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## STREAM HISTORY DAY GATHERS VALUABLE INPUT -Landowners and Angling Club Provide Insight into Rondout & Neversink Watersheds



A photo shared by landowner at Stream History Day from April 4, 2005 flood on the Rondout Creek.

On Saturday, August 29th Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) co-hosted a stream history day. The purpose of the gathering was to scan photos from landowners in the Rondout and Neversink watersheds and hear stories about living streamside. This valuable information will help shape recommendations for stream management plans and potential restoration projects. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## SKIES CLEAR FOR MEL MEDNICK GOLF TOURNAMENT



By all measures the Mel Mednick Memorial Golf Outing and Dinner held at Lochmor Golf Course on August 23, 2009 was a rousing success. Even the weather cooperated and showered everyone with good feelings and not rain-fall. As one of the organizers said, "Mel would not allow it to rain today!" (Contd. Pg. 10)

## AGNES OF GOD A POWERFUL DRAMA AT THE RIVOLI

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop continues its 2009 Season in the newly restored Rivoli Theatre with John Pielmeier's powerful drama, Agnes of God. Performances are slated for September 11-13 and 25-27 (note there are no performances the weekend of September 18th). (Contd. Pg. 8)

## UC RECIEVES \$750 THOUSAND IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

Ulster County has been awarded a total of \$750 thousand dollars in two separate Community Development Block Grants; a \$400 thousand dollar grant for county-wide housing rehabilitation and a \$350 thousand dollar grant for farm worker housing (Contd. Pg. 12)

## FALL 2009 STORY HOUR PROGRAM AT THE DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY NOW RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS

The Daniel Pierce Library is now receiving registrations for Fall Story Hour Programs. All programs will begin during the week of October 12. Look for the registration form in this issue, on the yellow flyer. Everyone at the Daniel Pierce Library is looking forward to welcoming dozens of children to our Mother Goose Time, Toddler Time and Story Hour this fall. For more information, please call (845) 985-7233.

## THE LAST FIRST DAY AT BENJAMIN COSOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



September 2 was the first day of school for children at Fallsburg's Benjamin Cosor Elementary (BCES). It also marked the beginning of kindergarten teacher Ms. Sandy Vanderzell's final year teaching at the school. She will be retiring after 20 outstanding years at BCES and over thirty years total with all teaching experience. (Contd. Pg. 6)

## QUEEN OF THE NETHERLANDS HONORS HINCHEY WITH DUTCH ROYAL MEDAL

Ambassador of the Netherlands to the U.S. presented Congressman Maurice Hinchey with 'Officer in the Order of Orange-Nassau' Medal at New York City Ceremony on Friday, September 4, 2009 at the Office of the Consulate-General of the Netherlands, One Rockefeller Plaza in New York City. (Contd. Pg. 14)

## FROST VALLEY YMCA 13th QUILTING WEEKEND SET

Frost Valley YMCA has lined up six veteran quilting instructors for the 13th annual Quilting Weekend from Friday-Sunday, Oct. 30-Nov. 1. Workshop presenters are all repeat presenters at the Frost Valley weekend and include Katrina Litchman, Kris Driessen, Sherry Sega, Kathleen Davies, Anne Foland and Bob Silverman. (Contd. Pg. 9)

## SC HISTORIAN JOHN CONWAY TO SPEAK AT ROCKLAND EVENT

On Saturday, September 12th at 5:00pm, Sullivan County Historian John Conway will speak about the Town of Rockland in a Bicentennial event that includes material especially geared toward school age children.. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## HUDSON RIVER HERITAGE TO PRESENT 21ST ANNUAL COUNTRY SEATS TOUR



One of the rarely seen Dutch vernacular houses included in the October tour.

Photograph by Manuela Mihailescu

The 2009 Country Seats Tour planned in reference to the New York State Quadricentennial celebration will explore remaining evidence of how New York's earliest European settlers and their immediate descendants set about shaping their New World. "What's Dutch," the two-day selfdriving tour of surviving Dutch-American houses and their farmscapes in Hurley, Old Hurley, Stone Ridge, and High Falls, will take place on Saturday and Sunday, October 3 and 4, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ten private homes and a barn incorporating distinctive features of Dutch design will be open for the tour. The Quadricentennial tour is presented by Hudson River Heritage (HRH) and Hudson Valley Vernacular Architecture (HVVA). Tour ticket prices are \$49.50 (\$40.50 for members) for one-day tickets and \$90 (\$76.50 for members) for two-day tickets when purchased by September 15th. Purchase tickets online at [www.whatsdutch.org](http://www.whatsdutch.org), or call (845) 876-2474.

