



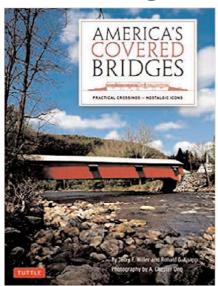


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The Great Covered Bridges of the Mid-Hudson Region Virtual Program Hosted by the Time and the Valleys Museum



[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Join the Time and the Valleys Museum for a virtual program: *The Great* Covered Bridges of the Mid-Hudson Region on Sunday, June 7, at 2 p.m. by Ron Knapp, co-author of American Covered Bridges: Practical Crossings - Nostalgic Icons.

Did you know that Sullivan County can actually claim the first covered timber bridge built in the state? Sullivan and Ulster Counties stand at the forefront of New York State's covered bridge history, with several of New York's most significant covered bridges still stand in the Hudson Valley today.

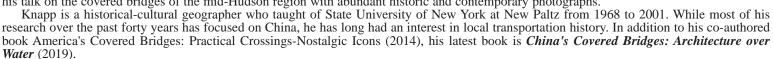
Author Ronald Knapp will explore the covered bridges in the Mid-Hudson Region and connect our covered bridges with the national history of nineteenth century covered bridges.

Virtual attendance is EASY. Just email the Museum at info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org to register, and you will receive a reply email invitation with information on how to log in to zoom.us for the talk. Please call 845

985-7700 or info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org for more informa-

About Ron Knapp: Ron Knapp, the co-author of America's Covered Bridges: Practical Crossings--Nostalgic Icons, will focus

his talk on the covered bridges of the mid-Hudson region with abundant historic and contemporary photographs.



About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is currently closed - but hopes to open soon!

Current exhibitions when reopening:

- Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This newly renovated exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.
- Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.
 - 1930s Lost Catskill Farm
 - NEW! Once Upon a Time: One Teacher, 8 Grades, One Room School Opening summer, 2020.

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



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

May 31. 1950

Harry Rubenzahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moe Rubenzahl of Neversink, was graduated on Saturday, May 27th, from the State University Agricultural and Technical Institute at Morristown, N.Y. He majored in Poultry Husbandry.

Mrs. Harvey Slater and Mrs. Clarence Slater were hostesses hostesses Wednesday evening, May 24th, at a bridal shower for Miss Kathyrine Slater at the Claryville Church Hall.

Papers filed last week in Monticello showed the sale price of the Loomis Sanitarium proper¬ty to be \$137,500. Since the sale to the Voorhees Holding Corporation of New York City was recently announced, speculation has been rife as to the price.

A true fish story!!! As we go to press, it is reliably reported that Sumner Krum caught a 24" pickerel weighing 31/2 pounds at Beaver Dam.

Middletown and Newburgh in Orange County and Monticello and Liberty in Sullivan County have been selected by the Civil Aeronautics Administration as possible sites for airport development, an Associated Press dispatch from Wasnington revealed last week.

June 1.1960

On Monday evening, May 23rd, at the FFA meeting for Orange-Rockland Sullivan Counties, Messinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Messinger of South Hill, was elected Secretary for the county group for 1960-61. Steve was also awarded the Grange Farmer degree which is the highest degree of the group.

Marine Pvt. Ronald K. Eidel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Eidel of Grahamsville, complet-ed recruit training May 3rd at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Keith Douglas, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Eighmey of Sundown Road, was christened Thursday evening by the Rev. Howard West in the Methodist Church, Grahamsville. Mrs. Margaret Ulrich and Raymond Everett were Godparents.

At a military review at Centennial Field, Burlington, Vermont on May 13th, the Air Force Association Award to the outstanding Air Force ROTC Cadet was presented to Cadet Colonel William H. Grey. Bill Grey was also the recipient of the Air Force Reserve Officers' Association Award. Bill if a graduate of Tri Valley Central School and will graduate from the University of Vermont June 12th.

June 3. 1970

Barbara Botsford, daughter of Thelma Botsford of Grahamsville, has received word of her acceptance at Fashion Institute of Technology. Barbara has been accepted for the fall semester as a student in Fashion Buying and Merchandising curriculum.

Michael Higgins, son of Mrs. and Mrs. John Higgins, Sr., has been notified of his acceptance at Alfred University where he plans to major in electronic communications.

The Alchemy Club met at the home of Harriet and Nellie Childs Smith in Grahamsville on Wednesday, May 20th. There were seven members and two guests present. At the critique, congratulations went to Eugenia Dowling and Inez Gridley whose poems were published in magazines this past month.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Toole lost their young son on Red Hill on Sunday. It was almost dark and the youngster had not returned, so the Claryville Fire Co. was called out. The boy evidently heard the calls and came out just before dark.

June 5, 1980

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Osterhoudt on the birth of their daugh ter, Kelly Ann. Kelly Ann was born May 27, 1980 at Harris Hospital and weighed in at 8 lbs. 15 1/4 oz. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Anderson of Grahamsville.

On Friday evening, May 30th, about 30 ladies of all ages dropped in to surprise Jane Houghtaling with a baby shower in honor of the new baby,

On Sunday, many friends and relatives of William and Bessie Erts of Ladleton visited at an open house in honor of their 60th wedding anniver-

The lovely floral arrangement adorning the front of the Grahamsville Reformed Church has been presented by the New Vernon Florists in memory of Brice Moore. What a wonderful gesture for as we all remember Brice, beautiful flowers were so much a part of him.

Tri-Valley Students' Pandemic Journaling

This week's featured student:

4/10/20

This week has not been that interesting for me besides the fact that I got sick which kind of made me miserable. Besides getting sick, this week I have really tried to be focusing on basketball and exercise more since there is no gym class. I've now realized how my dogs feel being inside all the time and not being able to leave. It makes me feel bad, so I tried to play outside with them every week day and am planning to on the weekends as well. Before it just randomly started snowing last night, I took my pet snail named Jeramiah outside for awhile and made him a play space which I think he really liked. I hope the snow starts clearing soon so I can go outside with my animals again. Pretty much, this has been my whole weekend.

4/15/20

This week was not really as interesting as the one before. I've been watching this new show called Dance Moms which is a dancing show and I've been stretching everyday because I want to be like the people on the show even though it will never happen. Oh, and something scary happened this week too. I accidentally dropped Jeramiah down my sink so my father had to take it apart and get him out. He is okay now but has been a bit sluggish, but that's probably from cold weather and him thinking he should hibernate. This week I also went to the Blue Hole to walk around a bit. Well, that's pretty much it.

5/7/20

This week was as well as most of the others, pretty boring. I was bored in my house so I decided to walk to Lake Paradise alone since my mother told me it was near our house through the woods. I didn't know where I was going, but I just kept walking. Eventually, I found some tape on some trees and followed the path of them. Then I heard running water and knew I was getting close. I found the lake and stopped to look at it and sat on a log, but across the lake was a house and people came out and stared at me so I turned around and went home. That's about it.

Alayna Ambrosi 7th Grade, TVCSD

Household Hints:

Super Bleach

One of our readers was trying to get her garden chairs back to their original bright white. She said not only did she spend hours, but also used a whole gallon of bleach that she bought at the super-

market, and they still looked dingy. Not wanting to go all the way back to Liberty, she stopped by Neversink General Store to pick up more bleach – a gallon of Sisco bleach. Despite the slightly extra cost she was happy to purchase it so conveniently near home. She used the product as directed, about 1/3 cup in a gallon of water and WALLA, within minutes the chairs look brand new. The cost was actually way less than the regular bleach as you use much less – and it got the job done quickly!



P.S. -This is not a paid commercial, but a real fact that she wanted to share with our readers.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

A Bit of Victorian Controversy -Dutchman's Breeches or Rude Little Trousers

Dutchman's Breeches (Dicentra cucullaria) is a true spring woodland short-lived species. It flowers early in the spring when sunlight hits the forest's floor before the canopy of the trees casts their shadow. By early summer, the green foliage which resemble fern-like leaves, will fade to a light yellow and the plant will go into total dormancy by mid-summer.

This unusual little flower has conjured a variety of f names from soldier's cap, white hearts, eardrops, butterfly banners or Elfin Trousers. The most common name, Dutchman's breeches, comes from the pair of outer petals which form a swollen 'V' making the hanging flower look like a pair of white

breeches or pantaloons hung upside-down.

This wildflower typically grows on forest floors, rocky woods, slopes, ledges, valleys, ravines and along streams throughout the Catskills.

Dutchman's Breeches is a perennial plant about 4-8" tall. It consists of a rosette of basal leaves spanning about 6" across. These basal leaves are

greyish green to green and smooth. Each of these leaves is compound and divided into 3 primary leaflets, while each primary leaflet is divided into 3 secondary leaflets. These secondary leaflets are pinnately cleft into linear or oblanceolate (pointed) lobes. The long petioles (leaf stalks) of the compound leaves are slender and smooth. They are pale red, tan, or brown. A semi-erect flower cluster of 2-6 pairs of white flowers on a long flowering stalk that grows from the center of the rosette. This flower cluster tends to bend to one side, while the flowers droop upside-down from individual flower stalks.

Each flower is about 3/4" long and assumes the form of an upside-down Dutchman's Breeches, hence the common name of the plant. The blooming period occurs from early to mid-spring and lasts about 2-3 weeks. The flowers are replaced by egg-shaped seed capsules that taper into points at both ends. These capsules eventually split apart into 2 segments to release their seeds. The root system consists of a bulbous base with fleshy scales and secondary roots.

