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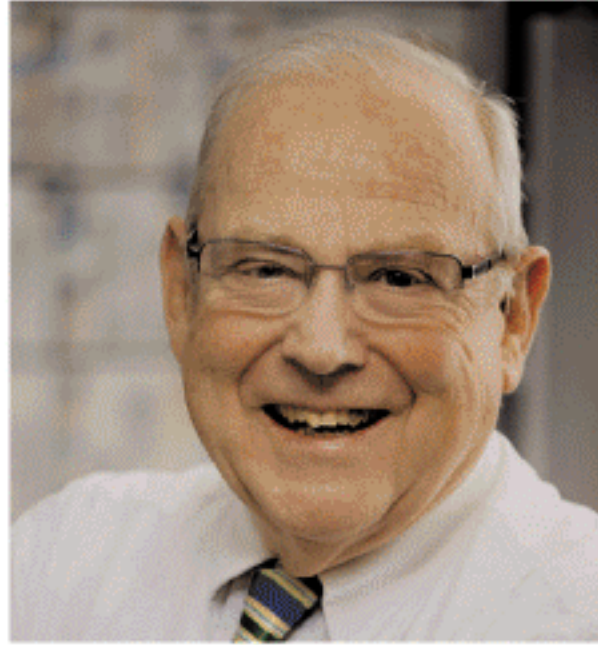
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Dr. Craft Receives Award

Dr. Richard H. Craft has been honored by the New York State Chiropractic Association in recognition for his long term commitment to chiropractic practice and the Association. The Founder's Award was presented to Dr. Craft at the District 9 Meeting of NYSCA.

Dr. Craft began serving his profession in 1953 and continues to practice at Craft Chiropractic Associates, PC in Ellenville along with his son, Dr. Mark R. Craft and daughter-in-law, Dr. Allise A. Marter. He states that "the mission of our practice is to provide effective, confidential, personal and affordable chiropractic care to our patients."



TVCS Color Wars!



During the week of March 6, the 7th and 8th Grade Student Council held their first Color Wars! The students were able to show their school spirit by participating throughout the week dressing differently than they normally do. On Monday, they wore mismatched outfits. On Tuesday, they went in the opposite direction and got all dressed up. The outfits on both days were wonderful! On Wednesday, it was dress alike day. We saw many pairs and groups of students dressed in the same outfits-even some staff members dressed alike! On Thursday, it was grade level color day. The 7th graders were sporting red t-shirts, and the 8th graders had on their blue t-shirts. These t-shirts were provided by the Student Council by using Boxtop money to purchase them. Red and blue could be seen throughout the building on both students and staff. Mrs. Tenbus and Mr. Closs split their support by wearing each color at different parts of the day so as not to show any partiality. The daily events had both grade levels tied for points going into the evening event. (Contd. Pg. 8)

Faso Meets with DEP Officials



Last week Congressman John Faso met with Rebecca Kagan and Paul Rush from the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and water advocate Patricia Cerro-Reehil to discuss the New

York City watershed in the Catskills, as well as how the DEP manages land-use and stream issues and works with 19th District communities. (Contd. Pg. 12)

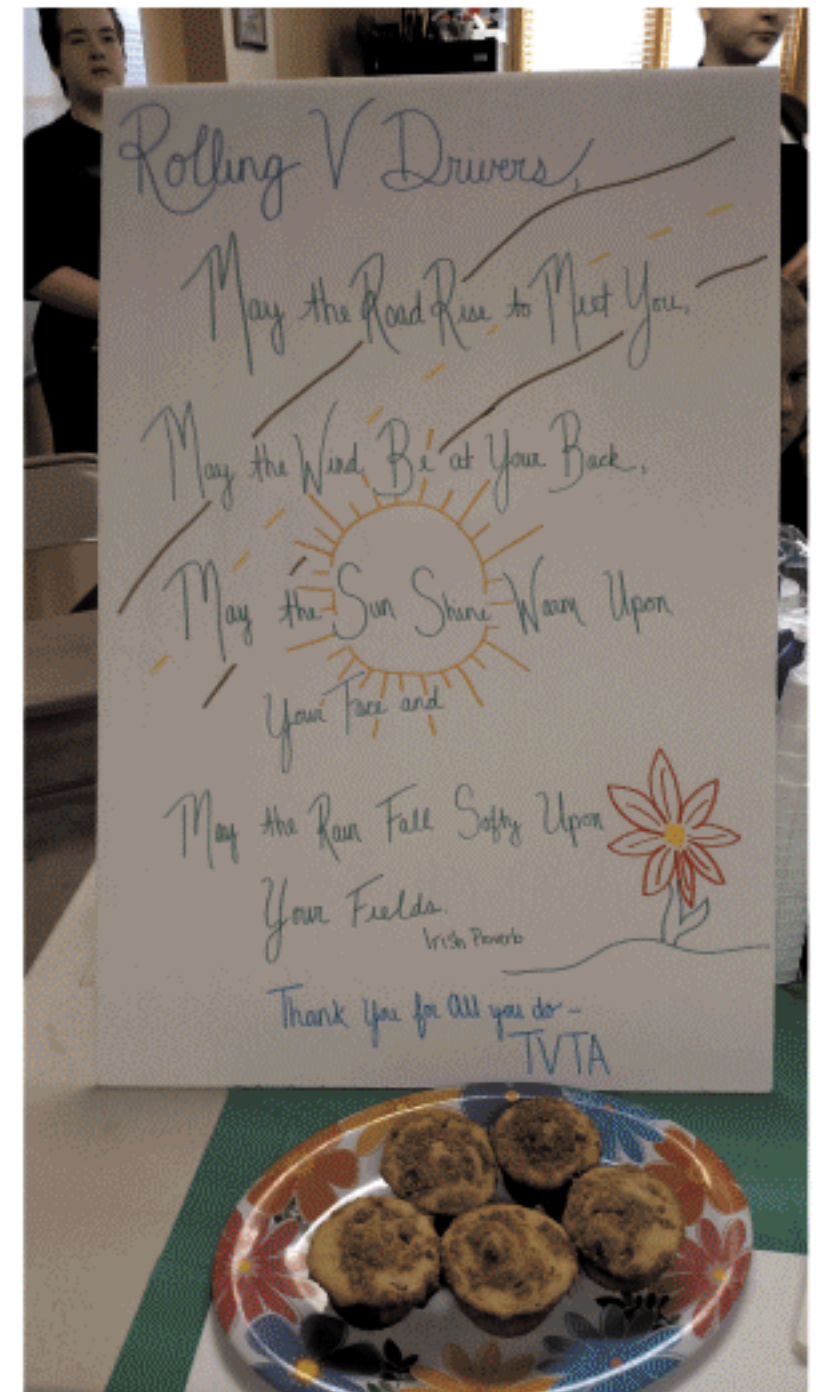
TVTA Teams Up with Barista Bears to Thank Bus Drivers



On Friday, March 17, the Tri-Valley Teachers' Association (TVTA) teamed up with the Barista Bears-the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Life Skills Academy-to recognize our wonderful bus drivers for all they do for our school.

The TVTA honored our devoted drivers with a full breakfast of bagels, muffins, and other baked goods. The Barista Bears delivered all the goods to the bus garage and brought along coffee for all the employees.

We would like to give a huge THANK YOU to our partners in education. We truly appreciate all they do for our students and school. Our bus drivers are some incredible people!



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Oh that my words were now written! Oh that they were printed in a book. That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock forever. Job 20:23,24

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Robby and Jen Osterhude are pleased to announce the birth of their new baby girl, Maryn Holmes Osterhoudt delivered on March 21, 2017 at Fair Banks Memorial Hospital in Alaska. She weighed in at 7 lbs 13 oz and was 19 1/2 inches long.

P.S. Sork new has related that Daddy is very helpful in changing diapers. Way to go Robby!

Maternal grandparents are Don and Mary Osterhoudt of Grahamsville. Paternal grandparents are Linda and Lyman Holmes of Wurtsboro. Also Great Grandma Anderson is so very proud and blessed to have another great grand child. Word has been received that all are doing well at home in Alaska.

THANK YOU:

To our Awesome Community:

This is my 5th attempt at writing this. I get really emotional thinking how much everyone has done for us.

To our family at the Grahamsville Reformed Church and Rev. Paul Rauter for all the prayers, time spent with Mic and all the financial help is tremendously appreciated more than words can say.

The Neversink Fire Dept., the Goodwill Comm., the EMS and the Ladies Aux. - We are thankful for each and everyone of you for all you've done for us.

Everyone who made sure our boys had Christmas and Birthdays, the gas cards, all the anonymous gift cards, the kids having Bake Sales, lemonade stands and being there for our boys - we Thank You from the bottom of our hearts.

All the food, the GoFundme page, the Future Fund for Devin and Ian. There is no way I could list everyone, be we want you all to know (with tears in my eyes) how thankful we are for each and everyone of you for being there and for remembering "it takes a village to raise a child".

It means the world to us and it will never be forgotten!!

My family "Rocks". Couldn't do it without you! Thanks so much.

We love each and everyone of you!

Patty, Devin and Ian Mullen

COLLEGE NEWS:

Bryan Boyes of Parkville, NY has been accepted for admission at Delaware Valley University.

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

March 27, 1957 - Tuesday of last week was election day for several villages in and around Sullivan County. Close races, a tie and an upset highlighted the contests. Of interest to area residents here is the election of Medwin Benton, Republican, as Mayor of Liberty. Mrs. Benton is the former Caroline Low of Lows Corners.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Prince of Woodbourne have announced the engagement of their daughter, Edith Marie, to Hugh Hammon. Mr. Hammon, who made his home with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller of Grahamsville, before joining the Navy, is at present stationed at Bainbridge, Maryland. He is a Tri Valley School graduate.

March 22, 1967 - Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Denman who became the parents of their third daughter, Patricia Ann, born at Liberty Loomis Hospital on Saturday, March 18th. Patricia weighed in at 9 lbs. 10 1/2 oz. Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Al Dexter of Napanoch and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Denman of Woodbourne.

Mrs. Ella E. Dulaff, 77, died Thursday, March 16th in Liberty Loomis Hospital. Born May 10, 1889, she was the daughter of Washington and Nettie Benson Sheley. She was married to William Brackman who died in 1933. She was then married to John Dulaff, who died in 1935.

She is survived by two sons: Ralph Brackman of Grahamsville, and Ernest Brackman of Ellenville; one sister, Mrs. Alwilda Everett of Hurleyville; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

March 31, 1977 - Charlie and Ruth Cross celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a party at the Red Barn in Swan Lake. Among the guests were Howard and Rita Dill of Woodbourne who were attendants at the wedding when Ruth and Charlie were married by Father Geist in St. Andrews R.C. Church in Ellenville on March 28, 1937.