## DR. ALFREDO LOPEZ INSPIRES THE FALLSBURG MIGRANT COMMUNITY



Fallsburg Migrant Education Program tutor Malvina Sacavedra, Dr. Alfred Lopez, and tutor Alejandra Sanchez

"A Compelling Life Story" was the title of the program presented to migrant families on August 26, 2009 by the Oneonta Migrant Education (Migrant Ed) Office in collaboration with the Fallsburg Central School District at Fallsburg High School auditorium (Contd. Pg. 6)

## FALL 2009 CONTINUING & PROFESSIONAL ED AT SUNY ULSTER

This semester SUNY Ulster offers many new and exciting courses to help you learn more, earn more and grow more. Most courses are conveniently offered at the Business Resource Center in Kingston and on the Stone Ridge campus. (Contd. Pg. 10)

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** But now, O Lord, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter, and we all are the work of thy hand.  
Isaiah 64:8

**ROBERT & JOSEPHINE DUBAS CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

Congratulations go out to Robert and Josephine Dubas on their 50th wedding anniversary on September 6th. Saturday the 5th, a celebration with family and friends marked this special occasion. A good time was had by all.



**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ISAAC ROBERT DEVITO AND SAMUEL LEVI BRENNER HAVE BOTH ARRIVED**

Robert and Carol Brenner of Brenner Road in Grahamsville announce the births of their two grandsons.

Bob and Carol's daughter, Rosie and husband Mike DeVito's child, Isaac Robert DeVito, was born May 15th, 2009.

Bob and Carol's son, Benjamin and wife, Yasmin Brenner's first child, Samuel Levi Brenner, was born August 23, 2009.

Mothers and children are all doing fantastically well.

**MILITARY NEWS**

**T-V grad Neal Van Houten promoted to major.**

Neal A. Van Houten has been promoted to the rank of major in the U.S. Air Force.

He is the chief of the munitions action group at Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Hampton, VA. The major has served in the military for 10 years.

Van Houten is the son of Brian and Suzann Van Houten of Hurleyville, and the brother of Jennifer Hermann of Callicoon and Regina Cable of Webster, NY.

The major graduated from Tri-Valley Central School in Grahamsville and received a bachelor's degree in 1999 from Villanova University. He earned a master's degree in 2007 from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, FL.

**OBITUARY**

**Nancy Myrtle Demetry** of Newburgh, lost her long and brave battle at Westchester Medical Center on Tuesday morning, September 1, 2009. She was surrounded by loved ones and was blessed to have lived 64 years.

Nancy was born August 12, 1945 in White Sulphur Springs, NY to the late Paul Anthony Cypert and Wanda Josephine (Koscijanski) Cypert of Olivera, NY.

Nancy was a 1963 graduate of Tri-Valley High School. She was a health and physical education teacher for over 40 years. Her teaching career began after graduating from SUNY Cortland in 1967. She most recently worked in the Newburgh School District and loved sharing her passion for exercise and activity with her students. Nancy was unwaver-

ing in her battle with cancer that began over 20 years ago. She fought back after each recurrence with all her heart and each time celebrated the gift of time with her children and grandchildren. After such a long battle, her body was defeated but her spirit kept on. She greatly encouraged everyone to donate blood regularly, as well as the painless donation of life-saving stem cells.

Nancy lived her life for her children, whom she raised alone. She was the most selfless mother and grandmother and the cornerstone of her loving family. She advocated tirelessly on behalf of her special needs daughter and the A.H.R.C. in Orange County.

Nancy is survived by her son, Daniel Demetry; her daughters, Jean Carrick and Sara Demetry; her son-in-law, Joseph Carrick; the lights of her life - granddaughters, Jenna and Julia Carrick; her mother, Wanda Cypert of Olivera; brother, Thomas Cypert of Woodbourne; sisters, Carol Krickhahn of Olivera and Susan Cypert of Canton; loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations in her name to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Donor Services, PO Box 4072, Pittsfield, MA 01202 and O.C.A.H.R.C. Stonecrest IRA, 6 Stonecrest Dr., New Windsor, NY 12553.

A funeral service was held Saturday, September 5th at the Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, Woodbourne, Pastor Robert Kersten officiating. Interment was held privately in the family plot at the Claryville Cemetery.

**DAYS OF YORE...**

**TODAY'S HISTORY**

**September 14, 1949** not available

**September 9, 1959**

"Mansions on Rails" by Lucius Beebe recently published by Howell-North, Berkeley, California, contains a black and white ink wash drawing by M. B. Wakefield. The full page illustration depicts the private car Moultrie of the Georgia Northern.

Vacation is over  
and school days start:  
Our back-to-school duds  
are thrifty and smart!  
KUM TO KRUM'S

The Sullivan County Extension Service will conduct a poultrymen's tour to three area poultry farms this coming Tues. Sept. 15th. The tour will begin 1:15 P.M. at S. Fradkin & Sons of Hurleyville, N.Y. The present capacity of this farm is approximately 15,000 layers. The second stop will be at the Harold Sashin poultry farm at Ellenville, N.Y. This farm has a 10,000 layer capacity. Final stop will be at the Sam Cohen poultry farm at Kerhonkson, N.Y. with a 25,000 layer capacity.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Teal and family are moving from Curry to Grahamsville to the house at the foot of the hill

owned by Earl Sheeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burch, and two daughters, have moved from the George Burch home to the Messenger house in Grahamsville.