While there is s no noticeable floral scent, the nectar of the flowers attracts bees and various butterflies. Seeds are mainly dispersed by ants. The seeds have fleshy or oily appendages that attract ants. Ants carry the seeds to their nests, eat the appendages and discard the seeds some distance from the mother plant.

The foliage is toxic to animals that feed on plants and it is not often eaten by them.

There is very little lore written about these little flowers, however, John Burroughs, who frequented the forests in our valley in Sundown, thought the name was an abomination saying, '... it is absurd... and can also be annoying. When one writes about the plant, the mind asks whether to say, "The Dutchman's breeches is..." or "the Dutchman's breeches are.... If you come across only one, do you have a Duchtman's breech? Not, I suppose, unless you can wear a pair of pant."

Another expert on the subject, F. Shuyler Mathews, rather defended the name because of its "Knickerbocker" flavor.

But adversary, Dr. Abbott declared, "According to Victorian etiquette, one would not talk about clothing of that sort at a garden party, especially when the original meaning of 'breech' meant buttocks! That being said, imagine Henry Hudson clothed in Dutchman's pants - and all the poetry attached to the romantic vigils in the Catskills is gone!"

This little flower certainly gathered a lot of attention for its name. I kind of like the name - Elfin Trousers!

If you are out in the woods during the next few weeks, look around for this little beauty - Dutchman's Breeches!



Tin Badges Mysterious Book Report No. 407

by John Dwaine McKenna

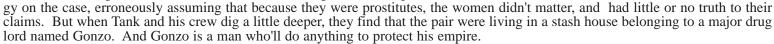
Some writers are gifted with an awesome ability that allows them to paint pictures with words which are so graphic that the characters and places become real in the reader's mind, making it seem like they really exist in the here and now. Lorenzo Carcaterra is one of them. His latest, Tin Badges, (Ballantine Books, \$28.00, 278 pages, ISBN 978-0-345-48392-8) has such apt descriptions of the people and places in lower Manhattan's Greenwich Village, that you'll feel like you're sitting on the front steps of the four story

brownstone he calls home, drinking Starbuck's coffee with Rizzo and Chief Connors.

Thomas "Tank" Rizzo is a Tin Badge, otherwise known as a retired cop who's helping the chief try to

clear up some of the cold case files that the regular detectives don't have time for.

In the current case, Tank and his crew of misfits, including his wheelchair-bound ex-partner named Pearl, are tasked with the unenviable job of finding out who broke into the apartments of two women who were raped, beaten mercilessly and robbed. Trouble is, they're a pair of working girls, otherwise known as ladies of the night, or soiled doves. The first investigators didn't spend much time and even less ener-



Then, as if that's not enough to deal with, just as the all-out war with the narco king is boiling up, Tank gets word that his brother and sister-in-law have been killed in a car wreck. By mutual agreement, Tank and his brother haven't spoken for many years. It doesn't matter though . . . their only son, Chris, an angry sixteen year-old . . . is coming to live with Tank, who's been a lifelong bachelor, in this gritty and electrifying hard-boiled yarn that's a perfect escape from the Chinese Corona virus and a great summer read!

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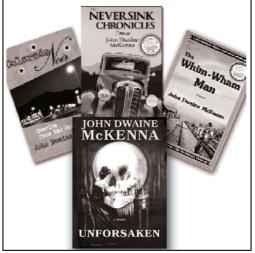
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Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce Fourth of July Festival, Parade and Street

In light of the current ongoing health crisis, and the extension of the Governors Executive Order which extends the "Pause" in our region until June 13th, The Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce, classic car show organizer, Town supervisor, and Village Mayor have elected to

Fair Cancelled

John Dwaine McKenna's Books are now available at the NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE



cancel this year's Fourth of July Festival, parade and street fair.

After much consideration and in agreement with other area events such as The Wurtsboro Founders Day Street Fair, The Tractor Parade, Cancellation of the Forestburgh Playhouse Season, and many Bethel Woods events, we believe this decision is in the best interest of our community at this time.

Out of an abundance of caution and in the best interest of our vendors and patrons we feel this decision was the safest for everyone given the uncertainty that lies ahead in these next few months.

We look forward to seeing you all next year.

Big Eddy Film Festival presents 'Narrowsburg' documentary online screening

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance's Big Eddy Film Festival will present an online screening of Martha Shane's documentary "Narrowsburg" starting starting on at 7 pm on Saturday, May 30, and will host a conversation with the director (and other special guests) on Facebook Live on Sunday, May 31 at 7 pm.

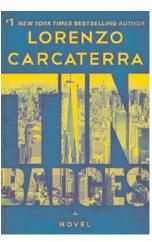
"Narrowsburg" delves into the story of a French film producer and a mafioso-turned-actor who attempted to turn our tiny town in Sullivan County, NY into the "Sundance of the East." Persuading townspeople that they could be movie stars, the pair created a fever pitch of excitement, launching a film festival in 1999 and shooting a gangster movie. Twenty years after this stranger-than-fiction tale took place, director Martha Shane interviews those personally involved to create a documentary that exposes the power of cinema and the fine line between dreams and delusions.

Check DVAA's Facebook page for information to access the film starting Saturday, May 30 at 7 pm, and continuing through Sunday, May 31 at 11:59 pm.

"Narrowsburg" will be distributed this summer by Gravitas Ventures. The film made its New York premiere at the 2019 Big Eddy Film Festival.

The screening is part of "DVAA Live @ Home," an online series featuring arts events on Saturday evenings at 7 pm on Facebook Live. To learn more about DVAA's upcoming programming, visit www.delwarevalleyartsalliance.org

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I am a procrastinator. I admit it. My friend Judy, who is studying to be a hypnotist, sent me

an audio session to deal with procrastination. what? I haven't listened to it yet. I will, but I will,

PROSILIO

back-burner it for now. The proverbial "back burner" of my stove is full with nothing much cooking on the two front burners.

I always get around to doing all those things on my "To Do List" eventually. I used to call myself an "eleventh-hour person", but this pandemic has pushed my procrastinator's clock to 11:58 p.m. There just seems to be so much time and no deadlines except this column, which gets done later and later it seems. I realize I need parameters of schedules, goals, and expectations of others. I need peer pressure, but all my peers are also cloistered and left to their own devices.

Donna, Marie, and MaryAnn are turning out gorgeous quilts, and Lois and Sue are planting spectacular flower gardens. I am thinking my artist friends are producing masterpieces, and I keep thinking about the Lake Sharon, New Paltz scene I promised my niece Keri. Perhaps tomorrow. There always seems to be something put off to Mañana I think that is my way of coping with this unusual absence of social distraction: I subconsciously leave a responsibility to accomplish tomorrow.

What do I do all day? Me, I putter. I make and deliver my quota of masks to requests, but left to my own devises, I can pass a

day frittering and mindlessly doing housework chores that require nothing more than necessary repetition.

I used to tease my students by giving them a round TUIT when they had projects to work on. I found one the other day, and realized I could use one myself. In case you find yourself procrastinating and putting life on hold, here is a round TUIT to gear up for our re-opening of the regions of New York. May we all "get around to it" safely as we ven-

ture forth from our homes back into work and social interaction.

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DEP to Open Remainder of Boating Locations and Steam-Cleaning Services Re-opening of Mid-Hudson Region paves way for start of steam-cleaning and boating

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today announced that all its boat offices and recreational boating locations in the watershed will open over the next week. The opening of boat offices and the recreational boating program was delayed by several weeks this spring because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The boat offices and reservoirs are re-opening in accordance with regional plans designated by the State of New York. The reservoirs that allow boating are located in four of the state's 10 regions. The Capital Region, Southern Tier and Mohawk Valley regions met the state's seven metrics to begin re-opening last week; the Mid-Hudson Region met the criteria on Tuesday to restart certain sectors of its economy. The state noted that "low-risk recreation" could begin throughout these areas.

The use of boats on New York City's reservoirs is split between two programs. The first program allows the use of rowboats for fishing on all 19 of the city's water-supply reservoirs. Each rowboat must be registered and steam-cleaned at a DEP boat office. Boat offices in Downsville, Gilboa, Grahamsville and Shokan will begin taking calls for steam-cleaning appointments today, May 26. The boat office in Mahopac will begin taking calls for appointments on Monday, June 1. Anglers must call the boat offices ahead of time. Steam cleaning will not be done without an appointment.

DEP Boat Offices Downsville (607) 363-7009 Gilboa (607) 588-6231 Grahamsville (845) 334-7152 Mahopac (914) 232-1309 Shokan (845) 657-5073

The second program allows the use of recreational boats - kayaks and canoes - at Cannonsville, Neversink, Pepacton and Schoharie reservoirs. To protect water quality in these

reservoirs, the recreational boating program relies on a small network of trained businesses that stream clean the boats before they are used each spring. DEP will perform the annual inspection of steam-cleaning equipment at these local businesses this week, allowing them to begin cleaning recreational boats for use at all four reservoirs on Friday, May 29. Businesses that provide pre-cleaned rental boats at the reservoirs will also be permitted to start rentals on that day. A complete list of steam-cleaning businesses and rental vendors can be found on the Catskill Watershed Corporation website at cwconline.org/reservoir-boating/.

DEP also reminds anglers and boaters to follow guidance from federal, state and local health authorities. Those who use the reservoirs should continue to maintain a physical distance from others, vigorously wash their hands or use hand sanitizer, and wear face coverings if they anticipate coming into close contact with others.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than 1 billion gallons of high-quality water each day to more than 9.6 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$168.9 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with \$20.1 billion in investments planned over the next decade that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.



Why wear a mask?

