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A Declaration of Our Independence



A familiar face from Grahamsville; Bill Brenner and his pet dalmatian were among the many volunteer firemen marching and riding in the parade.

The signing of The Declaration of Independence two-hundred forty years ago this July 4th was celebrated in downtown Ellenville on Monday.

The festivities began in the morning in Liberty Square where Arts and Crafts were on display and for sale. There was a variety of food vendors who offered many tempting and tasty delights.

By noon people were lined up along the streets anxiously waiting to witness the largest Independence Day Parade in the region!



Students from Ellenville proudly celebrated their freedom with red, white and blue balloons, a symbol of independence.

Stars and stripes were everywhere! Viewers stood at attention as the American Flag passed and the National Anthem was sung. The parade followed with music, marching bands, antique cars, floats, and many volunteers. Young children were ready to catch the goodies offered by participating organizations.

That was not all. There was a beautiful display of fireworks later in the evening at the Joseph Y Resnick Airport. Thank you Ellenville Wawarsing 4th of July Committee! You filled this year's celebration of Independence Day with lasting memories that demonstrate our freedom.

Governor Cuomo and Elected Officials Participate in Outdoor Activities to Herald the Growth of Tourism throughout Upstate New York

Joined by Robert De Niro, Governor Launches Series of New Initiatives, Including TV Ads, an MTA Tourism Ad Campaign and New Investments to Attract Visitors and Enhance Tourism Infrastructure in the Hudson Valley



will nominate the site of the 1969 Woodstock Music and Art Fair's location in Bethel to the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The Woodstock festival drew an audience of over 400,000 people and is widely regarded as a pivotal moment in popular music history. (Contd. Pg. 8)

State to Nominate 1969 Woodstock Concert Site to the State and National Registers of Historic Places

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today hosted the first-ever Catskill Summer Challenge highlighting the world-class attractions and activities readily available in the Catskills with the goal of driving tourism and boosting the region's economy. The event kicked off at the Bethel Woods Center for the Performing Arts and will continue at outdoor locations throughout the region. The Challenge brings together local elected officials, tourism industry leaders and outdoor enthusiasts to participate in a variety of outdoor recreational activities including rafting, biking, hiking and fly fishing. Actor Robert De Niro, who is a longtime Catskills resident, also joined the Governor at the event. The Catskills Challenge is modeled after the Governor's successful Adirondack Challenge, which continues to strengthen tourism in upstate New York.

Before participating in the Challenge, the Governor unveiled a number of initiatives that will continue to support the growth of tourism in the region. These initiatives include a \$5 million ad campaign featuring a new "I Love New York" television ad and advertisements on MTA's subways, buses and commuter rails focused on the Catskills, and new funding for municipal projects and hundreds of thousands of dollars in grants to help Catskill communities strengthen their tourism infrastructure. At the event, the Governor also announced that the state

NYC Educators Visit Water Supply System in the Catskills

More than 40 educators learned about forests, farms, streams and the important role the Catskills play in the nation's largest water supply



Catskill region plays in preserving it. The educators come from a wide range of museums, nonprofit groups and government agencies within the City, including the American Museum of Natural History, National Wildlife Federation, Bronx Children's Museum, Children's Museum of Manhattan, and the New York Harbor Foundation. The annual tour is made possible by a grant from the Watershed Agricultural Council.

More than 40 educators from New York City visited the Catskills on Thursday to learn about the City's water supply system and local partnership programs related to forests, farms and streams. The daylong tour included stops at Rondout Reservoir, the Time and the Valleys Museum, the Frost Valley YMCA Model Forest, and Thunder View Farms. The annual tour provides information and exercises to educate thousands of people in New York City about their high-quality drinking water and the invaluable role the

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it; deliver me because of mine enemies.
Psalm 69:18

COLLEGE NEWS:

Raychelle Osnato of Grahamsville has been named to University of Delaware's Dean's List for the Spring 2016 semester.

Kelly Wells of Hurleyville,, New York, has earned the Master of Library and information Science from Valdosta State University.

Bekah Polonsky has been named to the Marist College Dean's List for the Spring 2016 Semester. Bekah Polonsky is from Grahamsville and is a member of the Class of 2017 and is majoring in Psychology.

Cortney Sawyer of Liberty along with seventeen students from Rochester Institute of Technology's National Technical Institute for the Deaf was recently inducted into the college's first national honor society, Epsilon Pi Tau. This is the first EPT chapter in the nation dedicated to deaf and hard-of-hearing students.

soon and will then be Registered Nurses.

Congratulations to Bill Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Kelly, who was named to the Dean's List at Clarkson College in Potsdam. He had achieved outstanding scholastic achievement during the spring semester. Bill is a freshman majoring in Civil and Environmental Engineering.

July 17, 1986 - Pvt. Joseph Ratner, son of Sharon Rexford of Grahamsville, and Milton T. Ratner of Ferndale, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J. During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid and Army history and traditions.

**Note from
Congressman Chris Gibson**

Dear Friend,

Greetings from Kinderhook, where I've spent the week traveling our beautiful district. It's been a busy week, and a productive one. I started in Otsego County, where I received economic development updates from the Mayor, Industrial Development Agency leadership, and constituents. I will continue to work on ways to coordinate with the county on federal support and other ways we can be helpful. I also had a good discussion at Hartwick College with President Dr. Margaret Drugovich, followed by a tour of their Center for Craft Beer and Beverage. Very impressed with this operation! The NYS Craft Beer industry is on the rise and Hartwick helps facilitate and support that with research, product testing and quality assurance.

In Plattekill, I attended the groundbreaking of a new healthcare facility that will help improve local residents access to quality care. Then, in addition to constituent meetings in Dutchess County, I toured Abilities First in Poughkeepsie, where I saw an organization dedicated to caring for those with disabilities from infancy through adulthood.

Down in Sullivan County, I had an impressive site tour of the major family resort that is coming to Monticello, along with meetings with Sullivan County Legislators to get an update on their priorities.

And yesterday, I attended the 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in Hyde Park. I was reminded once again how lucky we are to have so many national treasures right in our backyard. I also had the opportunity yesterday to meet with a local first grader who honored me with a drawing and writing he did on me for school. It is always inspiring to be around students who exhibit a passion for public service from such a young age.

Most importantly, I reviewed casework statistics for our office and wanted to share with you what I found. Since the beginning of 2016, my offices have helped 931 constituents with federal issues, from VA benefits to social security and a host of other issues. Just yesterday, as I took meetings in the Kinderhook office, our staff helped secure paperwork to ensure a color guard at the burial this weekend of one our nation's female veterans. I couldn't be prouder of the work we do to help you, and please call one of our offices if we can assist in any federal matter.

This weekend, I am looking forward to Independence Day parades and events across the district. I'm headed to East Durham and Tannersville on Saturday for parades, Minden's 4th on the 3rd Celebration on Sunday, and parades in Saugerties, Narrowsburg, and Windham on Monday. The weather looks to be beautiful across NY-19 this weekend, so I wish you and your families health and happiness as we celebrate our nation's birthday. I hope to see you out at a parade!

Sincerely,
Chris Gibson
Member of Congress

**Neversink Renaissance
Work Evening**

The Time and the Valleys Museum's "Lost Farm" will be the focus of a landscaping work evening with a tentative date of Wednesday July 13th beginning at 4:00. For those unable to arrive at this time, please just come when you can. A rain date of July 14th is also planned. The construction of the barn is progressing nicely and the farm house will be receiving a new front porch shortly. The areas around these buildings will be graded shortly after. We will be planting a few trees and shrubs and preparing wild flower areas for planting.

Should our construction time tables fall behind we will adjust our dates accordingly.

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

July 4, 1956 - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Shaver are the parents of a son, Dale Keith, weight 8 lbs. 3 oz. The baby, born on their wedding anniversary, arrived July 2nd at Liberty Loomis Hospital. Mrs. Shaver is the former Betty Lou Hornbeck. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hornbeck are the maternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Slater have sold their gas station in Lackawack to George Stubblebine whose home near there recently burned. The Slaters have moved to the former Chris Heiselman house on Rocky Hill. Mr. Seymour Charter has opened the garage at Curry formerly operated by Bruce Clark.

June 29, 1966 - A husband and wife team, Mrs. Agnes H. Manell and Mr. Thomas E. Manell of State Rd., Grahamsville, were awarded Master of Science degrees on June 13th at State University College, New Paltz, in the field of secondary education with a major in mathematics. Mrs. Manell is a graduate of Fallsburgh Central School, class of 1955. She will teach at Sullivan County Community College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Higgins, Budd Rd., Woodbourne. Mr. Manell is a graduate of Whitehall Central School, Whitehall, N.Y. He will continue his teaching duties at Tri-Valley.

Miss Sharon Van Keuren became the bride of Wayne J. Klumpp on May 14th at St. Francis R.C. Church, Youngsville. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Van Keuren of Neversink. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Klumpp Sr. of Youngsville.

July 7, 1976 - Congratulations to Mrs. Beverly Carlsen and to Carol Dexheimer who received their A.A.S. Degree in Nursing from UCCC on June 6, 1976, both graduating with honors. Carol received a scholarship in Pediatrics. Both will be taking State Boards

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

Congratulations to Tri-Valley teacher, Patty Shamro, who was the recipient of the "Ruth G. Scully Award" at the Tri-Valley Staff end-of-the-year luncheon. This prestigious award is presented yearly to an outstanding Tri-Valley educator.

Looking for Julie K. Starner, Rn, MS, FNP? Julie is a Grahamsville resident who has been caring for patients in Sullivan County for many years. She is now located at Crystal Run Health Care in Rock Hill. If you wish to schedule an appointment with Julie, call 794-6999.

