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Left to right, Middletown Police Chief John Ewanciw, Chief Dominick Blasko of the Crawford Police Department, Annette Kahrs, Senator Jen Metzger, and Sergeant Allen Faust of the Goshen Police Department at Kahrs' Commendation celebration.]

Orange County, NY...Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) this past week presented a New York State Senate Commendation award to Annette Kahrs, President of the Tri-County Community Partnership and Program Director of the Hope Not Handcuffs Hudson Valley program, in which participating police departments and trained community volunteers work together to help people battling substance use disorder get the treatment they need. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Sullivan County Bar Association Announces 2020 Scholarship Recipients

Sullivan County Bar Association Vice President Amy Davidoff, Chair of the Association's Scholarship Committee, is



pleased to announce the two recipients of this year's Ira Jay Cohen Scholarship, Nayeli T. Chacon and Colby Costa.

Nayeli T. Chacon is a 2020 graduate of Fallsburg High School. She completed the New Vision Health program from Sullivan BOCES, which



Nayeli T. Chacon

exposed her to the medical field. She

Colby Costa

will begin her studies in Biology at Sullivan County Community College in the Fall. Ms. Chacon intends to become a Physician and work towards giving back to her community.

Colby Costa is a 2020 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School. (Contd. Pg.4)

Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra: "SCCO - House Party"



Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra performs in White Lake, NY, September 2019

(Monticello, NY) The Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra (SCCO) will present a week-long series of live stream events entitled, "SCCO - House Party." (Contd. Pg. 4)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Be still and know that I am God.
Psalm 46:10

OBITUARIES

Devin C. Chapman of White Sulphur Springs, NY, a student, died Monday, July 13, 2020 at his home. He was 17.

The son of Adam A. Turk and Tonya L. Chapman, he was born September 23, 2002 in Harris, NY.

Devin had been a member of the Liberty High School Football team; he enjoyed helping members of the White Sulphur Springs Fire Department and was active in other community organizations.

Survivors include his mother, Tonya L. Chapman, at home; his father Adam A. Turk of Grahamsville, NY; two brothers, Dylan Turk of White Sulphur Springs, NY and Joshua Turk of Woodbourne, NY; two sisters, Tiffany Turk of Monticello, NY and Arrianna Hatt of Loch Sheldrake, NY; his maternal grandparents, Lisa Ackerley of White Sulphur Springs, NY and Allen Washburn, Sr. of White Sulphur Springs, NY; several cousins, including Mayson Ackerley, Kyle Freedman, Logan Beach, Savannah Lyons (Dukes), Ethan Dunn and Emily Dunn; several aunts and uncles, including Maria Dunn, Richard Dunn, Roy Ackerley, Jr., Margaret Ackerley, Chasidy Beach and Jason Beach; three nieces, Charlotte, Paisley and Serenity. Private Visitation was held at the Harris Funeral Home, West Street at Buckley, Liberty, NY.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home, West St. at Buckley, Liberty, NY 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200 www.Harris-FH.com

& Human Services at SUNY Empire State College.

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

July 19, 1950

Israel Slater and Walton Hamilton have taken the contract for the Grahamsville Fire House. Operations began on Monday morning. The building is to be a frame construction 28' by 40' with a metal roof and asbestos shingles on the sides. It is expected to be finished in three months.

The 1950 census shows the Town of Neversink to have 1,512 inhabitants; Sullivan County 40,634. Neversink is the eighth in size among the fifteen townships in Sullivan. Liberty is the largest village, topping Monticello by 415.

The Cooney Bros. Sand and Gravel Plant, which has been located in the valley near Lackawack, has been moved to the site of the former Eureka. They will furnish sand and gravel for the Frazier Davis Construction Co. and for the Walsh Perini Construction Co. The road outlet will be where the former Eureka Road meets 55A near the Lows Corner Outlet.

Operation of a Health Department for Sullivan County, if such were established, would cost \$122,220 annually according to a report filed this week with the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Strangeway and children, Linda and Ricky, have moved into one of the Magrel bungalows. Mr. Strangeway will teach Agriculture in the Tri-Valley School.

July 20, 1960

The West Branch tunnel work for New York City's water system is expected to be completed by the first of the year, it was learned recently. A spokesman at the West Delaware Tunnel Construction office said that the only major work yet to be done is concret-ing some 5 miles of the tunnel from Shaft 7 at Halls Mills toward Shaft 6 at DeBruce.

The Folk Festival at Camp Woodland will be held this summer for the 19th time. Several local people have participated in the Catskill Mountain Folk Festival at Phoenicia in past years, including the late Etson Van Wagner, George Edwards and Marvin Yale. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson of Rocky Hill have taken part many times.

Footings were put in last week for the new Neversink Town Hall on the former Kortright property in Grahamsville. (Contd. Pg. 3)

COLLEGE NEWS

**SUNY New Paltz student
Brandon Worden earns spring 2020
Dean's List honors**

SUNY New Paltz is proud to congratulate Brandon Worden of Grahamsville, New York, for being named to the Dean's List for the spring 2020 semester.

Dean's List designation is reserved for students who excel academically and earn at least a 3.3 grade-point average in a semester with a full-time course load.

**SUNY Empire State announces
Dean's List with Honors**

Christina Wells of Grahamsville, NY, made the Dean's List with Honors for the second time in a row for the Spring 2020 semester. Christina is the Museum Assistant at Time and the Valleys Museum and is majoring in Community

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History - (From Pg. 2)

The members of the Sundown Methodist Church were happy to have Mrs. Earl Sheeley of Grahamsville at the organ this past Sunday. Chip Haag is expected back from the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico this week and will substitute at the organ for some Sundays to come.

July 21, 1970

Harry Bailey, who has been the Town Justice, Town of Denning, for the past 15 years, resigned as of June 30th due to other commitments. Stanley Fitchner was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carlson had a picnic on Sunday, July 12th at their home on South Hill to celebrate the 40th anniversary of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Carlson

THE DEADLINE

- by Mabel F. Hill

Sometimes the deadline, I must confess,
On the day the paper must go to press, Has
left us frantic because the sun
Will have set before our work is done. There
is no time for us to doubt

Just what our news will be about.

We have to keep busy because the sun Will
have set before our work is done. The press-
es rumble as we relate

The special things happening to this date.

We hurry along, because the sun
Will have set before our work is done.

July 24, 1980

Dr. Walter S. Dobushak announces the opening of his medical office in Grahamsville for the practice of family medicine.

Hugh A. Denman, 72, of Riverside Drive, Woodbourne, died Saturday, July 19, 1980 at Harris Hospital. Mr. Denman, a lifelong area resident, was born February 7, 1908 in Neversink to William and Sadie Grant Denman. He was married to the former Mildred Hadden. He was a member of the Woodbourne Fire Co. and past captain of the Woodbourne Fire Police.

Missy Iatauro, Groo Rd., led the girls with a winning time of 40:08 in the American Cancer Society's Run for Hope held at the Monticello Raceway on Sunday, receiving a trophy.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Huggins announce the engagement of their daughter, Theresa Sue, to Mark Steven Lloyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lloyd. An October wedding is planned. Theresa Sue is the granddaughter of Dot DePew of Peekamoos Rd., Sundown.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

A Welcome Summer Beauty - Bee Balm

It was sunny hot on Monday. What ordinarily would have been just a mundane trip out to the mailbox was rather a delightful sparkling experience. The tall bee balm that were growing near our camper were still dripping wet from the rain Sunday night. They were bending over the pathway creating a beautiful arch of red vivacious flowers that attracted numerous hummingbirds.