Out of respect.

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

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

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

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

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

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Fallsburg Lions Club Honors Graduates

This year the Fallsburg Lions Club is pleased to announce the names of five graduating seniors at Fallsburg High School that will receive academic scholarships.

Shauna Bellacicco is the daughter of Christine Bellacicco of Loch Sheldrake. She will be attending Keystone College. Some of her activities include Yearbook Club, Student Government, National Honor Society, Varsity Basketball and many hours of community service. Sadia Abohussien is the daughter of Tawfik Abohussien of Woodridge. She will be attending Emerson College. Sadia was the SGA V.P., Class V.P., Key Club President, National Honor Society and Yearbook Club and community service.

Kimberly Mahler is the daughter of Kevin and Theresa Mahler of Mountaindale. She will be attending SUNY New Paltz. Kim has been a Varsity Cheerleader, Pop Warner Cheerleader, Interact Club President, SGA Chief Justice, Environmental Club, National Honor Society, Varsity Softball and community Service. Cindy Granados is the daughter of Carlos and Maria Granados of Woodridge. She will be attending SCCC. Activities include Varsity Soccer, Art Club, translating and volunteering at Church.

Ethan Mednick is the son of Michael and Shari Mednick of Rock Hill. He will be attending The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. Activities include SGA, LEO Club President, National Honor Society, Drama Club, All-County Chorus, All-State Chorus and many hours of community service.

Congratulations to these fine students whose academic record, participation in school activities and service to the community make them worthy choices for these prestigious awards.

Fallsburg High School Announces Hertz-LaRuffa Awards

Every year since 1959, FCSD has awarded a scholarship to honor student musicians for outstanding contributions and character both inside and outside the classroom. Initially, it was the Hertz Award, in honor of music teacher and band director, Irving Hertz. In 1983, Band Director Joe LaRuffa's name was added to the Hertz-LaRuffa Scholarship.

The honorees are Khadijah Mamburay, Xiverliz Rivera Aponte, David Parsons, Amanda Zeno and Shauna Bellacicco.

The awards are normally presented at the Annual Spring Concert that was cancelled because the school was closed for most of the Spring Semester. Current FHS Band Director Danna Clear announced this year's recipients in an email to the District this past week.

Congratulations go out to these outstanding young people.

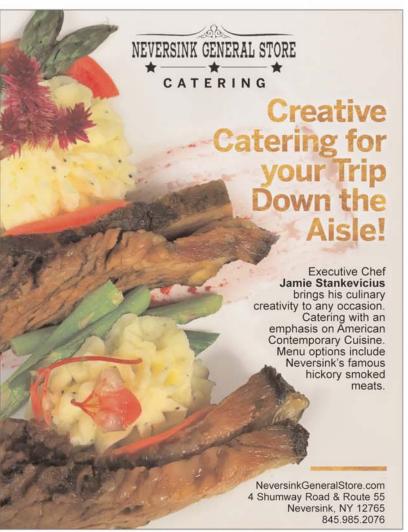
Rehabilitated Peregrine Falcon Released into the Wild

On May 10, a rehabilitated peregrine falcon found last



year in Delaware County was released into the wild. On Oct. 20, 2019, a resident contacted ECO Vern Bauer reporting an emaciate and sick falcon. ECO Bauer brought the three-year-old male falcon to Missy Runyon of Friends of the Feathered and Furry Wildlife Center in Greene County. Medical staff discovered a pellet in the left shoulder and a dislocated shoulder with a ruptured air sac on its right. At the time, there was uncertainty if the falcon would ever fly again, let alone survive. Missy Runyun spent seven months rehabili-

tating the falcon and was present for the release.



UC Public Safety Training Center is Completed Ahead of Schedule and Under Budget



From Left to Right Director of Emergency Services Steven J. Peterson, Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan, Ulster County Fire Coordinator Everett Erichsen tour the Ulster County Public Saftey Training Center

TOWN OF ULSTER, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan toured the newly completed Public Safety Training Center on Ulster Landing Road in the Town of Ulster. At over 5,200 square feet, the new facility features 13 burn rooms and five forced entry doors. Additionally, firefighters will have the opportunity to do rooftop training, rope rescue operations, and a car fire prop. The project, a new three-story state-of-the-art burn facility, was completed ahead of schedule and under budget.

The Public Safety Training Center will also provide additional hands-on training equipment that has previously been unavailable within Ulster County which has led to local volunteers having to travel to other facilities throughout New York State. It will also be available to other first responders and law enforcement personnel for training on a growing range of emergency scenarios that they confront in the line of duty.

"Ulster County's firefighters and first responders risk their lives to protect the lives of others," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "It has been years in the making, and not without bumps in the road, but I am proud that we have created this state of the art facility that will help our first responders and that it was completed on time and under budget."

The County will also be entering into a use agreement for the Public Safety Training Facility with SUNY Ulster. All of the County's 50 independent fire districts and departments, in addition to other emergency service and law enforcement agencies will have access to this facility. The new training facility will complement the educational component/classroom training opportunities currently housed in the Captain Jack Rose Memorial Lecture Hall at SUNY Ulster.

"This new facility is among the finest in New York State," Everett Erichsen, Ulster County Fire Coordinator said. "It is vital that we provide them with the best possible tools and programs in order to grow with changes in the fire service. The Public Safety Training Center will equip our local service members with the highest quality of training, which will enhance performance and save lives."

"I'm excited that the Ulster County Public Safety Training Center has been completed and our hardworking volunteers finally have a safe, state of the art facility for their lifesaving training," Minority Leader Ken Ronk said. "When the emergency tones go off, they leave their homes to protect life and property, and the absolute least we can do is ensure that they are properly prepared to face the life and death situations that they face while protecting all of us. I appreciate the partnership with the County Executive's office, and the leadership of the Ulster County Fire Advisory Board, Department of Emergency Management, and all of the valued partners that have worked together to make this day a reality."

"The complexity of firefighting and other emergency response is unlike the past, making easy access to high quality training paramount to keeping our residents safe," Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee Chair Eve Walter said. "I am excited about the educational opportunities that this training center provides us."

Squirrels in a Sticky SituationOn May 14, ECO Kevin Wamsley received a call

On May 14, ECO Kevin Wamsley received a call about a group of squirrels in distress in the hamlet of



Verbank. The caller stated the squirrels appeared to have their tails tied together and could not move freely. ECO Wamsley responded to the location and discovered that the juvenile squirrel tails were stuck together with a mass of nest debris and a

tar-like substance later determined to be pine pitch. The squirrels were struggling to free themselves from their siblings. ECO Wamsley captured the squirrels and began the meticulous task of freeing their tails. After some time and quite a bit of effort, ECO



Wamsley was able to pull and cut away the nesting materials and free the squirrels one by one. All four squirrels were released on site.

Injured Hawks Rehabilitated and Released

On May 22, two Red-Tailed Hawks, recently rehabilitated, were released back into the wild in town of Olive. One hawk had lead poisoning and the other sustained a fractured ulna that was repaired surgically. Both hawks were rehabilitated by Missy Runyun of Friends of the Feathered and Furry Wildlife Center. Over the Memorial Day Holiday Weekend, ECOs released the hawk that was poisoned on the same property where it was found back in March. The other was released at Grant Avery Memorial Park in Olive. Video of the release is available on DEC's YouTube page.

Abandoned Otter Kit

On May 17, a seasonal homeowner on Grenadier Island in the town of Cape Vincent contacted ECO Evan



McFee reporting an abandoned river otter kit. The homeowner said the young otter was found the day before in a grassy area near his home and had been there for more than 24 hours. The homeown-

er kept a close watch on the otter and did not see other otters in the area. Due to the length of time the young otter had been left alone without food or water, ECO McFee decided to transport the otter to a wildlife rehabilitator. Under McFee's direction, the homeowner used a plastic tote to transport the young otter and met the ECO at a marina in Cape Vincent. ECO McFee then brought the otter to a local wildlife rehabilitator. The otter kit was in good health and being evaluated to determine the next steps of rehabilitation.

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Senator Metzger Applauds Nourish NY Initiative, Bethel Creamery in Supplying Kosher Dairy Products to In-Need Soup Kitchen

Mid-Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) lauded participation by Sullivan County's Bethel Creamery in New York State's Nourish NY Initiative, a new state program that supplies fresh, healthy New York-produced food and dairy products to those in need. The Creamery delivered 120 cases of organic, kosher yogurt and 900 bottles of organic, kosher milk to Masbia Soup Kitchen in Boro Park, Brooklyn, thanks to this new state program. As Chair of the Senate's Agriculture Committee, Senator Metzger has been working closely with New York farms and the Department of Agriculture and Markets during the COVID-19 crisis to make sure that farm-fresh products in the region can be purchased by food banks to serve foodinsecure communities in need.

"Our local food producers have been hit hard during this pandemic, and this state program is a great way to support our farms while also addressing the growing problem of food insecurity during this difficult time," said Senator Metzger. "I am so pleased to see the fresh, high-quality kosher dairy products produced by Sullivan County's Bethel Creamery reach communities in need."

Through the Nourish NY initiative, the state government is providing \$25 million in funding to food banks throughout the state for the purchase of New York-produced fruits, vegetables, and dairy products to feed the growing numbers of people facing food insecurity.

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The Scene Too - Jane Harrison

There's so much confusion as we got a taste of the warmer weather. The county is gearing up for a Phase One opening, which seems now to be delayed as our confirmed cases have started rising again. And then I read something else that said we're on schedule. And then there are the camps. They can open, they can't open, some can open. Geez, who knows anything for sure anymore!