Three Cheers to Greg Goldstein for adopting a "rescue" draft horse. The horse will be well cared for and gets along well with Greg's other horses.

Three cheers should also be given to the Sullivan County BOCES Construction Technology Crew for the fine job they did building one of the new craft vendor buildings at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Thanks to Lori Schmitz for "getting the ball rolling"!

Plans are being made for a 20th reunion for the Tri-Valley Class of 1996. If you would like to help organize this get-together, contact Amy Barkley Carey.

A new elementary school playground will be built at Tri-Valley on August 27th and 28th. The existing playground has served us well for many years and is in need of replacement.

Some local Boy Scouts will be leaving on July 24th for a week at a Scout Camp in Rodney, Maryland. While there, the boys will work on Scouting activities and will earn new badges.

Several Tri-Valley music students will be attending a "Summer Music Academy" day camp in Monticello for a week in August. Private lessons, small group theory classes and ensemble experiences will be offered.

REMINDER: Vacation Bible School at the Grahamsville Methodist Church..July 31st - August 4th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Children from age 3-12 are welcome to participate in this free program.

Last spring, the Boy Scouts of Troop 97 sponsored a fish and chips dinner. It was held to raise money so that the boys could attend Boy Scout Camp. It was so successful that the Scouts are planning to have another fish and chips or chicken and chips dinner (your choice) on Saturday, September 24th from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. This time the dinner will be held at the Neversink Fire House. Tickets should be purchased in advance from Neil Terwilliger, Chris Morgan or any Boy Scout.

The pool at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds is open. Pool passes can be purchased at the Town Hall.

There are less than 20 places left on the bus for the Parks and Rec trip to see "Samson" at the Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster on August 30th. If you plan to go, contact Jamie ASAP!

Words of Wisdom: Civic responsibility means doing something, not complaining that something ought to be done. In the end, there are few things more beautiful than a kind heart.

CHICKEN BARBEQUE

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE!

Tickets for the Time and the Valleys Museum's annual Fund Raising Chicken Barbeque are now on sale! The barbeque will be held on Saturday, July 30th from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds during the Old Time Fair. This year's BBQ will include: delicious Miller's Chicken, baked beans, macaroni salad, corn on the cob and dessert. Dinners are available to eat in or take out for \$12.

Tickets for the Chicken Barbeque are available at the Time and the Valleys Museum, open Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., at Neversink Town Hall open during regular business hours, and on our website at <http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org/product/chicken-bbq-dinner>.

The very popular chicken BBQ is held at the Museum's Old Time Fair which runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and includes old fashioned activities, old time crafts, pie auction, vendor booths and music. For additional information on the fun and exciting annual events, please contact Debra Kassay at 845 292-2391.

The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville, and is open to the public Thursday through Sunday from Noon to

4 p.m. from Memorial Day to Labor Day, and weekends to Thanksgiving. The Museum has a local history research center, Museum Shop and three floors of interactive exhibitions. Current exhibitions are:

- Water and the Valleys
- Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story
- Picture Yourself(ie) in the 1930s.

For additional information on the Museum please call us at 985-7700 or go online at www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org.

Come to Vacation Bible School 2016

July 31st - August 4th

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Join us at the "Surf Shack" as we "Come and catch the wave of God's Amazing Love!!" This year we will discover and always "remember that the Lord is great and awesome!" (Nehemiah 4:14b)

A community Vacation Bible School will be held this year at Grahamsville United Methodist Church as a shared ministry with the Grahamsville Reformed Church. Through songs and bible stories, crafts, science and recreation, participants will learn about and celebrate our great and awesome God. Children in Grahamsville and the surrounding area are welcome from age 3, if potty trained, to those who have completed sixth grade. Any registration questions can be directed to Pastor Gretchen Fischer, 2016 Vacation Bible School director, at 845-647-4710 or revgdbf@aol.com.

Dinner will be served to the children, their parents and caregivers, and VBS staff at the beginning of each evening. There is no charge to participate in this ministry, however, there will be mission related requests during the week. Monetary donations toward this event are welcome and may be sent to Grahamsville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 86, Grahamsville, NY 12740 with Vacation Bible School noted in the memo line.

Early pre-registration is very helpful to our Vacation Bible School preparations so please seek out a registration form from Pastor Gretchen, the Grahamsville United Methodist Church or the Grahamsville Reformed Church and return it as soon as possible. Registration forms can be returned (one per child) to Reverend Gretchen Fischer at P.O. Box 712, Ellenville, N.Y. A summer celebration of our great and awesome Lord awaits us.

Attention Craftspeople!

Attention craftspeople! Vendor space is available at the Old Time Fair and Chicken BBQ being held by the Time and the Valleys Museum on Saturday, July 30, 11AM - 5PM at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, Rte 55, Grahamsville NY.

We are looking for handcrafted and homemade items produced by the craftspeople. Art work, photographs, jams, honey, plants are also welcome.

Please contact Anne-Marie Kremer at (845) 985 - 2016, annemariekremer@yahoo.com for an application and more information.

Grand Opening of the Ellenville NY AAPC Local Chapter

There will be a Grand Opening of the Ellenville NY AAPC Local Chapter on Wednesday July 13th, 6pm at the Ellenville Regional Hospital

The AAPC or American Academy of Professional Coders was founded in 1988 to provide education and professional certification to physician-based coders and to elevate the standards of medical coding by providing training, certification, networking and job opportunities. Since then, the AAPC has grown to over 155,000 members worldwide and offers 32 certifications encompassing the entire business side of healthcare, including professional service coding, professional billing, medical auditing, clinical documentation, medical compliance and physician practice management. AAPC offers superior training for all stages of healthcare career, whether it be those new to the business of healthcare or experienced medical professionals seeking to advance with the latest industry trends.

All of this and more is now being offered right here at Ellenville Regional Hospital. If you are already a member of the AAPC or have an interest in becoming a member of the world's largest training and credentialing organization for the business of healthcare, join us for our "Grand Opening"!!! We look forward to seeing you there. Any additional information needed, please contact Gina Piccirilli, Manager, Medical Records at Ellenville Regional Hospital at gpiccirilli@ellenvilleregional.org

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 and Jean Helthaler.

The Red Fox - Friend or Foe

A few weeks ago three little red fox puppies were playing in the field behind the Sundown Church as their mother watched. They wrestled and yapped and were as cute as any little puppy at Agway!

A few days later, the scene was a little different. A Red Fox was sighted by several Sundowners with someone's chicken - a woeful sight.

Red foxes are master mousers and considered a good friend by some farmers and orchardists, but are foe to the poultrymen. The red fox will eat big quantities of rodents, berries, fruit, vegetables, rabbits, carrion and poultry.

Red foxes (*Vulpes fulva*) range over most of the U.S. and southern Canada.



Foxes meet to mate during the winter. After mating the pair prepare a safe burrow under a rock wall or tree roots for the 4 to 8 pups that will arrive fifty some days later. The pups are born blind and helpless. They

have very little fur that is brown or gray. The new red coat usually grows in by the end of the first month. Since red foxes have several color phases - black, silver and cross (brown) - any color can occur in the same litter. In two weeks the pups can see but remain down in the den for five more weeks. Then they come out to play near the entrance hole where they retreat to safety at a parental warning bark. Both parents care for their young. The male, or dog fox, will stay around and feed the vixen while she nurses the pups. He will help with teaching the pups to hunt for a few weeks until they are independent. If the vixen is killed while the pups are young, the dog fox will raise them himself.

The Red Fox attains a body length, ranging from 18 inches to 35 inches up to its tail that is between 13 inches and 21 inches when matured. An adult Red Fox will reach a height between 14 inches and 20 inches at the shoulder.

The length of the front foot print of the Red Fox has a dimension of 2.4 inches with a breadth of 1.8 inches, whereas its back foot print has a length of 2.2 inches and a breadth of 1.5 inches. A fox will trot at a velocity, ranging from 3.7 to 8 mph and have a maximum sprinting velocity of 31 mph. Red Fox are extremely nimble. They are competent and can jump a 6 foot fence. They are good swimmers, too.

Red foxes belong to the dog family and can suffer from diseases like mange, distemper and a canine bronchitis. They can also carry rabies.

The average life span of the Red Fox ranges from 2 years to 5 years in the wild.

Red foxes live in many diverse habitats including forests, grasslands, mountains, and even deserts. They also adapt well to human environments such as farms, suburban areas, and even large communities. The red fox's resourcefulness has earned it a legendary reputation for intelligence and cunning.

There are quite a few of us in Sundown who pride ourselves on our egg-laying poultry pets and view the fox as Jaws dressed in fur! The word is out! Several of us have recently lost chickens.

We lost two of our chickens about two weeks ago. We still aren't sure it was a fox. Wanting to keep the fox on our 'friendly list' we searched the internet for ways to deter a fox from having our hens for dinner. Some suggestions were: get a large guard dog; spread lion dung (not a popular import) around the yard; human urine; electric fences; install expensive ultra sound equipment were among a few ideas.

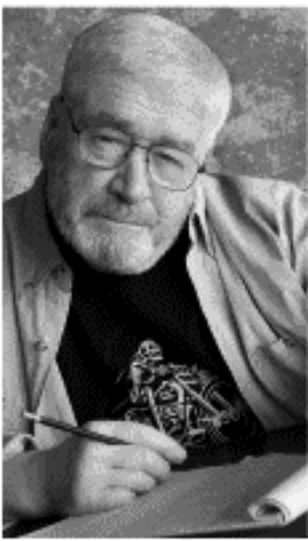
Then there was the most practical of all, make sure the coop is secure. A fox won't dig through a cement floor in a chicken coop. Fortunately the old wood shed that we converted into Chicken Tri Be Ca has a poured a concrete floor! We reinforced the weathered walls and rafters. Before we let 'the girls' free range again, we will install an electric fence.