Bee Balm is a native plant in the Catskills and that it was used as a tea. Bee Balm is also known as Bergamot, Oswego Tea or Monarda. Add a couple of Bee Balm leaves to when you brew your favorite black tea, and you will have a tasty tea similar to Earl Grey.



Nicolas Monardes, wrote a book in 1574 describing plants found in the New World, thus its scientific name, Monarda.

But long before Nicolas wrote the book, the Native Americans, including the Blackfoot, Menominee, Ojibwa and Winnebago knew the wonderful properties of this plant. The Blackfoot Indians recognized the strong antiseptic action of bee balm and used poultices of the plant for skin infections and minor wounds. Bee balm is the natural source of the antiseptic Thymol, the primary active ingredient in modern commercial mouthwash formulas. The Winnebago used a tisane made from bee balm as a general stimulant. Bee balm was also used as a carminative herb by Native Americans to treat excessive flatulence. An infusion of crushed Bee Balm was used to treat headaches and fevers.

Bee balm is easily recognized and grows quite well in full sun where the soil is moist, yet well drained. Bee balm will grow in shade, and will spread rapidly, but will not produce abundant flowers as it does in a sunny spot.

The individual flowers are narrowly tube-shaped, tightly clustered together in 2 in. heads and set atop a square stem. The stem is lined with large dark green oval leaves that have a minty aroma. Hummingbirds, butterflies, and bees are attracted to the blossoms.

The beautiful red Bee Balm that is common in our area, *Monarda didyma*, is not the only member of the *Monarda* family that grows in the Catskills. *Monarda fistulosa*, commonly known as wild bergamot, has lavender or smoky pink flowers. *Monarda citriodora* and *Monarda pectinata* have light lavender to lilac-colored blooms and have slightly decreased flower quantities. All are commonly called Bee Balm and are members of the mint family.

What did John Burroughs have to say about Bee Balm? Quoted from the book, John Burroughs states, "I shall long remember the enticing stream, the pretty cascades, the high shelving rocks sheltering the mossy nest of the phoebe, and the glowing masses of bee balm blooming beside the stream; yes, and the eagerness of one of the fisherman as he slipped along ahead of me, dropping his hook into the pools. Occasionally he would relinquish the rod, putting it into my hands with a rare self-denial as we came to a promising pool; but I was more deft at gathering bee balm than taking trout, and willingly spared the rod to the eager angler."

Today bee balm has even found its way into the florist's shop. Definitely a Catskill Mountain prize, this beautiful red blossomed flower certainly has a long history that surely goes back long before John Burroughs or Nicolas Monardes, to the days when the native's of this land had their own name for this outstanding plant that once upon a time was called Oswega tea!

Household Hints:**Get the rust out**

To remove a rust stain from your cotton work clothes, moisten the spot with some full-strength vinegar and then rub in a bit of salt. If it's warm outdoors, let it dry in the sunlight (otherwise a sunny window will do), then toss it in the wash.

Sullivan County Bar Association Announces 2020 Scholarship Recipients

(From Pg. 1) He will be attending Eastern Kentucky University majoring in Fire, Arson and Explosive Investigation, the only college in the country offering a degree in that study. Mr. Costa hopes to work for a federal agency and continue his work as a volunteer firefighter.

The Bar Association's Scholarship Committee was established in 2016 to honor the memory of Ira Jay Cohen, a lifelong resident of Sullivan County and member of the Bar Association. Mr. Cohen enjoyed a long and illustrious career as both private attorney and public servant, having served as Sullivan County Public Defender, Sullivan County Attorney and Sullivan County Treasurer. The Scholarship is awarded to two students who have stellar academic records and who demonstrate a belief in the importance of dedication and public service. Applicants were chosen after the Committee evaluated their academic credentials and personal statements. The recipients were awarded \$750.00 each, to benefit their continued education.

"It is with great pleasure that we congratulate the recipients of this year's Scholarship and wish them the best as they move forward in their careers" said Amy Davidoff, Chair of the Scholarship Committee. "Nayeli and Colby have each demonstrated their commitment to public service and we are proud to honor and encourage them to continue toward fulfilling and rewarding careers," said Bar Association President Meagan Galligan, who thanked the members of the Scholarship Committee for their time and thoughtful consideration of these awards.

Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra: "SCCO - House Party"

(From Pg. 1) SCCO Artistic Director Andrew Trombley said, "Concert halls are quiet and orchestras are not performing. Musicians thrive off of live performances. But until we can all return to our halls and venues safely we'll need to find alternative solutions. "SCCO - House Party" is one of those solutions. Over the course of one week SCCO will perform for 5 days live-streamed from our home to yours performing masterworks by living, forgotten, and beloved composers concluding with the "Four Seasons of Sullivan County" Virtual Launch Party."

These one hour virtual performances begin with three concerts entitled "Everyday SCCO" streaming from the Suzanne Stanway Arts Haven at 13 St. John Street in Monticello, NY. The dates are Monday July 27th, Tuesday July 28th and Wednesday July 29th at 8 PM.

These three performances entitled Part I: The More Music You Know will feature selections by past and current composers from historically marginalized groups. Monday: Black composers, Tuesday: Women composers and Wednesday: Latinx composers. A portion of funding raised will be donated to organizations that advocate for and promote representation of marginalized groups in the arts.

A "Porch Concert" (weather permitting) entitled Part II: Schubert, Price and More... takes place on Friday, July 31st at 7:30 PM. Patrons who are interested in hearing a bit of live music are encouraged to drive by the Suzanne Stanway Arts Haven at 13 St. John Street to stop for a listen. Friday's program will be repeated on Saturday, August 1st. SCCO performers will move inside for a live-stream "Home Concert" at 7:30 PM in order to reach as many people as possible near and far.

On Sunday, August 2nd from 4:00 to 5:00 PM, SCCO will host an hour-long performance entitled Part III: Four Seasons of Sullivan County Virtual Launch Party for their new Compact Disc. Viewers will be encouraged to ask questions about the artistic process or the music itself. Composer Nancy Wegrzyn, artist Laurie Kilgore, and recording engineer Peter Weitzner will join the conversation as well. SCCO musicians will play live music, share a clip from the premiere of this amazing work and share a track from the CD.

For more information and to sign up for the SCCO e-mail list please contact Marina Lombardi at marina@nesinculturalarts.org or 845-798-9006. The Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra is a Nesin Cultural Arts sponsored project. Visit this Facebook page for links to view the events: Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra. SCCO is funded in part by grants from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Senator Metzger Presents Annette Kahrs of Tri-County Partnership with Senate Commendation for Hope Not Handcuffs Initiative



Left to right, Middletown Police Chief John Ewanciw, Chief Dominick Blasko of the Crawford Police Department, Annette Kahrs, Senator Jen Metzger, and Sergeant Allen Faust of the Goshen Police Department at Kahrs' Commendation celebration.]

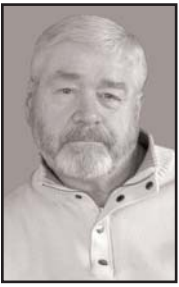
(From Pg. 1) Middletown Police Chief John Ewanciw, Sergeant Allen Faust of the Goshen Police Department, and Chief Dominick Blasko of the Crawford Police Department were also in attendance, and are among the twelve Orange County Police Departments currently participating in the program.

"Tackling the opioid crisis takes us all working together, and this is a remarkable community volunteer program that provides compassionate assistance to those struggling with substance use disorder," said Senator Metzger. "Annette Kahrs is most deserving of this Senate Commendation for her leadership in nurturing and expanding this life-saving program in the Hudson Valley, and I thank all of the volunteers and participating police departments who are helping to connect people with the treatment they need."