And with the taste of upper 70 degree weather came some interesting conversations in my excursion out. Sure, the virus MIGHT abate during the warmer weather, but we don't know that for sure. This is a new virus. Mask-shame all you want. I have no symptoms and getting tested is still not easy unless you are ill, SO I will continue to mask to keep you and your loved ones safe.

So, what has your week been like? Mine?

My excursion out made me go through my yarn stash to sock more yarn. Pandemic Socks Phase One are in the offing.

But not right now, as I made the mistake of leaving the yarn out where a certain kitty (Terwilliger) decided to help me. It's going to take a lot of Zen.....

I was able to find a glass jar with a wide mouth that now contains a DIY sanitizing mix-



ture of five cups of water and a capful of bleach. This is not for cleaning because you can leave

the rag in the mixture, but for AFTER cleaning sanitization. I can't find my calendar/planner. Now I REALLY don't know

what day it is. The main drain from my building to the sewer system has

been clogged since Sunday so no showers until it's cleared. I hope 6 feet of social distancing is enough.

A friend brought a few ears of the first organic corn to me. I still am so grateful! The taste of the organic is so different than that which is 'factory farmed'.

I finally cooked the Ball Park franks which are the only hot dogs I eat when I have my yearly craving. But I also know now why there was a full rack. The taste...well there just wasn't any. They are now bland, the skin is really tough and they just don't 2. The Landscapes cook up the way they did before, which immediately made me wonder if they are still made here. A big thumbs down.

The next person who tells me about their rhubarb, just know I WILL mug you for it.

BETHEL WOODS

The only shows BETHEL WOODS has cancelled for the upcoming season are the ones that the groups themselves or the festivals (like MOUNTAIN JAM) cancelled. Some dates were simply postponed, some later in the fall, some to 2021. I believe that their not cancelling in the face of the pandemic has more to do with how the contracts were written. For those shows still on the schedule, there are a host of stagehands, audio and video professionals that will have to be on hand to set up and tear down. These are unsung people are also essential personnel that we often don't think about but without them, a show in a large venue like Bethel Woods could not go on stage. Hats off to these brave persons that may have to forego their 'In Pause' to bring music to some.

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

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3 Things I Love and **Appreciate About** the USA

I've blabbered on about my love for various other countries in my articles, but I think it's finally time to focus in on my home country: the beloved USA. Granted, I love international travel more than I can possibly explain. Various cultures, languages, people, landscapes, excursions, and food fascinate me. However, domestic travel continually surprises me and causes me to appreciate the land I come from (and, obviously, I can't wait to indulge in that after the stay-at-home order lifts!).

Here are my three favorite things that I love and appreciate about my home country:

1. The Diversity

America is easily the most diverse country I've ever been to (and I've now been to 35 altogether). In each of its massive cities, there are numerous neighborhoods filled with people from every religion, creed, ethnicity, country, and culture. In most cities, while walking the streets, I can hear 10 different languages spoken in a matter of 10 minutes! That is something to truly admire about our country.

America has been blessed with all the landscapes imaginable: deserts, mountains, valleys, beaches, plains, highlands, plateaus, cities, towns, villages, canyons, fields, forests, hills, and on and on and on. I can visit nearly any state and be instantly overwhelmed by the kinds of enamoring nature I can visit.

3. The Wide Open Spaces

Honestly, I personally loathe the car dependency of US citizens, but my, oh my, do I love the SPACE. Nearly any and every place I've visited in the US, the roads are wide. The sidewalks are wide. The space between people, cars, homes, and nearly everything is wide. Even the space in the supermarket aisles is wide! I've been to places like Colombia, China, Thailand, Vietnam, and Indonesia where "personal space" and "wide space" of any kind is simply not heard of nor honored. So, whenever I do come home and wander around domestically, I am greatly appreciative of the wide open spaces!

There are countless reasons to love our country, but these are simply my top 3 as someone who has the fortune, financial stability, and capability to travel internationally full-time.

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The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop and Director Harold Tighe announce auditions for a virtual performance(s) of local Playwright Peter Nastase's play "Locked Away". The coach of a high school state championship team is being honored on the anniversary of their championship. Several of the key players are reminiscing about the "good" old days when one of them brings up the elephant in the room - child abuse by the coach of several teammates and the dire consequences of that abuse. What should they do and is the anniversary dinner the right time and place to bring up memories that have been locked away for so many years.

The cast consists of four men. All actors must be able to play late sixties to late eighties in age. Auditions will be via video call. All rehearsals and performances will be through Zoom or similar. Performance dates are anticipated to be late June or early July and will be determined shortly. Those interested in auditioning should email the director at haroldtighe50@gmail.com no later than June 6. Mr. Tighe will send auditioners a page to review and a video call will be arranged between 5 and 9 PM. Rehearsals will be scheduled when the full cast is determined and at the convenience of the cast.

Senator Metzger's Informative COVID-19 Online Conversation Series Takes Up Opioid Crisis and Food Insecurity in June

Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...In an ongoing effort to provide timely and accurate information on COVID-related topics, Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) has added two upcoming episodes to her now-weekly online series, Community Conversations. Streaming live on Thursdays at 5:00 PM via the Senator's Facebook page, the online series features local experts addressing COVID-19 topics important to Hudson Valley and Catskills communities. "All of the topics in this online series have been selected based on what I am hearing in the district regarding the issues and concerns people care about," said Senator Metzger. "This online conversation series has been a great resource for residents who can hear directly from experts in our region and get useful guidance during this challenging time."

Next week's episode, featuring Police Chief John Ewanciw, from the City of Middletown, and Dean Scher, CEO of Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster, will address how local communities are continuing to battle the opioid crisis during the COVID-19 pandemic and provide life-saving support to residents in need. The Facebook livestream will take place on Thursday, June 4, from 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM, and will include a Q&A period with participating viewers moderated by the Senator.

A list of topics and guests for weeks six and seven of the series are as follows: • WEEK SIX- Thursday, June 4: Mitigating Opioid and Substance Use During COVID-19 Guests: John Ewanciw, City of Middletown Police Chief, and Dean Scher, CEO of Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster. • WEEK SEVEN-Thursday, June 11: Tackling Food Insecurity through Community Innovation Guests: Amanda LaValle, Director of Ulster County Department of the Environment and facilitator of Project Resilience, and Sims Foster, Co-Founder of Foster Supply Hospitality.

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Typically around this time of year we are preparing for a library budget vote. We are extremely grateful for all of the support we continue to receive from our community year after year. In this time of economic uncertainty, the Daniel Pierce Library Board of Directors has decided not to request a budget increase this year. Therefore, we will not be holding a budget vote. We understand that this is a trying time for many families and we want you to know that we are here to

support you in any way we can.

We are sad to announce that there will be no book tent at the library this year due to COVID-19. We are also unable to accept book donations. We hope to be able to accept donations again next year. If you are in need of used books, please call The Read it Again Bookstore in Monticello.

Please tune in to our Facebook page each week to catch Crafts with Miss Geri at 2:00 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Cathy's Family Favorites every Wednesday at 2:00 pm.

Helena Claire Pittman is continuing to work with the DPL Painters online. If you would like to join the group email: jdymond@rcls.org. You can see all of their work through the link available on the Adult page of our website www.danielpiercelibrary.org.

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We're not accepting donations

Due to public health concerns, we are unable to accept book donations for the rest of the year. We hope to able to accept them again next year.

No Budget Vote

We know that this is a trying time for many families. That is why the Daniel Pierce Library Board of Directors has decided not to request a budget increase this year.

Do You Need Childcare? Let Us Know

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Community Resources and the Sullivan County Child Care Council have jointly created a survey to assess the needs of families in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis.

"While our childcare businesses have remained essential since New York went on PAUSE in March, some programs closed due to loss of clients (such as teachers that are working from home) and other reasons. Additionally, some - possibly all - children's summer camps will not open this year, leaving parents scrambling," explains Child Care Council Executive Director Donna Willi. "Through this survey, we want to get an idea of how many parents will suffer difficulties - even not be able to work - due to lack of options."

"The survey can be filled out anonymously by anyone who needs childcare services, be they a parent, grandparent, guardian or other caregiver," Community Resources Commissioner Laura Quigley affirms. "The questions are easy – we just want to know what you need, when you need it, and what challenges you may be facing."

The survey can be found at http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QBJ2KFK and will be available through June 21. If you do not have Internet access or would prefer to answer the questions over the phone, please call the Child Care Council at 845-292-7166.







Project Resilience is an Ulster County-wide community partnership to bring food and other assistance to those who cannot afford it or who cannot leave home during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Ulster County is partnering with United Way and many other area organizations and businesses to mobilize food and services. If you are an Ulster County resident in need of meals. Meals will be delivered to local distribution centers, with home delivery to those who need it organized from there.

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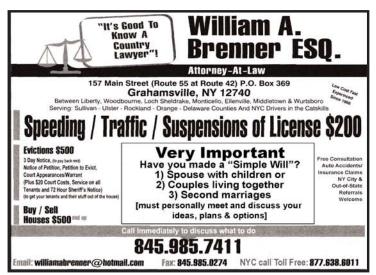
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Upcoming Town Halls to Address Local Industry and Court System

Monticello, NY - Legislature Chairman Robert Doherty announces that businessman Rick Lander and Sullivan County Commissioner of Jurors George Cooke will join Legislature Vice Chair Mike Brooks, County Manager Josh Potosek and Public Health Director Nancy McGraw for Live Town Halls this coming week.

