FOR WORK**

In an effort to promote job growth and help provide relief to those looking for work, Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) this week helped the House pass the Jobs for Main Street Act. The measure will help create and save jobs by making targeted investments in areas that will grow the economy over the long term, including highways, public transit, construction, small businesses, job training and hiring and retaining teachers, police officers, firefighters. The bill also helps those who are currently looking for work by extending unemployment benefits and temporary health insurance coverage. The measure is paid for by redirecting money from the Wall Street bailout program as part of an effort to assist those (Next Col.)

**THE TOWNSMAN CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS**

1/26/10 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting - Town Hall Upstairs Meeting Room  
2/2/10 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Dinner - 5:30 pm- Sundown Church Hall

Happy New Year! The New Year has begun! Be sure to send your group's or organization's 2010 calendar of events to us so that we may keep our readers posted on what will be happening throughout 2010 in the Tri-Valley area.

The Townsman Staff wishes you all a Very Happy New Year!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**14th Annual Women's Conference** to be held on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at Sullivan County Community College

**Town of Denning Message Board:** <http://www.denning.us>

**Town of Neversink Website:** <http://townofneversink.org>

**Daniel Pierce Library** - <http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>

**Time and The Valleys Museum** - <http://timeandthevalleysmuseum.org>

**Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition:** <http://thetownsman.com>

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Americans who are most in need.

"In the midst of this difficult economic time, this bill provides a helping hand to those who need it most while also focusing proper attention on our state's and country's future with targeted investment on roadways, bridges, and in the classroom," Hinchey said. "This bill will have a real positive impact on the lives of Americans who are currently looking for work while also making investments that will help spur economic growth in the short and long term."

The Jobs for Main Street Act invests \$48 billion to help put people back to work rebuilding roads and bridges, modernizing public buildings and mass transit, and cleaning our air and water. Under the bill, New York is estimated to receive \$2.78 billion for highways and bridges, \$2.6 billion for public transit, and \$108 million for clean water projects. The overall bill also includes \$27 billion to save or create approximately 250,000 education jobs across the country over the next two years; put 5,000 law enforcement officers on the beat and hire and retain firefighters; and support hundreds of thousands of youth summer jobs and work study jobs, along with job training at community colleges.

The bill also includes several key initiatives to help America's small businesses create jobs by expanding the federal guarantee for banks that lend to small businesses and eliminating fees on Small Business Administration (SBA) loans.

In order to help those New Yorkers and all Americans hit hardest by the recession, the bill extends emergency unemployment benefits and extends through June 2010 a key provision to strengthen COBRA in order to help maintain health coverage for unemployed Americans during this economic downturn. Specifically, the bill makes COBRA benefits available for people who were involuntarily separated from their jobs through June 2010 and extends the months of help from 9 months to 15 months. Additionally, the bill protects health care coverage for millions through Medicaid, and cuts taxes for the families of 16 million children by making the Child Tax Credit available to all low-income working families with children in 2010.

Now that the House has passed the Jobs for Main Street Act the Senate has to take up a similar measure.

**LEGISLATURE ANNOUNCES PUBLIC MEETING WITH COMMISSION ON CORRECTIONS**

The Sullivan County Legislature announced today that New York State Commission on Corrections Chairman Thomas A. Beilein will attend a public meeting about the proposed County Jail facility on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 6:00pm in the Hearing Room of the County Legislature.

"As we continue to move forward with this jail process, we felt it was important to have the Commission on Corrections down to Sullivan County for a public meeting where legislators and the public can ask questions and have their opinions heard. Ultimately, we need the Commission to support the most cost-effective solution that addresses the issues of safety and efficiency for our corrections officers," said Legislature Chairman Jonathan F. Rouis.

Sullivan County currently operates the oldest jail facility in the State of New York, and the Commission on Corrections has mandated that the County begin the process to build a new jail facility. Current price estimates for the proposed facility, which is to be built off Old Route 17 between Monticello and (Next Col.)

Harris, range from \$65-80 million dollars.

Majority Leader Kathleen M. LaBuda said, "I think every resident should make an effort to attend this meeting. We know that Sullivan County cannot afford to build a brand new facility, and our residents need to come out and voice their opinions to Chairman Beilein, and help us convince the Commission on Corrections to repeal this unfunded mandate."

Minority Leader Leni Binder said, "Although I have met with the Commissioner personally on various trips and understand his position, this meeting will give the public the opportunity to ask questions about the necessity of constructing a new facility, and our obligations to build the facility to their specifications, and a chance to discuss their concerns with him directly."

**VICTORIA ST. JOHN - GILLIGAN NAMED TO THE UCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein is pleased to announce the appointment of Victoria St. John - Gilligan to a six year term on the Ulster County Community College Board of Trustees. The appointment is subject to confirmation by the County Legislature.