The Good Killer

Mysterious Book Report No. 410

by John Dwaine McKenna



The last item in the late CWA Grand Master Elmore Leonard's famed "Ten Rules of Writing," is this: *Try to leave out the part readers tend to skip.*

What he meant in his tongue and cheek way, is don't bore the reader with superficial, unneeded, and unwanted minutiae. Keep driving the story forward with action and excitement.

Now, an emerging hard-boiled writing talent named Harry Dolan, is doing just that. He's a disciple of Leonard who took his lessons to heart and got them right . . . so right in fact, that we're looking at Mr. Dolan's fifth, and newest, to be his breakout novel. The one that vaults him into

fame and national prominence. Yeah – it's that well done.

The Good Killer, (Mysterious Press, \$26.00, 339 pages, ISBN 978-0-8021-4841-4) by Harry Dolan, begins in Houston, Texas. That's where a socially inept loser named Henry Alan Keen has just been dropped by a woman he's dated a few times. Despondent, Henry Keen tries to kill himself, but chickens out when it's time to pull the trigger. Then, he has a better idea. He'll go to the mall where his former flame works and make her watch as he shoots the place up. That'll impress her for certain. Sure it will.

But when Keen puts his plan into action, killing and wounding a number of people in front of his terrified former dating partner, he's killed by an Iraq War veteran – and the main protagonist of this kinetic novel – named Sean Tennant. He runs toward the gunfire when it starts, and calmly shoots Keen . . . once in the chest and once in the head . . . all of that activity happens in the first twenty-five pages of this finely tuned, intricately-crafted and serpentine-plotted novel. Twists, revelations and action sequences are revealed in every chapter, on almost every page. Here's a few . . .

After aiding some of the wounded, Sean Tennant disappears. He's a man with a past, a national hero and a fugitive, all at the same time . . . running from a past too painful to face, and too dangerous to deny. Sean and his girlfriend Molly have been living on a razor's edge for more than five years now, hoping for the best, but expecting the worst as they run for their lives.

The Good Killer will grab you on the first page and never let go until the last one, when you'll be gasping for breath, saying "Damn, I didn't see that coming!" and howling for more from Harry Dolan!

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Interview With The Author: Harry Dolan

by John Dwaine McKenna

With many other things to do, expert wordsmith Harry Dolan graciously took time away in order to grant us an interview today, so let's start right in with a quick "Thank you," and our first question . . .

What do you write about?

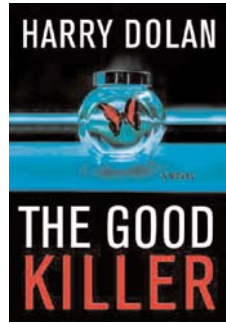
The short answer is that I write about crime. My first four novels were mysteries, each with a murder, or a series of murders, at its heart. My latest book, *The Good Killer*, is something of a departure: it's a thriller about a couple, Sean Tennant and Molly Winter, who are on the run from some very dangerous people from their past-people who want to kill them. In a larger sense, the book is about love and loyalty. It's about reckless decisions and their consequences. It's about regretting your past, and searching for redemption.

Who's your favorite author?

It's hard to pick one favorite, but I'm a big admirer of Robert Crais, especially his novels featuring Elvis Cole and Joe Pike. It's rare for a detective series to maintain its quality as it goes along; they tend to become hit-or-miss over time. But there are no duds in the Cole/Pike series. The books are cleverly plotted and skillfully written, full of action and suspense. And the unshakeable friendship between Cole and Pike is a theme that runs through every one of them.

Do you plot-outline or wing it?

In order to get started I need to know where I'm going, so I always begin with some sort of outline. The level of detail varies from book to book, but I like to know what the major plot twists will be and how the story will end. (Contd. Pg. 13) If you're writing a mystery, you need to know who actually committed the crime, but also who the other suspects are and how they'll fall under suspicion. I like to work these details out in advance, but I always keep in mind that an outline isn't binding. Sometimes the story takes on a life of its own and veers off in a direction you didn't expect. Sometimes minor characters grow and take on larger roles for themselves. These are gifts, and a writer should be open to receiving them. (Contd. Pg. 13)



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**Sullivan County Social Services
 Accepting Documents Via New App**

Liberty, NY - The Sullivan County Department of Family Services is now offering an app to make the paperwork process easier.

“NYDocSubmit is a mobile application that allows certain social services applicants and recipients to take pictures of their documents and submit them to our office using their Apple iOS or Android phone or tablet,” Director of Temporary Assistance Giselle Steketee explains. “The app can be used to submit documents for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Temporary Assistance (TA), and Medicaid (MA).”

What can be submitted? Identification, citizenship status, proof of income, medical documentation, proof of residence, resources, shelter/utilities, and other documentation as needed.

“NYDocSubmit should not be used to submit information such as Child Protective Services (CPS) case information, HIV reports, suspected child abuse or maltreatment,” Steketee notes. “Also, NYDocSubmit is not monitored for emergencies nor should be used to submit an application or to submit a periodic report.”

“Anything we can do to make filing paperwork easier is a home run,” says District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz, chair of the Legislature's Health & Family Services Committee. “I thank our hardworking team and the State for making this valuable service available to a public that's definitely ready to use it. There is no need for people to take time off from work, stand in line or travel to the office to drop off documents.”

The app is available via the Apple App Store and Google Play.

Camping Out Basics

Livingston Manor, NY Saturday, July 25th from 2 to 6 pm, Morgan Outdoors is hosting a "Camping Out Under the Stars" demo, with co-sponsor Kelty, on the beautiful lawn at Upward Brewing in Livingston Manor, NY.

This free public event is a great opportunity to check out the basic equipment for setting up camp, whether at a campground or in the backcountry. A night out under the stars is easier than you think. There will be a safe, well-spaced layout for small numbers of people to join in (every thirty minutes starting at 2pm). Each session lasts 25 minutes, with time allotted for Q&A.




Upward Brewing Company, located at 171 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY, is a fabulous place to visit, with ample outdoor seating on their big lawn, great craft beer,

and Upward Kitchen serving food for take-out. There is also a beautiful trail to the top of Beer Mountain just behind the brewery. What better place to hold an event about camping out! To register: there will be an old-school signup sheet on site starting at 1:30pm on July 25th for everyone to pick their favorite time and then go enjoy all the brewery has to offer. Check out <http://www.upwardbrewing.com>. It's a rain or shine event and there will be pop-up tents to keep participants dry in case of rain!