South Hill reports four little folks leaving the hill on Tues. morning on a big venture. They were Crystal Phelps, Jennifer Jones, Lynn Stratton and Jayson Zanetti, who are attending Tri Valley for the first time. Also Eileen Fuller. All in number comes to around 60 children for kindergarten this year.

**September 10, 1969**

Two free stage shows will be offered only to those attending the 4th Annual Sullivan County Sportsmen's Show on September 12, 13, and 14th at the Grahamsville Fair Grounds. Featured are Dave Greer, the World Champion Lumberjack; Joe Phillips and his wonder horse; and the Gutis family in "Jungle Phantasy". In addition, on Friday evening only, there is to be a Country Western show starring the inimitable Pete Williams and the Ranchers.

Approximately nine hundred students reported to Tri-Valley School on Wednesday. Fifty-five teachers were on hand for opening day. Mr. Condon, Supervising Principal, noted with regret that school opened without the services of Mrs. Madelene Adams, who is recovering from surgery.

Enos Hornbeck and Ransie Hamilton are engaged in painting the Tison home in Denning.

The Claryville Reformed Church has been in existence 120 years and until now only three weddings have been held in the church. The fourth wedding was held on Saturday, September 6th, when the Rev. John W. Carter united in marriage Elaine Van Valkenburg and Neil Avery.

Among those from here attending the SCCC faculty picnic on Sunday at Dixie Lake were, Dr. and Mrs. Russell Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grey, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Coombe, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore have completed their moving into their newly purchased home in Neversink, purchased from Jerry Hadden.

**September 6, 1979**

The descendents of Noah Cross will hold their Annual Reunion on Sunday, September 9th, at the Grahamsville First Aid Building.

To extend the results of the prized of the Little World's Fair, we are happy to announce that First Prize in Cake Decorating was taken by a woman in Youngsville BUT our own Marion Magill took First Prize in Cake Baking with a beautiful Hawaiian-Chocolate Chip Cake. Congratulations!!!

The Tri-Valley School Board of Education met on August 25th and approved the following staff positions for the 1979-80 school year: (Contd. Pg. 2)

**HERE AND THERE**

Forgot to mention this last week: Did you hear the birthday greeting for a debonair Tri-Valley citizen broadcast on the Channel 6 Evening News recently? On August 27, the sports reporter on the program, an attractive young lady, closed her segment of the show saying, "I want to wish an early Happy Birthday to a long-time listener, Don TerBush of Grahamsville, who will be 82 tomorrow." Ask him about it!

When Ashley McCarthy learned that many female patients become despondent after losing their hair as a result of medical treatment, the 15-year old Tri-Valley student decided she wanted to help. She went to a salon in Middletown for a hair cut and asked them to save it for her. She then contacted Locks of Love, an organization that collects fresh-cut, healthy hair and makes wigs and hair-pieces for cancer patients. Actually, Ashley is the second member of her family to do this. Her cousin Julie did the same thing about a year ago. Jean Helthaler can be proud of her two granddaughters!

Shirley Davis underwent hip-replacement surgery on August 31, and at this writing is still a patient at Orange Regional Hospital in Middletown, undergoing physical therapy. Her husband Owen is staying with their son Paul and his family while she recuperates. ... We also hear that Joyce Thomas (Phyllis Moore's mother) was hospitalized last week, but have no updates. ... And Elsie Wynkoop is asking her friends for prayers for her brother out in Oklahoma, who was seriously injured in a motor vehicle accident last week. We add our good wishes for swift and complete recoveries to all!

Friends of Joe and Debbie Costa of Benton Hollow Road can wish them a Happy Anniversary Day on Sept. 14 - it's their 24th! ... As for birthdays, we can send greetings to nephew Richard Schmitz out in Kansas on the same date; to Betty Ann TerBush, right here in town, on 9-16; and to Shirley Davis, wherever her recovery takes her, on 9-17. Many happy returns to all!

We also extend our condolences to the family of Nancy (Cypert) Demetry, who passed away recently.

That's it for this time. Hope you all have a good week. .... (pah)

**NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooij**

Karen and Howard Gildersleeve of Neversink are proud of their son, Elton, who graduated from Tri-Valley High School this past June with a full scholarship to Sullivan County Community College. Elton doubled up on his courses and graduated a year early. Also, their daughter, Carrie, finished two years at Sullivan County Community College and is now attending the University of Albany. Congratulations to these two young folks.

