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Assemblywoman Gunther Announces Library Grants

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D,C-Forestburgh) today announced nearly \$390,000 in construction grants to libraries in the 98th Assembly District. The grants are supported by a \$14 million capital fund appropriation in the 2010 State Budget for construction and renovation of public libraries and public library systems in New York State.

"Investment in libraries reaps exponential benefits to our community," said Assemblywoman Gunther. "When the economy is suffering, use of public libraries increases, and these funds will help the libraries respond to this increased use and make important capital improvements."

Grants include: \$211,035 to the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville for a variety of renovation projects, including the installation of a geothermal heating system (Contd. Pg. 12)

"Ultimate Fishing Town" Roscoe Needs Regular Help in Final Voting for National Contest

Roscoe is looking for voters to help it win the World Fishing Network(WFN) contest as the "Ultimate Fishing Town" in the United States. The winning community will receive \$25,000 to improve fishing access, as well as a cable TV episode about the town. The final voting round began at 12:00 noon on May 10 and continues through May 31. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Come to the Networking Golf Tournament

The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce Foundation and Professional Women of Sullivan County will be holding a Golf Networking Tournament on Friday, May 20, 2011 at the Swan Lake Golf and Country Club in Swan Lake, New York. Funds raised through this event will be equally shared between both organizations and used toward scholarships and future programming events in Sullivan County. (Contd. Pg. 8)

"Shandaken in Bloom!"

On Sunday, June 26th visit six glorious gardens at the "Shandaken in Bloom" Garden Tour that will start with a map/purchase ticket that you can pick up at the Gazebo at Main Street and Route 214 in Phoenicia. Then tour six gardens throughout beautiful Shandaken, from Phoenicia to Pine Hill from 10 am to 4 pm (Contd. Pg. 8)

TVCS Students Recognized and Rewarded for Going Above and Beyond Expectations

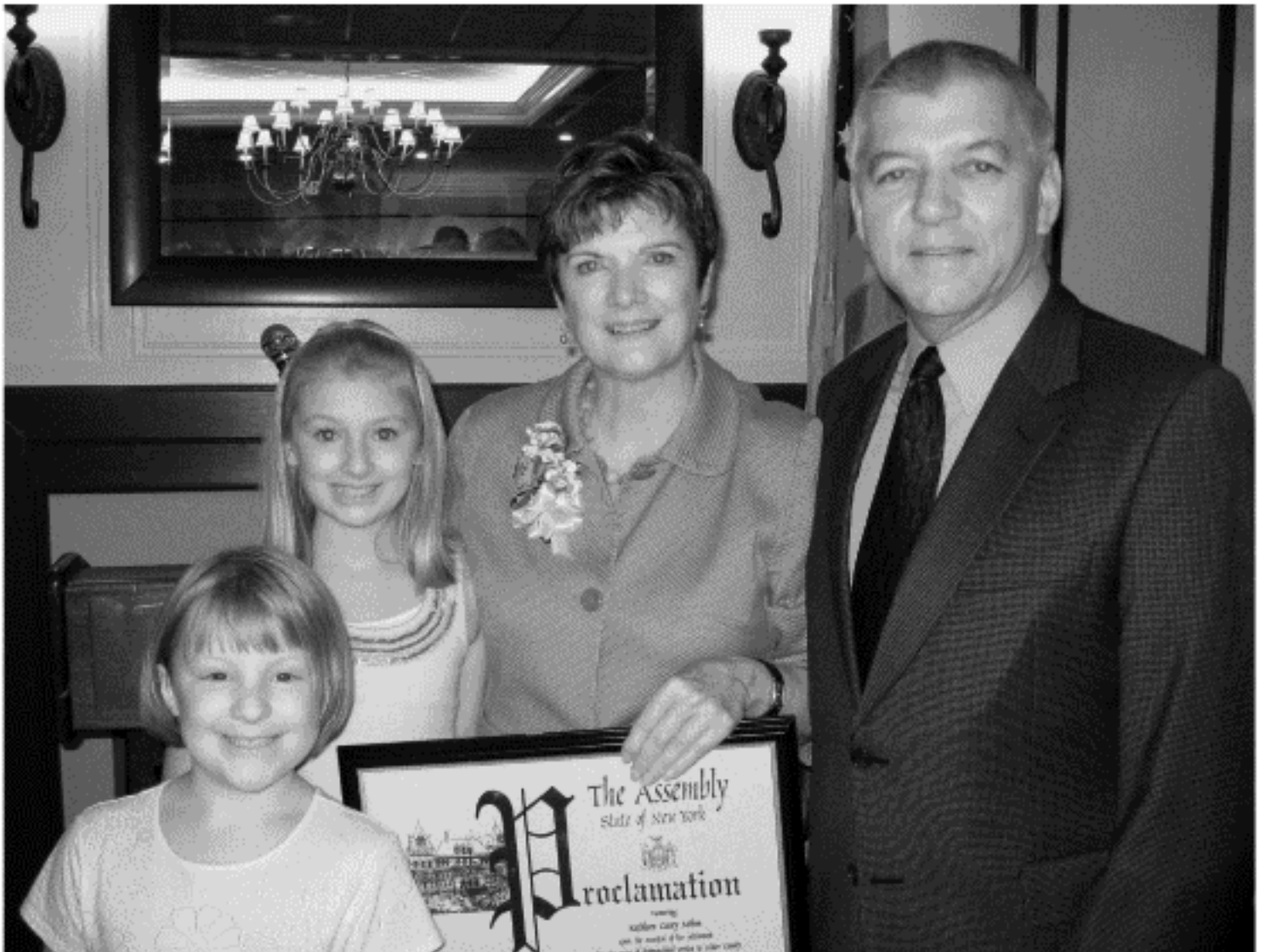


Each quarter the 8th grade teachers at Tri-Valley Central School have been recognizing and rewarding students who go above and beyond expectations inside and outside of the classroom. Quarter awards include Academic Excellence, Leadership, Most Improved, and Excellent Work Ethic.

For Quarter 3, award winners include Kainan Justiniano for Excellent Work Ethic, Donovan Flores for Leadership, Raychelle Osnato and Josh Johnson for Academic Excellence, and Bridget Kackos for Most Improved.

Congratulations to these fantastic students—keep up the good work!

Kathleen Carey Mihm Honored at Spring Brunch



Kathleen Mihm, who recently retired as Ulster County Democratic Commissioner of Elections was the honored guest at the Ulster County Democratic Committee Spring Brunch held at the Wiltwyck Golf Club on Sunday. "Kathy" poses with granddaughters, Rachel and Claire after Assemblyman Kevin Cahill presented her with a plaque of recognition from the Assembly of New York State.

Gillibrand Calls to Close Big Oil Loophole and Put an End to Balancing the Deficit on the Backs of Families, While Oil Companies Receive Billions in Subsidies

Following House Speaker John Boehner's visit to New York this week when he called for trillions of dollars in federal budget cuts, with the gaping exception of \$21 billion in subsidies to oil companies enjoying record profits, U.S.Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today called for the elimination of the tax loopholes that currently subsidize big oil companies.

Last week, the five largest, most profitable oil companies in the world, BP, Exxon, Shell, Chevron and ConocoPhillips (Big 5) reported a combined \$32.3 billion in first-quarter earnings, making at least 50 percent more than last year. Meanwhile, New York State gas prices have skyrocketed over the past few months, leaving middle class families feeling the pain at the pump. New Yorkers are currently paying an average of more than \$4.16 a gallon for regular gas.

The Close Big Oil Tax Loopholes Act would eliminate tax loopholes for the Big 5. In the last ten years, the Big 5 have recorded nearly \$1 trillion in profits, as well as billions in taxpayer subsidies. These enormous revenues have gone to buying stock and issuing dividends, essentially lining the pockets of executives and shareholders, while working class and elderly Americans are being asked to sacrifice in order to balance the budget. (Contd. Pg. 12)

District 11 of NYS Nurses Association Award UC Executive Mike Hein the 2011 Distinguished Service Award



Left to Right- NYSNA District 11 Nurse of the Year Marge Gagnon, Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and Margaret McDowell, RN, MSN - NYSNA District #11 - President

Citing his commitment to the "tradition of Florence Nightingale's health agenda" and for "adding his own innovations from the 21st century," Ulster County Executive Mike Hein was awarded the 2011 Honorary Recognition Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession of Nursing and the Community. The County Executive was honored yesterday by the New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA) District 11 Ulster & Greene County Nurses at their annual dinner.

"I am honored to receive this award," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "This recognition acknowledges my administration's commitment to making Ulster County the healthiest County in New York State." (Contd. Pg. 12)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong; for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth. Daniel 5:22

Thank You:

On behalf of the entire Curry family, we would like to say 'thank you' to all who have extended their love, support, thoughts, and prayers to our family during this difficult time. We deeply appreciate your kind expression of sympathy.

A special 'thank you' to the Neversink Fire Department and First Aid Squad.

From the Family of Dale Parks Curry

PLEASE NOTE:

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman Subscription Rate to Increase

Due to several postal increases during the past few years, it is necessary for the subscription rate for Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman to increase. As of June 1st, the new rate will be \$25.00 for one year. We appreciate your continued support.

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

May 9, 1951 - The children's camp on the Burr Porter place will be operated as a camp for deaf children this summer under the name of Camp Laughton.

Mrs. Flossie Van Wagner has had word from her son, Richard at Camp Kilmer and is expecting him home on leave Wednesday. Richard is serving in the army and has spent more than five years in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald DuBois of Woodbourne Road celebrated their thirtieth wedding anniversary this past weekend with a trip to Niagara Falls. Mr. and Mrs. DuBois have three sons, Gerald Jr., Donald and Edward.

A notable thing is about to happen on the Sundown Road on the former Ralph Hornbeck property near Lows Corners. The Cooney Bros. are preparing to place there a mountain of sand and gravel for the Lows Corners Tunnel and Outlet. It will probably take them all the rest of the year to do this.

May 10, 1961 - Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Austin of Liberty are the proud parents of a son, born May 7th at the Liberty Loomis Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Oral Goode.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Clark of Curry are the parents of a daughter, born May 8th at the Liberty Loomis Hospital. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rhynders of Poughkeepsie are the proud parents of a daughter, Tracy Lynn born at Vassar Hospital on Monday morning, May 8th, weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Fernald DuBois are the maternal grandparents.

THIS MOTHER'S DAY

...LET'S NOT FORGET

Who sang to you and laughed with you
And worked for you the long day through?
Who heard your prayers and dried your tears
And soothed away your childish fears?
Each one of us owes her a debt
This Mother's Day ... let's not forget!
KUM TO KRUM'S

May 12, 1971 - For the first time in over thirty years an "Ox Pulling Contest" will be held at the Catskill Camping and Home Show that will be held at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on May 22 and 23. Approximately 30 yokes of oxen will participate in this contest.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hill, 22 years on May 15th; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Houghtaling, 6 years on the 16th; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald DuBois Sr., 50 years on the 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant McKenna are the proud parents of a baby girl, Shannon Aileen, born April 6th. The baby was just brought home from the hospital this past weekend after attaining a weight of 4 lbs.

The 90 year old ornate brass chandelier, stored in the church attic for nearly 40 years, will be reinstalled in the Grahamsville Reformed Church. The congregation voted Sunday to re-install the lamp oil chandelier originally installed in the church when it was built in 1882. In 1932 it was replaced by electric fixtures according to Rev. Carter. Four Boy Scouts working for their "God and Country Award" restored the lamps to their original luster.

Jennifer Jones, a junior at Tri-Valley School, was elected president of the Ronech Chapter of the National Honor Society. Jennifer will serve as president for the school year 1971-72. She will replace Martha DeWire who is a senior.

May 7, 1981 - Elyse Hornbeck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hornbeck of Grahamsville, who is a student at SUNY Brockport Alternate College and fellow students who achieved academic distinction, were recognized at an Honors Convocation on April 29th. Elyse attained a 4.0 average in her first half year and will have completed her freshman and sophomore years by June.

At the annual banquet held April 25th in Callicoon, Nancy Conjura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Conjura of Grahamsville, was chosen to serve as Dairy Princess for 1981. Nancy was sponsored by Ray and Donna Denman of Flintlock Farm.

Ethel Houghtaling of Neversink, a nurse's aide at the Walnut Mountain Care Center, Liberty, died Saturday at the Roswell Park Memorial Institute, Buffalo, after a long illness. She was 43. She was born Feb. 20, 1938 in Neversink, the daughter of the late Henry and Lena Lennox. Survivors include her husband, Norway of Neversink and five daughters, three step-daughters.