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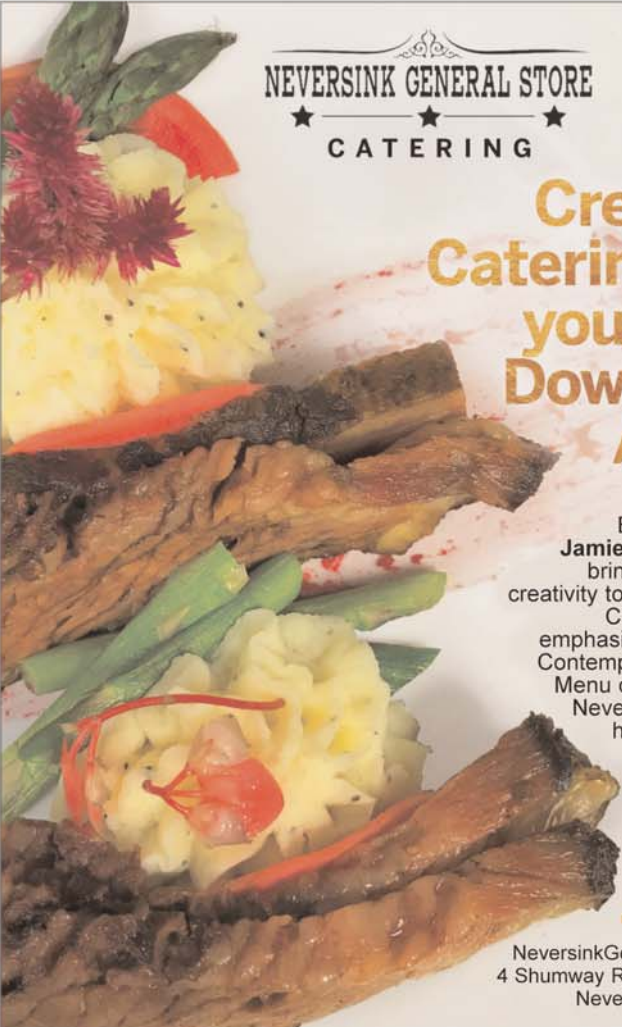
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News from Frost Valley

While we are all sad to miss summer camp at Frost Valley this year, we remain committed to delivering our mission in ways that we hope will help you feel connected to Frost Valley and one another, including through our virtual camp program, *Build Strong @Home!*

What else is happening at Frost Valley? **August's Day Camp** is filling fast! And some summer campers and their families have already had an opportunity to come to Frost Valley through our Summer Lodging Reservations program, which continues through Labor Day.



In an effort to keep you updated on the latest news from the Valley, here are a few more details about summer 2020:

“Hangout” and Reunite with Camp Friends!

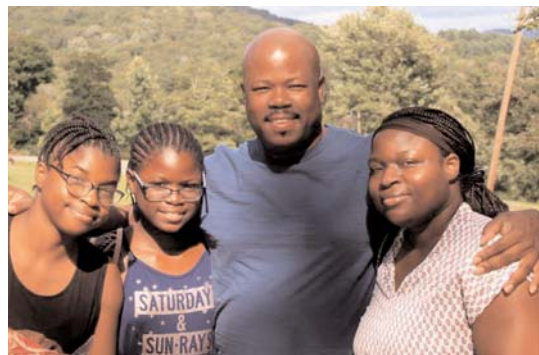
Build Strong @Home is well underway, complete with interactive blogs, access

to educational and recreational video content, live Zoom sessions, or “hangouts”, and Challenge Night, which will take place on Wednesday, July 29th beginning at 7pm.

We know many of us are “Zoomed out,” so we're offering screen-free tutorials that enable campers to do creative camp-inspired projects at home, including craft ideas, snack recipes, living room camping, and even a “trick shot challenge” for our basketball enthusiasts! Learn more

Lodging Reservations Extended!

Our Family Lodging Reservations program has been extended through to October 1 (with the exception of the week of Family Camp). Late September is one of the best times to be in the Catskills for some much needed relaxation



and restoration.

Here's message from one grateful family:

“Thank you so much!! We had an amazing time. It was such a treat. We are deeply grateful to Frost Valley to have made this possible for us through financial assistance.

A week of nature and taking a break was so necessary for all of us. So, thank you, thank you, thank you!”

Family Camp is ON!

Although it will look a little different this year in order to keep everyone safe, if you have a reservation for Family Camp, please expect a call from us (if we haven't spoken already) to discuss the finer details of how Family Camp will run this year. To under-

stand the broad strokes, learn more on our blog (sorry - this program is full due to capacity limitations).

Harvesting Produce for a Local Food Pantry



Frost Valley recently donated farm greens, including kale, lettuce, spinach, and radishes, to the United Methodist Church Food Pantry in Ellenville. We continue to look for ways to use the bounty of our harvests to feed members of the community with limited access to fresh produce.

Like so many other organizations that serve people and communities, Frost Valley is struggling through the fallout from this pandemic. If you'd like to help rescue Frost Valley, please donate at: www.frostvalley.org/donate

We also want to sincerely thank everyone who has already supported our survival efforts and those who have chosen to donate their refunds for cancelled programs.

Thank you for standing with Frost Valley and please stay safe and healthy!

Urge Support for the Arts in COVID-19 Relief Legislation

Congress is negotiating the next round of COVID-19 relief this week, and now is the time to let them know just how vital those funds are for the arts. Making sure artists have access to relief resources is critical in shaping the future of the creative economy. That's why American Craft Council joined a group of arts organizations signing a letter to Congress asking for extended and additional funding to support the arts sector. You can help champion our cause by telling your representatives that you support these initiatives.

Here's what we're asking Congress to sign into law. This letter will be submitted to senate and house leaders by July 22.

Today's the day to urge for support. Go to: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LJjt6qZErLGvHSaci3URHvIXgFdep5jn/view>

Americans for the Arts makes it easy to assert your voice. Learn more about the push for arts support on the Americans for the Arts' webpage, which includes a quick and easy tool for you to contact your representatives to ask them to support this necessary additional funding for the arts.

If the arts are an important part of your life, please take action today and urge for the arts to be included in this round of COVID-19 relief.

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Gillibrand Statement on the Passing of Congressman John Lewis

Washington, D.C. - Addressing the passing of Congressman John Lewis, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand issued the following statement:

“Congressman John Lewis was an American legend, whose courage and leadership in the civil rights movement and the House of Representatives laid the foundation for a more equal and just future. It was a tremendous honor to work alongside John Lewis on many important issues, from fighting discrimination to expanding voting rights. While today our country mourns the loss of an icon, John Lewis' legacy will live on in every American who believes in and fights for freedom and justice.”

Gillibrand Joins Bipartisan Call to Invest \$5.6 Billion in COVID-19 Vaccine Development and Support

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand joined a bipartisan call to dedicate federal funding in the next coronavirus relief package to boost the country's vaccine supply and distribution system. Robust vaccine infrastructure will be critical to manufacture and deploy a future COVID-19 vaccine. Gillibrand and her colleagues are calling on Congress to provide at least \$5.6 billion in funding for vaccine distribution, provider training, public education, and expanded vaccine access.

“In order to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, equitable distribution of a safe and effective vaccine will be vital,” said Senator Gillibrand. “That's why we must invest in reinforcing vaccine infrastructure across the country, so that our state and local governments can efficiently distribute a future vaccine, especially to high-risk populations. I'm proud to stand with my colleagues in our call for critical funding to fight this unprecedented public health crisis.”

State and local governments must boost their vaccine infrastructure in preparation for successful deployment of a future vaccine, to prevent infections, save lives, and safely get Americans back to school and work. To successfully deploy a future vaccine, they will need resources to purchase vaccines and storage equipment, launch provider and community education and outreach, build and strengthen immunization information systems or registries, and conduct ongoing virus surveillance and response. Gillibrand and her colleagues are calling for at least \$3.6 billion for state and local vaccine infrastructure and distribution systems to ensure that a vaccine can reach every community. Additionally, as public health experts warn of increasing health risks of COVID-19's expected overlap with flu season later this year, the senators are requesting an additional \$2 billion over Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 for flu awareness, education, and vaccination campaigns to ensure people get vaccinated for the flu.

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The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

In these dog days of July, the music is just as red hot.

Sunday afternoons especially. There's RAFTER'S in Callicoon for their amazing array of talent at their open mic. And there is CABERNET FRANK'S in Parksville. This is where I was last Sunday.

Most solo artists and groups performing here are a bit last minute (do to it being outside only and weather permitting), but once again, I'm never disappointed. That afternoon it was JOHNNY JULES, sort of solo, a lovely woman performer named JESSICA, both on stage with the most versatile and competent NICKY REDD on percussion.