On Friday evening, Mr. Albert Erath was honored by the Neversink Agricultural Society for his 80 years of service as a member and advisor to that Society. The dinner, held at the Grahamsville First Aid Building, was attended by many friends, relatives and members. Mr. Erath, who will be 94 in July, lives in Grahamsville with his wife of 61 years, Lottie.

March 26, 1987 - Mrs. Darlene Scanna of Twins Haven Rd. announces the engagement of her daughter, Lori to Danny Williams, son of Jerry and Sylvia Williams of Kerhonkson. Ms. Scanna, who is also the daughter of the late Jerry Scanna, is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School. She is attending SCCC in Loch Sheldrake pursuing a degree in Para Legal studies. She is employed by Applebaum, Eisenberg, Bauman, and Applebaum, Esq. in Liberty. Her fiancé graduated from Rondout Valley High School, and attended Hunter College in New York City. He is employed by the Laborers International Union, Local 17 in Newburgh as a construction worker. A July 4th wedding is planned.

SC Philatelic Society

The next meeting of the Sullivan County Philatelic Society will be held on April 8, 2017 at 1 pm at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center at 2 Jefferson Street in Monticello, NY. Featured will be a tn lot auction as well as trading session. We are getting ready for the May meeting as it is a free stamp collection appraisals meeting.

We will have our door prizes and giveaways, plus refreshments. For information on our meetings please call Art at 794-2586 or write P O Box 549, Monticello, NY 12701-0549.

First Friday Book Discussion Group

The first Friday of the month book discussion group meets in the Upper Level Conference Room of the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m.

Refreshments are provided by the members.

New members welcome!

April 7th, 2017 book discussion: "Nineteen Eighty-Four", by George Orwell.

SCDW Casting "The 39 Steps" and "Noises Off"

(Hurleyville, NY) The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop announces Open Auditions for Patrick Barlowe's "The 39 Steps" and Michael Frayn's "Noises Off" on Saturday, April 1st from 10 am - 2 pm and Sunday, April 2nd from 2 pm - 4 pm at the Sullivan County Museum, Art and Cultural Center, 265 Main Street in Hurleyville.

Director, Heather Strauss and Producer, Lillian Tighe invite you to audition for "The 39 Steps," a mixture of a Hitchcock masterpiece and a juicy spy novel. Add a dash of Monty Python and you have the intriguing, thrilling, riotous and unmissable comedy. The show hurls a notorious fugitive and a spellbound blonde from a London music hall north by northwest to Scotland's most remote highlands. Will they save Britain from a den of devious spies? A cast of four actors plays over 150 characters in this fast-paced tale of an ordinary man on an extraordinarily entertaining adventure. (Contd. Pg. 12)

A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Sympathy to the friends and family of Mary May Schmidt who passed away on March 16th at the age of 67. Mary May was a school psychologist at Tri-Valley School and retired several years ago.

Condolences to the friends and family of Fred Merring, a former resident of Neversink, who passed away on March 17th. Fred was born in 1930 and resided with his wife, Catherine, in Youngsville.

Congratulations to Michael and Theresa Haag of Neversink on the birth of a daughter, Madison Marie, on February 27th.

Best wishes to Don Starner of Grahamsville who recently had surgery and is now home recovering. Good wishes, also, to Claire Rennison of Grahamsville who recently had knee surgery. Claire's surgery had been scheduled for March 14th, the day of the blizzard, however, it was postponed until the 28th.

Everyone was so sorry to hear that Jim Ruefs log cabin home on Clark A Road in Hasbrouck was destroyed by fire on March 15th. Everything was completely lost including Jim's faithful dog who was killed in the fire. Hopefully, better days are ahead for Jim.

What a turn-out there was for the Tri-Valley School "Music in our School Concert" on March 20th. The Concert was held in the Bernstein Theatre and grades 5 through 12 bands and choruses performed. A big "thank you" to the music department staff and students who hung in there despite several snow days in a row, two-hour school delays and student illness. The students and staff did a fine job!

The Tri-Valley Theater Club's production of "The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon" will be held the evenings of Friday, March 31st and April 1st in the Bernstein Theater. Come out and support these young thespians who have worked hard to present a show I am sure you will enjoy.

Words of Wisdom: A man's children and his garden both reflect the amount of weeding done during the growing season, (unknown)

What if, God couldn't take the time to bless us today because we couldn't take the time to thank Him yesterday?

NEVERSINK NEWS: - Hulda Vernooy

A big apology for leaving off Hulda Vernooy's name last week in the Neversink News. If you have news from the Neversink area, call Hulda and let her know.

Neversink Renaissance to Hold Final 2017 Planning Meeting

Neversink Renaissance will be holding a final organizational meeting to address plans for their summer of 2017 community beautification efforts.

The meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Thursday April 6th in the basement community room of the Daniel Pierce Library. This is a great opportunity to gather with others from the community as an individual, business, or as a representative of a local organization to see how you can get involved. We have been so fortunate over the past 16 years to have so many groups play active roles in our efforts.

Key groups playing major roles in anticipated projects include the Time in the Valleys Museum, the Neversink Agricultural Society, Tri-Valley Little League, Town of Neversink, and the Daniel Pierce Library. We have traditionally had all hands on deck with support from the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, 4-H, FBLA, FFA, and many others. It is great to be part of such a giving and hardworking community!

If you have questions regarding Neversink Renaissance and would like additional information, please contact Dave Moore at 985-2746.

Driver Safety Programs

AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the following location: Lumberland Senior Center, 1054 Proctor Road, Glen Spey, New York on Saturday, April 1, 2017 from 8:00 - 4:00 PM. BRING LUNCH. To Register - Call Sheila Hocker at 845-856-1707.

David "Scottie" Greenberger, an AARP-Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

For information, phone Sheila Hocker at 845-856-1707.

The fee is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members; make checks payable to AARP, and mail to Sheila Hocker. Please enclose your phone number with payment. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early. This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging & RSVP.

AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the following location: Narrowsburg Firehouse, Narrowsburg, New York on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 8:00 - 4:00 PM. To Register - Call Keith at 845-252-3264.

David "Scottie" Greenberger, an AARP-Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

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A Community Driver Safety Program Defensive Driving Class will be held at 4895 State Route 52, Jeffersonville, New York on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 9:00AM-4:00PM (includes one hour for lunch)

To register for the class contact Manny Safer, some additions to our services to the community have been added: Our telephone service is toll free and is answered by a live person Monday thru Friday from 9am to 6pm. After these hours and on week-ends and holidays you can leave a voice message with your name and phone number for a call back.

This new voice mail service will also transcribe your message to our computer. The toll free number is (877) 910-7843. Pre-payment is requested in order to confirm your spot in the class.

The course is instructed by a RSVP Volunteer and will give this course in a one day sessions, which will consist of lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance. This program will help reduce your auto insurance by 10% and may reduce up to four points on your license. The fee is \$25 per person over 50 years of age and \$35 per person under 50 years of age.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and sponsored by Community Driver Safety Programs, Inc., Sullivan County RSVP and Office for the Aging.

A Community Driver Safety Program Defensive Driving Class will be held at 4895 State Route 52, Jeffersonville, New York Wednesday & Thursday, May 10 & 11 2017 from 6:00PM-9:00PM

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Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

The Neighborhood Bandits

One night last week when we returned home, I heard a familiar chatting-like sound coming from the woods across the road. It was one of our neighborhood's many raccoons. Raccoons (*Procyon Lotor*) have a relatively large vocabulary of recognized sounds, including the adult raccoon's purrs, snarls, chatter, squeals, whinnies, growls, hisses and screams. Even young raccoon twitter, coo, cry and meow.



As it is still mating season for raccoons, this is not an unusual sound in Sundown this time of the year. Mating season runs January through March. Young males are evicted from the dens at this time. Mature male raccoons search out all available females. A little over two months after mating, the female gives birth to a litter of between four to six young. For the first two months of their lives, babies live in their den. The babies are able to stand when they are about four to six weeks old. They are weaned at 70 days and start to hunt when they are between 9-12 when the mother will teach. She will also teach them how to climb trees. A mother raccoon is very protective of her young and will attack predators that come too close. Young raccoons have darker coats than mature raccoons. The young babies may stay with their mother for up to a year.

A raccoon is easily recognized by its black mask that covers its eye area, on a whitish face and the four to seven dark rings on its bushy tail. Its gray to black fur consists of long, moderately coarse, white and black banded guard hairs and short, fine, gray or brownish underfur. The belly is lighter colored. Most adult male raccoons in the Catskills weigh 15-18 pounds during fall harvest seasons, with females averaging 2-3 pounds less. Raccoon may look like cute, cuddly bandits, but they can be quite fearsome when approached.

As omnivore, raccoons eat vegetation and meat. When food is scarce, raccoons aren't above scavenging human trash or eating roadkill.

Raccoons have 40 teeth, including 4 elongated and sharp canine teeth. The hind legs of the raccoon are longer than the front legs, giving them a hunched appearance as they walk or run. They have five toes on each foot. Their finger-like toes are long, thin and flexible giving the raccoon amazing dexterity.

Raccoons are not very social creatures. They are nocturnal and usually sleep during the day. Although raccoons are not considered to hibernate, families do congregate in winter dens to sleep through severe winter periods. They prepare for this period of winter sleep by storing fat on their bodies during the late summer and fall.

Sundown with its wooded areas near water provides an ideal habitat for raccoons. However, they are very adaptable creatures and are also found in suburbs and cities. A raccoon will make its den in a tree, an abandoned woodchuck burrow, a cave, a barn, or even a house!

Although some raccoons have lived up to 16 years in the wild, research indicates that the average life span is about three to four years. The principal causes of mortality in raccoons are man, predators, malnutrition and subsequently diseases such as canine distemper and rabies.

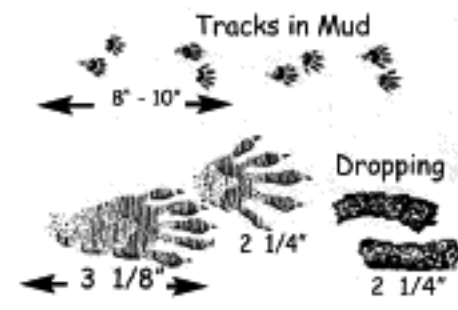
They may look like the outlaws of the outdoors, but raccoons are very clean creatures. They are known to wash their food in streams and even dig latrines in areas they frequent regularly.

In fact, its species name *Procyon Lotor*, literally means "washing bear." Actually, raccoons do not always dunk their food, even when near water, and will not hesitate to eat when water is not nearby. Many theories have been proposed to explain this strange habit, but so far, raccoons are the only ones that are sure why they "wash" their food.