No wonder farm fresh free range eggs are so expensive!

Household Hints

Make a trap to lure flying insects

Keep the flying gate-crashers at bay during your 4th of July cookout. Place a bowl filled with apple cider vinegar near some food, but away from you and guests. By the evening's end, most of your uninvited guests will be floating inside the bowl.



Spoils of Victory

MBR No. 247

by John Dwaine McKenna

Late last year an authentic, entertaining, and exciting new detective series hit the bookstores and became an instant success. Part crime fiction, part historical fiction and part military fiction, the novel featured a U.S. Army Chief Warrant Officer (CWO) named Mason Collins. He's a Criminal Investigations Division (CID) Officer in Occupied Germany just after the Third Reich's defeat and unconditional surrender. In his debut entitled Ruins of War, CWO Collins was on the hunt for a sadistic, cunning and demented serial killer in the devastated city of Munich. It was one of the best first novels I've reviewed . . . and a yarn I didn't think could be surpassed. Damn! Was I wrong.

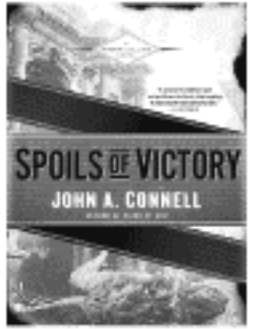
Spoils of Victory, (Berkley/Penguin Random House, \$27.00, 372 pages, ISBN 978-0-425-28156-7) by John A. Connell . . . the second Mason Collins thriller . . . is an absolute barn burner the likes of which we haven't seen since Ludlum or Clancy's first. Yeah. He's that good.

As the novel begins, Collins has been transferred to the alpine town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen. It's an area that's intact--untouched by the allied bombing campaigns--the place many war criminals transit before fleeing Europe and the war crimes tribunals, and it's a place where much of the stolen treasure looted from the banks, museums and Jews of the European occupied territory is situated. Despite its storybook setting and fairytale appearance, Garmisch is a city on the verge of anarchy. Rival gangs, consisting of ex-Nazis, former POWs, deserters from various armies and plain old criminals are fighting for control of a black market teeming with the booty looted from entire continents. It's a target-rich environment for a criminal investigator like Collins, but the appearance of a new, and utterly ruthless group that's bent on taking over by killing all the competition is bad news for the worst kind for the detective. When another undercover operator and his mistress is murdered, right after telling Collins that Allied OSS (Office of Secret Services) operatives are responsible for the black market takeover, he thinks they're being protected by high-ranking army of occupation officers. Collins doesn't know who to trust, or how high up the chain of command the corruption goes. With all of Europe in chaos and tens of tens of millions of looted dollars in possible gains to be had, the most honest of officers might be tempted to go to the dark side, even at the risk of their careers. When the attempts on his life begin, Collins is sucked into an ever-greater, ever-widening, ever-deadlier maelstrom of corruption, conspiracy and criminality from which he may not survive.

You'll just have to read the book to find out if he does, or not, in this electrifying sophomore novel from a monster talent. His name is John A. Connell.

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Community Mitzvah Contest Underway - Seasonal Communities Compete for Top Prize

LIBERTY - Sullivan Renaissance is sponsoring its fourth Community Mitzvah Award contest this summer. The program is designed to engage summer residents in beautification efforts and encourage them to implement projects that will enhance the curb appeal of their prope

erty. The contest is similar to the Sullivan Renaissance beautification competition. Nine seasonal colonies and camps have begun to compete for three top prizes ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

The ten seasonal communities in the 2016 Community Mitzvah Award beautification contest are:

- American Theological, Kiamesha
- Camp Ahavas Israel, Liberty
- Camp HASC, Parksville
- Camp Silver Lake, Woodridge
- Camp Skolya, South Fallsburg
- Camp Tubby Beth Jacob, Woodbourne
- Community Cottages, Woodridge
- Khal Divrei Chaim, Kauneonga Lake
- Pine Tree, Monticello

Participants are observed weekly for six weeks by a data taker who will record what can be seen from the road. The sites will then be visited by a team of judges from outside of Sullivan County in August. The winner will be announced at the Awards Ceremony on Monday, August 8 at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts.

All participating camps and colonies will receive a \$500 seed grant and a \$500 grant upon completion of the project. Each contestant will also be offered two pre-planted containers with instructions on how to care for them. The containers must be maintained throughout the season.

Campers, staff and residents are also required to take part in an educational program and orientation. Those in attendance will participate in an interactive discussion regarding Halachas (codes) of the Shulchan Aruch (the book of laws) identifying a person's responsibility to the earth.

Last year the top award went to American Theological in Kiamesha for beautifying its facility. Second place award went to Khal Divrei Chaim Bungalow Colony in Kauneonga Lake; while third place was awarded to Camp Bais Yaakov in Ferndale. Camp Bais Yaakov also received a special \$1000 "Showing of Flowers Award" for its beautiful flowers.

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ROAD CLOSURE

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Maple Avenue in the Village of Jeffersonville, to repair County Bridge 22. County Bridge 22 is located approximately one-quarter (1/4) of a mile north of the intersection of Maple Avenue and State Route 52. This section of road is scheduled to be closed to traffic starting 7:30 AM, Tuesday, July 18, 2016 and will remain closed for approximately four (4) months.

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will post a detour route using Legion Street, County Road 127, Town Highway 83 (Earl Meyers Rd.), and Town Highway 23 (Faubel Rd.).

"ZAP Mosquitoes: DUMP-YOUR-WATER-WEDNESDAY" Campaign

Sullivan County Public Health Services is kicking off a community outreach campaign to help reduce the risk of Zika virus and other mosquito borne diseases. Currently, there are no travel related or locally acquired cases of Zika virus in Sullivan County, and the mosquitoes that transmit the Zika virus have not been identified this far north to date. However, mosquitoes can cause other diseases.

As part of the Zika Community Education Campaign, Sullivan County Public Health Services has started its "ZAP Mosquitoes: Dump-Your-Water-Wednesday" campaign. The goal of the campaign is to reduce the number of mosquitoes in the environment throughout Sullivan County by dumping standing water in objects near homes, businesses, summer camps, and parks.

Standing water can be found in discarded tires, wading pools, buckets, flowerpots, planters, bird baths and trash containers. These are some of the prime areas for mosquitoes to lay their eggs and hatch.

Sullivan County residents are encouraged to participate in the "Dump-Your-Water-Wednesday" campaign by dumping, scrubbing, cleaning and/or throwing out any items that hold standing water at least once a week, on Wednesdays.

If you can't dump the standing water, you should use a mosquito larvicide, or mosquito dunk kit. These kits are available for free from the New York State Department of Health by calling 1-888-364-4723 or Sullivan County Public Health Services by calling 845-292-5910, ext. 0.

Sullivan Renaissance Awarding a Total of \$5,000 in Grants to three Monticello Businesses to Install Outdoor Seating

MONTICELLO - Through a partnership with Sullivan Renaissance and the Village of Monticello, Sullivan County will be awarding a total of \$5,000 in grants to three Monticello businesses to install outdoor seating. Nelly's Latin Restaurant and the Monticello Bagel Bakery will each receive reimbursement grants of up to \$2,000 for façade improvements and the installation of outdoor seating, while Salt & Pepper the Kitchen will receive \$1,000 for a new outdoor seating area.

Sullivan Renaissance originally provided the grant funding to Sullivan County's Division of Planning and Environmental Management in 2014 as matching funds for a Technical Assistance Grant through the New York Main Street Grant Program. Earlier this year, both parties decided to focus the funding on assistance to improve businesses in the downtown core.

Last month, the county sent letters to all of the property owners in the target area announcing the creation of the "Broadway Monticello Business Improvement Grant Program." Through this program, property owners and businesses could request up to \$2,500 for expenses related to improving curb appeal, such as landscaping, signage, lighting, outdoor seating areas and other exterior improvements. Seven applications were received, and three businesses were awarded

grants.

"The Village of Monticello is so excited to see the energy and enthusiasm that it is gaining momentum on Broadway," remarked Village Manager David Sager. "Not only have a number of new business and eateries opened in recent months, but long-established businesses are also reinvesting in themselves and the village."

In addition, Sullivan Renaissance recently invested nearly \$7,000 to purchase six custom fabricated outdoor game tables that match the benches on Broadway. This summer, four game tables will be installed in the outdoor space at the Crawford Library, and two will be installed at Sharoff Park, providing additional outdoor seating for the community.

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SC Sheriff's Office Marine Patrol Unit to Host a New York State Boater's Safety Course

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office Marine Patrol Unit will host a one-day New York State Boater's Safety Course on Sunday July 10th, 2016. The class will be held from 10 am to 6 pm at the Fallsburg Fire Dept. - 17 Lake Street, South Fallsburg, NY 12779. You must be at least 10 years old to attend and must pass a written test at the end of the session.

Anyone born after May 1, 1996 is now required to pass an approved course in boater education in order to operate a motorboat in New York State. All operators of personal watercraft must be at least 14 and possess the safety certificate.

Seating for the class is limited and pre-registration is required. There is no charge for the course. New York State charges a fee of \$10 for the boaters certificate which does not expire. The fee is waived for students less than 18 years old.

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Happiness is a Wiggly Puppy



Six weeks was much too long to be without the mess and confusion of a dog. No dog can replace our dear Diva, but Hudson, the eleven week old chocolate lab, is keeping me so busy that I don't have time to sob and mope around.

The day starts around five with doggie kisses and a walk outside to see the sunrise. Rested from a full-night's sleep, Hudson exercises those razor sharp teeth on dog biscuits, chew toys, plants on the deck, and my right arm. I am sporting long sleeve shirts to cover up my arm scratches that one might mistake for junkie tracks.