You all know how I much I respect JOHNNY JULES' talent, and his cache of friends and fans always turn out. That Blue Grassy, Blues, Countryish style of his certainly keeps me coming back

CABERNET FRANK'S is going "farm to table" and the farm they will be working with, JESSICA is the manager of. So not only is she a talented singer but she's incredibly knowledgeable. What I really liked about her performance was the way she handled the cover songs. She made them, well, different...and brilliantly so! She made the old tried and true more like originals with her spin on each. I loved it! I've only heard this done this well once before, many years ago. It was refreshing.



And then, to my surprise, the best voice in radio, KATHY GEARY took the stage next and that voice that one hears on her WJFF radio show, THEN AND NOW, translates beautifully to the live stage with her repertoire of originals. I met her initially at CABERNET FRANK'S and was delighted to see her perform again at the Open Mic at RAFTERS. This, however, was the first time I was able to hear her for more than a song or two. She really is an amazing songwriter with that voice that just draws you in.

Might I add that masks and social distancing are the norms here still. I was comfortable.

I did hear something worrisome from a young early 20-something at the next table. She clearly said that this CoVid thing was a hoax....to I might add the horror of the other three at the table. Each had lost either a family member or friend to this. She remained silent after this, but it was easy to see she didn't believe them. Sometimes I really wonder about people. (Contd. Pg. 12)

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A Local Discovery and Revelation

I've traveled to 35 countries as of now. I've explored and witnessed various countries, cultures, people, food, you name it. Asia, Europe, the Americas. Granted, I haven't seen the whole world and there is definitely far more in our world for me to experience.



If you couldn't tell, I love traveling, both internationally and domestically. Therefore, being "stuck" in a place is not exactly ideal for me. On a particularly antsy day recently, I decided to go for a run in a place I'd never been before: The Walkway Over the Hudson.

To be entirely honest with you, I'd never even heard of it. I got a recommendation from someone and decided I should investigate it.

After all, I have nothing else to do, right?

I didn't expect much. Just a bridge over the Hudson River. But, I can happily say that I was shocked by what I found. I mean, yes, that is precisely what it turned out to be, but for me, it was more than just that.

The Walkway Over the Hudson was such a tranquil place and, when engulfed in sunlight, it illuminated why the Hudson Valley is so special, so beautiful, so sought after.

While I jogged on the perfectly paved walkway, I enjoyed seeing the (safely distant) people walking, running, biking on the walkway with me. How diverse, happy, and friendly they were! (Contd. Pg. 12)



The Scene Too

(From Pg. 11) With these few places opening up responsibly, and those patroning these places also acting responsibly, there are many who still are not comfortable going out. Some have told me that going out even for groceries evokes anxiety. I get it. Some who have gone out, have done so only once. I get that too. Living in fear is not how to live, but here we are...just waiting for what's next.

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

Her Quirky Journey:

A Local Discovery and Revelation

(From Pg. 11)

The view it offered was unparalleled by anything I'd seen before. The vibrant greenery, the both nearby and distant mountains, speckles of buildings, the glistening Hudson River below, and even the neighboring Mid-Hudson Bridge and in the distance, the Newburgh Beacon Bridge.



I stopped running in the middle of the Walkway, obviously to snap a few photos and catch my breath, but more so to bask in the glorious view, sun, and energy of the Hudson. It truly was something special and almost divine of which to simply be a part.

As much as I love traveling anywhere and everywhere, there is simply no place like my home and nowhere else I feel so at-home: the Hudson Valley.

Please note that the next regular Fallsburg Board of Education Meeting has been rescheduled to July 22, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Thank You.



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Interview With The Author: Harry Dolan

(From Pg. 5)

What makes a character compelling?

I think a compelling character is one who has believable motivations. You need to know what drives your characters: what they want and who they care about. This goes for both the heroes and the villains. Your antagonist can't be a cardboard cut-out or a mere roadblock in the hero's path. The best antagonists can justify their actions, if only to themselves; they believe they're doing the right thing. The chief villain in *The Good Killer*, Jimmy Harper, is seeking revenge on Sean and Molly for a grave wrong they did to him in the past; he believes he's perfectly justified in pursuing them.

Do you use humor in your work?

I never try to force humor in, but I find it grows out of the interplay of the characters and their relationships with one another. I tend to write a lot of dialogue, and I'm always on the lookout for a sharp, witty line. In *The Good Killer*, the main protagonist, Sean, is a former soldier, and he's haunted by the memory of a friend he served with in Iraq. This friend, Cole, died years before the story opens, but he appears in flashbacks-and also in the present day, as a voice in Sean's head. Sean and Cole have whole conversations with each other that take place only in Sean's mind, with Cole offering a wry commentary on Sean's actions. It's a playful relationship infused with humor-sometimes dark, bitter humor-and I greatly enjoyed writing it.

Do you use long, detailed and in-depth descriptions of your characters and their environs?

With respect to character descriptions, I believe less is more. Certainly with protagonists I tend to keep physical descriptions to a minimum, leaving it to the reader to fill in the details. Minor characters are likely to get more description, in order to distinguish them from one another and add color to a scene. As for descriptions of places, I try to give enough to make sense of where the action is taking place, but I operate under the assumption that lengthy descriptions will be skimmed over by the reader.

Are you more comfortable writing in the first, or third person POV?

I've used both, and I feel comfortable with either. In my second and third novels (*Very Bad Men* and *The Last Dead Girl*), I combine the two, with most of the chapters narrated in the first person by my protagonist, but some others in the third person describing the thoughts and actions of the villain. *The Good Killer* is written entirely in the third person, with chapters from the viewpoints of a range of characters: my two protagonists, Sean and Molly, as well as a detective who's trying to track them down, and various antagonists who want them dead. I found it very useful to write this way, cutting from the POV of one character to the POV of another in order to build suspense and drive the narrative forward.

Where could you be reached on the World Wide Web?

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Thx again for your insights and expertise, and for taking time out to speak with our audience today. Please keep us in your contacts list and let the MBR know about your next literary project.

**Volunteers from the Catskill Center's
Catskill Fire Tower Project Return
to Open Hunter Mountain Fire Tower
on Weekends**

July 17, 2020 - HUNTER, NY -- The Catskill Center is excited to announce that the Hunter Mountain Fire Tower in Hunter, NY has reopened to visitors for the season, including its top cab, on weekends and holidays. The Hunter Fire Tower is staffed by a team of volunteer interpreters who are part of the Catskill Center's Catskill Fire Tower Project - on Saturdays, Sundays, and holiday Mondays

Earlier in the season the Tower had remained closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In light of the ongoing concerns, the Tower has been reopened in a cautious way with multiple new safety measures in place. To protect other hikers and the Catskill Center volunteers staffing the tower, visitors are required to wear a face mask when climbing on the Tower, to use hand sanitizer before and after climbing on the Tower, and only members of the same party climb together. Fire Tower volunteers will have hand sanitizer available.

"We are excited that we are in a place where we have been able to begin reopening the Catskill Park's Fire Towers," said Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center. "These Towers are some of the most scenic and popular destinations in the Park and now with our volunteers from the Catskill Fire Tower Project beginning to return, the public will have the opportunity to once again enjoy the towers and learn about how to help responsibly enjoy and protect the Catskill Park on their visit."

Hunter Mountain is a terrific hike no matter which direction you're coming from. It's the second tallest mountain in the Catskills at 4039 feet in elevation (and the highest point in Greene County). The Fire Tower on the top is a 60-foot Aermotor Co. steel tower built originally in 1917 for forest fire surveillance.