Hope everyone enjoyed their Labor Day Weekend. The weather was perfect.

Condolences to the Cypert family on the passing of Nancy Cypert Demetry of Newburgh. The Cyperts lived on Denman Mountain Road in Grahamsville for several years. Nancy's mother, Wanda, now lives in Oliveria.

Have a good week and God Bless.  
(Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

**DAYS OF YORE... (From Pg. 2)**

Adjunct Teacher, Social Studies-English, Mrs. Kathryn Cloonan; Remedial Writing Teacher, Mrs. Joan Hall; Kindergarten, Miss Mary Jane Meyer; Third Grade Teacher, Mrs. Diane Nyhof; and Tax Collector, Mrs. Janice Yager.

This Sunday, September 9th at 11:30 a.m. the Reformed Churches of Claryville, Grahamsville and Woodbourne will hold a combined service in Frost Valley at the YMA. Each family is invited to bring their favorite hot dish, salad or dessert for a covered dish afterward. The committee of Jane Brown, Kay Terwilliger, Florence Laird and Ethel Dobbs invites everyone to attend.

**RAIN GARDEN SUCCESS CELEBRATED-Lake Superior Park Hosts Solution to Storm Water Erosion**

An innovative approach to storm water management and beautification was formally dedicated on September 2 at Lake Superior State Park in Bethel. The Lake Superior rain garden captures runoff from the concession roof and allows it to soak slowly into the ground.

Rain gardens are attractive landscaped areas planted with deep-rooted native plants and grasses that slow down the rush of runoff from hard surfaces such as roofs, sidewalks, parking lots, driveways and even lawns. They actively manage storm water by filtering out pollutants that compromise water quality and threaten wildlife. Rain gardens are an effective way to improve the overall health of water systems.

The Lake Superior rain garden is (Next Col.)

a partnership among Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management, Sullivan County Division of Public Works (DPW), Sullivan Renaissance and the Tri-Valley Central School Natural Resources Class. The project was designed by planning staff and Tri-Valley students, who then installed the garden under the direction of their instructor Robert Hayes. Participating students were: Dustin Brackman, Jaxon Denman, Robert Frunzi, Joseph Kinzie, Christopher Lake Jr., James Mercado, Thomas Monforte, Anthony Perry, David Phelps Jr., James Ruhlman, Erin Smith, Julia Spriggins and Lindsey Staesser. DPW staff assisted with construction.

"We hope that this project will inspire others to consider how to use gardens and work with the natural landscape to address issues of erosion and storm water runoff," said Denise Frangipane of Sullivan Renaissance, who welcomed everyone to the dedication.

County Planner Jill M. Weyer explained how the rain garden works and described the plants that have been included. Other speakers included: County Legislator Kathleen Labuda, who chairs the public works committee, County Legislator David Sager, whose district includes Lake Superior Park; County Manager David Fanslau; and new Planning Commissioner Luiz Aragon.

The demonstration project includes educational brochures and plans to install an interpretive sign discussing this practical and natural solution. Native plants used in the garden were purchased at Butterfly Botanicals in Bloomingburg and Catskill Harvest Market in Ferndale.

The rain garden was a special environmental demonstration funded by Sullivan Renaissance, a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Additional funding has been secured by NYS Senator John J. Bonacic and Assemblywoman Aileen M. Gunther.

**SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND LAND CONSERVATION Program Led by Ed McMahon of Urban Land Institute**

The Delaware Highlands Conservancy and Sullivan Renaissance, with sponsorship by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, present the seminar "Sustainable Growth and Land Conservation" led by Ed McMahon of the Urban Land Institute, on Saturday September 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the CVI Building, Liberty, NY.

Ed McMahon is an author, attorney, and expert in green and sustainable development practices, community planning, growth management, land conservation, urban design and historic preservation. He holds the Charles Fraser Chair on Sustainable Development of the Urban Land Institute (ULI) in Washington, DC. Prior to joining ULI, McMahon spent 14 years as vice president and director of land use planning for the Conservation Fund in Arlington, VA and was also the co-founder and former president of Scenic America, a national non-profit organization devoted to protecting America's scenic landscapes.

McMahon has an MA in urban studies from the University of Alabama and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law School, where he taught law and public policy from 1976-1985. His latest books include: Developing Sustainable Planned Communities, Green Infrastructure: Linking Landscapes and Communities and Land Conservation Finance.

Advance registration is required. Cost is \$10.00 and includes McMahon's book Better Models for Development in Pennsylvania. Refreshments will be served. To register and for information call the Delaware Highlands Conservancy at 845-807-0535 or 570-226-3164.

The Delaware Highlands Conservancy, located in Hawley, PA and Monticello, NY, works with landowners to conserve the natural and cultural heritage of the Upper Delaware River Region - [www.delawarehighlands.org](http://www.delawarehighlands.org).