Tri-Valley Track and Field Win Division Titles

The Girls and Boys Outdoor Track and Field Teams completed the dual meet portion of the OCIAA Division V Season undefeated resulting in a Division Championship for both Teams. Since entering the Orange County League in 2001 the Girls have won the Division 9 of 11 years and the Boys have won 6 of 11 years. Congratulations!

2011 Grahamsville Gallop

The 2011 Edition of the Grahamsville Gallop will be held Sunday June 5th at 2:00 PM at the Track. Races will be held for all ages. Sign ups will occur starting at 1:30 with no entry fee and awards to all finishers.

TV Animal Lovers to Hold Annual Dog Walk and Dog Wash

On Saturday, June 18th the Tri-Valley Animal Lovers will hold their Annual Dog Walk and Dog Wash at the fairgrounds from 9 am to 12 noon. Along with the dog wash station, there will be other goodies such as T-shirts on sale. Keep watching the Townsman for further details on this event.

TVCS Class of 2011 Graduation

The end of the year is coming upon us very quickly and a number of activities are happening in our District, including the graduation of our class of 2011 on Saturday, June 25, at 10:00 am in the Bernstein Theatre. Nine tickets will be given to each graduate. The number of tickets given to students fluctuate year to year according to the size of the graduating class. If any community member would like a ticket or families are requesting additional tickets beyond the nine, you must contact Mrs. Sloan at 985-2296 ext. 4225 or at bsloan@tvcs.k12.ny.u

TVCS FBLA Members Attend NYS Leadership Conference in Rochester

Eleven Future Business Leaders of America members and five Jr. FBLA members attended the New York State Leadership Conference in Rochester, NY in early April. Over a 48-hour period, these students attended leadership workshops, competed in business related contests, ran a state officer campaign, and networked with over 500 members from across New York State.

Patrick McHugh was elected New York State FBLA Historian for the 2011-12 school year. The first place winners will be attending the national leadership conference in Orlando, Florida this summer!

We are proud to recognize the following members for their outstanding performances: Jonathon Edwards-Business Calculations (8th place); Chris Whipple-Business Communications (8th place); Jarryd Killian-Sports Management (8th place); Katarina Deni, Nicole Eisele, Amanda VanSaders-Digital Video Production (5th place); Mareena DiMilia, Amanda TerBush, Victoria Tingley-Business Presentation (1st place)

HERE AND THERE

TVCS Junior Prom was held on April 30 th. This year's King is Josye Ramos, and the Queen is Brittany Rennison and the Court: Liz Bracken and Ethan Terwilliger; Hope Costa and Jon Monforte; Ebony VonWolfolk and Anthony Beale; and Brina Bobik and Hunter Kennedy.

On Tuesday, March 29, 2011, twelve 8th graders were inducted into the TriValley National Junior Honor Society. These students qualified for consideration based on their outstanding academic achievements in 7th and 8th grade. Students were then evaluated on their leadership, citizenship, service and character traits. The newly inducted members are Devon Bagley, Stephen Carleton, Sara Dertinger, Jessica Gozza, Joshua Johnson, Devan Jones, Grace Kelly, Dorothy Monforte, Zachrey Nilsen, Andrew Raymond, Emily Rogerson, and Justin Swarthout.

Nineteen 9th grade students were also awarded their first year pins for continuing to demonstrate outstanding academic achievement.

If you have local news that you would like to put in the Townsman, please email your copy to: tvtownsman@yahoo.com or send it via regular mail to: Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop it in the drop box on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Buildin

NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy

Congratulations to Pete Smith and Nettie Amthor who entered into wedded bliss on May 7, 2011. We wish them many years of happiness.

I hope everyone got to enjoy the delicious Spaghetti Supper at the Reformed Church in Grahamsville last Saturday.

Hope the fog and rain clears out soon. Have a good week.
(Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

Tri-Valley Lions March and April News-By Corresponding Secretary of the Tri-Valley Lions Fran Fuller

A big 'thank you' to all those wonderful people and businesses who sold Bunnies for us, and for all those supporters who purchased the bunnies from our club. We appreciate you. A special thanks to Lion Jack Clark who was in charge of Bunny Sales and who sold at least 40 cases himself, door to door.

We did not have a guest speaker for our March meeting. Donations were given to the Cancer Relay for Life walk-a thon at the SCCC. Lions Esta Jacobs and Ruth Curley who walked in the relay, each received a \$150.00 donation for their group that was walking at the college.

Our Journey for Sight walk was Saturday, May 7th, 2011. Walkers signed up at the Ambulance Squad Building and the walk started at 9am at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. It was also be Tag Day, so thank you for donating.

A belated 'thank you' to Lion Pauline Vetter for presenting a \$100.00 donation in person to the Heart-a-thon at the Villa Roma.

June 1st will be the 1st Rabies Clinic at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville. Don't forget to get your pets vaccinated

TVCS FCCLA Members Attend Annual NYS Leadership Conference

Members of FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) convened March 31st-April 2nd at the Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel and Conference Center in Syracuse for their annual New York State Leadership Conference. More than 160 middle and high school students and advisors from all over New York gathered to learn leadership skills through speakers, workshops and practical application. President Caroline Spink of Beaver River opened the three-day conference as Executive Council members introduced the theme, "Dive into Leadership".

The conference began with an opening session introducing the Executive Council, theme, and mission. The keynote speaker, Joe Trionfero, offered students a participatory venue to teach listening skills and an improved "sensitivity level" with everyone they will come in contact with at home, school or work. Workshops included topics related to communication and relationships, career preparation and culinary demonstrations. Districts and chapters were also able to meet and plan regional activities. Additional opportunities included tours of Syracuse University and The Ronald McDonald House as well as competitions such as STAR Events (Students Taking Action with Recognition). Students were also able to meet new members from around the state and learn new leadership and team building skills.

Congratulations to Tri-Valley's member Ashley Weintraub who participated in the STAR event competition, Focus on Children and received national honors. Ashley also was awarded a 50% tuition scholarship for four years in Childhood Education at Five Towns College, Dix Hills, NY.
FCCLA is a dynamic youth leadership organization

with over 221,000 members nationwide. It is the only national Career and Technical Student Organization with the family as its central focus. For more information on FCCLA, go to www.nysfccla.org or www.fcclainc.org.

"Ultimate Fishing Town" (From Pg. 1)

Already known as "Trout Town, USA" - Roscoe is considered the birthplace of the American Dry Fly Fishing, developed by Theodore Gordon and his followers. A two-hour drive from New York City, Roscoe is home to the junction of two trophy trout streams, the Willowemoc and the Beaverkill, in addition to many nearby lakes, ponds and reservoirs.

Voting is done via email by going to www.wfn-fishingtown.com and following a simple procedure. Individuals are able to vote four times a day (once each in specific blocks of time) for each e-mail address they have. Those who voted in the first round are already registered.

First time voters need to follow a set of directions.

1. Go to www.wfnfishingtown.com and cast a vote for Roscoe
2. Individuals will receive an e-mail from WFN to verify their e-mail vote - and must respond to the WFN by clicking on the link
3. This process may be repeated for every e-mail account an individual has
4. Votes may be cast every six hours until May 31st

Elaine Fettig, President of the Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce, said there's help for individuals who want to vote regularly, "Understanding that people are busy and may not be able to process multiple votes per day, we've set up a team of volunteers to assist. After individuals have taken the initial steps and been verified by WFN, simply forward the name and e-mail address used to vote to info@roscoeny.com. Our team will add it to the list it is processing."

For more information on how to participate with the Roscoe Chamber, contact Elaine Fettig at 845-439-4039 or ElaineMFettig@aol.com

Roscoe has been a participant in the Sullivan Renaissance program since it began in 2001, and has received awards for several of its yearly projects, including two \$50,000 Golden Feather Grants from New York State secured by Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. For more information, call 845-295-2445

ERH Presents Photographs by Genevieve Zajac at the Healing Art Gallery

Genevieve Zajac's photographs will be on solo exhibition at the Healing Art Gallery at Ellenville Regional Hospital from the end of May through mid-July. Ellenville Regional Hospital is located on Route 209 in Ellenville. Free and open to the public, 8am-8pm daily. For more information about the Healing Art exhibit or the Ellenville Regional Hospital, please contact (845) 647-6400, ext. 286. A reception to meet the artist is planned for Tuesday, June 7th from 5:00-7:00pm.

Genevieve Zajac is a freelance landscape and travel photographer, born and trained in Switzerland. She studied the trade of commercial photography in the French region of Switzerland, and has more than three years of experience as a professional Black and White Lab Technician. She started taking pictures when she was an adolescent, with the magic of photography deeply engraved in her soul. Zajac's childhood was spent in a majestic visual panorama (Switzerland) and she feels blessed to have been surrounded by that beauty since birth. Her father influenced her tremendously; he was the first photographer in her small town of Riddes. It was the combination of his mentoring and her natural inclinations and surroundings that have made Zajac into the photographer that she is today.

Since taking up residence in New York State 30 years ago, her images have been accepted on the welcoming walls of numerous banks, schools, and galleries in the Mid-Hudson, such as the Washingtonville Arts Society, the Woodstock Artist's Association Gallery, Aroma Thyme Bistro, and the Framework Gallery in Stone Ridge, NY.

Zajac is currently affiliated with the National Museum of Women in the Arts, International Center of Photography, and Woodstock Artist's Association.

Her art was also published on the front cover of the Ulster County Telephone Directory along with various regional calendars and private business websites. Because of her nature inspired images, she won first prize in a photo contest organized by the Riverkeeper Agency located in Cornwall, NY.

Memorial Day Service at Sullivan County Veterans Cemetery

Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency is having an annual Memorial Day service on Monday, May 30, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the Sullivan County Veterans Cemetery, Sunset Lake Road, Liberty. The Speaker will be Geri Neumann and the Keynote Speaker will be Stephen F. Lungen, Esq., Former Sullivan County District Attorney.

The public is invited.



SNAILS

By Peggy DeWire

Of the fifty thousand snails worldwide that live on land and in water, I'm writing about a few freshwater kinds found in the eastern U.S.

Our snails, both land and water, are small ones with shells measuring an inch or less. Some are spiral shape, some coiled. All are herbivores, eating plants.

Snails travel in stomach-foot muscle and belong to the family Gastropods (gastro - stomach, poda - foot).

Water snails move everywhere in the shallows of lakes, rivers and ponds, climbing up waterweed stems, gliding along the underside of lily pads and swinging through the water on mucous threads.

Land snails crawl over ground leaving a trail of shiny mucus that protects their soft bodies from sharp objects. They get back home by retracing the mucus trail.

Four hundred million years ago some snails left the ocean for tidal rivers and adapted to life in fresh water by breathing air with gills or storing oxygen in special lung sacs.



White-lipped Land Snail

Snail shells are hardened secretions of calcium-making glands in the body or mantle and spiral around an axis called columella. The final shape, spiral or round coil of the shell opens to the right or left, though most snails are right-hand.



Left-handed pond snail

To determine which way a snail is, hold the shell with the opening up and the pointed end away from you. The opening usually faces right. Do the same thing for left-hand snails.

Many water and land snails make a shell door or operculum for protection when resting or when danger threatens. When the snail draws back into its shell, the door comes last, tightly closing the opening.

Water snails have a head with two feelers, each with a tiny black eye at the base. Land snails have four feelers, two long and two short, with eyes on the ends of the long ones.

Snails have several jaws on the roof of their mouth and a flexible tongue (radula) below which is covered by rows of sharp hooks and teeth that scrape algae off waterweeds or chew wee bites of green plants on land. Scientists use the different shapes and arrangements of these tiny teeth to identify snails.

Most snails lay eggs in jelly masses and stick them on rocks or debris in water or on land. You can clearly see babies moving around in their capsules. Other snails bear live young complete with shell that crawl away immediately.

It's fun to set up an aquarium for watching snails which are easy to collect at ponds. Put a layer of sand on the bottom of a large glass jar, plant a few waterweeds (from a pond or pet store) and add some green algae scraps. Algae grow on the glass sides and become favorite places for snails to graze. Snails lay eggs on the glass sides too and with a hand lens you can watch the babies develop.

Water snails get eaten by frogs, turtles and most fish except trout. Land snails are relished by deer, birds and raccoons. People eat snails called escargots in restaurants and find them very tasty.

Because some wild snails such as the Eastern Forest Snail carry disease germs, it's best for people to eat escargots only from restaurant menus.