You will notice that I am the one wearing sneaker type shoes with the little back "thingy" chewed off. Hudson has a foot fetish. Shoes adorn table tops and surfaces he has YET to reach.

He also likes paper. The bathroom door is shut to protect the roll of toilet tissue. Reading the morning paper on the couch is an impossibility. We moved outside with coffee and the morning paper to the picnic table which is taller than he is, at the moment, so we can turn the pages while he chews on our toes or sleeps curled up around our ankles.

At about the time the real world awakes, Hudson is passed out prone on the floor snoring loudly.

Hudson's sweet, pouty face and long ears makes him irresistible. Friends fawn over him saying, "Awww...what a cutie. Look at those sad eyes and LOOK AT THOSE BIG FEET." Hudson is destined to be a gentle giant. Good thing, for there was a giant empty spot in our hearts to fill.

UC Legislator Carl Belfiglio Sponsoring Free Community Narcan Training

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Legislator Carl Belfiglio (R -Esopus) is sponsoring a free community Narcan Training in cooperation with Dr. Raymond Harvey from the Institute for Family Health and Marie Shultis, Director of Awareness Inc., on Thursday, July 14 at 6:30 in the Esopus Town Hall.

Narcan (naloxone) is used for the emergency treatment of opioid overdose and has been credited with saving many lives when used by first responders.

"We want to give responsible people the tools to save the life of a loved one who is battling drug addiction," said Belfiglio, "and a Narcan kit will be dispensed to each participant who attends the training."

Legislator Belfiglio is a founding member of Ulster County's Coalition Against Narcotics and represents Ulster County on the New York State Association of County's (NYSAC) Public Health and Mental Health Committee. He also serves on the Legislature's Public Health and Social Services Committee where he has been an outspoken advocate for a variety of health issues from prevention of substance abuse to eating disorders and Lyme disease. Belfiglio was a founding member of Ulster County Coalition Against Narcotics.

Anyone interested in attending this free training can call Awareness, Inc. at 845-417-1484 or email ucawarenessprogram@gmail.com.

"Heroin use is an epidemic," Belfiglio said, "and I have no doubt that this training will save lives."

JULY/AUGUST Activities Abound at Ellenville Public Library for Youth and Adults

MEMORY BOOK Wednesday, July 6, 6:30pm-Birthdays, weddings, travel- make a small keepsake memory book of a special occasion with Jamie Brooks. For ages 14 and up. Bring photos and a theme you want to memorialize. Class size limited; sign up early at 647-5530.

BEADED BRACELET- Wednesday, July 13, 6-8pm Mryna Jargowski will show us how to make a bead bracelet with focus on finishing skills. Class size is limited; sign up early at 647-5530

CSI! Thursday, July 7, 10am. Grades 5 and up. Learn the skill of forensic science from Thorn Jones of Empire State College.

RECYCLED ROBOTS Friday, July 8, 1pm - Grades K and up Build a robot from recycled materials and battle to determine the Most Extreme Robot!

MONDAY MAKERS July 11- August 22, 1-3pm Ages 5 and up (children under 8 with an adult) Build, create, sew, knit-use EPL&M as a makerspace on Mondays!

TEEN DRAWING CLASS Tuesdays, July 12, 19 & 26 2pm-3:30pm Learn classical drawing from direct observation with Shawn Dell Joyce. Materials supplied. Space is limited -sign up early:

T-SHIRT DESIGN Friday, July 15, 1pm Ages 5 and up. (Younger children should be with an adult.) Bring a t-shirt to decorate in honor of your favorite team or sport.

MAKING & SAVING PERSONAL ARCHIVES

July 9, 10am-Noon Do you have a shoebox of old family photos or letters? Kerry Scalfani, Archivist and Program Coordinator at Greater Hudson Heritage Network, will explain how to care for and store your family keepsakes. Jennifer Palmentiero, Digital Services Librarian at Southeastern New York Library Resources Council will share tips for making, storing and managing digital files.

T-SHIRT DECORATING Monday, July 11, 6:30pm Ages 12 and up Bring a t-shirt to tie dye, paint or decorate.

TECH TRY-OUT DAY Sat, July 16, 10am-noon Grades K-8 Try out some "tech" with Eliza Kosoy from the MIT Media Lab: explore Makey Makey, littleBits, or make an LED greeting card!

BEAD BONANZA Tuesday, July 19, 6:30pm Ages 10 and up Brighten someone's day with a necklace, bracelet or even a Minecraft magnet. We've got the beads, bring your ideas!

SILLY SPORTS Friday, July 22, 2pm Ages 5 and up Goofy games to gear up for the Olympics.

FAMILY FORTS Friday, July 22, 6pm For families. Share stories and s'mores and build a blanket fort!

IT'S STORY TIME!

TINY TOTS Wednesdays, 10am June 29-August 3 (No storytime July 20) Stories, rhymes, songs and play time for children birth to age 3 with a caregiver.

PRESCHOOL For children ages 3-5 Mondays 1pm, June 27-Aug 1 (No Storytime July 4) Fridays, 10am, July 8-Aug 5

ON YOUR MARK! STORY CLUB Weds, June 29-Aug 3, 1pm grades K-5 Stories and activities for Summer Reading Club. Sign up: 647-5530

LEGO CLUB! For kids ages 5 and up. We've got the Legos...bring your imagination! Friday, July 29, 1:15pm; August 26, 4:15pm; and Friday, September 30, 4:15pm

MINI ZEN GARDEN Monday, July 25 6:30pm Ages 12 and up Get in the relaxation game: make a mini Zen garden. Sign up: 647-5530.

OPERA for KIDS Tuesday, July 26, 6:30pm Ages 5-12 Act out with Anne Tormela of the Manhattan Lyric Opera. Sign up: 647-5530

HENNA Wed, July 27 6:30pm Ages 12 and up (parental permission required.) Learn about this ancient temporary body art tradition.

GET in the GAME! Friday, July 29, 1-4pm All ages (Children under 8 must be with an adult) (Set in the game with board games and giant Jenga®)

AUGUST

THE GOOD DINOSAUR Friday, Aug 5, 1pm PG movie. Children under 8 must be accompanied.

The PUPPET PEOPLE! Tuesday, August 9, 6:30pm Cross the finish line with our Summer Reading Champions and an Aesop's Fable mash-up by the Puppet People.

THE RISE & FALL of the BORSCHTBELT Thurs, Aug 11, 7pm A 1986 film by Peter Davis documentary about the summer journey from New York City to the Catskill Mountains taken by up to one million

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ANIMAL ATHLETES Wed, August 17, 11am Animal Embassy and their live Animal Ambassadors will share amazing athletic skills - frog that furiously unfurl their tongues, lizards that do push-ups, rabbits that sprint and more! Meet a Veiled Chameleon, an Argentine Black & Whit Tegu, Tree Frogs, a Carpe Python, an Eurasian Eagle Owl and a Love Bird!

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Ethelbert B Crawford Public Library Offers Free Programs for Teens

The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello has plenty of free programs for teens (ages 12-18) over the summer. On Mondays at 5:00 starting July 11, there will be a series for teens interested in careers in sports, called, "So You Want to Work in Sports." Every week, the library will host speakers who work in different jobs that have to do with sports and athletics. July speakers will include sports journalists (7/11), nutritionists (7/18) and coaches (7/25). August speakers include trainers (8/1) and athletes (8/3).

This is a great opportunity for teens to learn what they have to do in order to work in a variety of professions, including what it takes to be a collegiate and elite athlete. For those who would like to participate but cannot attend the program, we will monitor our Facebook and Twitter accounts (@ebcplibrary) during the programs, and ask questions sent in via social media. These programs do not require registration. On Thursdays, the library will hold a teen led book discussion at 1:30. Teens will read and discuss the Half Bad trilogy by Sally Green. The books follow Nathan, a teen caught in the middle of a supernatural war. Copies of the book are available at the library.

There will be different evening programs for teens, also on Thursdays, at 4:00. The first few programs are Library CSI, a Poetry Slam/ Open Mic, and Chocolate Games. At Library CSI, participants will learn about analyzing a crime scene, fingerprinting, testing for blood, and more. Then, they will have to solve the mystery of a library murder. At the poetry slam, teens can share a poem, song, or writing piece. For those who just want to listen, there will be plenty of room in the audience. At the Chocolate Games, participants will complete chocolate themed challenges, including games and trivia. All Thursday evening programs require registration. For more information or to register, call the library at 845-794-4660 ext. 8.

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Summer Reading at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library

The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library has an exciting summer reading program! Sign-ups for the summer reading program are under way, and activities began on Tuesday, July 5 with a variety of activities for kids and teens of all ages.

The 2016 summer theme for kids is "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read." We will have story times and book clubs for kids in pre-k through 5th grade, weekly crafts and movies, and a variety of special programs each week. There will also be four special performances on July 12, 19 and 26 at 5:00 p.m. Tickets will be available one week before each performance, and are given out on a first come first served basis. For more information, call the library.

There is an exciting lineup of programs for teens. The teen theme is "Get in the Game: Read." We will offer a teen led book discussion, battle of the books practice, and a fun program every Thursday, including library CSI, a poetry slam, Chocolate Games, and more. If that's not enough, on Monday nights at 5:00, different professionals who work in the sports industry will speak at the library about what their job is, and how they got it. Speakers include sports journalists, trainers, nutritionists, coaches, and athletes. All summer reading participants will have the

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what makes this region so special," Governor Cuomo said. "This challenge is about showcasing the Catskills' natural assets - its pristine lakes, breathtaking views and scenic trails - to drive tourism, support local businesses and generate continued economic growth."

"We are investing in this region like never before and I am proud to continue that focus so that tourism remains a source of economic prosperity and opportunity in the Hudson Valley for years to come."