Household Hints

Spray Away Wrinkles

In a perfect world, laundry would emerge from the dryer freshly pressed. Until that day, you can often get the wrinkles out of clothes after drying by misting them with a solution of 1 part vinegar to 3 parts water. Once you're sure you didn't miss a spot, hang it up and let it air-dry. You may find this approach works better for some clothes than ironing; it's certainly a lot gentler on the material.

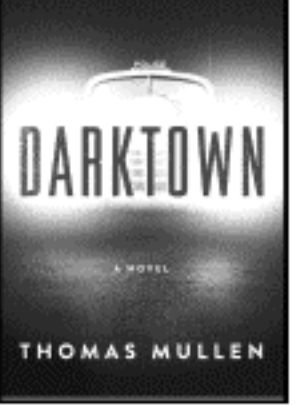




Darktown

Mysterious Book Report No. 280

by John Dwaine McKenna



Only a few authors have the ability to educate, entertain and thrill their audiences, all at the same time. It's a gift; and a rare talent practiced by luminaries like Dennis Lehane, Walter Mosley and Philip Kerr; each of whom have a unique, and special skill that allows them to make history come alive in the pages of their novels. The genre is known as historical fiction, and this week, the MBR would like to add the name Thomas Mullen to the list of those gifted few. He's managed to put together a work that shines light on a neglected area of twentieth-century history, while at the same time wrapping it up in an excellent, fast-paced and exciting murder mystery. It has to do with race and racial tension in the Jim Crow era of the American south.

Darktown, (37INK/ATRIA Books, \$26.00, 371 pages, ISBN 978-1-5011-3386-2) by Thomas Mullen is his fourth novel. It takes place in Atlanta, Georgia in the year 1948 . . . just after World War II . . . and just before the Civil Rights Movement begins. It was at or near the height of the Jim Crow era-when African-Americans were segregated by race, not allowed to vote, and were confined to second-class housing, schools and general living conditions in a system that was second only to South African apartheid in viciousness. It was virtually unchanged since the Reconstruction Era after the war for Southern Independence, or as the Yankees would have it . . . the Civil War. But the times, as the song goes, they were a changin'.

In 1948, President Truman ordered the integration of the armed forces. In Atlanta, the city leaders decreed that the police department had to hire at least eight black police officers. The black officers weren't allowed into the main police station, were forced to work out of the basement of the negro-only YMCA, couldn't drive city-owned police cars, or arrest white citizens. Their job was to walk designated patrol areas in the black neighborhoods and maintain order among their own kind. One of the eight newly-minted black officers is Tommy Smith, a WWII combat veteran with a keen temper, a pair of iron fists and the will to use them. He's paired with Lucius Bebee. He's the son of a prominent local minister, college graduate and an army veteran-although without combat experience, much to his chagrin. The white cops are outwardly hostile, they're rumored to have a betting pool going, gambling on the elapsed time before one of them shoots a black cop. The entire police force seethes with resentment, distrust and open hatred. When a beautiful young negro woman . . . last seen in a car with a white man turns up murdered . . . Smith and Bebee take it upon themselves to investigate. They're forbidden to act as detectives, but the white investigators refuse to spend time on a black murder. So the pair risk their jobs, and possibly their lives, in the pursuit of justice for a nameless woman. What follows is an intense, sophisticated and complex plot that races to a stunning conclusion. The novel will leave readers marveling at the great social distance we've come in the intervening years, but also serve as a reminder of just how far we still have to go to achieve racial harmony. *Darktown* is atmospheric southern writing at its absolute best. It's thought provoking, as well as entertaining . . . and marks the debut of an exceptional new talent!

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Sullivan Renaissance to Host Volunteer Open House - Learn how sharing your skills can benefit your community

Sullivan Renaissance will host a Volunteer Open House on Wednesday, March 29 between 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the CVI Building, 165 Sullivan Avenue in Ferndale. The public is invited to attend and explore opportunities to make a difference in Sullivan County.

"There are so many ways to get involved this season," says Cara Kowalski, Sullivan Renaissance Volunteer Program Manager. "Opportunities include gardening, capacity building, teaching, outreach, helping with multicultural outreach and Spanish / English translation, all while working in the community."

Attendees will meet and network with current Sullivan Renaissance Volunteer Corps members and staff. Information about exciting Sullivan Renaissance initiatives, opportunities for youth and upcoming gardening workshops will also be available. Refreshments will be served and each guest will be entered into a door prize drawing.

Pre-registration is requested. To register, visit SullivanRenaissance.org or call the Sullivan Renaissance office at 845-295-2445. Event details can also be found on the Sullivan Renaissance Facebook and Twitter pages.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation with support from Bold Gold Media Group, Fisher Mears Associates, The River Reporter, The Sullivan County Democrat and Thompson Sanitation. For information, contact 845-295-2445 or

ited amongst over 100 new pieces at the Catskill Art Society in Livingston Manor.

The opening reception will be held on Thursday, April 13 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Join us and meet the artists while enjoying the unique sounds of New Hope Community's own Indie rock band, Bright Woods while sampling hors d'oeuvres provided by the Community Bistro.

All artwork is available for sale as well as Bright Woods music CD.

The Catskill Art Society is located at 48 Main Street in Livingston Manor. Gallery hours are Monday and Thursday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Gallery is wheelchair accessible via the parking in the back of the building. To contact the Catskill Art Society, please call 845-436-4227, e-mail at info@catskillartsociety.org or visit www.catskillartsociety.org.

About New Hope Community

New Hope Community is a private, not-for-profit organization providing support for individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. Established in 1975 to serve as a nurturing and caring alternative to large institutions which were found to have violated the most basic human rights and conditions, New Hope Community has become recognized as a leading provider in the human services field. Services include clinical and nursing care, day programming, education and recreation, leisure activities, a robust supported employment program, summer programs for youths, and more. The agency maintains a person-focused approach aimed at enhancing the lives of people with disabilities, and actively advocates for individual choice in a person's efforts to live, work, and participate fully in his or her community. New Hope Community presently supports and serves over 300 individuals and is a leading employer in Sullivan County, with more than 650 staff. Learn more at www.newhopecommunity.org.

SC Sheriff's Office Charges Two Liberty Women with Larceny

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office has charged two women from Liberty with larceny in connection with the misuse of food stamp benefits. Sheriff's Deputies allege that Rebecca Egan, 29, who was an inmate at the Bedford Hills State Correctional facility, allowed her sister Jesse Egan, 34, to use her food stamp benefit card. When a person is incarcerated, they are ineligible to receive benefits and must reapply upon release. The Sheriff's Office investigated after receiving an anonymous tip that Jesse Egan, who is not authorized to receive benefits, was using the card. Both Egan sisters were charged with the Misdemeanors of Petit Larceny and Misuse of a Food Stamp Authorization Card. They were both released on appearance tickets pending an April 4th court date at 10 AM before Town of Liberty Judge Harold Bauman. Sheriff's Deputies were assisted by the Sullivan County Department of Family Services - Special Investigation Unit.

Tick Talk Program Offered

With warmer weather just around the corner, our thoughts turn to spending more time in the great outdoors. Unfortunately, that means we also have to think about ticks. Even though ticks and Lyme Disease are prevalent in Sullivan County, there are many ways to reduce the risk of tick bites and disease transmission while enjoying the beautiful scenery Sullivan County has to offer. Want to learn more? Sullivan County Public Health Educator Jill Hubert-Simon, MS, will present "Tick Talk: It's Lyme Time" on Saturday, April 8th at 10:00am at Morgan Outdoors in Livingston Manor, NY.

Participants will learn how to identify the different ticks found in our area and which ones can cause Lyme Disease and other tick-borne illnesses. They will also learn ways to minimize the risk of tick bites while enjoying their favorite outdoor activity, as well as ways to reduce the number of ticks in their backyard and on pets. The presentation will also cover the correct way to remove a tick if you do get bit, and what to do and look for after a tick bite. Don't let ticks keep you inside this Spring!

RSVP by calling (845) 439-5507 to reserve a seat for this timely Sullivan County Public Health Services program.

Morgan Outdoors is located at 46 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY, (845) 439 5507. www.morgan-outdoors.com

Contacts: Jill Hubert-Simon, Public Health Educator, Sullivan County Public Health Services; Jill.hubert-simon@co.sullivan.ny.us (845) 292-5910 x 2243; Lisa Lyons, Morgan Outdoors, 46 Main St., Livingston Manor, NY (845) 439-5507, morganoutdoors@pronetisp.net

'Plan It!' Gardening Class on Wednesday, April 5

Learn how to create, plant and care for flower and vegetable gardens!

Join us for the first of two free gardening seminars on Wednesday, April 5 at 6:00 p.m. at Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County in Ferndale. Learn garden design basics including what will grow on your site, how to test and prepare soil, annual seed sowing and perennial plant division. Check out the flyer here.

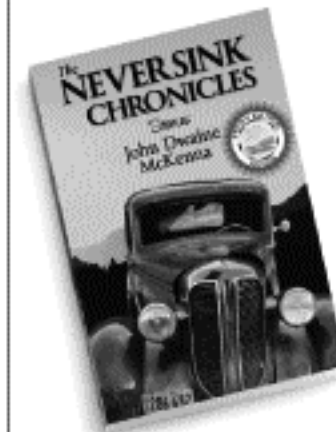
Pre-registration is required. Register online at SullivanRenaissance.org or call (845) 295-2445.

Mark your calendar! "Plant It," the second seminar of the series, will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m. at Cornell Cooperative Extension.

New Hope Community Announces Art Exhibit at Catskill Art Society

Loch Sheldrake, NY - New Hope Community, an organization that helps enhance the lives of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities, announced today their participation in the Catskill Art Society's 7th Annual Art Exhibit.

The artists of New Hope Community continue to explore creative expression through painting, drawing and printmaking. The new artwork created by the people New Hope Community supports will be exhib-



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Shadows on the Beach

We were fortunate to spend a week with a good friend, formerly from Boiceville, who had rented a condo right on Myrtle Beach with a balcony facing due east. Having left three feet of snow up north, sitting on the balcony with morning coffee watching the sunrise was pure heaven. The rising sun cast shadows of the morning beach walkers.

First there were the big men with little dogs on leashes taking a morning constitutional on the beach. The little canines looked like they were towing a heavy load, strolling forward a maximum of ten feet, stopping, sniffing, and advancing a few more steps.

Next came the hooded joggers, mostly men, looking cold and determined and looking straight ahead on an athletic vector.

Next came the couples, walking with heads bowed looking for shark teeth and beach treasures. Some with metal detectors, some with walking sticks, and some with a device that looked like an old golf club (after all, Myrtle Beach is known for its golf courses) with a strainer spoon duct-taped to the end to sift sand without bending over.

Lastly came the families with children. Parents moved slowly as young children danced their way across the beach, darting in and out of the shore waves and running circles around the older folk.