To honor snails, an unknown poet wrote:

It hasn't any windows, it hasn't any doors
Although it has a ceiling, it hasn't any floors
Was built without a builder, a hammer or a nail,
Because you see, this funny house,
Belongs to Mr. Snail.



Right-handed pond snail

SUNY Sullivan to hold 47th Commencement Exercises May 16

SUNY Sullivan will present degrees to 232 students with all the pomp and circumstances befitting this year's graduates on Saturday, May 21 at 1:00 p.m. in the Paul Gerry Fieldhouse. The pinning ceremony for nursing program graduates will be held in the Fieldhouse at 9:00 a.m.

Jennifer Leon, who will be receiving her associate's degree in human services, will deliver the Class of 2011 address. Additionally, Jennifer's academic achievements will be recognized when she is presented with the SUNY Sullivan Faculty Award for General Excellence. Jennifer was in the college's honors program (award winner), the president of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, the psychology club and Mama Yoda's Scale Climbers. She also directed the student production of P.H.*reaks.

Martin Berlove, who will be receiving his associate's degree in computer programming, will also be receiving the Faculty Award for General Excellence. Martin is in the honors program (award runner-up), the vice president of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, a member of Mama Yoda's Scale Climbers and appeared in the student production of P.H.*reaks.

Dr. Mamie Howard-Golladay, president of SUNY Sullivan, will offer welcoming remarks following the benediction by the college's Rev. Sara Thompson Tweedy.

Assemblywoman, Aileen Gunther; Hon. Leni Binder, Sullivan County Legislature; and Phyllis Coombe, Chair of the SUNY Sullivan Board of Trustees will also be making remarks at the commencement exercises. Dr. Robert Schultz, SUNY Sullivan vice president for academic and student affairs will recognize the contributions made by presenting four faculty/staff members with SUNY Chancellor's Awards. These awards recognize excellence in their respective areas: -SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching: Lisa Lindquist, professor, liberal arts; -SUNY Chancellor's Award for Professional Service: Kathleen Ambrosino, senior administrative associate to the president; -SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service: Art Riegal, chair, health, social and behavioral sciences; -SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship: Matthew Smith, assistant professor, access services librarian; -SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence: Nahjee Cook AA, liberal arts and science, humanities

More than 70 students are expected to graduate from the SCCC nursing program this year. They will be honored and welcomed into the nursing profession at a very special pinning ceremony in the morning of May 21.

SUNY Sullivan Honors Outstanding Students with Award Ceremonies for the 2010/2011 Academic Year
Loch Sheldrake, NY (May 11, 2011) - In separate ceremonies held last week on campus, SUNY Sullivan honored its outstanding students of the 2010/2011 school year. Honors were bestowed to Outstanding Students in most fields of study. A special ceremony was held by the college's Culinary Arts Division.

The following students were bestowed their honors in a ceremony held on Thursday, May 5, 2011: Amy Cournoyer - Outstanding Second Year Student, Professional Chef, AAS; Barbara Cannon - Outstanding Second Year Student, Pastry Arts, AOS; Barbara DeMarco - Outstanding Second Year Student, Nursing, AAS; Brandon Tompkins - Outstanding Student Award, Division of Business & Information Technology; Chris Salonich - Outstanding Second Year Student, Green Building Maintenance; Christina Tison - Outstanding Second Year Student, Human Services, AS; Dawn Gillow - Outstanding Second Year Student, Liberal Arts and Sciences, AA; Douglas Smith - Outstanding Second Year Student, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Humanities AA; Elizabeth Callejas - Outstanding Second Year Student, Liberal Arts and Sciences, AS; ~~Grace Collaro - Outstanding Second Year Student, Medical Assistant, AAS; Heather Shear - Outstanding Second Year Student, Computer Graphics/Graphic Design, AAS; Jacques Alarie - Outstanding Second Year Student, Environmental Studies, AS~~ Jennifer Leon - Faculty Award for General Excellence, Human Services, AS; Jennifer Leon - Outstanding Second Year Student, Honors Program; Jesmail Mendez - Outstanding Second Year Student, Culinary Arts, AAS; John Basham - Outstanding Second Year Student, Computer Information Systems, AAS; Joshua Massarini - Outstanding Student Award, Division of Mathematics and Natural Sciences; Joy Finn -

Outstanding Second Year Student, Nursing, AAS; Kellee Thelman - Outstanding Second Year Student, Communications and Media Arts, AS; Kevin Lupardo - Outstanding Second Year Student, Criminal Justice, AAS; Kyle Harris - Outstanding Second Year Student, Business Administration, AS; LeighAnne Pfriender - Outstanding Second Year Student, Accounting, AAS; Lisa Coney - Outstanding Second Year Student, Liberal Arts & Sciences: Childhood Ed. 1-6, AA; Lyn Klein - Outstanding Second Year Student, Business Administration, AAS; Martin Berlove - Faculty Award for General Excellence, Computer Programming, AAS; Martin Berlove - Outstanding Second Year Student, Computer Programming, AAS; Nahjee Cook - All-USA Academic Team; Nick Romano - Special Divisional Appreciation Award, Division of Professional Studies; Paige Schoonmaker - Outstanding Second Year Student, Liberal Arts & Sciences: Early Childhood Ed. B-2, AA; Randy Freiermuth - Outstanding Second Year Student, Computer Information Systems, AAS; Robert Harris - Outstanding Second Year Student, Physical Education Studies, AS; Rosemary Osadebe - All-USA Academic Team; Saige Kasha - Outstanding Second Year Student, Recreation Leadership: Sports Mngmnt, AAS; Tehnyat Khan - Outstanding Second Year Student, Chemistry Achievement Award

The following students received honors from the Culinary Arts Division of SUNY Sullivan in a ceremony held earlier: Crystal Salgado - Barbara Jones Memorial Award; Richard Watt - Hospitality Division Emeritus Chairman's Award; Jezmail Mendez - Joseph McGready Award; Sara Ferrier - Hospitality Division Award; Kate Burnside - Virginia Tempel Award; Paul Wanas - Andrew Schwarz Alumnus Award; Gem Birinci - Mrs. Della J. Menges Memorial Award; Felicia Puckett - Baking Club Award; Amy Cournoyer - The Soci t  Culinaire Philanthropique Award

From Ulster County Sheriff's Office

Ulster County Sheriff Paul J. Van Blarcum reports the arrest of Sean W. Ryan, age 41, of West Hurley, N.Y. for the charges of Official Misconduct and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 7th Degree. Both crimes are Class A misdemeanors.

Mr. Ryan is a uniformed Deputy Sheriff with the Ulster County Sheriff's Office. The arrest comes after a month-long investigation conducted by Sheriff's Administrative personnel and members of U.R.G.E.N.T. (Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team) into illegal possession of a narcotic substance. Ryan was found to be in possession of 8 Oxycodone tablets in a marked uniformed vehicle. The said substance was purchased illegally by Ryan without a prescription, from an illegal source.

Ryan was processed and released on an appearance ticket to appear in the Town of Esopus Court on May 24, 2011, 6:00 pm. Ryan was also suspended without pay from the Ulster County Sheriff's Office for 30 days awaiting further disciplinary actions and proceedings.

The investigation is continuing. The investigation was conducted with assistance from the Ulster County District Attorney's Office and U.R.G.E.N.T.

Police K-9 Graduation



Sheriff Paul J. VanBlarcum announces the graduation of three Canine Teams who successfully completed Narcotics Detection training: Deputy James Mullen and Canine Triton of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office; Officer Robert Knoth and Canine Rex of the New Paltz Police Department; Deputy Greg Stewart and Canine Blaze of the Greene County Sheriff's Office.

The canine teams have trained for 240 hours of Narcotics Detection, starting on April 4, 2011, and ending on May 13, 2011. This 6-week class was hosted by Ulster County Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum. The teams are certified by New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services, Bureau of Municipal Police Services, and trained by NYS-certified trainer Deputy George Carlson of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office.

Sullivan BOCES' Adult HVAC Course Creates the Right Path for Students
MONTICELLO - Back in January, the Adult and Continuing Education Program at BOCES started offering a series of HVAC courses for individuals interested in working with heating and ventilation and air conditioning systems (HVAC). Since its inception, the program has made great strides in setting its participants on the right path to a successful career.

Not only have the students experienced a wealth of information from their instructor Dave Lounsbury, they have had the opportunity to work together on projects sharing their knowledge and expanding their understanding of the integrated aspects of HVAC, while working as a team.

Students attending the class come with different levels of knowledge. Once enrolled, students are able to adapt their learning experience based on their individual goals.

"This is an excellent field for someone to get into. The need is there and the field is continually evolving to incorporate gree technology," stated Dave Lounsbury. Job prospects for heating, air-conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers are expected to be excellent especially in the fastest growing areas of th country. In addition, employment of heating, air-conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers is projected to increase faster than average for all occupations through the year 2014. As the population grows, so does the demand for residential, commercial, and industrial climate-control systems. The increased complexity of HVACR systems will also create opportunities for service technicians. People and businesses depend on their climate-control systems and must keep them in good working order, regardless of economic conditions.

A new series of time-compressed courses will be offered this fall. Courses are offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and every other Saturday. The Introduction to HVAC course will start on September 13th and run until October 15th. The Intermediate HVAC course will start on October 18th and run until December 10th. The Advanced HVAC course will start on May 24th and run until July 28th and also on Jan 3rd to February 28th.

The courses at the Adult and Continuing Education Program are designed to meet your individual knowledge or experience. The entire program will take you from basic introduction all the way through advanced training. Various manufacturing certifications will be available upon the successful completion of the courses. Within six months, you can g from basic to advanced training and be able to start that new career or advance in your current career.

Don't wait; a new opportunity is a call away. For more information or to sign up contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 791-4070 or log onto scboes.org and follow us on face book and twitter for program updates.

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OLIVE MUSE -by Charlie Blumstein

Warmest greetings and happy spring to all of my dear friends and neighbors in the Esopus and Neversink valleys. I'm very happy to be joining the efforts of the Tri-Valley Townsman to offer people in the Town of Olive and the Rt. 28 corridor a handy weekly update of accurate and timely Olive news, events and items of local interest. I would like to offer sincere thanks to Linda and Frank Comando, proprietors of the *Townsman*, for providing this valuable service to our towns during this period of great economic change which has made publishing local newspapers increasingly difficult. Please help us share local Olive news weekly by buying a subscription which is only \$25. per year delivered to your mailbox. Advertising your business or patronizing our advertisers who are also your neighbors is a great way to help.

In addition to Olive Town Board and related news, I will also cover the nascent but growing local agricultural revival including items on small scale farming, forestry, permaculture and community resilience, all of which are growing in importance due to the constraints posed by the loss of cheap energy supplies. It is increasingly clear that the next 20 years will not look like the last 20 years and that our expectations may be diminished somewhat. The challenges posed by depletion of cheap energy supplies to working families, fixed income seniors and those of modest means are indeed profound and I hope to engage in a dialogue that will help illuminate various means to mitigate some of its worst effects on our towns. Our local history and culture is very rich in terms of a high level of volunteerism, mutual aid and support and it also features a high degree of practical skills and knowledge that has been handed down over the last two and a half centuries, 200 or so years of which was in the absence of petrol and electricity. This strong moral, practical and spiritual fiber has created and maintained a strong old school social community network which I believe will help form a strong foundation upon which our lower energy lifestyles will come to depend on. Hard choices confront many of us on a daily basis. Do I eat, heat, drive, take medicine or pay taxes today? What about next year? Will my job still exist? What if a tax spike hits?

Can we mitigate some of the economic challenges we face through the revival of increased neighborly cooperation and production of necessities within our communities and homes? Can we increase our sense of well being by making some practical course corrections in our daily lives? Can elements of the local self-reliance and Transition Movement be used here to foster increased resilience? Much is said about sustainability but what does that mean? We are told that we are now in the post-industrial, post-carbon era. The price of gas and food is confirming that. The loss of local manufacturing jobs over the last 30 years is striking and has had far reaching consequences. Our collective debt binge and hangover has also helped to throttle us, for the time being anyway. How best to plan for and navigate such profound and far reaching change? These questions and more will be the fodder for weekly column of this Olive muse. (Contd. Pg. 7)

**RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES-**

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All right people. Strap yourselves in and hold on to your hats, because the summer concert season has begun! This week, there is more live music within 50 miles of your home than you can shake a stick at! The weather is beautiful so now's the time to support the arts! I know gas is \$4 and you have no money anyway, but if you can budget a night out with your honey to rock out, trust me, it will be worth it!