"Governor Cuomo recognizes the powerful allure that our natural resources possess and his plan to help revitalize the Upstate economy includes harnessing that power," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "Events like the Catskill Challenge provide an excellent opportunity to showcase all this region has to offer and the ripple effect of their economic benefits can be felt throughout the region."

As part of the 2016 Catskills Challenge, included is a variety of outdoor events, including fly fishing, hiking, road biking, golf, mountain biking, bocce ball and motorcycle riding. Events will take place at Landers River Trips, Villa Roma, Mongaup Pond Campground, the Fly Fishing Center, and Sullivan West High School.

Since taking office, Governor Cuomo has made historic investments to support the tourism industry, and the results show. New York State tourism generated an economic impact of over \$100 billion in 2015. In the Catskills region alone, tourism direct spending resulted in over \$1.1 billion in economic impact, an increase of more than 13 percent since 2010. Visitation is up over 11 percent since 2010 with more than 4 million visitors to the Catskills in 2014. In addition, tourism is vital to the region's economy, representing more than 15 percent of the region's employment, or over 17,000 jobs. (Contd. Pg. 12)

"The Catskills are one of New York's greatest natural treasures, and today we are shining the spotlight on

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Nesin Awards Scholarships, Schedules Dinner

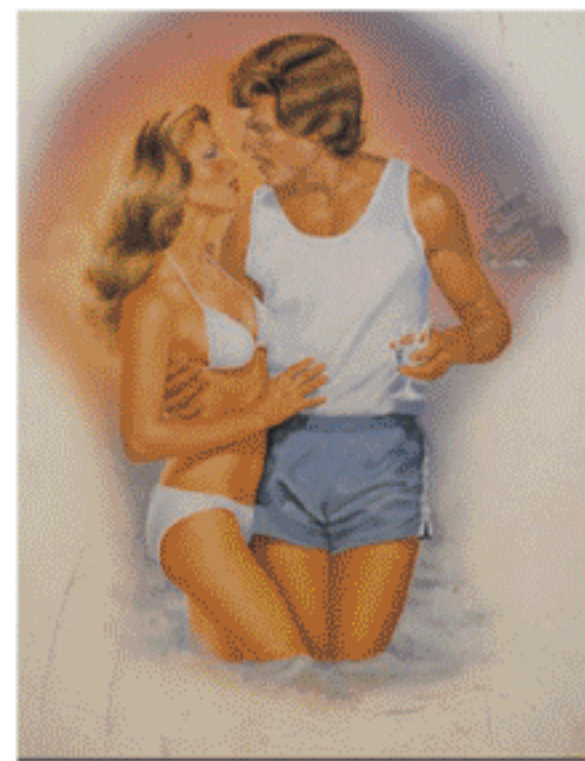
Nesin Cultural Arts (NCA) has awarded its 2016 Eugene D. Nesin Memorial Scholarships for Excellence in Music. Allison Kurthy (left) will attend Nazareth College and will major in music therapy. Allison Linen (right) will attend SUNY Potsdam and will major in music education. To date, NCA has awarded 15 scholarships to graduating seniors from Monticello High School who are pursuing studies in the arts. The scholarship was established to honor the memory of Eugene Nesin, a member of the Monticello Central School District Board of Education for 33 years until his passing in 2009.



Please reserve the date of Sunday, October 16th, 2016. The pleasure of your company is requested at the Eugene D. Nesin Memorial Scholarship Dinner at the Eagle's Nest in Bloomingburg, New York. Enjoy mingling with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar at 3 pm. The gourmet, sit-down dinner will be served at 4 pm. There will be live music provided by local musicians. This is NCA's major scholarship fundraising event. The scholarship fund underwrites music lessons as well as tuition for all NCA programs held throughout the year. NCA currently serves well over 200 students in its programs all year. For information contact Ellen Nesin at (845) 794-6013, or visit the website: nesinculturalarts.org.

Garbage! Junk! Trash! Art!!!

People often ask, "What is art?" The answer, starting July 17th at The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck, is: "Who cares?"



That's when a new "art" exhibit begins, featuring every terrible painting, dreadful photo and sleazy sculpture unearthed during this year's spring cleaning.

"We tidied the attic, straightened the basement and emptied the closets," said Alana Sherman, President of The House, "and found dozens of unsold - - and unwanted -- artworks left behind from decades of exhibitions." Some of them "could be considered mediocre," she said, "and a surprising number are of the highest quality and certainly deserve a good home." But many were left in dusty storage "because, well, nobody wanted to ever see them again."

Nevertheless, since the proverb says "beauty is in the eye of the beholder," The House will let the public view this odd collection, all quite properly hung for display, and make an independent determination of quality. Opening day visitors can also enjoy a reception offering wine and snacks guaranteed to counter-balance the calibre of the art.

The show -- "Garbage! Junk! Trash! Art!!! -- will run either until the end of August, or until every last work has been purchased by an unsuspecting or visually challenged collector.

The first-day Sunday reception runs from 1-4 pm and, since it precedes by one day the opening of the Republican National Convention, political discussions will be permitted only if they don't interfere with erudite artistic conversations.

For more information, contact Alana Sherman at (845) 436-0070, or by email at sherman_alana@yahoo.com. The 18th-Century Old Stone House of Hasbrouck -- today a vibrant community arts and education center -- is at 282 Hasbrouck Rd., in the wider community of Fallsburg, NY. It's convenient from Grahamsville, Monticello and Liberty, plus the surrounding area. For directions, visit the web site at www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org.

New Hope Community Special Olympics Team Wins Gold at State Basketball Competition

Ten-player team played strong to win gold medal in Division 7 tournament



New Hope Community basketball team huddles to discuss strategy

The New Hope Community basketball team of extraordinary athletes took home the gold medal for their division at the Special Olympics competition held on June 11 in Brockport, New York.

Focusing on defense and running, the team of 10 trained twice per week since January. Having placed in several regional Special Olympic Games qualified the team to compete in the finals.

"I am proud of the team's work ethic and proud of the coaches for dedicating their time in preparation for the games", said New Hope Community Athletics Coordinator, Taylor Van Keuren.

"The players are so dedicated. They want to win, but never lose their sense of teamwork and sportsmanship. I am proud to be their head coach", said New Hope Community's Mike Ballard

This win marks the third gold medal in a row won by New Hope Community's basketball

team. The team won a Division 9 gold medal in 2014 and a Division 8 gold medal in 2015.



New Hope Community basketball team and coaches show off their gold medals

According to the Special Olympics, basketball is one of the top sports at the Special Olympics. Players participate in the sport at all abilities and it's also one of the favorite sports at the event.

About New Hope Community

New Hope Community is a private, not-for-profit organization providing support for individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. Established in 1975 to serve as a nurturing and caring alternative to large institutions which were found to have violated the most basic human rights and conditions, New Hope Community has become nationally recognized as a leading provider in the human services field.

Services include clinical and nursing care, day programming, education and recreation, leisure activities, a robust supported employment program, summer programs for youths, and more. The agency maintains a person-focused approach aimed at enhancing the lives of people with disabilities, and actively advocates for individual choice in a person's efforts to live, work, and participate fully in his or her community.

New Hope Community presently supports and serves over 300 individuals and is a leading employer in Sullivan County, with more than 650 staff. Learn more at www.newhopecommunity.org.

What's new at the Claryville Quilters

-Margaret Dice

In the early part of the 1920's, the group now known as the Claryville Quilters was formed by some women of the ladies aid society, at the Claryville Dutch Reformed Church. The purpose of this organization was to continue a tradition of hand quilt making. Over the years many women from Claryville as well as the surrounding area have joined together to learn this craft, regardless of Faith. The quilters continue today to finish quilt tops for others.



Quilt made for a wounded soldier for his plane trip home

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Lap quilt made for wheelchair bound veteran

In the past year we have made lap quilts for wheelchair bound veterans for their "Honor Flight", to see the Veteran's memorials in Washington D.C. We also make a quilt for one of our Afghanistan wounded soldier, for their plane trip home to the good old U.S.A. from Ramstein Airforce Hospital in Germany.

They lay them on bunk bed type racks and wrap them in quilts donated by many quilters in America to keep them warm on their flight home. The soldiers treasure these quilts, which are found on their hospital beds and then take them home.

We will be raffling a quilt off at the "Old Time Fair" and The Little World's Fair in Grahamville, this summer. Please stop by to purchase a ticket. 100% of our proceeds are donated to a local charity.

We invite anyone to come and join us on Thursday's. We meet at the Claryville Church Hall, between 11am-3pm. You may want to learn how to hand quilt, or take your own project to work on; like knitting, crocheting, or machine sewing or just come to chat. Bring lunch and we serve tea. This is a great club for retired ladies or Mom's with children in school. Even if you are just here for the summer months. No dues to pay. You may call Margaret at 985-2815 to get further information. So come try us, you'll like us.



Another lap quilt.. The quilts will be used by wheelchair bound veterans for their "Honor Flight", to see the Veteran's memorials in Washington D.C.



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**Beth Heit Repurposes the Elevator Gallery
at the CAS Arts Center**

LIVINGSTON MANOR, NY - The Catskill Art Society presents "what



we hold close / what we let go," an exhibition featuring artwork by Beth Heit, in the Elevator Gallery at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY from July 22 through August 28.

Assemblages are simultaneously Beth Heit's most personal artwork and her most universal. They are interior self-portraits that reflect investigations into her

relationships with people, places, and concepts. The assemblages are often an excursion into memories. Memory is never an exact replay of what actually happened but instead consists of odd scraps of translucent occurrences laid out side by side or on top of one another.