Hikers planning to get to the top should be prepared with the 10 essentials in their backpacks (see the DEC's website here https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/lands_forests_pdf/hikesmart-essentials.pdf) and prepared for a challenging hike. The level of difficulty varies by trail as do the sights hiker see along the way. From the west side parking lot on Spruceton Road the hike is 7.4 miles roundtrip. From the east side at Stony Clove Notch on route 214, the hike is 5.1 miles with a very steep climb of 2200'. The easiest trail to access the Fire Tower is from Colonel's Chair after taking the Hunter Mountain Sky Ride (fees apply). The Sky Ride is currently closed with plans to reopen in the coming weeks. The hike from Colonel's Chair to Hunter Fire Tower is 4.2 miles roundtrip with less uphill, just under 900' of elevation gain.

"The view from the top of the Hunter Mountain Fire Tower is a gorgeous 360-degree panorama of the surrounding Catskill Mountains that includes the Blackhead Range and the Devil's Path Range," said Olivia Bernard, the Catskill Center's Fire Tower Project Coordinator. "On a clear day, the other Catskill Fire Towers can be seen far off in the distance. To enjoy this view, just remember to bring your face mask, your hand sanitizer, and pack your 10 hiking essentials to have a safe and enjoyable hike"

The five backcountry Catskill Park Fire Towers are owned and maintained by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) with support from the Catskill Center. A sixth Catskill Park Fire Tower is now located on the grounds of the Catskills Visitor Center (catskillsvisitorcenter.org), having opened in the Fall of 2019. You can learn more about the Fire Towers of the Catskill Park on the Catskill Center's website at catskillcenter.org/fire-tower-project. (Contd. Pg. 14)

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Volunteers from the Catskill Center's Catskill Fire Tower Project Return to Open Hunter Mountain Fire Tower on Weekends

(From Pg. 13) The volunteer program at the Hunter Mountain Fire Tower is a part of Catskill Center's Catskill Fire Tower Project. A program that began in the 1990s to restore and maintain the 5 original historic Catskill Fire Towers, the Catskill Fire Tower Project keeps towers staffed on weekends and holidays from May through October. Volunteers greet and speak with visitors to the Catskill Park; providing regional and historical information, and encouraging best hiking practices to protect and

preserve the Park. As a member-supported effort, the Catskill Fire Tower Project relies on donations and membership contributions to the Catskill Center. To support the Catskill Fire Tower Project, make a donation and become a member of the Catskill Center at catskillcenter.org/membership.

Legislature Restores Full Crew to DMV

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Legislature today unanimously approved the return of the final furloughed clerk in the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Office, effective August 3.

"Our intent is that our local DMV Office be fully staffed so that a tremendous backlog of transactions can be addressed," said Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty. "I thank people for being (and continuing to be) patient, but our citizens have understandably been stressed and frustrated by the inability to timely obtain licenses, registrations, plates and renewals."

"Even with the limitation of appointments to Sullivan County residents, our DMV employees cannot keep up with thousands of requests," explained County Clerk Russell Reeves, who oversees DMV. "I thank the legislators for continuing to lift the furloughs so that my office can begin to return to normal operations."

Drop boxes continue to be available solely for registration renewals and plate surrenders.

The DMV Office is taking in-person visits by appointment only. Customers can call 845-794-3872 to schedule an appointment, but operators are extremely busy helping customers and may not be able to answer at that moment. Messages cannot be left at this number - only appointments made with a live operator will be accepted. Walk-ins without an appointment will not be serviced at DMV during this time.

All business, whether by drop box or appointment, is limited to Sullivan County residents only.

"We continue to ask for the public's patience while we address all the transactions that have been delayed due to DMV's three-month closure," Reeves stated.

Office of Assemblymember Cahill Concludes Virtual Setting and Returns to District Office

(Kingston, NY) - After four months of serving constituents from their homes, the staff of Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill has returned to the Assembly District Office at the Governor Clinton Building at 1 Albany Avenue in Kingston. The necessary protocols have been established to ensure the safety of visitors, staff and building residents.

"My staff is excited to return to working safely alongside our neighbors at the Governor Clinton Building. While recognizing the threat that Covid-19 still poses, our renowned constituent services will be offered in a modified setting, while we gradually increase our in-person availability to the public. The health and safety of the community we are dedicated to serve and our district representatives remain paramount," said Assemblymember Cahill.

While the office is not open to the public for walk-in visits, limited appointments are available and will be conducted in a safe, socially-distanced space when electronic alternative is unavailable or overly inconvenient for the public. Schedule Request Forms as well as other noteworthy materials, including the 2020 Summer Reading & Exercise Challenge Brochures and Voter Registration Applications, are available for door-side pick-up. If you are in need of assistance please contact us at 845-338-9610, or by email at cahillk@nyassembly.gov.

Sen. Metzger to Participate in State Legislature's Joint Hearings to Address the Impact of COVID-19 on Important Local Issues

Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...The New York State Senate and Assembly have announced a series of joint legislative hearings to examine the impacts of COVID-19 on higher education, residential care facilities and hospitals, jobs and employment, the veteran community, and elections—all areas of major concern to communities in Senator Metzger's district, which includes Sullivan County and parts of Orange, Ulster and Delaware Counties.

“This pandemic affected every aspect of our society and economy, from healthcare and education to workplace safety and how we vote, and it is important to take stock of our experiences to date, learn from them, and chart a path forward that will make New York stronger and more resilient,” said Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42). “The State Legislature is proactively investigating these issues to best prepare our communities as we continue to fight this virus and reopen our economy.”

State Offering Assistance in Paying Rent – One-Time Only, But Can Help Up to Four Months

Liberty, NY - Those renting their housing in Sullivan County and throughout New York State may have a portion of that rent covered in response to the impacts from coronavirus, under a new program announced by the State.

The NYS COVID Rent Relief Program will provide eligible households with a one-time rental subsidy that will be sent directly to the household's landlord. Applicants will not need to repay this assistance. Applications will be accepted through July 31, 2020. The State will prioritize eligible households with greatest economic and social need, accounting for income, rent burden, percent of income lost and risk of homelessness.

The rental assistance payment will cover the difference between the household's rent burden on March 1, 2020 and the increase in rent burden for the months the household is applying for assistance. Tenants can apply for up to four months in rental assistance.

Eligible households must meet the following criteria:

- o The housing unit must be the tenant's primary home and located in New York State.

- o Before March 1, 2020 and at the time of application, household income must have been below 80% of the area median income, adjusted for household size. In Sullivan County, the median income is:

- o One-person household: \$42,300
- o Two-person household: \$48,350
- o Three-person household: \$54,400
- o Four-person household: \$60,400
- o Five-person household: \$65,250
- o Six-person household: \$70,100
- o Seven-person household: \$74,900
- o Eight-person household: \$79,750

- o Before March 1, 2020 and at the time of application, the household must have been paying more than 30% of gross monthly income towards rent. Gross income includes wages as well as any cash grants, child support, social security, unemployment benefits, etc.

- o Applicants must have lost income during the period of April 1, 2020 to July 31, 2020.

(NOTE: If a tenant is receiving a Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher

for their housing costs or resides in public housing and their rent cannot be more than 30% of their income, they are not eligible.)

For more information and to apply, visit <https://hcr.ny.gov/RRP>.

Chairman Cahill Announces Recent Action by Assembly Committee on Insurance

(Albany, NY) - Assembly committee meetings have reconvened this week to consider a broad range of topics. “I am pleased to have joined my colleagues in the State Legislature to take up numerous bills awaiting action. As Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, I am proud to have advanced several legislative items of note,” said Assemblymember Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess).