Lander, owner/operator of Lander's River Trips in Narrowsburg and a board member of both Catskill Regional Medical Center and the Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association, will present at the Monday, June 1 Town Hall, while Cooke, a veteran of State and County government, will speak at the Thursday, June 4 Town Hall.

"Rick has successfully run his family business along the Delaware River for decades, but it's accurate to say - like many other business owners - he's never faced a time quite like this, so I look forward to the insights he'll share," Doherty stated. "At the same time, George Cooke has been dealing with a court system facing huge challenges, and he'll clue us in on what to expect of our judicial process in the weeks and months to come."

Questions for any of the presenters can be submitted via either email at sctownhall@co.sullivan.ny.us or private message to www.facebook.com/sullivancountygov and are due by 7 a.m. the day of the particular Town Hall. They should be related to COVID-19 (2019 Novel Coronavirus) concerns and issues, phrased respectfully and apolitically.

The Town Halls will begin at 1 p.m. June 1 and 4 at www.facebook.com/sullivancountygov. The videos will also be made available to view afterwards on the Coronavirus info page on the County's website, http://www.sullivanny.us.

Dear Friends of MISU,

This is the most difficult letter I have ever had to write in my 18 years as director of MISU. I know you are all experiencing exceedingly difficult times, and hope that you and your families are all safe and healthy.

Over the years, your kindness, financial support, generosity of spirit and love of music has sustained us and made us a force for good in Ellenville and beyond. But MISU has not been immune to this pandemic. We have temporarily closed our doors. We need your help now, more than ever. Please give what you can to ensure that MISU will continue to survive and thrive.

We are hoping to open again soon but, despite the most optimistic of situations, it will take months before we can get back to our regular programming. Social distancing will create many difficulties for us as musicians and we are actively searching for solutions as this letter is written.

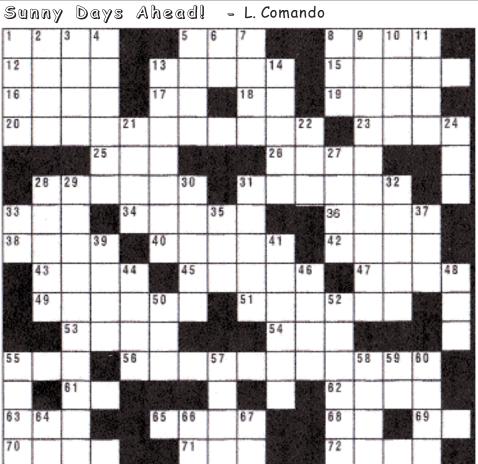
MISU remains unwavering in our commitment to giving the gift of music to you and your loved ones. We know that music is life affirming. It brings light in these dark times, and creates community in these times of isolation. And so we are giving online lessons to children and adults. But our teachers and staff must be compensated. Music on Market will continue supporting local musicians and give virtual concerts. But we need technical equipment to do that. Our beautiful building is a sanctuary. But bills must be paid.

You are our hope and we are counting on you. Time is now running out. Please make an emergency donation today.

You could help us but making a donation today. Here are different ways how we would use your valued donation. The upkeep of one student's instrument per semester is about \$25. Our youth orchestra needs sheet music to perform, it costs between \$50 and \$100, you could help with that! Our community music ensembles need professional coaching and teaching, it all requires money. We want to repair of our Steinway piano which is very expensive. We are counting on you. Any amount that you donate is gladly received and will be put where it is most needed, including toward our local performing artists.

What is music but to be created together, enjoyed, and listened to. You are essential. You are needed. Please give today. You will help ensure that we return.

With love and gratitude, Anastasia Solberg



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Roasted Garlic Hummus

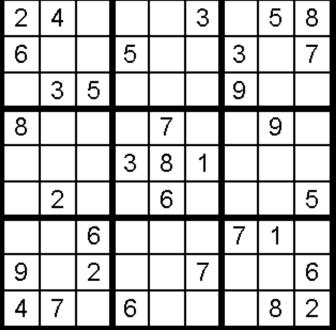
1 can chickpeas/garbanzo beans (15 oz. can) 2 tablespoons roasted garlic 1/2 tablespoon lemon juice 1 tablespoon olive oil 1/2 teaspoon oregano

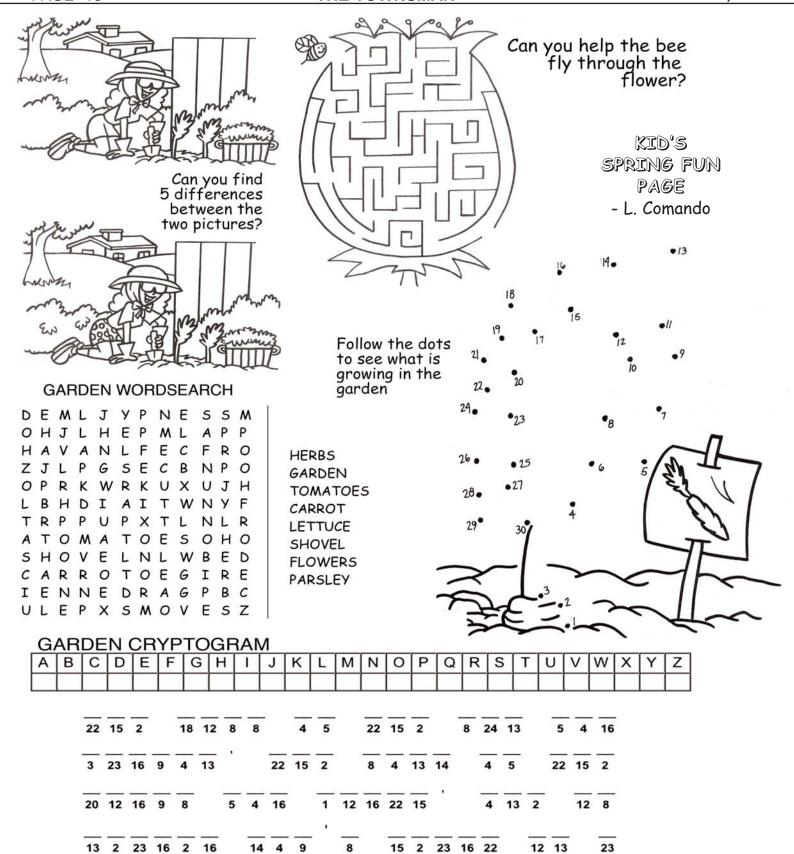
In a food processor, process beans, garlic, olive oil, lemon juice and oregano until desired consistency. If hummus is too thick, simply add olive oil in small increments (1/2 teaspoon) until desired consistency.

Serve roasted garlic hummus garnished with finely chopped parsley with hot pita bread, pita chips, or veggies. Roasted garlic hummus goes very well with cubes of warm Italian bread.

Hummus can be prepared in advance up to two days if stored in airtight container in the refrigerator. To serve, heat in microwave or on stovetop. Can be served cold as a dip.

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LEGALS/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PUBLIC NOTICE

DUE TO THERE BEING NO BUSINESS THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK PLANNING BOARD SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 3, 2020 HAS BEEN CAN-CELLED.

BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF NEVERSINK JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

FCSD: Calendar of Board of Education Meetings and **Budget Vote**

The following meetings of Fallsburg Central School District Board of Education:

- o May 26 at 7 PM, Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting
- June 2 at 7 PM, Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting
- o June 9, Annual Meeting and Budget Vote by Absentee Ballot; Ballot Acceptance ends at 5 PM; meeting begins after counting of ballots is finished

All meetings are via teleconference. Check the FCSD web site www.fallsburgcsd.net/board for information on the meetings and how to log in via Google Meet or listen in via phone.

Thank you for voting on the budget and participating in the meetings. Any questions, please contact Ms. Sarah Satz, the Superintendent's Secretary and District Clerk at 845-434-6800, ext. 1215 or by email ssatz@fallsburgcsd.net.

Please be advised that the Village of Monticello in no way, shape or form condones the use of any racial slurs or berating language from its management team or any of its employees. The Village however, by law is required to take all of the necessary procedures and follow all of the applicable sections of the law regarding a thorough investigation of any matter presented before them. So, we are asking that you give us time and that you please do not misconstrue this as a lack of concern, but know that we are diligent in taking the proper steps to rectify the current situation at hand.

Sincerely,

Gary P. Sommers Mayor/Manager

Village of Monticello

Attorney General James Applauds Repeal of Law Criminalizing Group Mask Use in Public

NEW YORK - Attorney General Letitia James lauded the passage of legislation permanently repealing N.Y. Penal Law 240.35(4), a nearly two-century-old statute which makes it a criminal violation for groups of individuals to wear masks in public - subject to a possible fifteenday sentence of imprisonment. On May 11, 2020, Attorney General James sent a letter to Governor Cuomo and legislative leadership pointing out this conflict of law and urging that this specific provision of the penal code be suspended or repealed.

"Wearing masks in public remains necessary for the health and safety of New Yorkers. But there was a clear conflict of law, and

Tri-Valley Central School District Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 4, 2020 Anticipated Executive Session at 5:00 p.m., Regular Meeting #20 will start at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be streamed on YouTube Live

Please note that at the Regular Meeting #21 of the Tri-Valley CSD Board of Education on Thursday, May 21 2020, the Board added a Board Meeting to the 2019 2020 school year. Board Meeting #24 will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, immediately following Budget Vote and Board Member Election 2020 results being tallied. (There is no start time available yet, as we do not know how long it will take to count ballots by hand. Counting begins at 5:00 p.m).