Beth Heit invokes this experience with her assemblages by exploring how objects and images ascribe meaning to the places she has lived and the realities she has lived through. Found materials are altered and repurposed but still retain enough of their original elements to suggest their prior history. By placing transformed objects into a dialog with her artwork, she creates a selective narrative of her life. In her sculptures, juxtaposed forms, textures and colors interact with each other to create a unified vision of my thoughts, emotions and memories.

Beth Heit grew up on Long Island, NY. She attended the State University College at Buffalo and Hofstra University where she received



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a BA in Humanities with a concentration in Fine Arts. She also studied architectural ceramics with Nancy Selvage at Harvard University. Upon her return to the New York area, Ms. Heit attended Teachers College, Columbia University and graduated with an MA in Art and Art Education. She taught Studio Art at the SKA High School for five years. She is presently an art educator in the after school program at SAYA! (South Asian Youth Action).

Beth Heit has studied with and was influenced by many well-known ceramic artists and potters including Judy Motzkin, Makoto Yabe, John Glick, Ellen Shankin and Cynthia Bringle. She has shown her work in exhibitions and galleries across the United States, as well as a one-woman show in Hewlett, NY. Recently, her pieces were featured in exhibitions at the Islip Museum, the Heckscher Museum, The Art League of Long Island and the New Century Gallery in Chelsea. Her work received awards in the exhibitions 57th LI Artists, Landscapes: from Metropolis to Acadia, ACNY and Time for Tea.

Gallery hours at the CAS Arts Center are Thursdays - Saturdays 11am-6pm, Sundays 11am-3pm, and Mondays 11am-6pm. The CAS Arts Center is wheelchair accessible. CAS will host an Artist Talk and free opening reception on Friday, July 22 from 4-6pm. All are welcome and light refreshments will be served.

Choreography on the Edge 2016

Woodstock, New York: On July 29th, Saturday, July 30th at 8:00 pm, and Sunday July 31st at 3pm, *Choreography on the Edge* will present its 27th performance at the beautiful, historic and newly renovated Byrdcliffe Theater in Woodstock, NY. Since 1985, this innovative program has given professional choreographers and dancers a chance to experiment and push their boundaries, much to the benefit of Hudson Valley's lovers of dance!

The program this year promises to stretch the audience's envelope as well. The line up is comprised of choreographers and dancers spanning a wide range of styles and techniques; primarily modern dance, contemporary ballet and cultural motifs expressed through Irish step dancing like you've never seen it before, in pieces choreographed by Joel Hanna (from the original cast of Riverdance). A number of choreographers will be performing their work as solos, and others will work as duets and trios. Among this stellar group are: Laura Ward with Octavia Cup Dance Theatre and clyde forth with Lokaspar - a Dance Projects. Blaine Horton and Rowan Willigan will perform solos of their work, and Jennifer Colandrea will perform a solo by Joelle Van Sickle. Leighann Kowalsky, Laura Teeter, Ashley Friend and Angela Maffia among others will also present works. New this year are Bella O'Connell and Louisa Jane Barta who will present new works with members of the D'Amby Project and Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company respectively.

Choreography on the Edge began in the mid 1980's, when a group of local choreographers decided to present a showcase of new work, the only requirement being that they combine movement and music in a way that was completely new for them. The presentation was so well received that it became an annual event that drew the participation of non-local choreographers as well, moving from the Woodstock Town Hall to its current home at the Byrdcliffe Theater. Keeping the experimental nature of any artistic endeavor alive is always a challenge, one that *Choreography on the Edge* has risen to time and again. To maintain this focus on fresh, innovative work and a high standard of professionalism, choreographers are asked to dig deep, incorporating elements they haven't used before. The pieces are not auditioned and most of them will be premiering, giving the work an immediacy that engages the audience in a more energetic and intimate way.

Choreography on the Edge is produced by Zack Jacobs with greatly appreciated support from The Ulster Ballet Company, The Woodstock/Byrdcliffe Guild, and The Bardavon Opera House. The historic Byrdcliffe Theater is located at 3 Upper Byrdcliffe Way, in Woodstock, NY. Please visit www.woodstockguild.org for directions (bottom of the "about us/contact" page). Tickets are affordably priced at \$12 each and can be purchased at the door or reserved by calling Zack Jacobs at 845-453-8673, or email ChoreographyontheEdge@gmail.com.

**"Dozer"-The Upcoming Film
by Local Filmmaker to Begin Shooting**

SCOTIA, NEW YORK - Mantic Toboggan Productions will be shooting their upcoming film "DOZER" July 6th - 15th in the Scotia - Glenville area within Schenectady County. "DOZER" is a film that follows the misadventures of a socially awkward High Schooler as he deals with his father's alcoholism in the wake of his mothers death. It is a dark comedy that will be programmed at Film Festivals worldwide.

The production will be bringing the co - stars of the new hit series "I AM HOMICIDE" on the Discovery Network into Scotia - Glenville / Schenectady area. Stephen Tenner, and Akintola (AK) Jiboyewa. Tenner has been seen on "LAW & ORDER: SVU" on NBC, and "BLUE BLOODS" on CBS, while Jiboyewa has been seen on "THE BLACKLIST" on NBC, and "PERSON OF INTEREST" on CBS.

Directed by Scotia - Glenville High School graduate & filmmaker Cooper Wright, the production will feature the upstate region in it's full beauty during the summer. The crew is made up of professionals from across the state. The Director of Photography, Patrick Cook, will be coming from New York City after working on the hit show "MR. ROBOT" on the USA Network and the Oscar winning film "BRIDGE OF SPIES." 3 Visual Media, the company behind the Sound Design, has decades of experience in the Music / Audio Recording Business. Music will be composed by independent musician Evan Marré AKA RUSSEL THE LEAF. Crew roles for Production Assistants and Interns are reserved for locals interested in working on a film set. Anyone interested in applying to be a Production Assistant should send an email to mantictoboggan@gmail.com for more information. (Contd. Pg. 12)

Dozer (From Pg. 11) The production is being funded by a small budget raised by Wright and Co-Producer Andrew Desbiens; a graduate of Shenendehowa High School. With a screenplay written by Wright, the film was conceived as a low budget project with an engaging and compelling story. Wright and Desbiens have created a string of Award Winning Films including "RANGER DALE," the 2016 winner of Best Comedy Film at Snowtown Film Festival, and the 2015 documentary "BORIS," which has been screened at festivals around the world.

The production is still casting roles leading up to the shoot, including one lead role, and featured extra roles. The lead role is for a male; age range 15 - 17. The featured extras are for anyone; age range 14 - 18. If anyone would like to submit for a role in the film, please email mantictoboggan@gmail.com for information.

Governor Cuomo and Elected Officials Participate in Outdoor Activities to Herald the Growth of Tourism throughout Upstate New York (From Pg. 8)

At the event the Governor announced several strategic investments to strengthen tourism in the Catskills Region:

MTA Catskills Summer Tourism Campaign

The Governor announced a two-year \$5 million advertising campaign to support and expand the tourism industry in the Catskills region. Empire State Development's Division of Tourism, I LOVE NEW YORK, in partnership with MTA, launched the campaign, which will target millions of New Yorkers and travelers who ride the MTA's subway, bus and commuter railroad network, in addition to New Jersey Transit travelers, to encourage them to visit the Catskills. The campaign includes two bus wraps, ads in 570 subway cars, on 150 subway entrance panels, and in nearly 230 commuter trains in and out of New York City. The ads feature the Catskills' Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel; Lake Wawaka in Middletown; Zoom Flume in East Durham; OPUS 40 in Saugerties; Roscoe NY Beer Co in Roscoe; and Hanford Mills Museum in East Meredith. The ads will run through August.

"I Love New York" Catskills Television Ad

The campaign also includes a new "I Love New York" television ad focused on the region, currently being aired in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, western Massachusetts, and the eastern and central portions of both Pennsylvania and Ohio. The ad will run through the summer until August 7, and features a Hunter Mountain Zipline Tour; the Birthplace of American Fly Fishing in Roscoe; the World's Largest Kaleidoscope in Mt. Tremper; Bethel Woods Center for the Arts; and Rocking Horse Ranch in Highland.

Smart Growth Grants

The Governor also announced that \$223,000 will be awarded through the Smart Growth Implementation Grants to six Catskill Park projects. Funded through the Environmental Protection Fund for Catskill Park communities and organizations to support recreation, economic growth and environmental protection, these grants are designed to help the region grow intelligently and promote walkable, livable communities.

The awarded projects demonstrate how Catskill communities can grow using the unique natural assets of the Park combined with improved amenities, attractions and infrastructure to bring in new businesses and citizens. This is the third round of smart growth funding supporting Catskill Park communities. This year's grants build on the nearly \$1.1 million devoted in the first two rounds of funding for this program.

Projects in 2016 include: Town of Prattsville - \$53,683 for a pavilion at Conine Field Recreation Area; Mountain Top Arboretum - \$24,875 for a project to improve safe entry to the facility; Village of Tannersville - \$20,500 for a main street visitor information kiosk project; Town of Andes - \$64,500 for the historic andes hamlet secondary water source project; Town of Shandaken - \$28,450 for improvements to town parks, solar lighting and landscaping; and Catskill Center for Conservation and Development - \$30,992 for the Catskill Interpretive Center Interior Design.