Ms. St. John - Gilligan is highly respected for her energy, judgment, and ability to organize and motivate individuals and is a recognized leader on behalf of the not-for-profit and educational communities. She is a current member of the Ulster Community College Foundation Board of Directors and has volunteered on behalf of numerous community causes and institutions, such as the American Cancer Society Advisory Board, Ulster Performing Arts Center, Friends of Historic Kingston, the New York Senate House Museum and the Kingston Uptown Business Association.

Her commitment to Ulster County Community College and its mission has been foremost among her interests and activities for almost a decade. Her father, the late attorney Howard C. St. John was instrumental in the establishment of the College and the family has been a strong advocate for many decades.

"I could not imagine a more dedicated and qualified individual, for this appointment, than Victoria St. John-Gilligan. We are fortunate to have a person of her caliber and commitment interested in serving. Her ongoing commitment to making an affordable higher education experience available to all residents of Ulster County is extraordinary," said County Executive Hein.

**MONTICELLO MONTHLY PARENTS FOR PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING**

The Parents for Parents Support Group will meet on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 from 10:30a.m. to 12:00p.m., at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello, NY. The meeting will take place in room 236.

The meeting will consist of a Commonsense Parenting workshop entitled "Parents are Teachers," as well as a chance to connect with and get advice from other parents and parent educators. Coffee and tea will be provided. You must call to register.

For more information or to register, please contact Laura Fisher, Sullivan County BOCES' Parent Educator/Resource Facilitator at 295-4040 or Sherry Eidel, Sullivan County BOCES' Parent Educator/Resource Facilitator at 295-4042.



**Daniel Pierce Library**

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 Tuesdays & Thursdays - 11 a.m.-9 p.m.  
 Wednesdays & Fridays - 11 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Saturdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
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*The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.  
 On occasion, a meeting date is changed.  
 Please call ahead to confirm.  
 845-985-7233*

**Time and the Valleys Museum** has copies of every **Townsmen** printed since the beginning in loose-leaf binders classified by year for anyone to research. For further information, contact the historian's office in Grahamsville at 985-2262 x313, e-mail: [historian@townofneversink.org](mailto:historian@townofneversink.org), or visit [www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org)

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**BUILDING FOR RENT:** In Grahamsville (Old Post Office) Rent - 985-7411.

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**STREAM VIEW UPSTAIRS APARTMENT FOR RENT** One bedroom \$625 monthly plus security. All utilities included. Available to move in January 1st, 2010. Perfect for one-two people. Located on Davis Lane, Grahamsville, NY. Please call cell phone (845) 796-6319.

**WANTED**

**House wanted to Rent** - 3 bedroom, Tri-Valley School District. Good References. Call (845) 647-4093 [oglesbysee@aol.com](mailto:oglesbysee@aol.com) b -tfn

**FOR SALE**

**FOR SALE: 1997 Pontiac Van**, Transport, 7 passenger, 4 extra wheels w/snowtires; dependable, reasonable. **1997 Subaru Legacy wagon**, good shape, extra snowtires. 985-7564. tfn

**1998 Dodge Grand Caravan.** Needs some repairs. Reasonable. Call 845-985-0501.

**ONE DOLLAR/ONE LINE/ONE ITEM AD FLYER IN THE FEBRUARY 4th ISSUE**

The Townsman will resume the *ONE DOLLAR/ONE LINE/ONE ITEM AD* in the February 4th, 2010 issue and will continue to publish this insert the first week of each month.

All ads for the February *One Dollar, One Line, One Item* flyer must be received in our office by **Friday, January 29th at 3:00 pm**. You may either mail your ad along with \$1 to: The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, Ny 12740, drop it in the drop box on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Buidling or email it to: [tvtownsman@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsman@yahoo.com)

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**Denning Democrats**

The Town of Denning Democratic committee joins and applauds the Ulster County Democratic Women (UCDW), the New York State environmental organizations, and others, calling for Governor Paterson to withdraw the dSGEIS, and order DEC back to the drawing board on their review of potential gas drilling in New York's Marcellus Shale. Undue haste risks damage to our very air, water, health, and communities that we cannot afford. In addition, our state will face costly future clean ups.

Have a suggestion for the Dem committee, email, [denningdems@yahoo.com](mailto:denningdems@yahoo.com), or call 845.985.0501

Democratic Committee Chair  
 Frank Comando

**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**

A. Elvis bought a Conair 880 Jet, on June 17, 1975; it is about the size of a 707 passenger jet. B. Elvis, "Well, uh, I guess I would say, uh, I was the one," I like the song especially, but "Heartbreak Hotel" I would like because it's out sold any of the rest of them."  
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**TRI-VALLEY PROPERTY FOR SALE**

**CLARYVILLE:**

- **NEW** Renovated 3 bed/1 bath farmhouse with creek on approx. 1 acre \$299,000; with 6.42 acres \$329,000
- **NEW** Two quiet, pretty, level 1 acre, buildable lots. \$22,500 each. (1 lot is under contract)
- **NEW** 3 bed/2 bath restored farmhouse on 1.3 acs with dramatic ultra-modern addition, fine fixtures \$395k
- **RENTAL** Elegant 4 bed/5 bath home on 150 acre estate with Neversink frontage. \$1,900/mo + utils.