There was one man, I am guessing a wounded veteran, who drove his wheelchair that had bull-dozer tractor wheels, up and down the beach and in and out of the shoreline.

Many, like us, took that late afternoon walk on the beach just before calling it a day and heading out for some seafood.

After supper, dogs took their owners for a walk at dusk, and evening left the beach to the spring-breakers, mostly guys, who walked in clumps of humanity that leaped, turned and re-formed like spastic basketball players who forgot the coach's call.

All of us, young and old, were drawn to the magnet of the ocean. There is something renewing about the endless waves, the shifting sands and the kaleidoscope of blues and greens as the sun plays on the surface. The sea calls to us, not with words, but with a message the heart can hear and understand.

Letter To the Editor: Stand Against Hate

The Sullivan County Human Rights Commission was created in 2005 to foster mutual respect for the rights of all persons in Sullivan County.

At this time, we are compelled to speak out against the deplorable expressions of hatred that have blossomed across America in recent months. Desecration of Jewish cemeteries, threats to Jewish community centers, attacks on Muslim mosques, the shooting of Indian men in a Kansas restaurant, racially charged graffiti on a home in Connecticut, the revitalized presence of the Ku Klux Klan and other white supremacist organizations. These are just a few examples of the uptick in hateful acts across the U.S.

In our thinking, even one such case is one too many.

The New York Police Department, in February 2017, reported a measurable increase in hate crimes, led by anti-Semitic incidents.

We urge the citizens of Sullivan County to be vigilant in not allowing hate and fear to afflict our lives and those of our neighbors. We must stand together as one and embrace the principles of the

United States Constitution that says ALL men (and women) are created equal and entitled to the benefits enshrined in the Bill of Rights.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel taught, "There is simply no time for neutrality.... For those who dedicate their lives to pursuing justice, every moment is urgent." Civil rights leader Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

To this end, the Commission sponsors activities that enable citizen discussions, encourage mutual understanding and disseminate accurate information when egregious acts occur.

The Human Rights Commission meets on the second Thursday of each month in the Legislative Meeting Room of the Sullivan County Government Center in Monticello. Meetings are open to the public. For more information, call (845) 807-0189 or find the Commission website at <http://www.co.sullivan.ny.us> and click on the Departments tab.

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Main Street Boot Camp April 3 & 4th at the Andes Hotel

Whether you are a Main Street business owner, a community stakeholder, elected official, or just simply interested in your Main Street, then MARK your calendar for April 3rd and 4th for the third annual Main Street Boot Camp, to be held at The Andes Hotel.

Register at markproject.org or call 845-586-3500.

This two-day hands-on workshop is sponsored by the MARK Project and funded in part by the Catskill Watershed Corporation, NY State Department of State and NYS Homes and Community Renewal, American Express, American Independent Business Alliance, Catskill Center for Conservation and Development and WIOX Radio.

This year the theme is "Local Solutions to Local Problems" with speakers and panelists giving concrete examples of how together we can generate local solutions for the issues facing our business community and Main Streets. All sessions will have an interactive workshop design.

"This year, the MARK Project has developed a comprehensive program that focuses on real life examples and local solutions," says Peg Ellsworth, Executive Director of MARK. "Our speakers and panelists are a

mix of local business owners and stakeholders matched with professionals from the American Independent Business Alliance and consultants for the NY Main Street Program at NY State Homes and Community Renewal."

Ellsworth adds, "This year's program is designed to get to the bottom of our issues and learn how to best address them at the local level."

Conference attendees will investigate the "missing teeth" in the fabric of their Main Street and then deduce the best solutions for filling these gaps. Attendees will also gain an introduction to the ways public spaces can, and sometimes does not enhance our Main Streets. Discussions will include passive and active permissible uses and how to maximize those opportunities.

Local merchants will present case studies on ways in which they increase repeat business and the dollar volume of sales through a process of continual renewal and innovation. Year after year, independent businesses in communities with long-term campaigns promoting the benefits of doing business locally report higher revenue growth than businesses not served by such efforts -- nearly double the sales growth in the latest annual study.

But while the potential dividends are huge, far too many campaigns fizzle due to easily-avoided mistakes. In this highly visual workshop, you'll learn how to dodge the common pitfalls and gain pointers for building a successful local or regional initiative. You'll see examples of the best materials, events and ads from Independent Business Alliances across the country. We'll review keys to effective message crafting and delivery, storytelling, audience targeting, and other essential elements to help you spark action at home. There will also be a discussion of using local currency to support a buy local campaign and what that could mean to your business.

Now Available for Public Review of Legislation Authorizing Additional Free Fishing Days

Based on Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's signed legislation in 2014 authorizing additional statewide free fishing days, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is proposing four free sport fishing days be added to complement the state's existing free sport fishing days. DEC is seeking public comments on the proposed changes.

First established in 1991, free sport fishing days allow New York residents and non-residents to fish for free without a fishing license at any of the state's 7,500 lakes and ponds or 70,000 miles of rivers and streams.

The free events give people who might not fish a chance to try the rewarding sport at no cost, introduce people to a new hobby, and encourage people to support the sport by purchasing a New York State fishing license.

The proposed additions are:

- o Presidents Day Weekend (the weekend immediately preceding Presidents Day in the month of February) - These two days generally coincide with winter recess for schools, making it ideal for families to try ice fishing.

- o National Hunting and Fishing Day (one day) - Takes place annually on the 4th Saturday in September and links to events taking place nationwide. Fishing at this time of year is generally good for many species, including fall salmon fishing in the Great Lakes tributaries.

- o Veteran's Day (one day) - Fishing is considered one of the most therapeutic outdoor activities, making it an excellent tribute to veterans and those currently serving. Governor Cuomo specified Veteran's Day as a free fishing day in 2015, and this proposal would make it a permanent free fishing day.

In addition, to avoid confusion concerning the existing free fishing days in June, DEC is proposing the reg-

ulation be changed from "the weekend which includes the last Saturday in June," to the "last full weekend in June."

Defining specific free fishing days allows DEC to more effectively promote these days well in advance of their occurrence, ultimately increasing public participation. Furthermore, having a designated set of free fishing days allows those planning vacations around these dates to do so without issue.

Public comments will be accepted through May 6, 2017. Comments can be sent to the address below or emailed to fwfish@dec.ny.gov - enter "Free Sport Fishing Days" in the subject line.

'Catskill Legends' Honored - Dinner to Recognize Dave Brandt, Sue Post & Ralph Graves

LIVINGSTON MANOR - The Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum (CFFCM) will recognize three fly fishing individuals from the area as "Catskill Legends" during a ceremony at the annual "Catskill Legends Dinner Sponsored by Roscoe Beer" on the Opening Day of Trout Season, Saturday, April 1. The 2017 "Catskill Legends" are Dave Brandt of Oneonta, Sue Post of Livingston Manor and the late Ralph Graves of Roscoe.

"Catskill Legends" are the fly fishing pioneers who discovered and appreciated the richness of the rivers and streams in the Catskills. They receive a plaque stating: "In grateful appreciation for your contributions to the life and traditions of fly fishing in the Catskills, we recognize you as a Catskill Legend." Since 2014 only ten individuals have been previously honored.

Dave Brandt has been tying flies, casting and fly fishing for more than 45 years. In addition to his skills in tying and casting, he is an educator at heart. He has taught for over 30 years at the Wulff School of Fly Fishing and enjoys teaching others the basics of casting and entomology, as well as cultivating an appreciation for the beautiful places found on angling adventures. He is immediate past president of the Catskill Fly Tyers Guild and continues carrying on the Catskill tradition of fine tyers. A retired tool designer and manufacturer, he lives in Oneonta.

Sue Post is connected to many of the anglers who first stepped into her business - Fur, Fin and Feathers - to gather information on local river conditions and purchase supplies from the shop. They also learned a lot from her about the basics of fly tying and outdoor skills. Sue continues to greet visitors and customers with her husband Rich at their store located on DeBruce Road in Livingston Manor.

Ralph Graves was a staple of the area and a treasured friend to many anglers. He owned Old Glory Fly Shop, located next to the Rockland House in Roscoe. A US Navy veteran, he was widely known as the inventor of the Old Glory fly, which showcased his distinct and detailed tying skills, along with his creative and artistic eye. Ralph was known for his wry sense of humor. The annual CFFCM golf tournament in August is named in his honor. He passed away in July 2014, and this recognition is being done posthumously.

The previous Catskill Legends are:

2014 - Phil Chase, Austin "Mac" Francis, Floyd Francko

2015 - Francis Davis, A.E. Hendrickson and Sam Hendrickson, Frank Kuttner

2016 - Stan Cooper, Jr., Tom Satterthwaite, Ray Smitho
The event reception and silent auction begin at 5:30 p.m. (wine and Roscoe Beer, cash bar) with the buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. The recognition ceremony immediately follows dinner.)

'Catskill Legends' Honored - Cost is \$50 for CFFCM members, \$60 for non-members. Reservations are required.

For reservations, a complete list of Open Day activities, or more information about fly fishing, call CFFCM at 845-439-4810 or go to www.cffcm.com.

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Catskill Heritage Alliance Challenges the Shandaken ZBA

On March 23, 2017, the non-profit citizens' group Catskill Heritage Alliance petitioned the State Supreme Court in Kingston under Article 78. It asked the Court to vacate the recent decision of the Shandaken Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) underlying the Shandaken Planning Board's decision to permit certain buildings proposed as part of the Belleayre Resort, despite the fact those buildings are apparent violations of the Shandaken Zoning Code. Since the developer Crossroads Ventures LLC has not sought a zoning variance for the non-complying buildings, the project has not been properly permitted, the CHA lawsuit contends. Today, March 24, 2017, CHA chair Kathy Nolan issued the following statement about the suit:

"CHA has no choice but to challenge the ZBA's decision, because something vital for the community is at stake. This litigation is not a delaying tactic to hold up the Belleayre Resort, and it's not some arcane technical or procedural objection.

If we let the ZBA's decision stand, it would undermine Shandaken's zoning law and in effect grant special spot zoning for the benefit of a single landowner. To build structures that don't

comply with the zoning code, anyone else would have to seek a zoning variance. Crossroads should have to abide by the same requirements as everyone else, otherwise the integrity of our zoning will suffer.

This is a case where the ZBA misapplied zoning law, and ducked the order of the judge instructing it to reexamine whether 15 detached, habitational buildings Crossroads proposes as part of the Resort development violate the law, which they clearly do. Previously, the Court had agreed with CHA that the Shandaken Planning Board acted beyond its authority in permitting the apparently nonconforming buildings, and it directed the ZBA to make a determination about whether they met the Zoning Code or not.