Funding for Municipal Projects \$500,000 will also be awarded in Local Assistance funding to support a number of projects in the Catskills region. These projects include: A Comprehensive Park Recreation Plan to compile and update previously developed plans in the Catskills to produce an integrated plan for economic development and infrastructure improvements to enhance tourism and recreation in the Catskill region; Improved mountain bike trails, hiking trails, parking and access to Forest Preserve lands; Expansion of the Summit Stewards Program, to place stewards on mountain tops in the Catskills to teach visitors how protect the fragile mountain top environment; New signage to identify trails and paths, in addition to new education kiosks; Major Parking Improvements at Overlook, Prediger, Roaring Kill, Platte Clove, Kaaterskill Falls, and Giant Ledge;

Woodstock Historic Site The Governor today announced that New York State is working with the property owner of the site of the legendary 1969 Woodstock Music & Art Fair to seek nomination to the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The festival is widely regarded as a pivotal moment in popular music history. The original venue plan was for the festival to take place in Woodstock, New York, but

after being turned down by residents there and banned from holding it in Wallkill, organizers arranged to hold it on farmer Max Yasgur's 600-acre dairy farm in Bethel. The festival drew an audience of over 400,000 people and ran for four days, from August 15 to 18, 1969.

Today, visitors can step back in time to the '60s at The Museum at Bethel Woods. Located on the site of the 1969 music and art fair, the museum is a unique way to experience the 1969 Woodstock Music and Art Fair, discover how it capped off an amazing decade of radical cultural transformation, and witness its ongoing legacy. Personal recollections, fascinating state-of-the-art multimedia exhibits, unreleased festival film footage and engaging programs and events can be experienced at the museum. The adjoining Bethel Woods Center for the Arts offers multiple stages featuring a diverse selection of popular artists and culturally rich performances.

MTA Chairman Tom Prendergast said, "Governor Cuomo's Catskill Summer Challenge is a great way to highlight the many vacation attractions of the Catskills region, and the MTA is happy to be working with the I Love New York campaign to help send that message to the millions of daily customers who ride our trains and buses every day and will see the advertising."

"Through Governor Cuomo's leadership, we have made great strides in working with Catskill Park communities to protect and improve the treasured landscapes of the region," said DEC Commissioner Basil

Seggos. "Our ongoing commitment to the Catskills has resulted in increased visitation and tourism spending, and the grants announced today will help these communities further expand sustainable tourism efforts and improve the overall outdoor experience."

"Our promotion of tourism destinations across the state has resulted in more than \$100 billion in economic impact," said Empire State Development President, CEO & Commissioner Howard Zensky. "In the Catskills, tourism is a critical part of the region's economy, supporting more than 17,000 jobs at top tourism sites, including Howe Caverns, Hunter Mountain's 3,200-foot winter ski summit, a summer zip line course, Saugerties' historic lighthouse, and more. The arrows are pointing in the right direction, our investments are paying off, and we are proudly welcoming millions of travelers to New York State each year."

The success of the 2016 Catskills Challenge builds on the Governor's accomplishments that are already setting the stage for future growth in the Catskills region, including:

- o Over \$5.4 million invested in the Catskills region by DEC to improve fishing access, hiking trails, campgrounds and infrastructure.
- o The Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center, a \$1.3 million project supported by New York Works, which was completed in 2015 and provides information to visitors about the 700,000-acre Catskill Park.
- o Improvements to enhance the experience of visitors and increase public safety, including an observation platform, completed at Kaaterskill Falls.
- o The I LOVE NEW YORK Bus hosts regular ski trips from Manhattan to Catskills' slopes, including Hunter Mountain and Belleayre, to drive tourism Upstate.



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**Ecumenical Prayer Service Held
 in Liberty**

An ecumenical prayer service for Orlando was held on Friday, June 24th at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberty. The Reverend William Scafidi, pastor of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, the Reverend Ryan Kersting-Schlinggen, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Liberty and the Reverend



Johanna K. Andritz, pastor of St. Paul's led the service. Prayers were said and hymns for peace were sung. Prayers were also offered for the forty-nine who were killed and the fifty-three injured. A candle was lit as each name of those who died was read, along with a brief remembrance of that person. People of the community and members of local congregations attended.



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July 2nd
Covered Dish
Supper
 5:30 pm

June 18th
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Breakfast
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Sundown
United Methodist
Church Hall



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I, Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor for the Town of Neversink, do (severally) depose and swear, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the foregoing FINAL assessment roll conforms in all respects to the tentative assessment roll with the exception of changes made by the Board of Assessment Review and assessments made by the State Board of Equalization and Assessment.

Signed:
Bryan Delaney, Assessor

7/7/16

Administrative Opening Tri-Valley Central School

Director for Curriculum & Instruction

The Tri-Valley CSD is seeking a Director for Curriculum and Instruction. Duties include developing, overseeing, and managing day-to-day operations of educational programs and services for the District. Plans, develops and implements functions related to general and special education curriculum, instruction, staff development, technology, delivery of compensatory educational programs, and administration of all federal programs, as well as facilitates a creative learning environment. Grant writing exp. preferred, but not required.

Other duties as assigned by the Superintendent of Schools. Salary to commensurate with experience

NYS SDA or SDL certification with building level administrative experience required.

Forward letters of interest by **July 8th**.
To: recruitment@scbooces.org or mail it to:
Sullivan County BOCES Recruitment Service,
6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754
Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE

6/30; 7/7

Administrative Opening Tri-Valley Central School

Director of Technology

The Tri-Valley CSD is seeking an experienced District-Wide Director of Technology to work collaboratively with teachers and administrators in monitoring District E-mails and District Website, Supervise technology specialists, Tech Support to all staff and students, review and submit District's Technology Plan, Evaluate and make recommendations on new hardware and software, Supervise and support IT and Data management staff. Ability to provide planned professional development for teachers and administrators. Manage and oversee all student management and information systems. Manage and update student accounts in all District software applications, programs and external partnerships. Salary to commensurate with experience

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Cat Tests Positive for Rabies in Town of Bethel

(Liberty, NY) - Sullivan County Public Health Services is informing the public that a domestic cat in the Bethel area has tested positive for the rabies virus. The animal was a household cat that spent time both indoors and outdoors. This is the second confirmed case of rabies in an animal in Sullivan County so far this year. The rabies virus occurs commonly throughout New York State, with the vast majority of rabies cases reported each year occurring in wild ani-

Administrative Opening Tri-Valley Central School

7-12 Assistant Principal/Director of Physical Education, Health and Athletics

The Tri-Valley Central School District is seeking a strong administrator with a minimum of five (5) years teaching and coaching experience.

The individual should have excellent organizational, leadership and interpersonal skills, be able to articulate and model research-based best practices in the classroom and on the athletic fields, use data to drive decision-making, supervise the budget for the athletic program and be able to lead and supervise the physical education, health and athletic programs.

NYS School District Administrator or School Business Leaders Certification Required. Physical Education & Health Certification is a plus.

Please forward resumes **July 15th** to:
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e-mail recruitment@scbooces.org
Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE

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Building Principal Tri-Valley Central School

The Tri-Valley Central School District is seeking a strong **Building Principal** with HS teaching and master scheduling experience.

The successful candidate should be an effective communicator and be able to articulate a vision and outcomes for a progressive secondary school. Have excellent organizational, leadership and interpersonal skills, and be able to implement NYS standards-based and research-based curriculum, in addition to being able to use data to drive decision-making.

NYS School District Administrator or School Business Leaders Certification Required

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mals, including raccoons, bats, foxes, skunks and woodchucks. Domestic animals account for less than 10% of the reported rabies cases, which most often include cats, cattle, and dogs. Wild animals may expose your pets if they are allowed to freely roam on your property in wooded areas.

What Can People Do To Protect Themselves Against Rabies?

Be sure your pets are up to date on rabies vaccinations. Vaccinated pets serve as a buffer between rabid wildlife and humans. Protect them, and you protect yourself and family. As a pet owner, it is your responsibility to ensure your pets are fully vaccinated.

Vaccines for dogs, cats and ferrets over three months of age are effective for a one-year period. Revaccinations are effective for up to three years. Pets too young to be vaccinated should be kept indoors.

Don't try to separate two fighting animals. Wear gloves if you handle your pet after a fight. Keep family pets indoors at night. Don't leave them outside unattended or let them roam free.

Don't attract wild animals to your home or yard. Keep your property free of stored bird seed, food garbage or other foods that may attract animals. Feed pets indoors. Tightly cap or put away garbage cans. Board up any openings to your attic, basement, porch or garage. Cap your chimney with screens.

Don't feed, touch or adopt wild animals, stray dogs or stray cats.

Encourage children to immediately tell an adult if they are bitten by any animal. Tell children not to touch any animal except their own.

Seek treatment for all animal bites and report contact with wild animals to Sullivan County Public Health Services at (845) 292-5910. If you can safely do so, don't let an animal escape that has possibly exposed someone to rabies. Depending on the species, it can be observed or tested for rabies in order to avoid the need for rabies treatment for people, or to avoid euthanizing and testing exposed unvaccinated pets.

Risk for rabies exposures also includes bats, as bats can be difficult to keep out of buildings because they can get through cracks as small as a pencil. Methods to keep bats out (bat proofing) of homes and summer camps should be done during the fall and winter. If bats are

already inside (e.g. in an attic or other areas), consult with your local health department about humane ways to remove them. Bats have small, sharp teeth and in certain circumstances people can be bitten and not know it.

The next regularly scheduled free rabies vaccination clinic sponsored by Sullivan County Public Health Services for dogs, cats and ferrets will be held on Tuesday, August 23 from 6 pm to 7:30 pm at Hanofee Park in Liberty. For more information about this press release, please contact the EPI Department at Sullivan County Public Health Services at 845-292-5910.

Increase in the number of Pertussis (whooping cough) cases,

Liberty - Last week, the Sullivan County Public Health Department notified the public of an increase in the number of Pertussis (whooping cough) cases, confirming six (6) cases. As of today, there are ten (10) confirmed cases and one probable case. Confirmed cases and their close contacts are being treated. The Public Health Department is working closely with health care providers in the county to identify any additional suspect cases to ensure timely treatment and to control the outbreak. Sullivan County Public Health Services continues to work with area hospitals, urgent care centers, physicians, and the community to identify and notify residents that have possibly been exposed.