It was for me last night, as I had a thoroughly enjoyable evening at Levon's Ramble, followed by a nightcap at Harmony in Woodstock, where I got to see some friends and wind down from the work week. Unfortunately, I forgot that my week ends on Sunday and I still had one day to go before my weekend actually began! I really did not feel like going to work this morning, but, trooper that I am, I arrived only 10 minutes late.

Anyway, it was worth it, because I got to hear some of the best music I've heard in Woodstock in a dog's age! It was two-thirds of EGO (Joey Eppard, Alana Orr, and Chris Gartman). (Hope I got the spelling right, Chris. Apologies if not). It was Joey and Chris, as Alana just had an adorable baby and is kind of busy right now. I think I only caught the last song, so I can't say anything about the whole set, but that last song was freakin' fantastic! Not to take anything away from Joey, but Chris stole that song. The drum groove he laid down was captivatingly rockin'! I've heard a few songs from this group before, but nothing ever caught my ear like this song. So, that's it! They've got it! Now they've gotta reproduce it.

Levon's was a treat, as always. Kinky Friedman opened the show, and he was hilarious and musical, as always. Levon's band ran through a selection of chestnuts from The Band catalog and rock n roll history, and a splendid time was had by all. (By the way, I define the term, "rock n roll" to mean any country, rockabilly, blues, rhythm and blues, rock and roll, or other kind of music that rocks!). Y'all should do it once (or more). Like a night out with your honey, it's worth it!


The date for the Reservoir Music Fifth Anniversary Party at The Bearsville Theater has been finalized. I'll announce it here next week. I don't want to keep you in suspense, I just want to line up some of the talent first. But I will tell you this. It will be in mid-July.

Enough rambling. There's so much going on this week that I better get to it.

Thursday, May 19

Well, the top event tonight is the Joey Ramone Birthday Party at Irving Plaza in Manhattan. I told you about it last week. It's been going on forever and is always great. It's always good to remember the man who, along with the rest of The Ramones, is what, according to Little Steven, the entire Underground Garage radio show is based on. By way of explanation, Little Steven says that everything he plays either influenced The Ramones, is influenced by The Ramones, or is by The Ramones, and I think that sums it up pretty well. BTW, Little Steven's Underground Garage is broadcast on WDST Radio Woodstock, 100.1FM, every Sunday night from 8-10pm, and on Sirius/XM satellite radio 24 hours a day, and is the best radio show on the planet. Or as Steve might say, the coolest radio show in the world. Check it out! (Contd. Pg. 8)

FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN

 - Paula Rhodes
Hello My Friends,

What a beautiful day! But, a friend sent me some pictures of land my parents owned and it is not near the Mississippi river and it is underwater. I can never complain about snow. I can shovel snow or at least Declan can! Flooding is just so devastating. I wish all my friends at home the best.

There still isn't a lot going on around here! Except, its Friday 13th! OK what's up with Friday 13th? I can't remember my luck changing ever on Friday 13th! I don't understand people who research numbers. Did you read about the people in - I think it was Italy that closed their businesses and went away on the 11th because someone told them someone predicted an earthquake? Come to find out the man who supposedly predicted the earthquake really didn't say it! But they had a nice little holiday away from the city and that couldn't be all bad. I just hope they didn't go to Spain.

Oh, Jack is home. I missed Jack. We eat crackers together! When I say that, it kind of makes us sound like children. He remembers when Skin owned the store and tells me some of the greatest stories. I can't wait until Joe gets back. I know he will be here soon.

I have, since we moved here, said I wanted to write a book with stories from the store. There are people long gone that need to be remembered somewhere. If I write one I can donate it to the library and anyone that wants can read about the local folks. Maybe I will change their names that way NO-O-O-ONE will ever know who I am talking about. But, that would take a lot of fun out of it.

Oh, so I can't have chickens so I have decided to become a worm farmer! I could have pet worms and give the pep talks! Sylvia said she didn't think it was a good idea because anyone that wanted could just dig their own worms up! I said yea you know how DEP loves it when people go onto the reservoir to fish and dig around for their worms! I have had so many people come in and ask me if I sell bait. I don't want minnows. I would love to get my creek cleaned up and put the little, blue stone pond back in that Dillie told me about; but I would put catfish in there! Yummy!



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Oh, we went to the Landmark with Bruce and Vickie for dinner. We had chocolate wine! I have really gone to heaven! It is so nice to have a place where we can go and have a nice meal. Everyone is so glad they have brought it back. Oh, and the chocolate molten cake; I hope they didn't mind that I licked the plate! But, it really needed ice cream! But, doesn't everything need a little ice cream? Yea, I need more sugar don't I?

When I finally decided to stop being a bad vegetarian and really stop eating meat I thanked all the powers that be that chocolate doesn't have any meat in it. Even though, I made chocolate covered bacon once and everyone loved it. Gary made chicken fried bacon for one of his customers for a special, with spicy mustard, and it was wonderful. The only thing missing was he wouldn't let me dip it in chocolate! Yummy Chicken Fried Bacon Dipped In Dark Chocolate. I wonder if I could do it with fake bacon. But, I have also said it is easy for me to be a vegetarian, I am a married to a chef. He makes for his business tamales, and I would stand there looking at them wanting one so bad I would actually eat all but the meat- as I said I was not a very good vegetarian - so he started making me black bean tamales and enchiladas! But, I have finally come to embrace my vegetarianism and I have learned how to satisfy my cravings for meat. Every so often I walk by a plate of chicken and dream about hiding somewhere and eating all the crunchy off of it! I don't have to actually eat the meat, I can just eat all the crunchy off it!

Oh one more thing and then I am going to ad the brownie recipe I have perfected! The recipe is on the Fun Page in this issue (Page 11).

We're having a community yard sale Saturday Memorial Day Weekend! A bunch of us are going to set up in my back yard and sell some of our junk! So come by and see us. You never know you might like some of our junk!

And on that note here I go off to make a batch of Morning Glory Muffins, Kathleen will be here soon!

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Olive Muse (Contd. from Pg. 6)
The May Olive Town Board meeting hosted Dona Crawford, Master Gardener coordinator, from Ulster County. Cornell Cooperative Extension who presented the Town with a five thousand dollar grant from the Ashokan Watershed Foundation to be used to construct a "rain garden" storm-water filtration system that would handle the runoff from the Town of Olive Meeting Hall, which presently flows directly to a stream. Using native local plants in a tastefully and properly arranged manner, the pollutant laden water is filtered naturally by the plants and soil in the garden. It will be the fourth municipal "rain garden" storm-water system to be installed in Ulster County. Master gardeners will maintain the garden at no cost to the Town. The Olive Town Board graciously accepted the offer.

Victoria McClaren, Assistant Superintendent for Business at the **Onteora Central School District** gave a presentation of the proposed 2011-2012 school budget which features a 3.73% tax levy increase and 1.04% budget increase to an all time high of \$50,541,121. If the budget were to be voted down, the levy increase will be 3.42%, or a reduction of \$121,785 from the proposed budget.

Town Board members were all skeptical and unimpressed by a 10% decline in student population and an increase in the budget and levy and they suggested that it was not sustainable. They inquired about consolidation plans which are being reviewed by the school board. Other details presented were

Onteora's 80% graduation rate, 20% of students are in special education, 80% of the budget is salary and benefits, average teacher salary is \$80k plus approx. \$25k in benefits. A proposal was presented to create a Capital Reserve Fund in the ultimate amount of \$5 million in order to renovate buildings with energy saving measures and improvements..., which amounts will be raised from the Central Hudson lighting and retrofit program savings and from unexpended and unencumbered funds left over from the real property tax levy. On top of this we have the Onteora Middle/High School surveillance camera brouhaha in which a new \$130k surveillance camera system is being installed in the absence of any public notification or deliberation.. The new OCSD Superintendent, Phyllis Spiegel McGill, had no knowledge of the project, nor did

the school board. Former interim Superintendent, Charlotte Gregory reportedly said that the school board knew about the surveillance system. More on this to come. Aren't you glad it's almost summer?

NYCDEP reports that the Rt. 28A roadway realignment project below the dam will be completed by Fall of 2011 and advised motorists to allow for a rough roadway, single lane traffic and closure delays between Olivebridge and Shokan. Fire, EMS and school vehicles will be given priority.

The **American Legion Memorial Day Parade** starts at the post office in W.Shokan at 9am, Mon. May 30th Veterans, firemen and trucks, boy and cub scouts, 4-H members and the Town Board and more will be in the parade. All are invited. No smoking ban instituted in Olive Parks. Keep it in the parking lots as usual.

Olive Town Supervisor Berndt Liefeld announced the RUPCO Single Family Repair grant program, a means-tested home repair program. Call him at 845-657-8118 for more details.

The May Olive Town Board meeting adjourned in memory of Jaroslaw "Jerry Kuc" and Ingrid H. Yankowski.

Have a great week!

RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES (From Pg. 6)

If you drive all the way to the city, only to find that Joey's party is sold out, you can console yourself at the Robert Randolph and the Family Band show at The Brooklyn Bowl, a former, bowling alley in Brooklyn that's been converted to rock club. Randolph plays pedal steel guitar like Jimi, if Jimi had played pedal steel guitar instead of the Stratocaster. He comes out of the 'sacred steel' tradition, which came from African-American churches that couldn't afford an organ, so they bought what they could afford, and used it in the service of The Lord. In this case, they could afford a pedal steel guitar. If you can't get in to Joey's party, you'll still be a happy camper if you wind up here. Randolph will also be here on Friday.

Friday, May 20

In addition to the previously mentioned 2nd night of Robert Randolph at The Brooklyn Bowl, tonight also offers another chance to catch the Levon spinoff group, Blue Chicken, at The Towne Crier in Pauling. I've written about Blue Chicken before. It's a side project for Levon Helm band members Jimmy Weider, Brian Mitchell, and Byron Isaacs with Randy Ciarlante, former Band drummer, and sometimes, Sid Maginnes, guitar player from The Letterman Band. Sounds good to me.

Saturday, May 21

ZZ Top and Lynyrd Skynyrd at The Times-Union Center in Albany. Does anything need to be said about this program of first class Southern Rock? I'll tell you this. You will never go wrong with ZZ Top, whom I liken to The Rolling Stones, if The Stones were from Texas.

Another great night of music will be Bill Kirchen at Club Helsinki. The former Commander Cody and his Lost Planet Airmen lead guitarist has kept his career vibrant and lively, and boy, can he play that Telecaster!

It's also Bob Dylan Birthday Night at The Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild with an all-star cast of local musician's and Popa Chubby is at The Towne Crier in Pauling.

Sunday, May 22

Sunday night is a good night to spend with Eric Anderson at The Towne Crier. The veteran folkie was one of the best of that genre and he also wrote "Violets of Dawn" for The Blues Project, one of their best records.

Tonight is also the first night of Elvis Costello's 3 night run at The Beacon Theater in Manhattan. Always interesting, at worst. He's there through Tuesday.

Wednesday, May 25

Former Doors keyboardist, Ray Manzarek at The Ridgefield Playhouse in Connecticut sounds interesting to me for some reason. Manzarek was one of the two stars of the band, in some ways even eclipsing Jim Morrison. He's kept his integrity since Jim died, and I'll bet he's got something to say still. I'd really like to see this show.

There were no picks of the week this week because everything is great this week. I'd have to pick them all. You really can't go wrong this week, and it doesn't slow down next week. Get ready, because we've got Levon at UPAC, Roseanne Cash, Wavy Gravy's birthday party, and Phish, all coming up next week. Start working out because we've got a lot of rockin' to do!

See you next week.

Come to the Networking Golf Tournament (From Pg. 1)

This event will be a day of great golf with energetic business people. Think of it as a day to mingle and meet new people - Breaking thru that "grass" ceiling! This event will take place rain or shine.

Cost per golfer is \$75.00 per person which includes Greens Fees and a Dinner Buffet. Registration starts at 11:30am with a Shotgun Start at 12:00 noon. You may register as a foursome or as an individual player. All you need to do when you register is to indicate your 18-hole handicap and we will pair you up for the day.

If you are new to the game, Golf Professional Bob Menges will be on hand from 2 pm until 4 pm so you may sign up to "Learn the Game," for \$50.00 per person or \$75 with Dinner. Dinner for guests is \$25.00. All registrations must be made no later than May 16, 2011.

For more information or to register for the tournament, contact Susan Hamlin, Event Chairperson at (845) 292-2420 or fly22398@aol.com .