Sullivan Renaissance is dedicated to enhancing the appearance of Sullivan County while building a sense of pride and community spirit - [www.sullivanrenaissance.org](http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org).

New York City's Department of Environmental Protection has a comprehensive watershed protection program which focuses on both protective and corrective initiatives, to ensure that its Catskill/Delaware reservoir system remains unfiltered and sustains its extraordinary high quality. Contact 800-575-LAND for more information.

**PROGRAM OFFERED FOR CANCER PATIENTS**

Catskill Regional Medical Center's Cancer Support Group will host the American Cancer Society's "Look Good, Feel Better" program on Thursday, September 17, 2009 from 3-4:30 p.m. The program will be presented by Nel Miros, licensed cosmetologist. This program is also (Next Col.)

sponsored by the National Cosmetology Association, and the Cosmetic, Toilet and Fragrance Foundation. The program will be held in Board Room A, 2nd floor of the Ambulatory Services Building. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED and participants should bring a hand mirror. To register, or for further information about the cancer support group, please call 794-3300 ext. 2831. Cosmetologists who want information about certification classes should call 1-800-395-LOOK, or call Nel at 794-2235.

**SC HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS**

The Sullivan County Historical Society will present on September 14th, at 7:00p.m., at the Sullivan County Museum, Hurleyville, NY, Alice Elliott and her current documentary, "The Callicoon Center Band," and never before screened archival footage of early 20th century logging in Sullivan County. A teacher at NYU Film School and Academy Award nominated director, she will show and tell about historical documentaries, talk about ways to use documents and archival material to story tell, and how to use digital media in service to your story. Bring a DVD you might like to share. We will try to show quick excerpts - 60 seconds or less on a DVD.

**OSSIFRAGA IS HERE**

by Peggy DeWire



As I stood watching a noisy of black fish crows foraging on a Florida beach, it reminded me of their big northern cousins dropping into a cornfield to feed back home in Grahamsville.

A fish crow (*Corvus ossifraga*, meaning bone breaker) is the smallest in the family at 15-17" long. Its overall black plumage is glossy black and small feathers grow halfway down the bill covering the nostrils. It's a mini crow for looks but not for voice.



Its call is a loud hoarse "cah" rather than "caw". Sounds like a crow with a bad cold. A second call is a croaky "oh-oh" that explains why the Seminole word for crow is oha-owa.

The fish crow makes its southern Florida home along coastal waterways, river mouths and sloughs. Also in mangrove swamps. It forages for food on ocean beaches or tidal mud flats, not caring if the water is fresh or salt.

Their diet is mainly vegetable and 25% animal including small crabs and shrimp along with baby rabbits and birds. They also like wild fruit and berries.

In October when dozens of fish crows gather in one area, they live almost exclusively on palmetto berries.

During the winter months when orange, tomato and strawberry crops ripen, fish crows eat them but don't really cause significant damage because other food grows year round in the sub-tropics.

The worst charge against fish crows is robbing nests of other birds, especially wading birds like herons and egrets. They perch in tall trees overlooking the rookeries and wait patiently for a parent bird to leave its nest unprotected - then swoop down to snatch an egg.

In April I watched a pair of fish crows (they mate for life) build their nest in a tall palm beside a golf course. Made of sticks and Spanish moss and lined with pine needles, it became home to four sea green, brown-spotted eggs.

When I pointed out that nest to my friend Helen the next time we played golf, she interrupted me. "You know what else is in it? My golf ball! I saw a fish crow fly up there with it last week!"

A curious crow investigates any possible new source of food. Its cleverness is legendary. I've seen a fish crow neatly remove a sandwich from a plastic wrapper.

Fish crows will hide extra food and cover it with leaves or grass.

I like fish crows in spite of their bold noisy ways. For one thing they look after their fledglings longer than most birds, teaching them all the wily tricks of successful crows.

Family ties are strong. A whole flock will come to the aid of a hurt member.

I've seen fish crows "mobbing" ospreys in the same cooperative attack that big northern crows use to drive red-tailed hawks away.

I just hope that this fish crow family here on the beach with me has not learned how to become golf ball eating crows.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of Karla and Daniel McGuigan for the purpose of review of an application for an Area Variance at 256 Twinshaven Road, Napanoch (Grahamsville), NY (ZBA#12-1-18). The McGuigans are requesting a variance for relief from §50-15 Swimming pools and §50-8 Setback requirements in order to install an in-ground pool and put an enclosure around it.

Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
TOWN OF NEVERSINK  
VERN LINDQUIST, CHAIRMAN

9/3 & 9/10

#### Quotes Requested Fall 2009 Pruning, Trimming & Clean-up

The Town of Neversink Town Board is requesting cost proposals for the Fall 2009 pruning, trimming and clean-up of all trees and shrubs in the following locations: Town Hall - including parking lot area, Bi-Centennial Square Park, Town Pool at fairgrounds, bottom of Denman Mountain Road, entrance to Fairgrounds, First Aid Squad Building, Chestnut Woods Monument and Welcome to the Town of Neversink flower boxes. If you are interested in performing this work, please submit a cost quote to the Town of Neversink Town Clerk at the Town Hall, 273 Main St., PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740 by 4:30 pm on Tuesday October 13, 2009. For more information please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 845-985-2262 x 307.

9/10 9/24 & 10/8

#### THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BOARD OF EDUCATION

Will hold a Regular Board Meeting  
On Thursday, September 10, 2009  
at 7:00 P.M.

In the Secondary School Library Lower Level

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MEETINGAGENDA - September 10, 2009  
Secondary School Library

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. GUESTS
- B. TREASURER'S REPORT
- C. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
  1. Minutes
  2. CSE Recommendations
  3. Building Use Forms
  4. Personnel: Extra-Curricular and Resignation
  5. Discard of Materials
  6. Opening Day Enrollment Numbers
  7. First Reading of "FERPA"
- D. OLD BUSINESS
  1. Tax Installment Payments
- E. BUSINESS REPORT
  1. Warrants
- F. EXECUTIVE SESSION
  1. Negotiations
  2. Personnel
- G. ADJOURNMENT

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR TAXPAYERS

For the 2009-2010 school year, school taxes for the Tri-Valley Central School District will not be collected at the school. They will be collected at Catskill Hudson Bank in the Carrie D's Plaza in Neversink, or you can mail them to:

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PO Box 3132  
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Thank you for your cooperation.

b8/6-9/24

#### STREAM HISTORY DAY GATHERS VALUABLE INPUT (From Pg. 1)

Streamside landowners shared several photos of the Rondout before and after the 2005 flood. "It was just awesome. The night before it was beautiful - gorgeous sunset, still snow on the trees, and this is what we woke up to!" explained Linda Comando, resident along the Rondout Creek, sharing her pictures of collapsed roadways, cars buried in stream sediment and buildings moved off of their foundations. "This is overspill from the Rondout. It came across Hnatiw's field and wiped out Peekamoose Road."

Members of the Southern Catskill Angling Club fondly recollected favorite fishing holes and experiences. One member, James Montgomery, described catching wild native brook trout in a tributary to the upper Rondout.

In addition to photo and story exchange, a participant described a program called Casting for Recovery ([www.castingforrecovery.org](http://www.castingforrecovery.org)), which invites women who are battling or survivors of breast cancer to learn and experience fly-fishing at sites in 38 states across the U.S. Frost Valley hosts this weekend each year in May, supplying an all expenses paid weekend of healing, sharing and recovery.

Mark Vian of the NYCDEP Stream Management Program also shared photos taken as part of this summer's fieldwork on the Rondout Creek, during which Ulster County Community College's Watershed Conservation Corps student interns mapped and documented bank erosion, large woody debris, stormwater culverts and other key stream features.

The stream program team invites anyone else who has photos to share to send them to Sullivan County SWCD at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Rd., Liberty, NY, 12754. Please include your name, photo location, year of photo and contact information. They will make copies and return them to the sender. Digital photos may also be supplied on cd.

On a different note, the team would like to announce that it has posted two positions - Stream Program Coordinator and Streamside Assistance Program Coordinator. These positions can be viewed at [www.CatskillStreams.org](http://www.CatskillStreams.org) or you can contact the District office.

#### SC HISTORIAN JOHN CONWAY (From Pg. 1)

Grandparents, grandchildren, and everyone in between are invited to come enjoy John's gift for oral history as he brings history to life. This free event, co-sponsored by the Livingston Manor Chamber of Commerce and Catskill Art Society, will take place at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY from its creation by the state legislature in 1809 and its subsequent organization the following year, the town of Rockland has been one of the most colorful regions in Sullivan County. Initially popular with hunters and fishermen, and home to some of the county's most productive industries, including sawmill, large tanneries and a baseball bat and bowling pin factory, the town became a popular tourist destination with the arrival of the New York & Oswego Midland Railroad in the 1870s.

Conway will trace the 200-year history of the town with special emphasis on the once legendary abundance of the now extinct passenger pigeon, the baseball bats manufactured there, and the role of the railroad in the town's development.

For more information, call Morgan Outdoors at 845/439 5507 or CAS Art Center at 845/436-4227

#### DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Democratic Caucus will be held in and for the: TOWN OF DENNING

DATE/TIME:

SEPTEMBER 19, 2009 at 6:00 PM

PLACE:

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For the purpose of nominating Democratic Candidates

For

Town Offices for said Town to be voted for at the NOVEMBER 3, 2009 GENERAL ELECTION

Filing Date: 8/25/2009

Signed: Frank Comando, Chairman

**Note:** Only enrolled Democrats of the Town of Denning may vote at this Democratic Caucus.

#### SC SHERIFFS MAKE ARREST AFTER SUSPICIOUS FIRES

A month long investigation by the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office has led to the arrest of a volunteer firefighter.