Tri-Valley has the following Board Meetings scheduled:

Thursday, June 4, 2020 - Anticipated Executive Session at 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting #23 - 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, 2020 - Regular Meeting #24 immediately following ballot counting

Thursday, June 18, 2020 - Anticipated Executive Session at 5:00 p.m., Regular Meeting #25 - 6:00 p.m.

> These meetings are advertised, conducted, and recorded on YouTube Live.

Thank you, hope you are well and safe and healthy.

repealing this outdated provision is commonsense policy," said Attorney General James. "Even if it is difficult to imagine a police department enforcing, a prosecutor charging, or a judge upholding such a charge during the COVID-19 crisis, we should not tolerate a situation where following the law is dangerous. I thank Senator Bailey and Assemblymember Quart for their leadership and for permanently repealing this law."

"We are living through an unprecedented health crisis. Governor Cuomo issued an executive order requiring that New Yorkers wear face masks while in public to help stop the spread of COVID-19, but this mandate conflicts with an outdated penal law provision banning the use of such masks," said Senator Jamaal Bailey. "I am proud to announce that during this session, we have taken steps to remedy this problem by passing legislation expressly repealing that part of the existing statute, which makes it illegal to wear face masks in public. No one should face increased scrutiny and potential criminal liability solely due to a conflict in the law. I would like to thank Majority Leader Andrea Stewart Cousins and Attorney General Letitia James for ensuring the passage of this bill.'

"This is a disaster waiting to happen," said Assemblymember Dan Quart. "Not only is the continued criminalization of face coverings confusing for all New Yorkers, it exposes men of color to police harassment. If we are to stop the spread of COVID-19, we must ensure that everyone feels safe wearing a mask in public, without the threat of arrest, prosecution, or worse.

The bill (S8415/A10446-A) would immediately repeal N.Y. Penal Law 240.35(4), which made "being masked or in any manner disguised by unusual or unnatural attire or facial alteration, loiters, remains or congregates in a public place with other persons so masked or disguised, or knowingly permits or aids persons so masked or disguised to congregate in a public place" a criminal violation. The passage of this bill also eliminates a conflict of law with Executive Order Number 202.17 which, effective April 15th, requires New Yorkers over the age of two to "cover their nose and mouth with a mask or cloth face-covering when in a public place and unable to maintain, or when not maintaining, social distance," unless they are "[un]able to medically tolerate a face-covering."

UC Executive Ryan Reminds UC Businesses of Phase One Guidance

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today visited Hamilton & Adams in uptown Kingston and participated in-store pickup which started on Tuesday through New York State's Phase 1 reopening plan. Additionally, County Executive Ryan reminded Phase 1 Businesses about the current reopening guidance and offered assistance through the Ulster County Department of Economic Development.

"I am excited that the Mid-Hudson region has met the New York State threshold to start reopening. We have been preparing for this moment for a phased safe reopening for several weeks now, and I am confident that if we all work together we can and will reopen safely," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "As a former business owner, I understand the challenges our local businesses face under regular circumstances and now more than ever we must help our business owners by providing them the tools needed to open their doors in a safe and responsible way. My office and the Office of Economic Development are committed to working with our business community to ensure a smooth and safe reopening."

"We are excited to start reopening safely. We have missed our community and are looking forward to connecting again soon," Co-Owner of Hamilton & Adams Andrew Addotta said. "We appreciate the help from the Ulster County Department of Economic Development who have helped guide businesses throughout our area to prepare to

reopen safely."

Retail businesses providing curbside and in-store pickup should stay up to date with any changes to state and federal requirements related to retail activities and incorporate those changes into their operations. Curbside and In-Store Pickup Retail Guidelines for Employers and Employees can be found here.

Phase One businesses include: Construction; Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting; Retail - (Limited to curbside or in-store pickup or drop off); Manufacturing; Wholesale Trade;

Ulster County businesses are encouraged to reach out to the Ulster County Department of Economic Development and to visit NY Forward for updates about reopening.

All businesses in New York State will be required to develop their own safety plans before reopening, in alignment with Governor Cuomo's NY Forward Plan. According to guidance released by the Ulster County Office of Economic Development, the 56 industry category sec-

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tors included in the Phase 1 reopening should begin preparing now so they may safely and legally reopen once the Pause is lifted in the Mid-Hudson region.

While plans do not have to be submitted to New York State for approval, they must be retained on the premises of the business and be made available to the New York State Department of Health (DOH) or local health or safety authorities in the event of an inspection.

Safety plan templates are available by visiting https://forward.ny.gov/industries-reopening-phase and guidance and resources specific to Ulster County can be found at https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/businesses/_

There are currently 1706 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 75 fatalities in Ulster County.

For additional information about COVID-19 visit: https://ulstercountyny.gov/coronavirus

Ulster County COVID-19 Hotline: 845-443-8888

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Due to the recent extension of NY on PAUSE, we are postponing this year's Wings & Wheels for Warriors to Saturday, June 20th with a rain date of Sunday, June 21st. It is our hope that this highly anticipated event will be a bright spot for our community. We are watching the Covid-19 situation carefully and will continue updates on the event as this new date approaches.

Kiwanis of Woodridge, New York Foundation, Inc. <u>Announces Annual Scholarship Awards</u>

Kiwanis of Woodridge awards scholarships each year to graduating seniors from Fallsburg Central School District who are in good academic standing, have participated in community service, have a financial need, and will be attending a two or four year college, or a trade school. Our annual Scholarship Dinner is something we look forward to every year. Unfortunately, we felt it prudent to cancel the Dinner this year due to Covid-19.

We are very proud to make public the recipients of our 2020 Annual Scholarship:

Sadia AboHussien of Woodridge whose course of study will be Communications:

Faith Colombo of South Fallsburg who will be enrolling in a Physical Therapy program;

David Parsons of Woodbourne who will be majoring in Pharmacy;
 Tulsi Patel of Woodridge whose field of study will be Biology & Management;

Amanda Zeno of South Fallsburg who will be majoring in Biomedical Sciences.

We congratulate all these amazing seniors for their academic excellence and service to their communities. We wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.

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

St. Mark's UM Church 68 Clinton St., Napanoch

YARD AND CLOTHING SALE CLOSED UNTIL **FURTHER** NOTICE





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e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

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

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Friday 3 pm to 6 pm

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

> For all other information contact Pastor Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283 • e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

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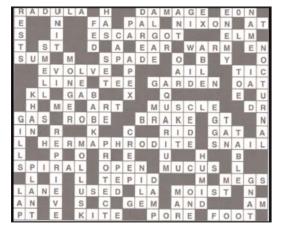
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AL-ANON MEETINGS - http://www.al-anon.alateen.org Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty • Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immacu-late Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

VETERANS always Free search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at the Sullivan County Museum,

265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.

Ans to last week's Crossword





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Time and the Valleys Museum's Program in June is Cancelled; T wo Programs in May and the 1930s Catskill Farm Hoedown in July are Postponed

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Unfortunately, this press release is not asking to advertise one of our educational programs, but to announce two postponements and one cancellation.

Two programs in May are postponed:

- 1. The Museum's annual opening date of Saturday, May 24th is postponed until further notice.
- 2. The opening reception of a new exhibit on one room school houses of the Tri-Valley area, schedule for Sunday May 31st is postponed until further notice.

Also -

- 1. The Lost Catskill Farm Afternoon on Sunday, June 7th is cancelled.
- 2. The 1930s Catskill Farm Hoedown scheduled for Saturday, July 25th is post-poned.

<u>About the Time and the Valleys Museum:</u> Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is currently closed.

Current exhibitions when reopening:

o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This newly renovated exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.

o Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.

o 1930s Lost Catskill Farm

o NEW! Once Upon a Time: One Teacher, 8 Grades, One Room School Opening summer, 2020.

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

UC Ryan Discusses Plan to Safely Reopen County Government Departments – Reminds residents to take proper safety precautions and remain vigilant

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today during his Facebook Live Town Hall with Dr. Carol Smith discussed plans for reopening County departments and reminded residents to take proper safety precautions.

"As a government, we are leading by example and finalizing our plans to reopen county government safely and responsibly," said County Executive Ryan. "The health and safety of the 1,400 individuals who work for Ulster County, along with the thousands of residents that we serve is of utmost importance to me. We will be taking every necessary measure to ensure that the workforce along with those that we serve are protected."

"As Ulster County begins to re-open, we must continue to remain vigilant in protecting the health and safety of the residents of Ulster County," said Commissioner of Health Dr. Carol Smith. "It is vitally important that all residents follow our County, State, and CDC guidance and continue to wear masks, maintain social distancing, and wash their hands."

Consistent with the sectors outlined in the NY Forward plan, the following County Departments are aligned with Phase 1 reopening: Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT); Department of Public Works (DPW); Safety Department; Department of Health (DOH); Department of Weights & Measures; Emergency Services (911, Fire/EMS).

The following departments will begin reopening in Phase 2: County Attorney; Social Services (DSS); Economic Development; Employment and Training; Environment; Finance; Human Rights; Information Services (IS); Insurance; Public Defender; Probation; Planning; Personnel; Veterans; Youth (Contd. Pg 23)

PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION TO MAKE CERTAIN OF CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS DUE TO COVID-19

Many organization and municipalities are now using the internet to conduct meetings and to communicate with members and the community.

We welcome all organizations and municipalities who will be utilizing the internet to to do so and to submit their contact information (URL) and we will post the information on our Calendar of Events.

Send your information to: tvtownsman@yahoo.com.
Town of Denning - http://www.denning.us
Town of Neversink - https://townofneversink.org

6/17/2020 Neverink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

COVID-19 ONLINE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

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

The link below goes to our page with all information.