"Shandaken in Bloom!" (From Pg. 1)

The tour features: shady woodland gardens, 'intensive' organic vegetables, classic cottage gardens, reflecting pool, and field cutting garden.

The tour includes: Dean Riddle, garden designer and author of "Out in the Garden: Growing a Beautiful Life". Gardeners in Shandaken are very

creative. Challenging gardeners are deer, woodchucks, rabbits and the pest insects; steep slopes, odd micro-climates, too little and/or too much rain, relentless sun or deep woodland shade. Nevertheless, every year enthusiasts surprise us with abundant beauty and diverse gardens in these ancient mountains.

Tickets: are \$20. Advance tickets are available: at Tenderland Home, Main St. Phoenicia. Groups are welcome. Tickets are also available the morning of the tour.

This is a benefit for the Shandaken Democratic Committee. Rain or shine. Further Info: Susan 688-7493 or Michelle 688-2893.

Art Society of Kingston (ASK) Once Again to Sponsor A Kingston Calendar Photography Contest

Winning photos, (13 in all) will be displayed in the 2012 Calendar, one for each month and one on the cover. Calendars will be professionally produced, and will display the winning photos, crediting the photographers and captioning the location sites. Approximately 4000 calendars are to be printed and distributed throughout the area.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR ENTRIES:

1. Photographs must have been recently (within the past two years), taken at locations within the city of Kingston limits, depicting seasonal scenes of Kingston, NY.
2. Size: 7.5" X 10" or 9" X 12" landscape orientation (horizontal), not matted, Black & White or Color

Note: Photos will be printed to 9" X 12" on Calendar pages; thus the size submitted at 7.5" X 10" will maintain its same image proportions when enlarged and printed to publication size.

3. Macro (close-up) images will not be accepted, unless such effect can be viewed as city of Kingston scene in a recognizable way

4. A limit of four entries per photographer will be permitted, (more than four entries will disqualify entire submission)

5. Deadline: July 15, 2011

Submissions (print image(s), CD, and printed text document) shall be delivered to Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) at 97 Broadway, Kingston, NY 12401 on July 15, 2011 between 1 and 5 pm, or mailed to ASK, 97 Broadway, Kingston, NY 12401 and postmarked no later than July 15, 2011. NOTE: This date is firm - no entries will be accepted beyond this deadline.

6. Notification of winning photos will take place by August 1, 2011.

Submission should include ALL of the following:

1. Photos, limited to 4, no more than one per season, (Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall), should be submitted in print form, in a protective sleeve, and labeled on back with:

- Artist's name
- Preferred contact information
- Title of photo
- Location of photo

2. CD: Submissions must also be accompanied by a CD containing image(s) at 300 dpi resolution, in TIFF format. Be sure CD is labeled with your name.

3. Printed text document containing:

- Artist's name
- Preferred contact information
- Title of photo(s)
- Location of photo(s)
- Brief description of photo(s)
- Short Artist bio

Note: Photos and accompanying materials will not be returned.

You may wish to visit the ASK website at <http://www.askforarts.org/> for details regarding the Call for Entries. Or call ASK at: 845-338-0331

Songwriter and Multi-instrumentalist Harvey Reid at Tusten

Continuing the Spring 2011 Concert Series "Masters of Their Instruments," Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg, NY presents acclaimed folk and Americana songwriter Harvey Reid on Saturday, May 21 at 8 p.m. Reid will showcase his mastery of many instruments and styles of acoustic music, from hip folk to bluegrass, old-time, Celtic, and ragtime. Reid has honed his craft over the last 35 years in countless clubs, festivals, and concert halls across the nation. He has absorbed a vast repertoire of American contemporary and roots music and woven it into his own distinctive style.

The Boston Globe called Reid "...a folk-style artist deserving of wider popular recognition... Unlike some virtuosos, he brings wit and panache as well as technique to his music."

Reid has two young children, and is not traveling

very much these days. Don't miss this rare chance to hear him in concert. For more, visit www.harveyreid.com.

Sponsored by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the show begins at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$22 (DVAA members receive a \$2 discount on advanced sales). For reservations call the Tusten Theatre box office at 845-252-7272.

All The 80-year old art deco-style Tusten Theatre is located at 210 Bridge St, Narrowsburg, NY and features an eight-month schedule of cultural programming including jazz, opera, performance art, folk music, film, and theatre. The Spring Series is funded in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts, celebrating 50 years of building strong, creative communities in New York State's 62 counties.

For more information, visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org or call 845-252-7576.

Liberty Free Theatre to Present Hughie Play by Nobel Laureate Eugene O'Neill Opens Seventh Season

The Liberty Free theatre will present Nobel Laureate Eugene O'Neill's play, Hughie: the story of a lonely small-time gambler and his touching, revealing and often humorous attempts to hold on to his life-long delusion of a happy-go-lucky winner. The play features Michael Frizalone and James Heisel. It was directed by Chet Carlin. Performances are Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 P.M., May 19-21 and 26-28 and one matinee on Sunday, May 29 at 3:00 P.M. Admission is free. Seating is limited and reservations are recommended. The audience is invited to gather after the performance for food, drink, and music. The theatre is located at 109 South Main Street, Liberty. Call 845 292-3788 for reservations and information.

Eugene O'Neill is considered the father of Modern American drama. Over his lifetime (1888-1953) he revolutionized the American theatre with his early experimental dramas and later with his realistic masterpieces. He was awarded The Nobel Prize for Literature in 1936 and four Pulitzer Prizes for Drama. Hughie, which takes place just before the Great Depression, was written in the latter part of his career, and is a prime example of O'Neill's compassion for the human spirit and his mastery of the soaring and colorful music of American speech.

James Heisel is making his first appearance at the Liberty Free Theatre. He has acted in Maryland, Washington, D.C. and New York City. Among his many credits are Happy in Death of a Salesman, and Jerry in The Zoo Story. Among his local acting credits he received a TANY award for Bill Sykes in Oliver, and Yvan in Art, both for Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop. Michael Frizalone has been with the Liberty Free Theatre almost from its inception where, among others, he played in Kinfolks and Mountain Music and The Dumbwaiter. His film credits include Swan Lake Current and the soon to be screened The Kook. Chet Carlin began his directing career with Lou Gehrig Did Not Die of Cancer at the Lincoln Center Library Theatre. He makes a return to directing after a long career as an actor on Broadway, Off and Off-Off Broadway, stock regional theater and television. He's just back from playing in A funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum at the Paper Mill Playhouse

"Days Are Numbered" Mixed Media

Charles Wilkin's mixed media and digital collage work will be featured in the exhibition titled "Days Are Numbered," opening with a reception on Friday, June 3 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Alliance Gallery at the Delaware Arts Center in Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit will be on view through June 25, 2011.

"Derived primarily from the study of headlines, sounds bites, and idle conversations, my assemblages attempt to transpose these disjointed remnants of media overload and targeted consumption into tangible yet uncertain analogies," explains Wilkin of his graphic post-modern assemblages of found objects and disposable paper media including magazines, newspapers, and photographs.

Born in Buffalo New York, Wilkin is the principal of Automatic Art and Design in New York City, which he founded in 1994 in Columbus, Ohio. Under his direction Automatic has won international recognition for its innovative commercial work with clients such as Burton Snowboards, Australian Vogue, Mattel, Target, Knopf, Pentagram, and Apple. His unconventional approach of merging graphic design with fine art led him to be nominated for a 2003 National Communication Design Award from the Copper-Hewitt National Design Museum in New York City. He received his BFA in 1992 from the Columbus College of Art and Design.

"My work is essentially a product of its environment," says Wilkin, whose work has been (Contd. Pg. 9)

exhibited in galleries from Australia to Tennessee, Brooklyn to California. "For me clarity and relief is found solely through the process itself. What remains is a new and deconstructed remnant of our existence, an undefined record to be reconsidered. The conclusion, if any, is left to the viewer's discretion."

Free and open to the public, the exhibit is sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY, and is made possible with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts, celebrating 50 years of building strong, creative communities in New York State's 62 counties. Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibit call (845) 252-7576 or visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org

Hinchey Announces Winner of 2011 Congressional Art Competition Vestal High School Student's Artwork to be Displayed in Halls of Congress

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced that Dillon Utter, a senior at Vestal Senior High School who recently accepted a scholarship to the School of Visual Arts in New York City, has won the 2011 Congressional Art Competition for New York's 22nd Congressional District. Utter's work, a self portrait entitled "Awakening," will hang alongside artwork from congressional districts throughout the country. Utter is invited to attend the unveiling ceremony in Washington, D.C.

"I am so proud of the wonderful artwork being produced by students from throughout the congressional district I represent," said Hinchey. "These talented young artists demonstrate why it is so important to maintain strong funding for the arts in all of our schools. I congratulate the winner, Dillon Utter, and all of the finalists and entrants in this year's competition. I am so pleased that my fellow Members of Congress and visitors to the U.S. capitol will be able to enjoy this excellent artwork from our part of New York."

This year's competition saw 30 young artists participate from the Hudson Valley to the Southern Tier. Hundreds of area residents helped select a finalist by viewing and voting for their favorite pieces of artwork at Hinchey's official Facebook page. Other finalists included:

- "A Day in the Mind of Me" by Adrianna Sturgis, New Paltz High School (Facebook Finalist)

- "After Five" by Emilia Licata, Pine Bush High School

- "Elijah" by Olivia McKee, New Paltz High School

The winner was selected by a panel of judges from the State University of New York at New Paltz art department. The finalist judges included Mary Hafeli, Dean of School of Fine and Performing Arts, Myra Mimitsch-Gray, Chair of the Department of Art and Wayne Lempka, Art Collections Manager of the Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art.

"Dillon Utter's self portrait demonstrates both an advanced technical mastery with regards to materials employed and a strong thought process," said Lempka. "This work is both fresh in its appearance but nods to techniques of painting from past centuries. His work is exciting and dynamic and shows the importance of encouraging the talents of young people in high school. I am very impressed with the overall talent that I saw today at this judging."

The competition, which was initiated by Congress in 1982, includes hundreds of thousands of high school students from across the nation. One piece from each congressional district will be displayed in the Cannon Tunnel of the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, DC. A digital copy of Dillon Utter's artwork is attached.

June Welcomes a Month Rich in Poems and Paint

The Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) is proud to welcome "Lunch at the Live Bait Diner: An Exhibit of 30 Drawings & 30 Poems", featuring the artwork of Joseph D. Yeomans and poetry of Lewis Gardner. This exhibition will be on display in the Lounge Gallery and will be accompanied by "Poems and Paint", a members exhibition in the Main Gallery during the month of June. The shared opening reception will take place during First Saturday, June 4th, 5-8 pm. Both exhibitions will run until June 25th.

Lunch at the Live Bait Diner: An Exhibit of 30 Drawings & 30 Poems

Joseph D. Yeomans is a cartoonist and illustrator whose work has been commissioned for advertisements and commemorative events. As a painter he has participated in several group shows in the Hudson Valley region. Throughout careers as a nurse, teacher, park ranger, and truck driver, he has done one thing consistently: draw. Lunch at the Live Bait Diner is his first collaboration.

Lewis Gardner's poems and plays have appeared throughout the U.S. and in a number of other countries. The latest volume of Best American Short Plays includes his one-act "Pete & Joe at the Dew Drop Inn," and more than 60 examples of his poetry and light verse have appeared in *The New York Times*.

For \$16.90 postpaid, a catalog containing the drawings and poems of the exhibit is available at Live Bait Diner, P.O. Box 55, Lake Hill NY 12448, or: livebaitdiner@gmail.com.

Poems and Paint

ASK welcomes the biannual "Poems and Paint" exhibition back to its walls, as members were asked to select poems from a collection of anonymous works written by various writers throughout the Hudson Valley. The artists will then paint or illustrate a picture that fits the description of the poem, and will display them side by side for the June exhibit. This will call for an interesting First Saturday, since none of the artists or poets will know "who selected who" until they attend the opening on June 4th!

ASK for Music June Lineup

Come hear the best of the Hudson Valley acoustic performers every third Friday of the month at The Arts Society of Kingston. This month, ASK for Music will take place on Friday, June 17th, featuring the sounds of Sarah Bowman; Chris Merenda; and Dave Kearney and Elly Winger. Refreshments will be served and the first performance will begin at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$5.