In 2015, preliminary data from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) show that there were 592 pertussis cases in New York State, excluding New York City, which had an additional 383 cases. If you or your child has been around someone with pertussis, you may become sick with pertussis (whooping cough) as well. This is especially true when you or your child has not received all the pertussis vaccine shots. Sometimes even if your shots are up to date, you may still be able to get pertussis.

PERTUSSIS is also known as whooping cough because of the "whooping" sound that is made when gasping for air after a fit of coughing making it hard to breathe. Coughing fits due to pertussis infection can last for up to ten (10) weeks or more.

Pertussis is a highly contagious disease that is spread through the air by cough. Pertussis begins with cold symptoms and cough, which becomes much worse over 1-2 weeks. Symptoms usually include a long series of coughs ("coughing fits") followed by a whooping noise. However, older children, adults and very young infants may not develop the whoop. There is generally only a slight fever. People with pertussis may have a series of coughs followed by vomiting, turning blue, or difficulty catching breath. The cough is often worse at night and cough medicines usually do not help alleviate the cough.

If you or your child comes down with any of the above symptoms including a cough, talk to your Health Care Provider without delay. If your Health Care Provider needs more information, they can call their local Health Department. Pertussis is a reportable disease per the New York State Sanitary Code (10NYCRR 2.10, 2.24); reporting of suspected or confirmed communicable disease is mandated by this regulation.

Pertussis is generally treated with antibiotics, to control the symptoms and prevent infected people from the spread of the disease. If you or your child has been diagnosed with Pertussis, complete the antibiotic regimen before returning to work school or community functions, to reduce the spread of the disease. People who have or may have pertussis should stay away from young children and infants; all persons with pre-existing health conditions that may be exacerbated by a pertussis infection (for example, but not limited to immunocompromised persons and patients with moderate to severe medically treated asthma); Contacts who themselves have close contact with either infants under 12 months, pregnant women or individuals with pre-existing health conditions at risk of severe illness or complications, until they are properly treated. Treatment of people who are close contacts of pertussis cases is also an important part of prevention.

Some simple basics to keep pertussis from spreading: Wash your hands with soap and water frequently; Cover your coughs and sneezes; Do not share cups or silverware; Stay away from others until evaluated by a physician

The New York State Health Department recommends the following steps against pertussis infection: Follow appropriate vaccination guidelines and consult with a health care provider to ensure immunizations are up-to-date; Get tested and seek treatment at the first signs of pertussis symptoms, especially if you have young children at home or come in contact with children in other situations (e.g., work, recreational activities); If possible, avoid close contact with others if you or your child is sick. Stay home, and follow good cough hygiene techniques, including hand washing and covering your mouth when you cough; Keep infants under the age of one away from anyone who has a cough or other symptoms of pertussis, if possible; and Be prepared to cooperate with the local health department to help them track the disease and contact friends, schoolmates, and others who may benefit from preventive medicine.

To learn more, visit the following websites: Centers of Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov/Features/Pertussis/> New York State Department of Health: http://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/pertussis/fact_sheet.htm

Immunizations can be obtained through your health care provider or at Sullivan County Public Health Services, 50 Community Lane, Liberty - by appointment (845) 292-5910, or on the first Wednesday evening of each month.

**Town of Neversink
Parks & Recreation**

www.townofneversink.org

Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Friday, July 8 **Explore Fort Delaware**, Narrowsburg,
Saturday, July 9 **4th Annual Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair** 10 to 3 Grahamsville Fairgrounds
Wednesday, July 13 **Medieval Times** Leave Town Hall 8 am
Friday, July 15 **Hudson Valley Renegades Baseball, Fireworks, Dinner** Leave Town Hall 4:45 pm
Saturday, August 13 **Bear Mtn State Park** Leave Town Hall 8:30 am
Friday, August 26 **Back to School Fun Night** 5:30 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds
Tuesday, August 30 **Samson Sight & Sound Theatre**, Lancaster PA Leave Town Hall 8:15 am
Saturday November 5 to Saturday November 6 **Kalahari Indoor Water Park Trip**
Saturday, December 3 **Transportation to NYC** Leave Town Hall 8 am

7/6/16 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
7/7/16 Claryville Fire Dept Commissioners Meeting 6:30 pm
7/9/16 **4th Annual Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair** Grahamsville Fairgrounds from 10 am to 3 pm
7/12/16 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Luncheon** Thrift Sale 9am-1pm. Luncheon 11am- 1 pm
7/12/16 Town of Denning Business Meeting 7 pm
7/13/16 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm
7/14/16 Dept of Motor Vehicles -Neversink Town Hall 10 am-2:30 pm
7/14/16 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
7/16/16 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** Grahamsville UM Church 9-1
7/17/16 Claryville Fire Dept. **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast.** 7 am- 12 noon. Claryville Firehouse
7/19/16 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
7/20/16 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc Meeting 7:30 pm
7/21/16 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
7/30/16 Time & the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair/Chicken BBQ 10-5 -Grahamsville Fairgrounds FREE Admission
8/2/16 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7 pm - Sundown Church Hall
8/6/16 Sundown United Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm
8/7/16 Denning and Claryville History Afternoon 1:00 pm at Time & the Valleys Museum FREE

Neversink Parks & Rec 4th Annual Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair Saturday, July 9. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds from 10 am to 3 pm
Matty Bertholf's Fifth Annual Horseshoe Tournament Sunday, July 10, 2016 at the Neversink Fireman's Pavilion
Time and the Valleys Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Grahamsville Fairgrounds • FREE Admission to the Fair
Neversink Boy Scout Troop 97 **Fish and Chips Dinner** Sept 24 Neversink Firehouse 4:30-6:30 pm

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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.

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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.

**2016 Town of Neversink
Motor Vehicle Schedule**

March 10	August 11
April 14	September 5
May 12	October 13
June 16	November 10
July 14	December 15

VETERANS

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS-
<http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>

Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
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Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

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**Installation of the 2016/2017 Officers of Liberty Lodge #521 and Monticello Lodge #532
Free and Accepted Masons**



Mark Raven; Roy Warden; James Richardson; 2nd Row: **Franklyn Laufersweiler, District Deputy Grand Master of the Sullivan Masonic District**; Robert Halprin; Frank Wayman; Stephen Gruber; Back Row: Leonel Cortizo; George Keiser; Nicholas Torres; Joseph Beirne

The joint Installation of the 2016/2017 Officers of Liberty Lodge #521 and Monticello Lodge #532, Free and Accepted Masons was held this past Monday, June 27, 2016 at Liberty Masonic Lodge, 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York. Following are the installed officers for both Lodges plus New York State Grand Lodge Officers in attendance: Left to Right - Front Row: Luis Diaz; **Richard Morley, Senior Grand Warden of the State of New York**; Charles Paty;

**Expanded Taste NY Partnership with
Minor League Baseball Teams**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced Taste NY partnerships with five Minor League Baseball teams in New York, who will now offer Taste NY branding and locally-made goods and beverages from Taste NY vendors throughout their stadiums. Following a successful partnership with Tri-City ValleyCats in 2015, Taste NY is expanding its partnership with Minor League Baseball to increase the promotion of New York agricultural products at ballparks across the state.

"New York grown and made food and beverages are second to none and building upon the great success of the Taste NY program, we are partnering with local baseball stadiums to expose even more New Yorkers to these great Empire State products," Governor Cuomo said. "When New Yorkers buy New York products from New York businesses, the home team wins every time."

The Tri-City ValleyCats, Batavia Muckdogs, Auburn Doubledays, Staten Island Yankees, and Rochester Red Wings will now serve Taste NY products throughout the season. Together, these stadiums see approximately 820,000 seasonal visitors and those fans will be treated to the same great ballpark staples, such as hot dogs, hamburgers, and ice cold beer -- now sourced from some of New York State's best agricultural producers. Taste NY has helped vendors triple their gross annual sales from 2014 to 2015, and with this increased promotion, they are on track to doubling those sales in 2016.

**Town of Neversink Parks & Rec
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SOME LIKE IT HOT

(Comedy, 1959)



Need a very funny afternoon, then watch two musicians pose as women when on the running from gangsters. Lemon, and Curtis are hilarious as they masquerade as members of an all-girl band. Directed by Billy Wilder, and starring Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon. **Quiz, 1.** Who played "Spats" Colombo? **2.** Who played Osgood Fielding III? **See this very funny film starting Sunday afternoon, July 10, 2016 @ 12:00 PM, B/W - 122 min, CC, TV-PG,**

What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood™?

GRAHAMSVILLE

Third Saturday Thrift Sale will be held this Saturday, July 16th • 9 am- 1 pm and there will be a **Thrift Sale & Luncheon** on July 12th Thrift Sales 9 - 1 Luncheons 11 - 1 all at the Grahamsville Methodist Church.

Time and the Valleys Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds • **FREE** Admission to the Fair • **Time & the Valleys Museum** is now open Thursday -Sunday-noon to 4 p.m. Be sure to visit the new 'Selfies' exhibit! Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday.

SUNDOWN

Covered Dish Supper on August 6 at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall.

Tickets are now on sale for the **Annual Chicken BBQ** that will be held on August 27th at 4 pm at the Sundown Church Hall

NEVERSINK

Neversink Farmer's Market open every Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm at the Neversink General Store.

July 10 **Matty Bertholf's Annual Horseshoe Tournament** Neversink Firehouse-8:30 am registration. Tourney begins at 9 am.

CLARYVILLE

Claryville Fire Dept. **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** Sunday, July 17 Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon

WOODBOURNE

Passport Event at Woodbourne Post Office, Rt. 42, Woodbourne, NY 12788 - Sunday, July 10, 2016 and Sunday, August 21, 2016 from 10 am to 2 pm For info call 845-985-7735

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