On September 2, 2009, Detectives from the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office arrested Joshua Hunt, 24, of Glen Spey NY for two counts of Arson in the 2nd degree. Sheriff's Deputies had investigated two suspicious fires that occurred at the Mountain View Resort on High Road in Glen Spey in August. The first fire occurred August 7, 2009 at 10:30pm in a carriage house on the property.



Although the structure was unoccupied at the time, firefighter Roger Bisland of the Lumberland Fire Department was injured at the scene. On August 19, 2009 at approximately 3:04 AM, a four room bungalow on the property caught fire. In both cases, Joshua Hunt, who was a caretaker at the resort and a Lieutenant with the Lumberland Fire Department, called in the alarm. Hunt made admissions to Sheriff's Detectives yesterday, which led to his arrest. Hunt was arraigned before Judge Martin Miller and sent to Sullivan County Jail without bail. He is scheduled to appear tonight (August 3, 2009) in the Town of Thompson justice court at 5:30PM. State Police, Town of Lumberland Constables, and the Sullivan County Bureau of Fire assisted the Sheriff's Office in this investigation.

#### "MUSIC OF OUR TIME" with DORIAN WIND QUINTET and DUO NAVONA fea- turing LEE HOIBY

The 19th annual "Music of Our Time" concert, presenting music written by local composers, will take place on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg. Lee Hoiby, who has lived in Long Eddy, NY for 28 years, is this year's featured composer. Works include Hoiby's Woodwind Sextet, performed by the renowned Dorian Wind Quintet with pianist Betsi Hodges, the 'Cello Sonata, performed by Duo Navona (Betsi Hodges and Brian Hodges), and the Whitman Songs, performed by Steve Utzig of Narrowsburg, baritone, with Lee Hoiby at the piano.

Other composers include Paquito d'Rivera (his woodwind quintet) and Gabriella Morris, a high school sophomore at Livingston Manor Central School.

"Music of Our Time" takes place at Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 26. Tickets are \$15. DVAA members receive a \$2 discount on advance sales. Call the box office at (845) 252-7272.

For more information, visit [ArtsAllianceSite.org](http://ArtsAllianceSite.org).

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**DR. ALFREDO LOPEZ INSPIRES THE FALLSBURG MIGRANT COMMUNITY**  
 (From Pg. 1)

As soon as the main speaker, Dr. Alfredo Lopez, M.D., began his talk, everyone's attention became totally focused on his moving words. With great humility, Dr. Lopez says, "I don't have a lot to say. It is only (emphasis added) my story." But oh what a story it is. He began his journey in America as a five year old newly arrived from Mexico with his parents and siblings. Working in the fields of California as young as he was alongside his family, he learned valuable life lessons about hard work, perseverance, strength of family, and the sense of possibility.

He did not begin schooling until he was ten years old, and he faced his own and his father's resistance. The family would lose the little income that he was bringing in. "What good would education do for his children?" said his father. After several years and the intervention of teachers who cared about Alfredo and saw his promise, mentors encouraged him and supported him to apply to college. Scraping by on scholarships, grants, and loans, Alfredo made it through college and then medical school. His father would become one of his greatest champions. Dr. Lopez is now Medical Director at St. Joseph Hospital in Syracuse. Another brother is a doctor in California, and a second brother is an established architect in Mexico.

Dr. Lopez has worked with migrants in the Syracuse area to provide health care. While he ministers to people's medical needs, he is always touching their hearts and encouraging parents and children to value education and strive to develop young minds. His life is an example to all he meets. It is clear from the attention of the audience in Fallsburg that Dr. Alfredo Lopez has made the most of a challenging early childhood and achieved much more than just his medical career as he reaches out to the migrant community throughout New York State and beyond. "Look at my life. With support and encouragement and hard work, you can do it to." That is the message he imparts.

The Migrant Education Office staff of Robin Robbins, Martha Gonzalez, Michael Maye, and Erick Gonzalez deserves praise for bringing Dr. Lopez to Fallsburg. They are planning to have another program during the school year so more ears, young and old, can hear his simple yet eloquent story and be inspired.

**THE LAST FIRST DAY** (From Pg. 1)

Ms. Vanderzell will be greatly missed by her colleagues, many of whom have been mentored lovingly by her over the years. Clearly many young people have been blessed to have her as a teacher. Just watching her focus on each student on a busy first day one can see how a child feels special to be in her classroom.

There are many first days in a teacher's life, but there is only one last first day. When kiddingly asked if she knew what to do with the children, she said, "I think I remember!" She surely did, and about twenty youngsters were glad that she did.