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While a number of paintings have already been sold, the coming weekend half-off sale includes the lovely framed "Twist," an original sketch of unusual quality (was \$25), as well as an extraordinary pair of hammered copper portraits (were \$100/ea). There's a collection of beautiful woodcuts, several hand-made and framed needlework pieces, and a fascinating sculpture of a wise owl. All the works were recovered from attics, garages, closets and other trash-filled hideaways.

The Old Stone House is adjacent to the Neversink River in Sullivan County, just a few miles from Monticello, Liberty and Grahamsville. It was built in 1810, and its colorful history tracks the chronicle of the area itself, from early Dutch settlements, through the timber harvesting decades, two World Wars, and huge tourism development, leading to today's bucolic atmosphere. The facility today hosts numerous classes in arts and crafts for kids and adults alike, and regular art exhibits in its two main gallery rooms.

Interested In Eating Fresh Local Fruits and Vegetables?

We still have space left in our CSA, and we encourage anyone interested in eating fresh local fruits and vegetables all summer and fall to sign up! We're extending the signup deadline to June 1. Let us know if you are looking for someone to split a share with, as we may be able to pair you up. The application is available online: http://fishkillfarms.com/csa_ourCSA.html

We've made a few changes to make our CSA more convenient for you. First, we are adding a Friday evening pick-up option, from 4pm - 6pm at the farm store. This is in addition to the Saturday morning pickup from 8am -10am. We hope this will help those of you who have conflicts Saturday mornings (or just don't like waking up early on the weekend). Secondly, if paying the full share price at one time is difficult, we can accept payment in two installments: 50% by June 1, and the remainder by June 15.

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Farm store (please note that we are not open until May 21, so we will return your message as soon as possible but will not always be around to answer the phone): 845-897-4377

Veterans Service Agency to hold VA Enrollment/F.A.V.O.R. (Find and Assist Vets of Record) event

Sullivan County Manager David Fanslau has announced that the Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency, in a joint venture with the VA Hudson Valley Healthcare System and the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce will hold the first VA Enrollment/F.A.V.O.R. (Find and Assist Vets of Record) event, on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, NY.

"Veterans have proudly served our Country, and this program is designed to recognize their efforts, and say "Thank You", said Fanslau. The F.A.V.O.R. program will provide discounts for veteran's at many local merchants, such as: Callicoon Theater, Gusars Pharmacy, Roto Rooter Plumbing & Septic, All American Eveny Rental, and many more. The VA Hudson Valley Healthcare System will register veterans for VA healthcare services, provide eligibility information, take photos for veteran's identification cards, and perform hypertension screening.

"Veterans are requested to bring a copy of their military separation papers with them to this enrollment event," concluded Fanslau.

Summer/Fall Registration at SUNY Ulster Opens

Registration is now underway at SUNY Ulster for two summer sessions and the fall semester with day and evening classes as well as blended and online courses to accommodate all types of students at the Stone Ridge campus and Business Resource Center (BRC) in Kingston.

Summer classes will be offered May 19 through June 30 for the first session; and July 4 through Aug. 15 for session two. In total, nearly 70 online courses will be offered on the main campus and BRC, as well as international study abroad programs to Brazil and Italy.

Fall classes will begin Aug. 24 and the college recommends registering early for the best selection of classes. The fall program will include 80 online course offerings, including art, astronomy, biology, business, chemistry, communication, criminal justice, economics, education, emergency management, English, fire protection, French, history, information literacy, math, psychology, sociology, Spanish and veterinary technician.

For information on summer registration, e-mail reginfo@sunyulster.edu and download a registration form at www.sunyulster.edu/summer. Contact Richard Cattabiani at (845) 687-5135 or cattabir@sunyulster.edu for information on SUNY Ulster's study abroad program. For information on fall classes, e-mail admissions@sunyulster.edu.

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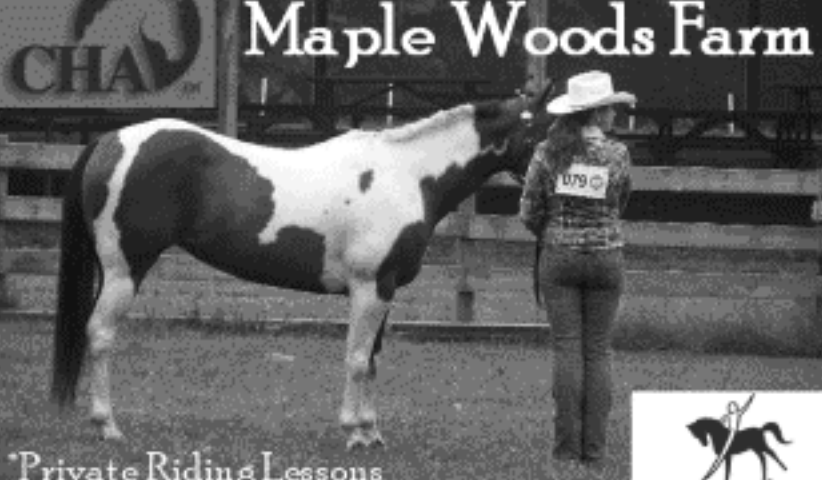
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The Jerry Bartlett Memorial Angling Collection at the Phoenicia Library is seeking donations of books and angling artifacts (especially those that relate to the Esopus or other nearby streams) and furniture to rebuild the collection that was destroyed when the library was gutted by fire in March 2011. Established fifteen years ago, the Angling Collection included more than 800 books, 18 fishing rods and many treasured artifacts all of which were lost in the fire. Since then the library has relocated to temporary quarters at 9 Ava Maria opposite the post office. Volunteers have painted the new room dedicated to the Angling Collection and new bookshelves were built by Ulster

County corrections work crew. NYS DEC's 'I Fish New York' program, local Trout Unlimited chapters and Phoenicia Fish and Game have donated fishing rods and funding. Unlike many other "special collections," the Phoenicia Library's special angling collection is open to all browsers and anyone with a valid Mid-Hudson Library System universal borrowing card can take out books or fishing rods.

Jerry Bartlett, who passed away in 1995, moved to Shandaken in the 1980s and with his wife, Doris, and established a bed and breakfast and fly fishing school. He was a former president of the Catskill Chapter of Trout Unlimited and spent countless hours maintaining and monitoring the Esopus Creek. The Angler's Parlor was built by local carpenters, electricians and other volunteers, in the style of a rustic cabin filled with fishing lore, tackle, flies and other artifacts. Over the past 15 years, the Angler's Parlor has hosted fly tying classes, macroinvertebrate workshops, "Trout in the Classroom" school groups, weddings, memorial services and other angling-related activities that celebrate the history and importance of fishing in Phoenicia and the Catskills.

Contributions of money, books or other objects should be specified for "The Jerry Bartlett Memorial Angling Collection" and mailed to PO Box 222, Shandaken, NY, 12480, or delivered to the library. For more information, contact Beth Waterman, 845-254-4116.

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Assemblywoman Gunther Announces Library Grants

(From Pg. 1) - \$98,275 for the Liberty Public Library for energy efficiency upgrades and environmental improvements

- \$64,829 to the Port Jervis Free Library to improve building integrity through brick and masonry restoration

- \$9,643 to the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello to reconstruct first floor collections and public access points for service to patrons with disabilities

- \$2,550 to the Livingston Manor Free Library for construction of a new staircase to the second floor for future public access

"Public libraries make a difference in people's lives," said Robert Hubsher, Executive Director of the Ramapo-Catskill Library System. "These construction grants provided by the State make it possible for libraries to renovate and expand their facilities and remain important community centers."

Gillibrand Calls to Close Big Oil Loophole

(From Pg. 1) "This is a step in the right direction for both America's energy and economic policies," Senator Gillibrand said. "Today, New York's families are paying more than \$4 per gallon to fill up their gas tanks, while the Big 5 are using taxpayer dollars to increase their bottom line. Our families are already struggling in this difficult economy, and we must take action against rising gas prices. This legislation will force the world's wealthiest oil companies to pay their fair share and simultaneously help cut our nation's deficit."

The elimination of existing subsidies for the Big 5 would not result in decreased oil production, as the CEO of ConocoPhillips, Jim Mulva, has testified, "With respect to oil and gas exploration and production, we do not need incentives." However, this legislation would put an end to obviously unnecessary tax loopholes, and use those savings to reduce the federal budget.

Hinchey: GOP Drill Bill Won't Lower Gas Prices, Risks Another Oil Spill Disaster on America's Shores

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) released the following statement in opposition to H.R. 1229, legislation that would cut short environmental reviews designed to prevent oil spills from reaching America's shores. The congressman voted against the bill.

"With gas prices rising along with record profits for big oil companies, Congress should focus on what is actually causing the problem. Instead, the Republican majority is singularly focused on drilling for more oil and their method of achieving that end is a reckless policy that cuts short environmental reviews designed to prevent future oil spills. It hasn't even been a year since we staunchly the flow of oil from the Deep Horizon spill in the Gulf, and already too many members of Congress have forgotten the billions of dollars in economic damages and irreparable environmental harm that was done.

"The Energy Information Agency tells us that even if we were to double our offshore drilling we wouldn't see prices fall for almost ten years and that even then gas prices would only fall 3 to 4 cents per gallon. In addition, the United States has become a net exporter of refined petroleum products, such as fuel for our cars, for the first time in 20 years. That means more drilling won't solve the problem.

"This bill tells the Interior Department that if its officials do not complete a full review of any new offshore drilling permit within 60 days, then that permit is automatically approved, regardless of the potential environmental impacts. This policy would be a huge mistake. It will dramatically increase the risk of more oil spills and may actually have the perverse effect of stopping new offshore leases because responsible regulators may find it necessary to just deny lease requests simply because the proper reviews cannot be completed within the arbitrary 60 day window.

"This is no way to build our energy future. Instead, we need a comprehensive strategy. In the short run we need to crack down on speculation that's actually spiking up prices. In the long run, we need to invest in alternative energy sources, increase fuel economy standards and improve overall efficiency, all of which would lessen our dependence on foreign oil. The plan put forth today by the majority in the House of Representatives focuses our efforts on the fuel of the past, when most Americans already agree that it's time to move forward."

UC Executive Mike Hein Distinguished Service Award

(From Pg. 1) Hein continued, "I will continue working diligently with all of the hard-working nurses in Ulster County to improve the quality of public health and to make our community a healthier and happier place to live, work and raise a family."

"Florence Nightingale was committed to excellence in the provision of consumer-driven community health, rehabilitation and support services," said Director of the Ulster County Office for the Aging and NYSNA member Anne Cardinale. "She worked collaboratively with her clients, their families and service providers. Ulster County Executive Mike Hein has chosen to undertake the mission of providing caring and compassionate services of distinctive value that are culturally sensitive, client-centered, safe and affordable to all Ulster County residents. State."

In order to proceed toward accomplishing the goal of making Ulster County the healthiest County in New York State, County Executive Hein has taken numerous actions, which include, but are not limited to:

- Creating the Healthy Ulster County program, which sets forth the goal of making Ulster County the healthiest county in New York;
- Reorganizing the Ulster County Health Department, including recruiting and hiring a CDC-trained physician and public health specialist with world class credentials to lead the department;
- Appointing three noted area doctors: Dr. Mark Tack, Dr. Thomas Stellato, Dr. Dominique Delma, and Dr. Ivan Godfrey to the Board of Health;
- Webcasting an anti-bullying seminar to schools countywide;
- Making Sojourner Truth Park free and ADA accessible to all County residents;
- Hosting a presentation, workshop and awareness campaign on Lyme Disease Prevention known as "Be Tick Free in Ulster County";
- Organizing and hosting Domestic Violence Awareness events;
- Offering free vaccinations for Ulster County's vulnerable populations;
- Collaborating with community partners on a targeted anti-childhood obesity campaign;
- Hosting Men's Health Month; and
- Working with the Ulster County Tobacco Free Action Coalition on an ongoing initiative to prevent the marketing of tobacco products to youth and to work toward a county-wide ban on smoking in public recreation areas.

County Executive Hein was honored at the annual Nurses Week dinner on Wednesday, May 11, held this year at Twin Lakes Resort in Hurley, New York. District 11 of the NYSNA was founded in 1919 by three alumnae associations in Ulster and Orange counties. Today District 11 encompasses registered professional nurses who live and work in Ulster and Greene Counties.

Gillibrand Plan Graduates More STEM Students, Attracts More STEM Teachers, Raises Science Proficiency to Restore America's Competitiveness

To empower all New York students with the education they need for the jobs of the future, and help restore America's competitiveness in the high-tech global economy, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced her innovation education agenda as part of the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).