That was a straightforward instruction, but the ZBA circumvented it. Instead, the ZBA used the Planning Board's claims about these habitational structures to craft novel and often tortuous definitions of zoning code terms like "dwelling unit," "multiple dwelling," "lodge" and "transient occupancy" that the buildings could meet. That wasn't what the judge asked them to do. He asked them to answer the question of whether these buildings meet existing zoning code. That's not a difficult question to answer: they don't. They are essentially large condominium structures, which are prohibited in the districts where Crossroads would like to build them.

In effect, the ZBA usurped the legislative role of the Town Board and reframed zoning law rather than focus on complying with existing zoning law, as the Court ordered it to do. But there is a procedure for permitting structures that don't conform to code: it's to seek a zoning variance, and make the case for why the non-conforming structure is justified. That procedure exists for good reason. If Crossroads wants

to build non-conforming buildings within the Resort, it must follow it just as any other landowner would have to do. Rather than twist procedures and torture definitions to pretend the buildings meet zoning code, it should make its case for why the non-conforming buildings should be allowed and obtain a variance."

Catskill Watershed Corporation Annual Meeting of Member Towns

MARGARETVILLE, NY, March 20, 2017 - The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) will hold its Annual Meeting of member towns Tuesday, April 4 at 1 p.m. at Hanah Mountain Resort and Country Club, 576 West Hubbell Hill Rd., Margaretville.

A new video will be screened reflecting on the CWC's achievements 20 years after the signing of the NYC Watershed Memorandum of Agreement which outlined the CWC's water quality protection and community assistance programs.

Results of the election of two representatives to the CWC Board of Directors from Schoharie and Ulster Counties will be announced. There will be a slide show of CWC's activities over the past year, and the 2016 Annual Report will be distributed.

The floor will then be open for questions and comments from representatives of member towns and villages, and the general public.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be held immediately following the Annual Meeting.

The public is cordially invited to attend both meetings. Inquiries are welcome at 845-586-1400. The CWC office, at 905 Main Street, Margaretville, is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River.

TVCS Color Wars! (From Pg. 1) On Thursday evening, the gym was bursting with excitement! Parents, siblings, and students came all decked out in blue and red. The students participated in several activities throughout the evening. The events started off with cage ball. There were some tough matches, but the 8th grade pulled it out in the end. Then, it was off to the relay races. Once again, the 8th graders pulled out a win! After this event, there was a balloon tower building contest. Five students from each grade were given tape, four filled up balloons, and then other balloons to build a tower as tall as they could in the time allowed. The 7th graders had an amazing tower that could stand up on its own! Needless to say, the 7th graders pulled out a win! The students then moved on to sphere ball. The balls were flying through the gym, with spheres made of hula hoops being built, knocked down, and then rebuilt. The energy in the gym was amazing! The final event of the evening was tug of war. The 7th grade girls went up against two different groups of 8th grade girls. The competition was fierce, as the 7th grade girls beat



the older girls twice! Up next, came the 7th grade boys against the 8th grade boys. The rope pulled back and forth, with each team being cheered on by the girls and spectators. The 8th grade boys finally inched out the win against the 7th grade boys. The finale of the evening was the 7th grade teachers/staff up against the 8th grade teachers/staff. On the 7th grade side, we had Ms. Kristin Jung, Mr. Rich Jones, Mr. Tom Palmer, and Mr. Jerry Stevens. They were cheered on by Mrs. Renee Viningre and Ms. Julie Schultz. The 8th grade side consisted of Mrs. Deb Swett, Mrs. Maribel Ter Bush, Mrs. Katie Edwards, Mr. Matt Haynes, and Mr. Jason Closs. The 8th grade team was cheered on by Ms. Lynn Malley and Mrs. Lynne Barber. Mr. Eric Marburger started off the event, and declared the winner-the 8th grade teachers/staff!

Ms. Schultz and Mrs. Swett then announced the winner. The 8th grade had won the Color War! Both groups of students worked hard, and had fun. Participation and enthusiasm of the students and parents/family members made it a memorable event!

The student council would like to thank a few people for their help in making this event a success. First, to Mr. Closs and Mrs. Tenbus for supporting this endeavor, and making sure that the event would come to life. A big thanks to Mr. Phil Pompeii and his students that helped with screen printing the shirts so that we had them in time to get to all the students and staff. Thank you to the 7th and 8th grade teachers and staff who supported the activities during the week-from encouraging the kids to participate in the themes of the day, to keeping a count each day, to wearing the shirts in support of our students. A big thank you to the following people who took the evening to come and assist in the evening activities: Mr. Eric Marburger, Mrs. Lynne Barber, Mrs. Katie Edwards, Mr. Rich Jones, Mrs. Maribel Ter Bush, Ms. Kristin Jung, Mr. Matt Haynes, Mrs. Renee Viningre, and Ms. Lynn Malley.

Fun was had by all! We hope to make this an annual event for the 7th and 8th graders.

Heritage of Wool and Connections to Local History

Grahamsville, N.Y.] Heritage of Wool and Connections to Local History will be held Sunday, April 2, 2 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum, on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County.



4 H Program Educator, Marilyn Jones will give a presentation on the history of wool, the science behind the fiber and local developments in the fiber industry. According to Marilyn Jones, "Wool continues to be a valued product in contemporary life with uses and applications that extend and expand upon its rich heritage, providing business and cultural opportunities and contributing to local, rural economies."

Participants will try a needle-felting activity and make a small decorative coaster to take home. Refreshments are included. Museum Members are FREE and non-members are \$3. For more information on this program or other upcoming programs email: info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org, visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org or call 845 985-7700.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations.

Groups, camps and schools are always welcome - two interactive educational programs are available for schools year round - NYC's Water System and the Importance of Water. Guided tours are conducted for groups of 15 to 100 people throughout the year.

Cathleen Haines New Sullivan Renaissance Horticulture Coordinator

Sullivan Renaissance is happy to announce that Cathleen Haines has joined the Sullivan Renaissance staff as the Horticulture Coordinator!

Hailing from New Jersey, Cathleen brings expertise in project coordination and landscape design. She will be working with Diana K. Weiner, Horticulture Program Manager, and Cara Kowalski, Volunteer Program Manager, to provide garden design assistance, landscape plans and best management practices for community beautification projects throughout the county. In addition to her year-round duties, Cathleen will supervise a Summer Assistant from May through August. Happy to have you on board, Cathleen!



Weather FORECAST

SUNRISE: 6:47 AM SUNSET: 7:16 PM
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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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Calico Geese Quilters of Sullivan County Monthly Meeting

The Calico Geese Quilters of Sullivan County monthly meeting 7:00pm at Cornell Cooperative Extension Building (CCEC), 64 Ferndale Rd, Liberty, "Sewcial" gathering before the meeting @ 6:30pm. Meetings are 2nd Monday every month.

For information call (845) 292-6180.

Learn what Quilting is all about. Guests welcome for a meeting and/or Sewcial gathering. Come visit and mingle.

Frost Valley YMCA Hosts Adventure Guide Weekend
Adventure Guides' Weekend Retreat Allows Former Y-Guide, Adventure Guide, and Indian Princess Families to Bond

CLARYVILLE - Frost Valley YMCA will be hosting another Adventure Guide Alumni Weekend on April 21-23, 2017. Former participants have an opportunity to re-experience many of the cherished memories they have shared through the program over the years.



Adventure Guides is a parent-child program that aims to enhance the bond and camaraderies between parent and child. Families spend time together in nature and immerse themselves in the rich, engaging programs offered at Frost Valley within shared activities and events. Those moments of quality time together will build a lifetime of trust and connection. "After 31 years of coming to Frost Valley, first as an Adventure Guide dad, I now live and work here," said Jay Pumphery, Guest Relationship Development Manager. "The weekends spent with my two daughters here were some of the most important and valuable times in our lives."

Frost Valley's 5,500 acres are a natural playground that brings out the adventurous spirit in all of its guests. While there, the Adventure Guides have the freedom to explore! Programming includes all of the traditional camp favorites: hiking, climbing, canoeing, sports and games, arts and crafts, stargazing, and telling stories by the fire. The weekend is a special time to be with your children and to relish in the freedom, joy, and power of play, whether you want to connect with former Y-Guide Alumni or let your entire family have the Frost Valley experience. Special rates are available for all former Adventure Guides. The price per person is \$149.00, which includes two nights lodging, five meals and all activities. Kids under the age of five years old stay free. Frost Valley offer this special pricing to ensure that all families can return to the place they love.

To register for this weekend, please call Frost Valley YMCA at (845) 985-2291, Ext. 450, or email reservations@frostvalley.org.

Pursuant to UC Exec Mike Hein's Executive Order, an Overflow Crowd of UC Residents Concerned with the Repeal of the Affordable Care Act Attend Public Forum
Repeal Of The Affordable Care Act And The Proposed Replacement Is Expected To Have A Profound Impact On Public Health

Kingston, NY - After issuing an Executive Order last Monday that directed the Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health to study the effects of repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act, Ulster County Executive Mike Hein spoke to an overflow crowd of concerned residents who accepted the county's invitation to attend a public forum. The forum to collect community input was held by the Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health Dr. Carol Smith, as required by the Executive Order. The forum was attended by a cross section of Ulster County residents including healthcare professionals, seniors, advocates for Medicaid recipients, business owners and representative from the offices of United States Senator Charles Schumer, United States Senator



From left: Ulster County Executive Mike Hein, Dr. Carol Smith, Commissioner of Health and Mental Health, Nereida Veytia, Director of Patient Services

Kirsten Gillibrand, and United States Representative John Faso. **Ulster County Executive Michael P. Hein**

"Dr. Smith and I share a firm belief that the potential repeal of the Affordable Care Act is one of the most pressing public health threats facing our community," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "When confronted with an issue such as this, it would be irresponsible not to act. Many Ulster County residents are justifiably concerned about their healthcare coverage, the dramatic cuts that are being planned in Washington and the frustrating belief that their voices are simply not being heard. Accordingly, a transcript of everyone's comments will be included in Dr. Smith's final report that will be forwarded to federal representatives."

United States Senator Charles E. Schumer

"The proposal to repeal the Affordable Care Act would mean many Ulster County residents will lose their coverage, and even more, particularly seniors, will have to pay more for health care. I commend County Executive Hein and his colleagues in Ulster County for studying and

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addressing the potential health threats the county may face as a repercussion of this replacement. I stand with County Executive Hein and all of Ulster County in the effort to retain quality healthcare for the families of Ulster," said United States Senator Charles E. Schumer.

United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand

"President Trump's bill to dismantle the Affordable Care Act would make health care too expensive for many families and seniors and would leave millions of people uninsured, all while giving huge tax breaks to insurance companies and the wealthy. We need to fight this terrible plan because the stakes are too high for countless New York families. If enough of us raise our voices and speak out against this legislation, we will be able to stop it, and I am grateful to Ulster County Executive Mike Hein for helping lead this effort," said United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand.

Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health Dr. Carol Smith

"County Executive Hein and I are grateful for all for all of the Ulster County residents who took the time to share their thoughts and concerns about how the proposed changes to the Affordable Care Act will affect themselves and their families. Affordable healthcare is not an abstract political concept; it is the difference between wellness and recurring illness, between life and death. We listened to all of the comments and will do everything we can to fight for the health and well-being of our people and our community," said Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health Dr. Carol Smith.

Residents still have the opportunity to provide written comments that will be included in the final report by emailing them to exec@co.ulster.ny.us.

Senator Bonacic Joins Colleagues at Workers' Compensation Press Conference



ing this issue and has made it one its priorities in this year's budget.

(Albany, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) joined his Senate Republican colleagues and local business leaders at a press conference this morning calling for common sense reforms in the state's workers' compensations laws which would lower costs for small businesses. The Senate Republican Conference is committed to address-

Make Your Own Bamboo Rod - Take A Class at the Fly Fishing Center and Museum

LIVINGSTON MANOR - Individuals are being offered a rare opportunity to continue a true American folk craft by learning to construct their own bamboo fly fishing rod. The Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum (CFFCM) in Livingston Manor has arranged for expert instructors to teach two five-day-long sessions in May and June.

The first class is Friday, May 19 to Wednesday, May 24. The second is Friday, June 9 to Wednesday, June 14. Each class must have a minimum of three students enrolled by April 1. Classes are usually limited to six students.

Students make a ferruled blank with grip and reel seat installed, and receive instructions on wrapping the guides and applying the finish in the student's speed and style at home.

Instructors David VanBurgel and Kathy Scott live at the edge of the Great North Woods in Maine. They have been teaching this class since 2003. At the Catskill Rodmakers Gathering in 2016, the couple received the 2016 Bellinger Award for quality and integrity in craftsmanship.

Cost is \$1400. CFFCM members get 10% off. Price includes materials and instruction, as well as a light breakfast and sandwich lunch (dinner not included).

OTHER CLASSES

PAINT AND SIP - Saturday, April 22 at 1:00 p.m.

Class offers would-be artists a chance to learn how to paint in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, while having a glass of wine and celebrating Earth Day. Students will create an acrylic painting to bring home on a subject such as a river scene or trout. Instructor is Gina Kaufman of the Enchanted Easel in Damascus, PA. \$40 cost includes painting materials, wine and snacks.

GRAPHITE AND FIBERGLASS ROD-MAKING - Saturday, May 13 and Sunday, May 14

Must have a minimum of four students enrolled by April 15, limited to ten students. Instructor is Dusty Smith of the Livingston Rod Company in Livingston, Montana. Cost is \$800. CFFCM members get 10% off. Price includes materials and instruction, as well as a light breakfast and sandwich lunch (dinner not included).

BE A BETTER CASTER - Saturday, May 6

PUTTING THE FLY WHERE YOU WANT IT TO BE - Saturday, June 3

LEARNING TO CAST FARTHER - Saturday, July 1

These workshops take place from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the lower field. Instructors Paul and Gail Gallo are International Fly Fishing Federation (IFFF) certified master casting instructors who teach all levels. Price per workshop is \$10 for museum members and \$15 for non-members. Rods are available for \$5 per workshop. Registration is required.

For reservations and more information, call CFFCM at 845-439-4810 or go to www.cffcm.com; includes painting materials, wine and snacks.

Spring Story Time Cycle at Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library

Swing by the library at 479 Broadway in Monticello and enjoy a story time! The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library is beginning a new springtime series of story times for toddlers and preschoolers. This ten week series will begin on April 10th, 2017.

Toddler story times will take place every Monday at 10 am. This is an early literacy program for babies, toddlers, and their caregivers. This program uses rhymes, books, crafts, and finger plays to develop skills that will help children get ready to read. Pre-K story times will be held every Friday at 10:30 am. This program, geared towards 3-5 year olds, will continue to develop early literacy skills with stories and crafts.

All story times are free and open to the public. They do not require pre-registration. For more information call the library at 845-794-4660, visit the library website: ebcrawfordlibrary.org, or follow the library on social media (@ebcplibrary).

Stuffed Animal Sleepover at Ethelbert B. Crawford Library

Have you ever wondered what the library is like at night? The library is opening its doors on the night of April 7th, 2017 for a very special audience. We are having a stuffed animal sleepover! Stop by on April 7th at 5:30pm with your child and their favorite stuffed animal or plushie. We will read bedtime stories to the children and their furry friends, do crafts and sing a lullaby, then we'll tuck them in and say goodnight. After the children leave, their buddies may get into a little mischief in the library. Stop back in the next day to pick up the buddy and some "souvenirs" from their library slumber party. This special event is for children ages 4-10 and does require registration. Space is limited, so register early!

For more information or to register for the program call the children's room at 845-794-4660 ext. 9. To see a full list of library programs, visit www.ebcrawfordlibrary.org. The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library is located at 479 Broadway in Monticello.

Workshop - "How to be a Stage Manager"

(South Fallsburg, NY) Anyone interested in gaining valuable experience on behind the scenes work in Community Theatre will learn the fundamentals of Stage Management in a free workshop being held by the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop and conducted by Amber Schmidt who has her B.A. in Theatre from SUNY Potsdam. The workshop will be held at the Rivoli Theater in South Fallsburg on Sunday, April 9 from 1-3pm. No experience necessary. Please reserve your spot by contacting Amber at 798-1000 or via email at schmidad@gmail.com on or before Wednesday, April 5th.

SCDW Casting "The 39 Steps" and "Noises Off"

(From Pg. 2) It contains every single legendary scene from the award-winning movie - including the chase on the Flying Scotsman, the escape on the Forth Bridge, the first theatrical bi-plane crash ever staged and the sensational death-defying finale in the London Palladium.

Production dates for "The 39 Steps" are June 9-11, 16-18 at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. Actors needed: Richard Hannay (Male 25-45), Pamela/Annabella/Margaret (Female 20-40) Clown 1 and Clown 2 (2 Males of undetermined age.) For additional information or to schedule an alternate audition time, contact Heather at (845) 701-5022 or via email at heatherjane614@gmail.com

Director, Jim Schmidt and Producer, Lynne Porter welcome auditioners for "Noises Off," a fond look at the follies of theatre folk, whose susceptibility to out-of-control egos, memory loss, and passionate affairs turn every performance into a high-risk adventure. This play-within-a-play captures a touring theatre troupe's production of "Nothing On" in three stages: dress rehearsal, the opening performance, and a performance towards the end of a debilitating run. Frayne gives us a window into the inner workings of theatre behind the scenes, progressing from flubbed lines and missed cues in the dress rehearsal to mounting friction between cast members in the final performance. Brimming with slapstick comedy, it's a delightful backstage farce, complete with slamming doors, falling trousers, and - of course - flying sardines!

Production dates for "Noises Off" are July 7-9, 14-16 at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. Actors needed: 5 Males 20-70 and 4 Females 20-70. For additional information or to schedule an alternate audition time, contact Jim at (845) 798-4971 or via email at slj2859@aol.com

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Weekly Legislative Recap from Congressman Faso Statement on the AHCA

Since the start of this process, I have said that we must keep what works in the current healthcare system and fix what doesn't. Pulling the legislation from the floor reveals that there is no Republican consensus on replacement of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). As such, it is incumbent upon those of us in Congress to find incremental improvements and reforms to the ACA - hopefully with bipartisan support - which will lower costs and increase healthcare access for all Americans. I recognize that the partisan divide over healthcare needs to be overcome if we are to truly fix what isn't working in the ACA. I stand ready to do so.

Medicaid Mandate Relief

This week I fulfilled a campaign promise and, along with Rep. Chris Collins, included an amendment to the American Health Care Act (AHCA) which would benefit homeowners and business property owners in New York State. Though the AHCA was pulled from consideration, I intend to introduce the amendment as separate legislation soon.

My plan would end Albany's 51-year-old policy of imposing a significant share of state Medicaid costs on county governments and their property taxpayers. New York requires more than three times in Medicaid cost-sharing from its localities than all other states combined. High property taxes are a significant factor in driving many people and businesses from our state. Just this week we learned that Upstate New York continues to lose population. Savings from the legislation will vary based on county, but a typical homeowner in the 19th District owning a home assessed at the median value would save approximately \$360 each year. Read the amendment here.

This Week on the Floor

This week the House passed H.R. 1101, the Small Business Health Fairness Act of 2017, which I cosponsored. The legislation would provide Americans with greater choice to purchase affordable health insurance. H.R. 1101 allows small businesses to purchase health insurance through association health plans that would increase bargaining power for small businesses, expand coverage and lower administrative costs. Such plans had been outlawed under the Affordable Care Act. The legislation passed by a bipartisan vote of 236 to 175.

The House Agriculture Subcommittee on Nutrition held a critical hearing to examine the USDA's three commodity-distribution programs: the Emergency Food Assistance Program, Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations. The Subcommittee heard from a panel of witnesses who answered questions about how these different programs can work to

The House Agriculture Committee held a hearing to review current dairy policy and discuss options to make it more effective for our farmers. As we prepare for the 2018 Farm Bill, I've heard from many dairy farmers about the inadequacy of the margin protection program, especially as it relates to the price of feed. I also discussed New York's dairy trade with Canada. Watch the exchange here or click the image above.

Cuomo Announces Application for 2017 Carey Gabay Scholarship Program

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that the State University of New York is now accepting applications for the Carey Gabay Scholarship Program. This scholarship is in honor of Carey Gabay, an attorney and public servant, who was tragically killed as an innocent victim of gun violence in 2015. This program provides full scholarships to five incoming SUNY students who exemplify Carey's commitment to social justice, leadership, and mentoring, as well as his personal story of succeeding academically despite having an economically disadvantaged background. In September, Governor Cuomo announced the first recipients of the scholarship.

"Carey was an exemplary young man who could have done anything, but decided to dedicate his life to public service," Governor Cuomo said. "It is our hope this scholarship program will empower other talented young people to pursue a career in government and in pursuit of improving the lives of their fellow New Yorkers."

Carey grew up living in public housing and attending public school in the Bronx. After a successful high school career, he went on to graduate from Harvard University and Harvard Law School. He had a long-standing commitment to public service and giving back to those around him, and while at Harvard University, he ran to become the president of his undergraduate student body. In recent years, he worked tirelessly in public service, first as an Assistant Counsel to Governor Cuomo and later as First Deputy Counsel for the Empire State Development Corporation.

The Carey Gabay Scholarship Program will annually award full scholarships to five students to attend four-year SUNY colleges beginning in the 2017-18 school year. These scholarships will cover all costs of attendance, including tuition, room and board, college fees, books and supplies, and transportation and per-

sonal expenses. Applications are due on April 15, 2017. Go to <http://www.suny.edu/smartrack/types-of-financial-aid/scholarships/gabay/> for application.