**GRAHAMSVILLE /LOCH SHELDRAKE/JEFFERSONVILLE:**

- **NEW** 3 bed/1+ bath farmhouse on 1 ac with stream. Beautiful floors, deck, views. \$159,000
- **NEW** 4 bed/2.5 bath single fam. home + two 1 bed/1 bath apts in attached bldg. In quiet section of Jeffersonville Village. Short walk to school. \$249,000
- Mini-estate with indoor pool, 2 ponds, manicured grounds and 9 private acs. 4 bed/3 bath \$749,000
- Dreamy 4 BR eyebrow colonial on 15.73 acres with views & stream next to city land. \$399,000.

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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"** devotes its resources to Elvis fans with a heads up, as TCM



Movies gives us an "Elvis Presley Day". Showings start at 6:15 AM, Friday morning, January 8, 2010. The first offering is *Harum Scarum*, a 1965 "tongue, and cheek classic," story of an American film star, Elvis, kidnapped in the Middle East. Then at 7:45 a.m. the 1964 classic, *Kissin' Cousins* starring Elvis as a

singing military officer who is mixed up with his look-alike 'hillbilly' cousin. At 9:30 AM, it is *Spinout* (1966). A singing race car driver has to choose among three amorous females. Coming to you at 11:15 a.m., is *Roustabout*, a 1964 tale of a female carnival owner who hires a hot-blooded young singer to save her touring show. Next at 1:00 PM, the 'Mob' gets into it with *Girl Happy*. Made in 1965 a rock singer is hired to chaperone a gangster's daughter in Fort Lauderdale. Then at 2:45 p.m this 1968 classic, *Speedway* finds Elvis as a racecar driver who tries to outrun a beautiful tax auditor who is out to settle his account. This time at 4:30 PM, it is Elvis in *Blue Hawaii* the 1961 film of how a Hawaiian playboy defies his possessive mother to take a job with a tourist agency. *Viva Las Vegas* is a 1964 Elvis film of a race car driver who falls for a swimming instructor who wants him to slow down his career. Then a real treat at 8:00 pm Elvis on Tour a 1972 *Concert Documentary*, with showings of Elvis's extensive concert footage highlighting this documentary about the King's touring in the early '70s. More Elvis goodies at 10:00 PM with *That is The Way It Is*. This film is a 2001 a restored version of the King's classic Vegas concert film. And last, but certainly not least is that 1957 classic, *Jail House Rock*, the story of a young man who after learning to play the guitar in prison, becomes a rock 'n roll sensation.

**Quiz:**

- A. What kind of plane did Elvis have to jet around in?
- B. Name Elvis's favorite song?

What's going on in the *Gnome Neighborhood™* this week? Elvis!



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# Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department



## Program Flyer

2010

### South Pacific Musical NYC

WHEN: Wednesday, May 5.

WHERE: Lincoln Center, Vivian Beaumont Theatre

DETAILS: Coach Transportation will leave the Town Hall at 10 am and return at approximately 8 pm. Winner of 7 2008 Tony Awards.

**SIGN-UP: If you plan to attend \$80 must be paid no later than January 26.**



### FREE Bowling

WHEN: Sunday, February 21.

WHERE: Ellenville Lanes 3-5 pm.

DETAILS: All families in Tri Valley School District and Adults in Town of Neversink are welcome! You must provide your own transportation to Ellenville Lanes. Please bring approximately \$5 to purchase snacks.

**SIGN-UP: If you plan to attend FREE residents/ \$10 non-residents must be signed up no later than February 9.**

### Pizza & Egg Decorating

WHEN: Friday, March 19.

WHERE: Town Hall 5:30 pm.

DETAILS: Come have a quick dinner & decorate eggs to take home. All supplies will be provided.

**SIGN-UP: If you plan to attend \$5 residents/ \$10 non-residents must be signed up no later than March 9.**



# Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department



## Procedure to Attend Events

One of the following **MUST BE DONE BEFORE** the cut off date:

1. **COME** & fill out permission slips & bring payment to the Town Hall Upstairs Parks & Recreation office between 3 pm & 6 pm on Tuesdays.
2. **MAIL** permission slips & payment to Parks and Rec. Dept. PO BOX 307 Grahamsville, NY 12740

**Please Make Note of the following:** ●For your convenience Permission Slips can be downloaded from our website [www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org) or picked up in the Parks and Rec. office in the Town Hall on Tuesdays from 3 pm to 6 pm. ●Trips maybe cancelled due to a lack of sufficient participants or inclement weather ●If you need to contact the director for any reason I can be reached at the Town Hall on Tuesdays between the hours of 3 pm and 6 pm; any other time please leave a voice mail at 985-2262 ext 312 or email me at [racerj12d@aol.com](mailto:racerj12d@aol.com)

### **Parks & Recreation Department**

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