Go to:

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

Tri-Valley Elementary School

WANTED:

Local establishments to display student KINDNESS artwork

Contact Penny Hennessey in the Main Office at 985-2296 ext. 5306 or pennyhennessey @trivalleycsd.org.

All artwork and frames will be provided by the District and refreshed bi-annually.

Time and the Valleys Museum Searching for a Picture

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

Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Seeking Help to Celebrate 65th Anniversary

Claryville Volunteer Fire Department will be celebrating its 65th Anniversary. They are asking anyone who may have pictures of the Fire Department if they could borrow them to make copies for this celebration.

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

Time and the Valleys One Room School Project

Question??

Does anyone in the community have info about a possible Beaver Dam or Curry school? If so would you please share with our researchers? 845-985-7012

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

UC Ryan Discusses Plan to Safely Reopen County Government Departments

(From Pg. 21)

Phase 3 reopening departments are Aging and Tourism.

All departments must follow the Countywide Workplace Safety Plan. In addition, each department is required to implement a tailored safety plan for reopening to the public. Each department will be given advance notice of this reopening date to allow proper time to prepare. Having this safety plan in effect prior to reopening will ensure the safety of County employees and the public as we transition throughout the state reopening plan.

County Executive Ryan also stressed that while Phase 1 reopening is an encouraging step forward, he reminded residents that New York State and CDC guidance still remain in effect. All residents must continue to wear masks, maintain social distancing, wash hands and take the following recommended safety precautions:

Cloth face coverings can be fashioned from household items or made at home from common materials at low-cost, and should be used as a public health measure, beyond social distancing. Individuals must procure, fashion, or otherwise obtain face coverings and wear them when they are in a public and are:

- within six feet of distance from other individuals; or
- in a situation or setting where they are unable to maintain six feet of distance from other individuals; or
- in a public or private transportation carrier or for-hire vehicle.

When wearing cloth face coverings in public settings, where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies), especially in areas of significant community transmission, you should:

- Make sure that they fit snugly and cover their nose and mouth.
- Be changed frequently and laundered when they are soiled or wet.
- Not become complacent with other protective measures.
- Do not touch the cloth covering or face.
- Continue to be vigilant with thorough and frequent hand washing with soap and water, or alcohol-based hand sanitizer of 60%+ alcohol.
- Practice respiratory etiquette and cover your coughs or sneezes.
- Practice social distancing even when wearing masks.
- Stay home and help flatten the curve!

While cloth face coverings may not prevent the wearer from becoming infected, they might help slow spread from people who have the virus and are unaware.

State guidance also recommends that everyone should:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially before you eat.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. Keep a distance of at least 6 feet to help slow the spread of COVID-19.
- Cover your cough and sneezes with a tissue and discard it in a closed container.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects.

All businesses in New York State will be required to develop their own safety plans before reopening, in alignment with Governor Cuomo's NY Forward Plan. While plans do not have to be submitted to New York State for approval, they must be retained on the premises of the business and be made available to the New York State Department of Health (DOH) or local health or safety authorities in the event of an inspection.

Phase One includes the following industries:

- Construction
- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting
- Retail (Limited to curbside or in-store pickup or drop off)
- Manufacturing
- · Wholesale Trade

Safety plan templates are available by visiting _https://forward.ny.gov/industries-reopening-phase and guidance and resources specific to Ulster County can be found at https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/businesses/

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Senator Metzger Lauds COVID-19 Bills Passed by the State Legislature this Week Legislative Package Includes Metzger's Bill to Expand Affordable Access to Telehealth

Albany, NY...State Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) today announced the passage of major legislation to help support New Yorkers during the current COVID-19 pandemic and better prepare the state for future emergencies. The bills sponsored and cosponsored by Senator Metzger cover a range of statewide needs during the state of emergency and beyond, including much-needed relief to New Yorkers facing COVID-related financial hardship, assistance to small businesses to operate safely, consumer protections from rampant price gouging, improved emergency preparedness in residential healthcare facilities, and more. Over 30 bills await the Governor's signature, including Senator Metzger's bill (S8416) to include audio-only services in the definition of telemedicine so that New Yorkers without broadband or video capability have affordable access to healthcare remotely.

"We passed a broad range of important legislation this week to help New Yorkers during this critical time, including my bill to expand access to telehealth, which is so desperately needed in our rural and underserved areas," said Senator Metzger. "By making audio-only services reimbursable, this legislation will greatly expand affordable access to telemedicine, reduce barriers to care in rural communities, and allow individuals to practice social distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19."

Currently, under public health law, telemedicine must include both audio and video services to be eligible for reimbursement by Medicaid and the Child Health Insurance Plan. Metzger's bill amends the law to authorize audio-only provider services as eligible for reimbursement so that phone calls with medical professionals can also be covered to ensure widest possible access to healthcare services, including by those without internet, computer or smartphone. The NYS School Boards Association and NYS Psychological Association both advocated for passage of the bill, which is sponsored in the Assembly by Assemblymember Linda B. Rosenthal (AD-67).

"Our work is far from finished, and I will continue to serve Mid-Hudson Valley and Catskills communities through the course of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Senator Metzger, who co-sponsors a number of the bills in the COVID-19 package, including:

Extending the "Look Back" Window in the Child Victims Act S7082: Last year, Senator Metzger co-sponsored and helped pass the Child Victims Act (CVA), which extends the statute of limitations for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse to file suit against their abusers, and creates a one-year "look-back" window during which adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse can file suit even if the statute of limitations has passed. This look-back window was cut short due to the closure of courts during the pandemic, and the Legislature passed legislation to extend it a full year to August 14, 2021, so that victims can have full opportunity to get the justice they so deserve.

Providing Relief for Renters and Homeowners

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(From Pg. 23) S8113A: With many New Yorkers suffering from loss of employment during this pandemic and struggling to pay their utility bills, the State Legislature passed legislation prohibiting utilities and municipalities from terminating electricity, gas, water, and phone (landline) services through March 31, 2021, and giving customers the right to enter into a deferred payment plan without utility penalties or late fees.

S8243C: To assist homeowners having difficulty keeping up with their mortgage payments, the State Legislature passed legislation requiring state-chartered banks and state-regulated mortgage servicers to grant 90 days of forbearance to residential mortgage holders who can demonstrate financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The legislation would also allow any mortgage holder who is granted forbearance to choose either to extend their loan for the length of the forbearance or defer their arrears as a lump sum payment due at the maturity of the mortgage, which will ease the burden of repay-

S8419: For struggling renters, the Emergency Rent Relief Act of 2020 provides rental assistance vouchers to landlords on behalf of tenants who experienced an increase in rent burden because of a loss of income during the COVID-19 pandemic, using funding received from the Federal CARES Act authorized for rental assistance, among other

S8138B: This legislation will permit municipalities to defer certain property taxes during the COVID-19 State of Emergency and will also permit installment payments to be determined by the local legislative body. No additional interest or penalties would accrue during such deferment.

<u>Loan Support for the Local Small Business Communities</u>

S8181A: To help local businesses and not-for-profit organizations who have been hit hard during this pandemic, the State Legislature passed legislation granting Industrial Development Agencies (IDAs) authority through December 31, 2021, to provide loans of up to \$25,000 for supplies and materials to protect health and safety, such as personal protective equipment and protective plexiglass windows. At a time when cash-strapped businesses need to take extra measures to protect health and safety but can least afford it, this legislation affords much-needed assistance.

Supporting Frontline Workers and their Families

S8251B: This legislation ensures that active volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers receive credits toward their Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) during the COVID-19 pandemic. This pension-like program helps recruit, retain, and reward volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers for serving their communities.

S8427: Many state workers have been on the frontlines fighting this pandemic. Bill S8427 guarantees death benefits for the families of civil servants in New York State who were required to report to work during the COVID-19 pandemic and who contracted the virus while on duty.

S8397A: This legislation will prohibit health care employers from retaliating against health care workers speaking out about workplace safety or health violations including to the news media or on social media.

Advancing Price Gouging Protections for Consumers

S8189: Price gouging has been rampant during this pandemic, with many thousands of cases reported to the NYS Attorney General. To protect New Yorkers against this unscrupulous practice, the State Legislature passed legislation to expand the state's price-gouging laws to cover essential medical supplies and services, and impose a \$25,000 fine on violators.

Pandemic Preparedness for Residential Health Care Facilities

S8289B: Nursing homes have been at the epicenter of this pandemic. This bill seeks to ensure that they are better prepared in the future by requiring residential health care facilities to prepare an annual pandemic emergency plan to ensure that facilities are able to respond to future public health emergencies and keep their residents safe. Facilities are required to make such plans publicly available on their website, and they are to include plans for communicating with families regarding resident status; protecting residents, staff and visitors from infection; preserving a residents' place in the facility if he/she is hospitalized; and ensuring that the facility maintains or has access to at least a two-month supply of personal protective equipment. Facilities found to be in violation of these requirements may be subject to civil penalties.

"From my perspective, this is just a first step," said Senator Metzger. "I have also co-sponsored legislation (S8270) to improve accountability and oversight of residential healthcare facilities in a state of emergency related to a communicable or infectious disease, and believe we need a full investigation to determine the causes of the tragic loss of life in our nursing homes during this pandemic."

Making Absentee Voting Easier

S8130D: To make it easier to obtain an absentee ballot in the mail, the State Legislature passed legislation enabling qualified voters to complete an application for the ballot online, without having to sign the application. (Voters are still required to sign the actual ballot). The legislation also extends the deadline by which ballots need to be postmarked to the day of the election.