Just as he took the lead in bringing application based ride sharing to New York, Chairman Cahill moved a bill, A.7422 (Rodriguez)/S.5995 (Breslin), out of committee with full bi-partisan support to authorize and provide a structure for peer-to-peer car sharing. The legislation, co-sponsored by Assemblymember Cahill, establishes a method for properly insuring involved parties, creates safety regulations and provides for much needed consumer protections. This landmark proposal would allow New York to join the rest of the country in enabling short-term vehicle lending services, while also generating revenues towards public and mass transit.

“The sharing economy is an undeniable part of 21st century American life. From renting out an unused bedroom to lending a car that sits in the driveway, folks are looking for additional streams of income to pay their bills,” Cahill said. “In our state, the final roadblock was resolving the vehicular liability for participants and third parties, which had effectively prohibited owners from offering peer-to-peer vehicle rentals. This sweeping piece of legislation would enable individuals to share their cars while they are not being used and allow travelers to more easily go where public transportation is not as accessible.”

Also reported out of the Insurance Committee, A.5952-A (Rosenthal L.) / S.3159-A (Harckham) assists in the battle to combat the opioid epidemic being experienced throughout the state. Receiving overwhelming bipartisan support, this bill prohibits life insurers from refusing to issue a policy to those who have been prescribed Naloxone and other prescriptions to block the effects of an overdose.

“Without this legislative action, those who have overcome a narcotic dependency had the potential to be denied coverage or insured at exorbitant rates because they have been treated in the past. The bipartisan consensus on this legislation shows that there is united commitment amongst the Assembly Insurance Committee members to encourage access to life saving measures. We will continue to examine new ways of ensuring the health and safety of New Yorkers suffering from the disease of addiction,” concluded Assemblymember Cahill.

All told, over 20 measures were considered by the Insurance Committee, including a favorable reporting of a measure (A5070) by Assemblyman William Barclay, Minority Leader of the Assembly, which would mandate notice by the Department of Financial Services of gaps in insurance coverage by residents who suffer from persistent flooding from Lake Ontario. The Committee met remotely using teleconferencing tools and the full deliberations were audio broadcast through the Assembly website.

Mr. Cahill also serves as a committee member for Ways & Means, Economic Development, Health and Higher Education, all of which have met this week as well. The bills having been considered by the committees cover a broad range of issues from privacy in contact tracing to matters of local importance. Bills reported from the various committees are awaiting final determination of a floor vote during session next week.



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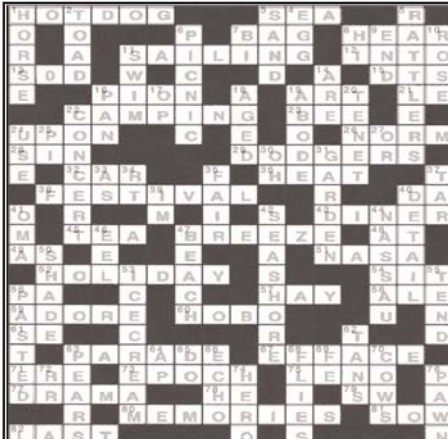
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Ans to last week's Crossword



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Farmer's Market Coupons Available

Monticello, NY - The Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program provides an opportunity for eligible seniors to support local farmers and improve nutritional health by increasing their consumption of locally grown fresh fruits, vegetables and fresh-cut herbs.

"Consuming fresh fruits and vegetables can increase the quality of your diet and decrease your risk of hypertension, cancer and cardiovascular disease," says Sullivan County Office for the Aging Nutrition Coordinator Jane Bozan.

The Office will be distributing Farmer's Market Coupon Booklets beginning July 13. Each booklet contains five (5) \$4 coupons, for a total of \$20. Coupons are valid through November 30, 2020 at participating Farmer's Markets.

Coupons are available to eligible seniors on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to take advantage of this program, you must be a New York State resident and 60 years of age or older. You must affirm that your maximum income is:

- o 1-person household - \$1,968 a month; or
- o 2-person household - \$2,658 a month; or
- o 3-person household - \$3,349 a month; or
- o currently receiving or eligible for SSI, public assistance, food stamps or Section 8 housing.

For further information, please contact the Office at 845-807-0241.

Coupons will be available at the following locations:

Monticello – Neighborhood Farmers Market - Thursday, July 13th, 20th, 27th, 12:00

Liberty – Creekside Park, Farmers Market Friday, July 17th, July 24th - 3:00

Mamakating – Wurtsboro, Community Church, 134 Sullivan Street

Thursday, July 16th, 22nd, 10:30 - 12:30

Tusten – Narrowsburg Farmers Market Saturday, July 18th at 10:00

Callicoon– Callicoon Creek Park, Farmers Market Sunday, July, 19th, 11:00

Livingston Manor – Presbyterian Church, Senior Center Thursday, July 23rd, 2:00

Monticello – Federation for the Homeless Friday, July 24th, 11:30

Bethel Kauneonga Lake Farmers Market Saturday, July 25th, 10:00

Loch Sheldrake Public Parking lot, Rt.52 & Hasbrouck Rd, Loch Sheldrake Wednesday, July 22nd, 29th , 3:00

"Check out your local area Farmer's Markets, whether you are eligible or not for the Farmer's Market Nutrition Program," adds Bozan. "Most markets are open until the beginning of November."

Summer Food Service Program

The Fallsburg CSD announces its participation in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals will be provided to all children 18 years and under without charge. In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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Sen. Metzger Honors Sullivan County Businesses with Empire Awards for Exceptional Efforts during the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond

Sullivan County, NY...Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) yesterday presented New York State Senate Empire Awards to Foster Supply Hospitality and Prohibition Distillery, two Sullivan County businesses that have stepped up in times of need during this pandemic.



Senator Metzger presents Kirsten Harlow Foster and Sims Foster with a NYS Empire Award.

Senator Metzger first traveled to Youngsville to present Sims and Kirsten Harlow Foster, co-founders of Foster Supply Hospitality, with a New York State Senate Empire Award in recognition of their dedication to revitalizing Sullivan County's economy and giving back to their community. The Fosters, who own and operate a number of small independent inns and restaurants, are committed to hiring and sourcing locally for their businesses, with a significant multiplier effect for the local economy. The couple also started a non-profit organization, A Single Bite, to educate public school students about food and where it comes from, and the value of good nutrition. During the pandemic, the Fosters shifted the focus of their organization to producing nutritious meals for food insecure families, preparing over 20,000 meals to date. As with the meals served in their restaurants and inns, their donated meals use ingredients from local farms where possible. The Fosters have teamed up with local Rotary and Lions Clubs in this food assistance effort, known as Operation Feed Phase 2.

"Sims Foster has deep roots in Sullivan County and he and Kirsten have made tremendous personal investments in improving nutrition and addressing food security in the county, and are greatly deserving of this Senate Empire Award," said Senator Metzger. "As Senate Agriculture Chair, I also applaud them for their conscious efforts to source ingredients locally for both their business and philanthropic pursuits, supporting our family farms. These are model practices I would love to see adopted widely throughout our region."

In March, when New York faced shortages of disinfectant supplies to prevent the spread of COVID-19, Prohibition Distillery owner Brian Facquet transformed his Roscoe-based bourbon cream, gin, whiskey, and vodka production operation to make 16-ounce bottles and 5-gallon jugs of hand sanitizer, producing more than 50,000 gallons for hospitals, food processing businesses, package delivery services, and other essential industries affected by supply shortages. Mr. Facquet, who is also vice

president of the New York State Distillers Guild, received the Empire Award from Senator Metzger at the Distillery's Union Street location.



Senator Metzger presents Brian Facquet with a NYS Empire Award.