Schneiderman Announces \$20 Million in Grants to 19 Land Banks that are Rebuilding Neighborhoods Across NYS

ALBANY - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today announced \$20.9 million in new grants to 19 land banks that are working to protect homeowners and neighborhoods across the state by acquiring abandoned properties and returning them to productive use. This new funding brings Attorney General Schneiderman's total investment in land banks to \$57 million since 2013.

The grants were awarded under the Land Bank Community Revitalization Initiative (CRI). The Office of the Attorney General established the initiative in 2013 with funding secured through settlements with the nation's largest banks over misconduct that contributed to the housing crisis. As of November 2016, when the Office of the Attorney General published "Revitalizing New York State," a report on the land bank initiative, the New York land banks had:

- o Reclaimed more than 1,995 abandoned properties
- o Returned over 700 properties to market
- o Demolished 409 unstable structures
- o Preserved \$19 million in property value for surrounding homes

This round of funding, which was made possible by settlements the Attorney General secured last year with Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs, provides renewal grants to the state's original ten land banks and start-up grants to nine more newly established land banks, many of which are in rural areas across the state.

"Communities throughout New York are still suffering the fallout from the housing crisis, and my office will continue to support innovative efforts to help them recover," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "With today's round of grants, all 19 land banks will build on the significant accomplishments already achieved over the past three years, helping put abandoned properties back into use, revitalizing towns and cities, and creating a safer, more stable, and more vibrant environment for New York's families."

The Attorney General was joined for the announcement by Saretha Sotomayor. The Sotomayor family are the new owners of a long-vacant home on Clinton Avenue. The home was acquired by the Albany County Land Bank and refurbished in partnership with Habitat for Humanity. The land bank and Habitat are partnering to rehabilitate four additional properties in the area.

"The tremendous support the Albany County Land Bank has received from Attorney General Eric Schneiderman enables us to reclaim vacant properties that have been harming our communities for years and responsibly return them to productive use," said Adam Zaranko, Executive Director of the Albany County Land Bank Corporation. "These funds, combined with the strong support of Albany County, have enabled our land bank to emerge as a leader in the ongoing efforts to eliminate blight and increase homeownership opportunities to help stabilize neighborhoods throughout the County. We thank the Attorney General for this new allocation of funding and look forward to working with all of our partners to strengthen communities in every part of Albany County."

"My family lived for a time in a homeless shelter, so my husband and I are so grateful for the opportunity the Albany County Land Bank and Habitat for Humanity provided, allowing us to buy our first home and provide stable housing for our children and grandchildren," said first-time homebuyer Saretha Sotomayor. "Thank you to Attorney General Schneiderman for supporting land banks across the state, so that other families can achieve their dreams the way we achieved ours."

Richard Ruzzo, Capital Region Land Bank Chairman and a member of the Schenectady County Legislature said, "We are honored to receive this funding and look forward to continuing the Land Bank's efforts to restore, revitalize and reinvigorate our neighborhoods. We appreciate the great work that Attorney General Schneiderman is doing to protect homeowners and boost neighborhoods in New York State."

"The Land Banks of New York State are specially crafted tools, customized to each locality, that complement the private market, and the programs of not-for-profit developers and municipalities," said Joe Fama, Director of the Troy Community Land Bank. "We are thankful to the Attorney General for the wisdom and generosity with which he has created and supplied these innovative and effective instruments of renewal for the disadvantaged neighborhoods throughout our state. Today's announcement is a welcome show of continued confidence and support in the accomplishments and potential of New York State's Land Banks."

Senator Bonacic Appointed to General Budget Conference Committee and Joint Budget Subcommittees

(Albany, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pleased to announce that he has been appointed to serve on the 2017 General Budget Conference Committee as an alternate. The General Budget Conference Committee is made up of 15 members in the Assembly and Senate is tasked with negotiating the final budget details with both houses of the legislature and the Governor's office.

In addition, Senator Bonacic has been appointed to serve on two joint budget subcommittees, Public Protection/Criminal Justice/Judiciary as well as

Economic Development.

"I'm pleased to serve on these committees that will allow me to have direct say on the final budget that we pass this year," said Senator Bonacic. "My colleagues in the Republican Conference are committed to once again producing an on-time budget that truly meets the needs of all New Yorkers."

Senate Passes Bonacic's Legislation to Protect Students who Receive State Scholarships

(Albany, NY)- Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pleased to announce that the Senate has passed again, S1031, legislation which he sponsored, that would ensure that students who receive certain state scholarships would not see their scholarship award reduced for choosing to live off-campus. Students in New York who receive specific scholarships are required to live on campus in order to receive the full scholarship award amount.

The scholarships that this legislation affects include:

- World Trade Center Memorial Scholarship;
- Memorial Scholarship for families of deceased firefighters, volunteer firefighters, police officers, peace officers and emergency medical service workers;
- Military Service Recognition Scholarship;
- Flight 587 Memorial Scholarship; and
- Flight 3407 Memorial Scholarship.

"Students who depend on these scholarships should not be penalized for choosing to live off campus," said Senator Bonacic. "I hope my colleagues in the Assembly will move swiftly to pass this bill so that we can help students afford to continue their studies."

The bill has been sent to the Assembly.

Senator Bonacic Supports Comprehensive Package of Bills to Boost Agriculture in NY

(Albany, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) joined with his colleagues today in passing a comprehensive package of bills that would strengthen and preserve agriculture as the state's leading industry. The bipartisan measures help support farm workforce retention and expansion; create new tax credits for preserving farmland, transitioning to organic certification, and offering healthy options in communities; promote the use of local produce in schools; and help prepare new farmers for successful careers, among other initiatives.

Today's measures build upon the Senate's ongoing commitment to agriculture, including its role as the undisputed leader in restoring more than \$55 million in proposed state funding cuts since 2011.

"My colleagues on both sides of the aisle understand how vitally important agriculture is to New York's economy," said Senator Bonacic. "With the black dirt farms in Warwick to the dairy producers in Delaware County, agriculture is a vital industry in my senate district. These measures will help ensure it remains a thriving one."

The bills passed today include:

- Doubling the Existing Farm Workforce Retention Credit: \$2905;
- Helping Schools Purchase Local Produce: \$1430;
- Creating a "Future Agriculture Readiness Marketing" Camp: \$4660;
- Increasing New Farmers' Access to Land: \$4900;
- Conserving Productive Land: \$2479;
- Establishing a Young Farmer Advisory Board: \$4021;
- Creating a Farm Savings Account: \$3835;
- Providing Tax Credits for Organic Farm Transitions: \$4721;
- Offering Tax Exemptions for Organic Farm Transitions: \$562;
- Lifting Size Restrictions on Wine Ice Cream: \$4265;
- Creating the Healthy Options and Community Outreach Program: \$943;
- Preserving Farmland: \$4535;
- Helping Timber Harvesters: \$368;
- Promoting Farm Cideries: \$1078;
- Reducing Transportation Costs: \$1240; and
- Awarding Excellence in Agriculture: \$1333

The bills being acted upon today - on National Agriculture Day - are among the latest efforts by the Senate to focus on growing New York agriculture from the ground up.

For more information on the bills, please visit www.nysenate.gov.

April Fool's Day Fun!

On April 1st at 2pm we will present Charlie Chaplin in his classic silent feature "The Gold Rush", co-starring Georgia Hale and Mack Swain. Also on the program will be the first synchronous Mickey Mouse cartoon "Steamboat Willie" and a classic silent short, "Liberty", starring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy.

And check out these event specials from two of our sponsors: Trattoria Marbella will be offering a pre-film lunch special with \$10 entrees with your film ticket! And Tony & Nick's Italian Kitchen will have an after-film prix fixe with your ticket: Salad, Entree & Dessert for \$19.99!

For more info - www.shadowlandstages.org (845) 647- 5511 157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY 12428.

**GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH
ROAST PORK DINNER**

APRIL 8 2017
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

ROAST PORK, STUFFING, MASHED POTATOES, CARROTS, SAUERKRAUT, CRANBERRY SAUCE, SALAD, BREAD, DRINKS AND ASSORTED DESSERTS

ADULTS: \$12.00
CHILD 5-12: \$5.00
UNDER 5: FREE

GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH HALL
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT
AND GOD BLESS YOU!

**NEVERSINK & GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENTS
ANNUAL SPRING PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Sunday April 2, 2017**

Serving from 7-12



All You Can Eat!*
ADULTS \$8.00
KIDS 6-12 \$5.00

CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER FREE
TAKEOUT AVAILABLE \$8.00 PER TAKE OUT

Held at the Neversink Firehouse 7468 State Route 55, Neversink

For further information or to make a donation e-mail info@nrc.org
*All proceeds go to the fire house

The Fabric of Women • Saturday, April 29 at SUNY Sullivan's Seelig Theater
Start your day off with some laughter, featuring: Keynote Speaker Cory Kahaney ~ voted best comedian in New York City by *Backstage Magazine* and best female comedian by the Manhattan Association of Cabarets.
8:15 a.m. ~ Registration & Continental Breakfast
Choose two workshop sessions, including: *The Fabric of Women Scarf Painting* • Creating a Mini-Terrarium • *Social Media & You* • Awakening the Goddess: The Divine Feminine • *About Face!* • Chakra Healing • *That's So Cheesy!* • Seasonal and Local Plant Centered Cuisine • *The Power of Words* • Tantalizing Tartlets! • *Super Foods - Nutrition for Breast Health* • Seeds of Intention

**Claryville Fire Dept.
All You Can Eat
Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, April 9



Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon
Adults: \$9
Children Ages 5-11: \$5
Under 5 Yrs. Free

\$50 from the breakfast
is donated to the
Claryville Reformed Church
Food Pantry

THE EASTER BUNNY



is coming to Grahamsville
SATURDAY APRIL 15, 2017
at 11:00 A.M. sharp
at the **GRAHAMSVILLE FAIR GROUNDS**
Come hunt Easter Eggs and take your
picture with the Easter Bunny
Sponsored by
The Grahamsville Fire Dept.
Ladies Auxiliary

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The Little Church with the Big Heart
Sunday, 8 am Service of Holy Communion, except:
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Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041

Bible Class 9:00 am
Worship Services @ 10:00 am
Rev. Paul Nulton
John Bult, Organist



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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

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Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Daily Mass schedule:
Monday afternoon: 5:45 pm (Holy Rosary at 5:30 pm);
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes
Morning Prayer) - 8:50 am

Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm

Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

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CrossWay Assembly of God

Service Times
Sunday Worship
Service 10:30 am



Meet the
new Pastor,
**Camille
Regolec**

Thursday
Prayer 7 pm
P. O. Box 480
507 Hasbrouck Drive
Woodbourne, NY 12788
845-434-8263

Email: Crosswayag@jesusanswers.com

Sundown United Methodist Church

Peekamoose Rd., Sundown
Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff
845-985-2283
e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Rte. 55, Grahamsville
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m.

Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available!
For information contact Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff 845-985-2283
e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

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Thrift Sale
9am-12:30 pm
Luncheon
11 am- 1pm
Third Saturday
Thrift Sale
9-1
April 15

April 1st
5:30 pm
Covered Dish
Supper

Spring Fling
March 25 • 5 pm
Chicken & Biscuits • \$10
Reservations Only
(Deadline for Reservations
March 20)
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Church Hall

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Holy Days 5:30 pm
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Grahamsville Reformed Church

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor

845-985-7480

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICE:

**Request for Proposal (RFP)
Pavement Sealing/Painting**

The Tri-Valley Central School District, a public school located in Sullivan County, NY is currently accepting proposals to clean, reseal and paint all parking and driveway spaces on our campus.

Bid Description:

Tri Valley Central School is planning to maintain the integrity of its driveways and parking lots with a comprehensive cleaning, resealing and painting project projected to take place in the summer months of 2017.

The scope of the bid will detail square footage, materials specifications and time frames for possible phasing of the work.

For Bid Specifications:

Contact Robert Whitaker, School Business Official, 845.985.2296 ext 5201 or Jesse Bell, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, 845.985.2296 ext 5317. (Specs available April 3, 2017)

Each bidder must submit 3 copies of their proposal to the address below by Friday, April 21, 2017 at 3 pm EST:

Tri Valley CSD
34 Moore Hill Rd
Grahamsville, NY 12740

3/30

NOTICE

The Town of Neversink will be accepting applications for Lifeguard positions at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Pool for the 2017 season.

Application forms are available at the Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY Monday thru Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Applicants must include copies of all current certifications, length of time available to work and any needed time off when submitting their applications. (Photocopies of certifications can be made at the Town Hall when the application is brought in.)

PLEASE NOTE: THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS WILL BE 4:30 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017.

Town of Neversink Summer Swim Program is also requesting applicants for WSI Instructors. For further information on either please call Town Hall at 985-2262, ext. 305.

3/30; 4/13

Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is seeking a qualified engineer/firm for professional engineering and project management services on projects involving demolition of structures acquired as part of the New York City Funded Flood Buyout Program within the NYC West of Hudson Watershed. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on March 31, 2017 at 1 PM at CWC offices, 905 Main Street, Margaretville, NY 12455. Bids must be received at CWC by 4 PM, April 14, 2017. For bid documents please contact John Mathiesen or Frieda Suess at 845-586-1400. EOE

3/16; 3/23; 3/30; 4/6-21

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING,
BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
AT GRAHAMSVILLE
TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Central High School Upstairs Gym/Auditorium in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

Tuesday, May 2, 2017
At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2017-2018 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the VOTE upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2017-2018 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education, and VOTING on the below propositions and any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Main Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the term of three members of the Board of Education will expire on June 30, 2017. Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 17, 2017. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. The highest vote getter will fill an extended three-year term commencing on May 17, 2017, and the next two highest vote getters will each fill a three-year term position commencing on July 1, 2017. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

The 3-year terms of the following Members of the Board of Education expire on June 30, 2017, and are to be filled at this election:

Patrick Kelly
Joyce Hartman
Scott Mickelson

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 9th, 2017 and Wednesday, May 10th, 2017 in the Main Entrance Area, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 11th, 2017 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 16, 2017. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 9th, 2017) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 15th, 2017), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education
Norma Peña, District Clerk
Dated: March 30, 2017

3/30; 4/13; 4/27 & 5/4



Town of Neversink Parks & Rec 2017 Trips/Events
 Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312
www.townofneversink.org

- May 1 - May 5 **Screen Free Week**
- Sat-May 13 **Maritime Aquarium/IMAX Movie**
- Sat-June 3 **Country Living Fair** Rhinebeck Fairgrounds
- Fri-June 9 **Mamma Mia** Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre
- Fri-June 16 **Transportation to NYC**
- Fri-July 7 **Swimming Beach Party** Grahamsville Fairgrounds
- Sat-July 22 **New York State Museum**
- Sat-Aug 5 **Zoom Flume**
- Fri-Aug 26 **Animal Embassy Presentation**
- Fri-Oct 6 **Annie Get Your Gun** Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre
- Nov 4-5 **Wolf Lodge**
- Sat-Dec 2 **Transportation to NYC**

Stop by the Parks & Rec office on Tuesdays between 3pm and 6 pm to drop off your permission slips and payment. It is never too early to sign up for trips! Secure your seats today!



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation
 Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday and Monday: Closed
 If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.
The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.

2017 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle Schedule 10 am - 2:30 pm

Jan 12	July 13
Feb 16	Aug 10
Mar 16	Sept 14
Apr 13	Oct 12
May 11	Nov 16
June 15	Dec 14

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

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

All Aboard!
 Join the Fun!
Play Mexican Train
 FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1-4 pm
 in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall

Also **WANTED** People to play cards

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- 4/1/17 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm
- 4/4/17 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale** (9am -12:30pm) and **Luncheon** (11 am-1 pm)
- 4/4/17 **Town of Denning Board Meeting** 7:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall
- 4/5/17 **Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting** 7 pm
- 4/6/17 **Claryville Fire District Meeting** - 6:30 pm
- 4/8/17 **Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner** 4-7 pm - Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
- 4/11/17 **Town of Denning Board Business Meeting** 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 4/12/17 **Town of Neversink Board Meeting** 7:30 pm
- 4/13/17 **Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting** 7:00 pm - Denning Town Hall
- 4/14/17 **Town of Neversink Holiday - GOOD FRIDAY**
- 4/15/17 **Grahamsville UMC Third Saturday Thrift Sale** 9 am - 12 noon
- 4/17/17 **Grahamsville Fire District Meeting** 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse
- 4/18/17 **Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals** - 7:30 pm
- 4/19/17 **Claryville Fire Dept All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7am-Noon
- 4/25/17 **Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Meeting** - 6 pm in Parks & Rec Office at Town Hall

Save the Date!

- April 22, 2017 - Boy Scout Troop 97 **Fish & Chips/Chicken & Chips Dinner** - 4:30 to 6:30 pm at Neversink Fire House
- May 6, 2017 **Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk** 8:30-9:00 am Sign-in Grahamsville First Aid Building
- June 7, 2017 **Rabies Clinic** 6-7:30 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds - for pets 3 months or older
- Sunday, July 9, 2017 **6th Annual Matty Bertholf Horseshoe Tournament**
- Saturday, July 29 - **Time & the Valleys Old Time Fair and Chicken BBQ**

Please note that the agenda for the upcoming Tri-Valley Central School District Board of Education Meetings can be viewed at <http://www.boarddocs.com/ny/trivc/Board.nsf/Public>

TRI-VALLEY AREA

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Unless otherwise noted, all **Town Board meetings** are held at the Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Road, Shokan at **7:00 pm**. Town Board Meetings are the **second Tuesday of each month** with the **audit/workshop meetings** being held the **Monday preceding the second Tuesday**. **Town of Olive Planning Board** meets the **first and third Tuesdays of each month**. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles & Miles of Yard Sales

If you are a Sundown resident and wish to add the location of your yard sale to the "Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles & Miles of Yard Sales" map that will be published in the May 11, 18 and 25th issues of *The Townsman* -send us the location of your yard sale. Spot it on the map and **fill out this form** and **return** it to: *The Townsman*, PO Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop it in *The Townsman* "Drop Box" on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Building by **Friday, April 21, 2017**.

NAME _____ TELE # _____

ADDRESS _____

If you choose to have your yard sale only on certain days during the Memorial Day Weekend please indicate date(s) of your sale: _____

Only the location of your yard sale and date(s) will be indicated on the map unless otherwise noted. (e.g. Johnson Family Yard Sale; Antiques & More; etc.). If you have any suggestions - send them along, too.



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- 3BR arts & crafts w/2 barns, North Branch. \$309,000
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- REDUCED Architect designed 4 bed/3.5 bath house on 131 private wooded acres. \$724,000
- 2BR cottage on .75 acs. in Claryville \$67,000
- 4BR house + guest cottage in Grahamsville hamlet. \$164,000
- SOLD-Renovated 3BR farmhouse with studio and swimming pond in Callicoon. Listing price: \$450,000
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SATURDAY
April 1, 2017

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Order of the Eastern Star
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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"
Two - Knarf Four star Classic Films on TCM
A Streetcar Named Desire
(Drama, 1951)



On Monday Morning April 3, 2017 at 10:15 AM, B/W -125 min. Rated TV-PG CC. A fading southern belle tries to build a new life with her sister in New Orleans. **Directed by Elia Kazan (the man who was the actors studio)** Cast: **Vivien Leigh, Marlon Brando, Kim Hunter, Karl Malden.** Stunning production of the Tennessee Williams' play, with Brando as the animalistic Stanley Kowalski and Leigh as his wistful, neurotic sister-in-law, Blanche Dubois, pressed together in a grim New Orleans tenement. **Oscars went to Leigh, Hunter, and Malden for their flawless performances, as well as for the art direction-set decoration--but it's Brando who left an indelible mark on audiences.** Highly influential jazz score by Alex North. Rereleased in 1993 with 4m. of footage that was censored in 1951, playing up the sexual tension between Blanche and Stanley, and Stella's carnal attraction to her husband.

Quiz:
1. Who played Stella Kowalski?
2. Who played Mitch?

Bonnie and Clyde
(Crime, 1967)

On April 3, 2017 at 9:15 PM PM C - 111 mm, TV-14, CC, Sexy, Bang, Bang, shoot-em up about the legendary bank robbers run riot in the South in the 1930s. Dir: Arthur Penn Cast: **Warren Beatty, Faye Dunaway, Michael J. Pollard.**

Quiz:
3. Who played C. W. Moss?
4. Who played Eugene Grizzard?

Quiz:
In **Gentleman Jim** -
1. Kim Hunter
2. Karl Malden
In **National Velvet** -
3. Michael J. Pollard
4. Gene Wilder

What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood™

SUNDOWN
April 1st - Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm at the Sundown UMC Hall

NEVERSINK
Sunday, April 2 - Neversink Grahamsville Annual Spring Pancake Breakfast 7am-12 noon at Neversink Fire House

GRAHAMSVILLE
April 8, 2017 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Roast Pork Dinner** April 8 2017 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
April 15th, The **Easter Bunny** is coming to Grahamsville - 11 a.m. sharp at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Sponsored by The Grahamsville Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary

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4. Gene Wilder
3. Michael J. Pollard
2. Karl Malden
1. Kim Hunter