"It is my belief that our absentee voting process is still too cumbersome, as well as costly, and in March I introduced a bill (S8120) to require the State Board of Elections to develop a plan for automatic vote by mail during a state of emergency, similar to election systems that have been in place for some time in states like Oregon, Colorado, and Washington," said Senator Metzger. "During a pandemic, and at all times, New Yorkers need to be able to safely exercise their most fundamental right to vote."

Protecting State Aid for Our Public Schools During COVID-

S7996B: By law, school districts are required to be in session for 180 days or they risk losing State aid. Some school districts closed their schools to protect public health during this crisis before closures were mandated statewide, potentially putting their funding in jeopardy. This legislation protects funding for these school districts by clarifying that they will not be financially penalized for choosing to close as a result of COVID-19.

Combating COVID-19 and Protecting New Yorkers' Health **S8245A**: This legislation will require the Department of Health to conduct a study on the health impacts of COVID-19 on minorities in New York State. This builds on the recent joint legislative hearing held on the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on minority communities.

\$8363: This legislation will include the Commissioner of the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) as a member of the Disaster Preparedness Commission. During the COVID-19 pandemic, researchers indicated a likely spike in relapse and emerging substance use disorders, including OASAS in the disaster management planning will ensure addiction service providers are not overlooked and are able to provide the best care for their

Maintaining Quality of Life and Important Services

S8417: This legislation will provide financial and budgetary flexibility to local governments as they continue to operate and provide essential services and finance COVID-19 related costs by extending the rollover period for bond anticipation notes, authorizing local governments and school districts to utilize reserved funds for COVID-19 expenses and extending the repayment time frame of inter-fund loan advances made for COVID-19 expenses. **S8236A:** This legislation authorizes local governments during the current state of emergency to issue a single resolution extending the expiration date for all active building permits and zoning actions for a period of up to 120 days beyond the expiration date stated in the permit.

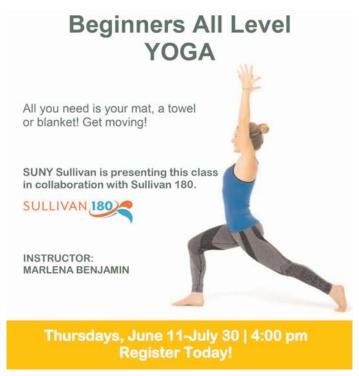
S8410: This legislation extends construction grants to public libraries for an additional 12 months if they received library construction grant aid between 2017 and 2020 and were unable to complete the project due to COVID-19.

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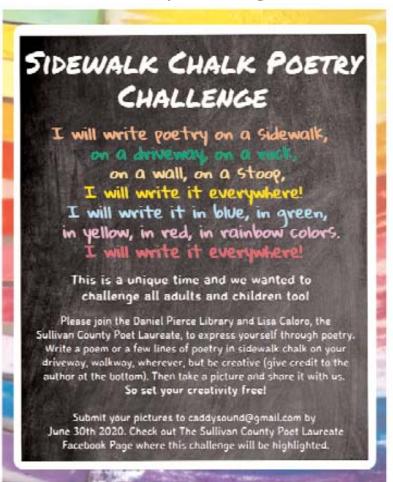


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Public Health, County Laud Longtime Nurse on Retirement

Liberty, NY - Sullivan County Public Health Services' Supervising Community Health Nurse Beth Gilmore, RN, was presented with a plaque on Friday by the Public Health staff in appreciation of her 30 years of loyal and dedicated service to the County.

May 29 was Beth's last day, as she is now retired and looks



forward to getting some rest and spending more time with her family and grandchildren.

Beth has held multiple roles in almost every area of the Department, including as a Community Health Nurse and as a supervisor of the Epidemiology /Communicable Disease Department throughout the measles outbreak of 2019 and the current COVID-19 crisis this year.



"Her leadership in various roles has included assisting during the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic, leading the emergency preparedness program and planning coordination with community organizations, quality assurance, and home health care. All of these experiences have made her a wealth of knowledge and a great resource to staff over the last three decades, including administrative staff," said Public Health Director Nancy McGraw, MPH, MBA, LCSW. "We all wish Beth well on this next journey of life and hope that she enjoys her retirement to

the fullest. She will be greatly missed, and her shoes will be hard to fill."

"Beth has been a guiding force and an indispensable part of this office for years," acknowledged Health & Family Services Commissioner Stephanie Brown. "I fully agree with Nancy that she will be extremely difficult to replace, but she has earned this retirement, and I know she will enjoy it!"

"Our Public Health Services team, particularly the Epidemiology Department that Beth led, has been a crucial resource during this incredibly challenging time," noted District



2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz, chair of the Legislature's Health & Family Services Committee. "They have worked literally day and night, weekends included, to keep us all safe, and I applaud them - including Beth - for this supreme and selfless effort. I wish her all the best in retirement

Olive Free Library News

Did you know you can access our wifi 24/7 from the OFL parking lot or on the front lawn?

We are hard at work ironing out the details to begin curbside service at the Olive Free Library by the end of June. The safety of patrons and staff is our top priority, so we appreciate your patience! Stay tuned to our mid-month newsletter for more information

You may start returning library items to OFL on Monday, June 15th.

We are working with the Ulster County Library Association to provide a summer's worth of entertainment and learning. This program starts June 27--look for details in our mid-month newsletter!

VIRTUAL EVENTS

- June Book Club Saturday, June 20th at 4:00 p.m.. For June we'll be reading *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn. This title is available on *hoopladigital.com*. Zoom link to register for this book club.
- Beekeeping Support Group 3rd Monday of each month, 6:30 pm

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ONGOING VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

Gentle Yoga with Kathy -Mondays at 7 p.m. -Wednesdays at 9 a.m. There is a suggested donation of \$4 per class. You can make your donation by PayPal or by check mailed to the library (PO Box 59, West Shokan, NY 12494). We understand that this is a difficult time for people, and you may not be able to pay, but we would still like you to join the class. Any donations will be very much appreciated to keep the class going.

You are welcome to do both classes but you will need to register for each day separately. The links will remain the same for all the classes in May

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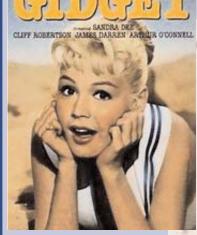


Knarf's Classic Movie & Trivia "GIDGET"

"A Frolicking Romp," in 1959 What was it like in the 1950's on California Beaches?

GIDGET, 1959 Columbia Pictures CinemaScope feature film that began a series of films and TV shows It stars Sandra Dee, Cliff Robertson, and James Darren

> in a story about a teenager's initiation into the California surf culture and her romance with a young surfer.



The film is directed by Paul Wendkos-was the first of many screen appearances by the character Gidget, created by Hollywood writer Frederick Kohner (and based on his own daughter). The screenplay was written by Gillian Houghton, who was then head writer of the soap opera The Secret Storm, using the nom de plume Gabrielle Upton. This would be Upton's sole contribution to the Gidget canon. The story was based on Kohner's 1957 novel Gidget, the Little Girl with Big Ideas. (Contd. Pg. 26)





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Knarf's Classic Movie & Trivia

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The film, which received one award nomination, not only inspired various sequel films, a television

series, and television films, but is also considered the beginning of the entire "beach party film" genre.



Gidget is credited by numerous sources (Stoked! A History of Surf



Culture by Drew Kampion; The Encyclopedia of Surfing by Matt Warshaw; and Riding Giants a documentary film by Stacy Peralta – to name just three) as the single biggest factor in the mainstreaming of surfing culture in the United States.

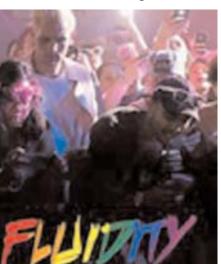
Quiz In "GIDGET"

- 1. Who played B. L.?
- 2. Who played "Big Kahoona," also known as Burt Vail?

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ON AMAZON PRIME SHOWTIME'S MEGA-HIT FLUIDITY

In today's adversarially poised oppressive world society, it is paramount that this "One World Society" begins to understand each other with a great deal more of *agape compassion*



(helping those in need; looking for nothing in return).

Millennials are our youth and are now the soul of justice that is trying to protect human life. They're protesting this heinous murder; an injustice to humanity that will remain in history for all of our days. Millennials will not stand for injustice. I applaud their efforts to protest against injustice. The millennials

were lied to. They were taught there was no moon landing. Their math was taught as a new math. They were taught whole language to ignorantize them about our history and hinder their education. The merchants and the media kept them as adolescents. This was done to increase video games and other sales – upgrading computer platforms, without supporting the platforms they sold us.



The now adult Millennials, misled by the old establishment rules of soci-

ety, are honest kids – very honest and sincere. They do not believe in some of the things as the older generation does, but they are far from hostile.

The infiltrators, in my opinion are hired mercenaries that are vandalizing, setting fires and destroying property. Given the chance, when the young Millennials realize that they are being used, they will do the right thing. Show them some human parental kindness.

Love and peace be with you....

"FLUIDITY," is the story of ten millennials living in New York City whose sexual lives intersect in the age of social media - where likes, impressions, and virtual "connections" threaten the very notion of personal relationships and human intimacy. **Surperbly directed by Linda Yellen; Starring Nico Tortorella, Isabella Farrell, Tommy Dorfman.** Drama; Subtitles English [CC], Audio Languages English for visiually impaired. Rated MA- adult situtions