"Prohibition Distillery showed great innovation and leadership, retooling the business to address a public health necessity at a critical time, and is very deserving of this award," said Senator Metzger.

Senator Metzger on Sullivan County Taking Steps to Sell Nursing Home and Short-Term Rehabilitation Facility, Care Center

"I am extremely concerned about the impacts that the sale of the Care Center at Sunset Lake could have on the quality of care residents receive, as well as on the county employees who care for them. We have seen too many examples of nursing homes cutting costs at the expense of residents' care once they've been privatized. While I understand the severe fiscal constraints the County faces as a result of this pandemic, the sale of this facility is a permanent decision with long-term impacts that should be carefully considered. The U.S. House of Representatives has passed a relief package that includes assistance to counties, and hopefully the Senate will act soon and counties will see some fiscal relief in the coming months."

Senator Jen Metzger Receives Nearly 1,000 Contributions toward Re-Election since January, Raising over \$140,000

Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...Senator Jen Metzger received nearly 1,000 individual contributions to her re-election campaign since January, raising over \$140,000 in the last six months. The majority of contributions were \$50 or less, and over 75 percent were from in-district small dollar donors. Senator Metzger does not accept any contributions from corporations, industry groups, or lobbyists. Her re-election campaign now has over \$330,000 cash on hand.

"Our campaign runs on grass-roots contributions from real people, and I'm thrilled that in just the last six months, we have seen roughly the same number of individual contributions that we did for the entirety of last year," said Senator Metzger. "I've never accepted one cent from corporate interests and never will. My job is to be a voice in Albany for the people I represent."

Senator Metzger Announces Members of her Student Advisory Council Convenes First Meeting

Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) convened the first meeting of her 23-member Student Advisory Council this past week. The Council members attend high schools across Senator Metzger's district, which includes Sullivan County and parts of Orange, Ulster, and Delaware Counties, and were selected in part for their demonstrated commitment to the betterment of their communities.



Senator Metzger's Student Advisory Council will provide input on legislative initiatives and work closely with the Senator and her staff to tackle youth-specific issues and concerns in their communities. Students will learn directly from the Senator about how the State legislative process works and the priorities of the current legislative session.

At the first meeting, the committee delved into the topic of climate change, which was a topic that most of the students listed among their top issues during the application process, and one that has been a top priority of the Senator's. Senator Metzger invited guest speakers Jeremy Cherson from Riverkeeper and Tim Guinee from the Climate Reality Project to address the Advisory Council, and the students then discussed the approaches they thought would be most effective to reduce the severity of climate change, including actions that can be taken at state and local levels.

"We got right down to business in our first meeting of my Student Advisory Council to discuss the challenge of climate change and how we should tackle it," said Senator Jen Metzger. "Their generation will be deeply affected by the actions that government takes, and I feel very fortunate to work with such a bright, engaged group of students, and get their perspectives on this important issue."

A full list of high schools attended by members of Senator Metzger's Student Advisory Council is below, and student names are available upon request.

Fallsburg Junior-Senior High School • Goshen Central High School • Highland High School • Kingston High School • Liberty High School • New Paltz High School • Pine Bush High School • Port Jervis High School • Rondout Valley High School in Accord • S.S. Seward Institute in Florida • Sullivan West High School in Lake Huntington • Tri-Valley Secondary School in Grahamsville

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Many organization and municipalities are now using the internet to conduct meetings and to communicate with members and the community. We welcome all organizations and municipalities who will be utilizing the internet to do so and to submit their contact information (URL) and we will post the information on our Calendar of Events.

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Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/15/2020 Neverink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm

8/16/2020 Claryville Fire Department **** All You can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7am -12 noon

8/29/2020 Claryville Fire Department **** Annual Craft and Vendor Fair** 10 am- 4 pm

**** We will be following the CDC guidelines for Covid-19! Please remember that we will be doing everything possible to keep all of our members and customers safe and healthy**

Save the Date!

Due to the COVID 19 restrictions and concerns we had to make the difficult decision to postpone Matthew Bertholf's **Memorial Horseshoe Tournament** until next year. It has been **rescheduled for Sunday, July 11, 2021** and will be held at the Neversink Fire Department's Pavilion. Next year will the **10th anniversary** of this tournament. Looking forward to seeing you then!!! Our 2020 scholarship recipients are Logan Cossack and Michael Babcock.

2020 Virtual Catskills Youth Climate Summit Thursdays, **Oct. 1, 15, 29; Nov. 12, 2020** via Zoom 3:30-5:00 pm Free for students grades 7-12 + advisor. If you have further questions or want to sign up, please contact Jeanne Darling (jmd30@cornell.edu) or call 607-865-6531.

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

COVID-19 ONLINE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

This on-line support group is new and is for those who have lost a loved one to Covid-19.

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Go to:

<https://hospiceoforange.com/grief-symptoms-can-be-heightened-during-this-current-community-health-crisis/>

Tri-Valley Elementary School

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**Time and the Valleys Museum
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The Time and the Valleys Museum exhibit committee is searching for a photo of Helen Aldrich. If anyone has one please contact Phyllis Coombe at: phyllisncoombe@hvc.rr.com or 845-985-7530 and she will help to arrange to get the pictures.

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65th Anniversary**

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Please contact Jean Keesler at jkeesler1@yahoo.com or 845-985-7879.

**Time and the Valleys
One Room School Project**

Question??

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The Staff is also looking forward to hearing from community families whose ancestors might have experienced schooling at one room schools. We are specifically looking for the following pre 1920 items: lunch pails or boxes; children's clothing and toys; two 48 star flags; ice skates; bikes; pictures or other memorabilia of former schools.

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Pickup date: Sunday, August 2, between 11:30 am to 1:30 pm (Masks required)

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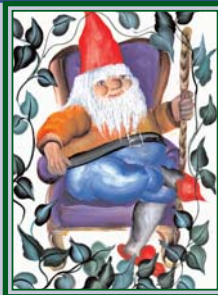
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THE LADY EVE

TV-PG, 1941, 1HR 34MIN, CC, COMEDY
STARRING BARBARA STANWICK

also starring, Henry Fonda, Charles Coburn, Eugene Palette, William Demarest, Eric Blore, Melville Cooper, Martha O'Driscoll. Directed by, Preston Sturges, The Lady Eve is brilliantly funny. An early attempt at entertain-



ing by making a woman a card sharp genius. The film is from one of Hollywood's most intuitively inspired film-makers of the 1940's. Not quite the

attention getter of films in this genre, however, it is well worth a viewing.

2:15 AM ON TCM EARLY THURSDAY MORNING JULY 30, 2020 HONORING THE GENIUS OF FRANK CAPRA, AND TO HONOR ALL THOSE AMAZING FEMALE ACTORS THAT HAVE REMAINED VIRTUALLY UNKNOWN - LIKE THE SWEET PURITY OF PRISCILLA LANE IN

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE

Sep 21, 1944 · Directed by Frank Capra. starring Cary Grant, Priscilla Lane, Raymond Massey, Jack Carson, Peter Lorrie, John Alexander. A drama critic learns on his wedding



day that his kind maiden aunts are poisoning homeless men. Believing, they are helping them get to heaven, and the rest of their crazy family

abounds in insanity, from Teddy Roosevelt Brewster charges up the stairs, (San Juan Hill), the kind ladies brother is Jonathan Brewster a serial killer, assisted by another murderer Dr. Einstein, a bogus plastic surgeon who disfigures his patients. Superb acting by all, Cary Grant is outrageously funny.

- Quiz:**
1. Who played Abby Brewster?
 2. Who played Martha Brewster?

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