Senator Gillibrand is working to attract more students to science and technology, draw more science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) teachers to high-need schools to close achievement gaps, establish a nationally recognized set of achievement standards for science, and encourage all states to include science in standardized testing to boost proficiency among all American students.

"America is home to the world's strongest economy, the greatest colleges and universities, and the world's brightest minds," Senator Gillibrand said. "But if we're going to keep our place atop the global economy, we must prepare our students with the education they need for the jobs of the future. That starts with sparking more interest in math, science and technology, drawing more STEM teachers to educate students in high-need areas, and streamlining proficiency standards that hold us back. We are relying on our children today to be the innovators of tomorrow. It's our job to make sure they are prepared." (Next Col.)

The fastest growing occupations of the last decade required expertise in the fields of science and technology, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. But less than one-third of American students are proficient in math and science, according to the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

Analysis of New York State's four math regents and four science regents from 2010 indicate that on average more than one-quarter of New York students tested poorly in math and science.

Assemblywoman Gunther addresses back-log at NYS OMH

Sullivan and Orange County residents waiting for background checks to be completed by the New York State Office of Mental Health will not have to wait much longer, according to Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D.C-Forestburgh). The checks are required as part of pistol permit applications and some pre-employment investigations.

After learning about a back-log of about 265 applicants in Orange County from Sheriff Carl DuBois, Assemblywoman Gunther contacted the New York State Office of Mental Health and learned that the individual responsible for performing the investigation had retired. There was a gap in time between the retirement and re-assignment of those duties, creating a back-log which is being remedied.

"Short-staffed agencies in Albany have a tremendous impact at the local level," said Assemblywoman Gunther. "Every day, my office receives calls from constituents who are being affected by staffing cuts, whether it's the Department of Motor Vehicles or the Office of Mental Health. In this case, I'm happy that the end of the back-log is on the horizon."

POLITICAL SLANT

- Frank Comando

Senator Whitehouse Statement On Medicare Trustees' Report

Washington, D.C.-Rhode Island Senator Sheldon Whitehouse released the following statement on today's Medicare Trustees' Report:

"The Medicare Trustees' report projects that Medicare will remain solvent through 2024. This is a slight reduction from last year's projection, caused largely by the pace of economic recovery. Without the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Medicare would have gone bankrupt in 2016. "Clearly, the ACA extended the solvency of Medicare. It also laid the foundation for system-wide savings and quality improvement through reforms to our delivery system. We should build upon that foundation by implementing those delivery system reforms that reward quality, promote prevention, simplify administrative processes, realign payment systems, and encourage information technology. This approach will save money by improving quality of care: a win-win for our health care system and the American people. We owe it to our country to reach for those savings - not compromise the care on which millions rely. "Unfortunately, some of my Republican colleagues have proposed to privatize Medicare and shift the rising cost burden to seniors, rather than strengthen Medicare and put our entire health care system on a sustainable path. They have misdiagnosed the problem, and their remedy will do more harm than good."

Reid: Big Oil Executives Fail To Justify Why They Deserve Taxpayer-Funded Handouts

When We Could Be Using The Money To Pay Down The Deficit. "The CEOs of the five biggest oil companies proved our point. They failed to explain why American taxpayers should continue throwing their hard-earned money at oil companies that are raking in record profits. We should be using that money to pay down the deficit, instead of cutting vital programs like cancer research and student loans. The only thing more mind-boggling than Republicans' defense of their oil company allies is that they would rather end Medicare than stop giving taxpayer dollars to oil companies that don't need them. "I would like to thank Chairman Baucus for holding this important hearing, and hope my Republican colleagues will come to their senses and work with us to end these wasteful giveaways of taxpayer dollars."

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Applications must be received by June 3, 2011 and are available at the Town of Neversink Town Hall.

Please send applications to: Greg Goldstein, Supervisor, Town of Neversink, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740, or drop it off at the Town Hall.

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AGENDA**

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 19, 2011
7:00 p.m. - Regular Board Meeting
Secondary School Library Lower Level

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. GUESTS
- B. TREASURER'S REPORT
- C. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
 - 1. Minutes
 - 2. CSE Recommendations
 - 3. Building Use Forms
 - 4. Merger of Tri-Valley and Fallsburg Boys Tennis, Boys and Girls Skiing for 2011-12
 - 5. Personnel:
 - a) Resignation
 - b) Substitute Appointment
 - c) Coaching Appointment
- D. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1. Building Usage Policy
- E. BUSINESS REPORT
 - 1. Warrants
- G. LATE-BREAKING NEWS
- H. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - 1. Personnel - Discipline
- I. ADJOURNMENT

**Lifebridge Sanctuary Volunteer Work
Week and Permaculture Training**

Lifebridge Sanctuary Volunteer Work Week and Permaculture training will be held on May 25 -29

On May 25 the group will be led by Ethan Roland of Appleseed Permaculture who will instruct permaculture techniques and philosophy for woodland preservation and maintenance, growing a food forest and creating edible landscapes. The group will apply these techniques to prepare for and be gin planting an edible forest, clean up fallen wood, strengthen existing trails against erosion and more. They will also be cutting a new section of one of their walking trails. There are many tasks that can be worked on together with varying degrees of ease or difficulty.

Work day will start at 10 am and lunch will be provided.

Bring sturdy shoes, work clothes, gloves, small vegetation cutting tools such as loppers and hand shears. Fill your water bottles from our spring fed well.

There is no rain date that Ethan is available so work will commence in light rain, and will of course cancel with heavier rain. The work week will continue through Monday morning May 30 (Memorial Day) and lunch will be provided each day. All are welcome to return.

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**Cahill Reacts to Visit from
DEC Commissioner Martens**

(Kingston, NY) I appreciate Commissioner Martens taking the time to visit the Hudson River Maritime Museum in Kingston today. The setting could not be more appropriate given my work with the Museum to attract the Clearwater to use Kingston as its home dock. I was successful in securing a \$125,000 grant for the purposes of improving the port and fostering a relationship between the Maritime Museum and the Clearwater. This revitalized site is symbolic of the Hudson River's rebirth.

Our region faces many challenges where the Department of Environmental Conservation plays an important role. I look forward to continuing our partnership in tackling issues regarding watershed management, flooding, land conservation, hydrofracking and the future of Belleayre and the Route 28 Corridor.

Together, we have put our focus on bringing relief to communities, like Phoenicia, that have been impacted by recent and recurring flood events. Likewise, the DEC must remain diligent in addressing turbidly levels in the Esopus caused by water releases from the Ashokan Reservoir.

The State's Brownfield Cleanup Program is a tool that is essential to the revival of our polluted manufacturing sites in order to attract good jobs back into the region. I have been collaborating with the DEC to put the program to work in our communities. Equally important is facilitating open lines of communications between the Department and developers so that environmentally sound projects can move forward in an expeditious manner.

The Belleayre Ski Center is the driving force of the Route 28 Corridor. The Commissioner and I will continue to concentrate on the Center's budget and workforce stability. The completion of the Big Indian land purchase is also a top priority.

Commissioner Martens also took some time to outline the Governor's priorities for the remainder of the Legislative Session. I am in strong agreement that action must be taken on property taxes, ethics reform and marriage equality. However, the Governor must respect the Legislature's role as an equal branch of state government. It is important to allow the process to play out to ensure the best possible results for the people of New York.

**Gillibrand Welcomes Over \$800 million
in High Speed Rail Funds Rejected by
Florida Governor to the NY Region**

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand released the following statement today applauding U.S. Transportation Secretary LaHood's announcement that over \$800 million in high speed rail funds rejected by Florida Governor Rick Scott will be used to enhance high speed rail service in the Northeast and Empire Corridors. Senator Gillibrand wrote to Secretary LaHood in February requesting these funds be redirected to the New York region. These investments includes \$450 million for infrastructure and signal improvements along Amtrak's heaviest traveled section of the Northeast Corridor (NYC-DC), \$58 million for capacity improvements along the Empire Corridor, including construction of a fourth track at the Albany-Rensselaer Station and a new Schenectady Station, \$295 million to reduce congestion related to the Harold Interlocking in New York City, and \$1.4 million for planning and engineering for the new Rochester Intermodal Station. Gillibrand has been a long time supporter of increased federal investments in high speed rail to create jobs, and has advocated extensively to Secretary LaHood on behalf of New York State.

"I am thrilled that Secretary LaHood has awarded these investments to the New York Region where ridership continues to grow, and I am thankful for his leadership. Clearly, there is a demand to increase rail transit in New York and across the Northeast. These investments will make a major impact in meeting that demand by relieving congestion and increasing the reliability of service.

"There is no doubt, we must expand high speed rail to connect more travelers, workers and businesses, create new construction jobs immediately and provide an economic engine to fuel our growth for the long term. Today, we have taken a major step closer to the goal of a robust high speed rail system for our State and Region that will help grow the nation's economy. I will keep fighting for invest-

ments to expand high speed rail to every corner of New York."

Expanding high speed rail across New York has been a top priority for Senator Gillibrand throughout her time in the Senate. In February, Senator Gillibrand urged Secretary LaHood to redirect \$2.4 billion in federal funding for high speed rail to New York that had been turned away by Florida Governor Rick Scott. In a letter last month to Secretary LaHood, Senator Gillibrand urged the U.S. Department of Transportation to award funding to New York State Department of Transportation and Amtrak's applications for high speed rail infrastructure. In May 2010, Gillibrand urged for the appointment of a new high speed rail project manager at the state level to ensure New York is securing and managing all federal funds available to us. In January 2010, Senator Gillibrand helped secure \$151 million for high speed rail projects across New York State.

**On One Year Anniversary of
Historic Gang Raids Schumer,
Gillibrand and Hinchey Invite FBI
Director Mueller to Visit Newburgh**

One year after a Federal Bureau of Investigation led raid removed scores of gang members from the City of Newburgh's streets, U.S. Senators Charles Schumer (D-NY) and Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), along with Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY), are asking the federal government to do more. The lawmakers today invited FBI Director Robert S. Mueller to tour the beleaguered Orange County community to learn of progress that has been made and also see firsthand the need for additional federal resources, including the relocation of an FBI office to the city, to sustain and build upon that progress.

"It is long past time to put the full resources of the federal government to work attacking the gang problems that continue to haunt the City of Newburgh," said Schumer. "I was pleased when Director Mueller told me he would give serious consideration to moving the FBI office to Newburgh and I remain committed to getting this done. A year after these groundbreaking raids there is still more work to do, and I believe it is important for the Director to see firsthand the full scope of the problem. Last year's raids and those conducted in the early months of 2011 are clear evidence of progress, but the fight against gang violence must move full speed ahead."

"There is nothing more important than the safety and security of our families and communities," Senator Gillibrand said. "We can never allow the lure of gangs to surpass opportunities for our children to grow and our communities to thrive. Working with law enforcement and community leaders, we've made progress, but having the FBI Regional Headquarters in Newburgh would show a long term commitment from every level of government that keeping our neighborhoods safe is a priority. We need to fight back stronger with better resources for law enforcement, unite our community, and keep our families safe."

"Newburgh is a dynamic and historic city with great people, but unfortunately gang violence and crime has remained a substantial problem," said Hinchey. "Last year, following a 16 month investigation coordinated by the FBI in conjunction with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, we were able to remove dozens of criminal gang members from the streets. It was a very positive step forward in what needs to be considered a long fight to win back the streets for the people of Newburgh. That's the kind of cooperation we need more of, and we hope that Director Mueller will join us for a tour of Newburgh so he can witness firsthand the need for additional federal resources, including the potential relocation of an FBI office to within city limits."

The federal legislators have worked together for years to help deliver the federal crimefighting resources Newburgh needs. Last year, they sought a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) designation that would enhance future coordination of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies by providing equipment, technology and additional resources to combat the drug trafficking on which gangs thrive. The HIDTA designation is now pending a period consideration process at the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Schumer, Gillibrand and Hinchey have also encouraged the FBI to consider the City of Newburgh as a potential site for the Bureau's Hudson Valley field office. Last year the FBI indicated it had outgrown its current facility in Goshen and would be moving the Hudson Valley Resident Agency. At a recent committee hearing, Mueller indicated to Schumer that the FBI was considering placing the office in the City of Newburgh. However, a letter from the FBI's regional director suggested the opposite. The senators and representative believe a visit to Newburgh would provide the Director with a firsthand understanding of the reasons it would be beneficial for the FBI to locate there.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department
www.townofneversink.org
 (845) 985-2262 extension 312

ZUMBA CLASS THURSDAY NIGHTS
 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm Grahamsville Fire House \$12 Per Class

Come Walk with US To Improve your well being-EVERY Tuesday NIGHT! All are welcome. Please meet at the Little League Field Rt 55A at 6:30 pm to enjoy scenic walk at your own pace.

ALBI CONCERT & HOT DOG LUAU
 Sunday, July 17.
The Buddy Holly Story Forestburgh Playhouse July 27. \$30 residents/\$46 non-residents must be paid no later than June 28.

ZOOM FLUME Saturday, August 6. \$10 residents/\$34 non-residents must be paid no later than June 28.

Rhinebeck Fair Thursday, August 25. \$15 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than June 28 this includes admission & transportation.

Pumpkin Decorating & Pizza Friday, October 28. \$5 residents/\$10 non-residents must be paid no later than October 4.

Army Football Game West Point Saturday, October 29 \$25 residents/\$38 non-residents must be paid no later than TBA this includes admission & transportation.

Transportation to NYC Saturday, December 3. \$20 residents & non-residents must be paid no later than November 8. Call Parks & Recreation at (845) 985-2262 Ext 312 for more information

5/18/11 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
 5/18/11 Neversink Fire District Monthly Meeting 7:30 -Public Meeting 8:00 pm
 5/21/11 Thrift Sale -Grahamsville Methodist Church Hall - 9 am - 1pm
 5/24/11 Claryville Fire Dist Commissioners Meeting - 7:00 PM.
 5/30/11 TOWN OF NEVERSINK HOLIDAY - MEMORIAL DAY
 5/31/11 Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Dept. 7 pm Neversink Town Hall
 6/1/11 Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic - Grahamsville Fair Grounds 6-8 pm. Pets must be 3 months old.
 6/1/11 Town of Neversink Planning Board
 6/4/11 Sundown WSCS Ladies Annual Yard Sale - 9am-3pm Sundown Church Hall
 6/4/11 There will be NO Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper this month
 6/4/11 Community Garden Work Day at Claryville Reformed Church Community Garden
 6/7/11 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)
 6/7/11 Town of Denning Board Meeting - Sundown Church Hall 7:00 pm
 6/8/11 Town of Neversink Board Meeting
 6/13/11 Town of Olive Audit Meeting - 7:30 pm - Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Rd.
 6/14/11 Town of Olive Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Rd.
 6/14/11 Town of Denning Business Meeting
 6/15/11 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
 6/16/11 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
 6/18/11 Grahamsville Reformed Church Baked Ham Dinner - 4-7 pm Call 985-7480 for information
 6/19/11 Claryville Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon

Save the Date!

The **Opening Ceremony of the Daniel Pierce Library** addition will take place on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 2:00 P.M. All are invited.
 July 30th - Time and the Valleys Olde Time Fair and Antique Auction
 9/17 & 9/18 -Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Annual **Antique Tractor Show** -Grahamsville Fairgrounds

GAMES & SOCIALIZING -FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 4- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.

Town of Denning Message Board: <http://www.denning.us>
 Town of Neversink Website: <http://townofneversink.org>
 Daniel Pierce Library - <http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>
 Time and The Valleys Museum - <http://timeandthevalleymuseum.org>
 Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition: <http://thetownsman.com>
 To find out what is happening at Tri-Valley CSD: <http://tvcs.k12.ny.us>

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
 GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
 GRAHAMSVILLE AUTOMOTIVE
 CANNIE D'S
 BLUE HILL LODGE
 3 GOLDENS CONVENIENCE STORE

ARATI GIFT SHOP (Brickman Rd.)
 VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake)
 WOODBOURNE CITGO STATION
 MO'S GAS STATION (Woodbourne)
 P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE (Woodbourne)
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 PETER'S MARKET

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

Monday 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
 Thursday 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne
 Saturday 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

Tri-Valley Central School HS Reunion

Calling all classmates who wish to attend reunion being held October 1, 2011. Anyone who would like to help, please contact ASAP. mamamia58@hotmail.com or call 845-985-7422



Daniel Pierce Library
Winter hours effective Thursday, December 2, 2010. The library will open at 10:00 A.M. and close at 8 P.M. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This is a change from its former hours of 11:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday hours will remain the same. If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.
 Closed Sundays and Mondays
 The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.
845-985-7233

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

MOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA 48th ANNUAL ANTIQUE CLASSIC CUSTOM CAR SHOW & FLEA MARKET

Date: Sunday, June 5, 2011, (rain or shine)
 Where: Rock Hill Fire House, Rte. 17, Exit 109, Rock Hill, NY
 Cars enter at 9:00 am
 \$100 Cash Prize - Best of Show and Trophy
 Antique, Classic, Hot Rods, Tuners, Special Interest
 Kiddies' Corner - Kids show their cars and there will be kids' activities
 Food by the Rock Hill F.D. - Elvis Show - DJ Eric Bressi
 Sponsored by the Town of Thompson, Anthony Cellini, Supervisor
 Profits from the show to help fund BOCES school programs. For further information, call Vicky Kraus at (845)932-8923; non-food vendors call Karen Jones at (845)292-3849

Because We Care- Family Caregivers Finding Help

Do you help an ill or frail family member or friend? Would you like to help them by knowing where and how you might get help?

Because We Care, a free afternoon program with a dozen Sullivan County agencies, will be held on Thursday, June 2 from 1- 4 pm presented by the Caregiver Resource Center. Current and future informal family caregivers will have the opportunity to meet guest speakers from area agencies who will provide further insight into their services and when they can provide assistance.

The afternoon will start with each agency briefly presenting their services, followed by a forum discussion of care coordination and navigating the maze of finding services. An informational senior and health services fair will follow; guests can then meet representatives individually. Agencies include: Achieve Rehabilitation and Nursing Facility, Alzheimer's Association, Catskill Regional Medical Center, Dispute Resolution Center, Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, NYS EPIC, Social Security Administration, Sullivan County Office for the Aging and NYConnects, Sullivan County Public Health, Wellness Home Care and First National Bank of Jeffersonville. This informational fair and forum will be held at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County (64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty).

Please contact Cornell Cooperative Extension at 292-5250 or 292-6180 to register. This Caregiver Resource Center program is free, supported by the NYS Office for the Aging Caregiver Grant. Coffee, light refreshments and door prizes will be provided!

Fallsburg Alumni Annual Reunion

The FAA (Fallsburg Alumni Association) is excited about its seventh annual reunion! On Saturday, July 16, 2011, from 11:am to 2:00 PM, there will be a lunch buffet at the Fallsburg High School, 115 Brickman Road, Fallsburg, NY. Everyone is invited to join former staff and students for our annual meet and greet (and eat!) in the 7th year of continuing our mission to award FAA scholarships to deserving seniors. A \$10 donation is requested for the luncheon. For more information, please call (914) 462-2870, e-mail alumni-cynthia@fallsburgscd.net or log on to the Fallsbug Central School website www.fallsburgscd.net and click on Communities.

Road Closure in Town of Forestburgh

Sullivan County Manager David Fanslau has announced that the Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Mill Road, Town Highway 13, in the Town of Forestburgh, to replace County Bridge 251. County Bridge 251 is located approximately one-half mile west of the Hamlet of Forestburgh. This section of Mill Road, Town Highway 13, is closed to all traffic starting, and will remain closed for approximately three (3) months.

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works will post a detour route using State Route 42, County Road 43, and Town Highway 15 (Plank Road).

"All emergency response officials and Forestburgh Town officials have been notified of the road closure, which is necessitated to replace the County Bridge," said Fanslau. "We appreciate the cooperation and understanding of the motoring public."

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TWO PITCH TOURNAMENT
 TO BENEFIT THE ALLIANCE FOR LUPUS RESEARCH

Featuring teams and players from the Sullivan County Women's Softball League

Saturday, May 21, 2011
 Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 Starting Time: 9:00 AM
 --All Day Event--

CONCESSION STAND
 50/50 DRAWINGS
 RAFFLE

VENDOR FAIR
 Pampered Chef, thirty-one, Avon, Silpada, Tupperware, Tastefully Simple, Party Lite, and more!
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

COME WATCH THIS FAST PAGED TOURNAMENT, CHEER ON YOUR FAVORITE PLAYERS AND TEAMS WHILE SUPPORTING LUPUS RESEARCH (100 % of all donations go directly to medical research)

For more info about the tournament or the Alliance for Lupus Research Call 292-2683 or 292-2949




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- Beautifully-updated 3 BR G'v Victorian in town with outbuildings, ample parking, creek and lawn. A gem. \$219,000
- REDUCED** 3BR/2BA contemp farmhouse on 100+ acres with spectacular views, 2 ponds, adj to Fire Twr, +cottage. \$699,000
- 4BR/2.5BA split level ranch on nearly 2 acs with central a/c, mature trees, views and Tri-Valley schools. \$225,000
- 3BR/2BA Wonderful home privately set on ~8 acres with screened gazebo, fireplace, 1 mi to Rondout. \$349,000
- **UNDER CONTRACT** 3BR/1.5BA farmhouse on 11 acres with exceptional views, pool, pond, large barn. \$369,000
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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia

Cat People (1942)



A newlywed fears that an ancient curse will turn her into a blood-thirsty beast. Director, Jacques Tourneur. Simone Simon, Kent Smith, Tom Conway, Jack Holt, Jane Randolph. Storyline and plot elements don't hold up, but moments of shock and terror are undiminished in the first of producer Val Lewton's famous horror

films. Smith falls in love with strange, shy woman (Simon) who fears ancient curse of the panther inside her. On TCM Saturday May 21, 2011, 8:00 PM 73 min rated TV-PG

Quiz:

- A. Who played the cat woman?
- B. What turns the lead character into a beast?

What's going on in the Gnome Gneighbourhood™ this week?

GRAHAMSVILLE - Eureka Market & Cafe, well- Mr. C had the salad and a pizza. Mrs. C had the Greek pizza. All they can say is, "Superb!"

Please Note: The 2nd Annual Little League Bake Sale has been changed to May 24th! m! If you are interested in helping us out, please let us know reply to Tri-Valley Little League Facebook or call Jessica M. Scanna.

KINGSTON - Hudson River Maritime Museum Board of Trustees at Hudson River Maritime Museum NEEDS YOU TO VOLUNTEER! We love and need you all.... all services, coordinators, gardeners, graphic artists, musicians, educators, vendors, sailors. If you can give of time for the coming season we would be appreciative. If you can supply goods or materials for events or projects... superb! If you might be willing to sponsor an event or new project, we would be thrilled... Hands on or hands off ... contact us: 845-338-0071 or email hmmm@hvc.rr.com

LIBERTY Community Talent Show at Lapolt Park, May 28, 2011 12:00 - 4:00 pm Sponsored by The Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce. This is your chance to shine like a star! **ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!!** To reserve your spot or for more information please contact Cindy at Liberty Fitness (845) 292-0756 or (845) 866-6038 rcfrc@bestweb.net

CLARYVILLE - Looking for quality *spirits* in fine wines and strong distilled liquor such as brandy, whiskey, gin, or rum -look no further then the **Blue Hill Lodge Spirits Shop**, and stop in for a unique and tasty lunch in the heart of Claryville.

NAPANOCH - Flea Market at the Napanoch Firehouse on Saturday May 28th from 9 am to 3 pm. Spaces ar \$15 indoor and \$10 outdoor. Caall 647-3791 for information.
Take a Child Fishing on Sunday June 12, 2011 10 am to 2 pm at Beaver Dam Lake, Beaver Dam Road, Grahamsville, NY. Sponsored by Beaver Dam Club and Grahamsville Rod and Gun Club.

Have a great week.

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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Neversink, Tri-Valley

3 BDR split, 2.5 bath garage, pool, hot tub 3 ac-\$249,900
3 BDR Cape, 2 baths, gardens, stone walls 4 ac \$195,000
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www.resortrealty.com pd 5/26

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GARAGE/YARD SALE

Need to have a yard sale but live in the boonies? Cannie D's is having a yard sale **Memorial Day weekend. Space is available** on a first come first serve basis. Reasonable Want to be in? **Call 985-2076.**

FAMILY YARDSALE

May 28 & 29 - (Sat. and Sun.)
Time: 9 - 4
Sunrise Trailer Park in Woodbourne
(Off the Hasbrouck Road)

Lots of items to choose from! Some highlights are: 6 in insulated stove pipe, Old Avon bottles, bird cages, Troy bilt Pony Rototiller and many more items to choose from.

ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA

A. Elizabeth Russell
B. Feelings of love and passion