**CALL FOR ARTISTS "Art in Sixes" Group Show at Alliance Gallery**

Alliance Gallery in Narrowsburg is accepting submissions for "Art in Sixes," a small works show that will be held from November 14-December 23, 2009. This is a juried exhibition. All media will be considered. Each artist may submit up to four works, which must be:

- No larger than 6 inches in any direction (not including frame)
- Professionally finished and ready to hang (pedestals are available)
- All artwork must be for sale

Artwork may be delivered to Alliance Gallery, Delaware Arts Center, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on one of the following days: October 24 and 27-31. Artists must fill out a submission form at time of drop off. Final submission deadline is 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 31. Artists will be notified of acceptance or non-acceptance (via email only) after November 6.

"Art in Sixes" opens at Alliance Gallery on Saturday, November 14 with a reception from 2-4 p.m. The show closes at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23.

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Participants range in age from 26 to 90 and are from many socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.

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Each year CFR holds a Casting for Recovery retreat at the YMCA in Frost Valley.

For more information on the Casting for Recovery program, visit their website: <http://www.castingforrecovery.org>

CFR staffers and volunteers are working to raise more funds and recruit more organizers and more volunteers as the program continues to grow.

### AGNES OF GOD AT THE RIVOLI (From Pg. 1)

The play was written in 1978, based upon a true story that happened outside of Rochester, NY. It opened on Broadway in 1982 and was later adapted for film. At the opening of this riveting drama, Sister Agnes (Marissa Cohen of Ellenville) is brought to court psychiatrist, Dr. Martha Livingstone (Evelyn Albino of New Hampton), who will determine whether she is sane. Startlingly naive, so innocent as to seem angelic, the 21 year old nun stands accused of bearing a child in the convent and strangling it with its umbilical cord - none of which she can remember. Dr. Livingstone, shrewdly rational and an atheist, is convinced that the innocence of this beautiful young woman hides the scars of her childhood. But the convent's worldly Mother Superior, Mother Miriam Ruth (Annie Hat of Hortonville) believes that Agnes is "blessed," "E 2 touched by God" in some mysterious way that science cannot explain. The question of whether Agnes is guilty of the crime is enmeshed in that or whether she is mad...or sainted. The battle between Mother Miriam Ruth, who wishes to protect Agnes' fragile spirit, and Dr. Livingstone, who wants to heal her shattered mind, becomes a fierce examination of man's conflicting needs for rational certainty and for mystery and faith, conducted in a play of striking lyric beauty and dramatic force.

Under the skillful direction of Lori Schneider-Wendt of Hurleyville, the three strong actresses deliver riveting performances in this unquestionably, blindingly theatrical show. Talented Technical Director, Jim Schmidt provides the production with the perfect blend of light and shadows for this play of the mind and miracles. Stage Management duties are shared by Myron "Mike" Gastwirth of Liberty and Jackie Doerr of South Fallsburg.

Performances of Agnes of God are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, September 11, 12, 25, 26 at 8:00 pm and Sunday, September 14, 27 at 2:00 pm in the air conditioned and heated, handicapped accessible, Nartoff-Wells Auditorium of the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. Tickets are \$15 for Adults, \$12 for Senior Citizens (60+) and \$7 for Students, with valid student ID. Please note that due to mature content, this production is not suitable for young children. No advance reservations are necessary - tickets will be available at the box office one hour prior to curtain for each performance. In an effort to make theatre more affordable, don't miss the SCDW's Friday Night Specials - attend any Friday performance, set your own price and "pay what you can afford!" For additional information, phone (845) 436-5336 or 434-7232 or visit [www.scdw.net](http://www.scdw.net) To purchase tickets online, visit [www.ShowTix4U.com](http://www.ShowTix4U.com)

### TURBULENT VOYAGE ON COURSE



Paul Cooper's Henry Hudson play Turbulent Voyage, steered by Director Beverly Brumm, is right on course. Recently the actors got their first glimpse of the costumes prepared by Maya Milne, Costume Designer. This was an event eagerly awaited by Bruce Pileggi, who plays Henry Hudson. "When an actor puts on his or her costume," he says, "something wonderful happens. The character and the costume each enrich the other."

Playwright Cooper agrees. "Whenever I come to these rehearsals," he says, "I'm always surprised by some lovely acting details that would not have occurred to me -- especially when the costumes start to arrive."

"Turbulent Voyage," the Art Society of Kingston's Quadracentennial play, will be performed at the ASK Arts Center, 97 Broadway, Friday and Saturday, September 25th and 26th, October 2nd at 8:00 pm, and Sunday, October 4th, at 3:00 pm. Admission is \$12 for members and \$15 non-members and reservations will be taken at (845) 338-0331.



members can use silks, satins and velvets for a traditional appearance or quilting cottons for a more modern look.

Anne Foland's workshop is titled "All This for a Nickel." This nickel is a five-inch square quilting fabric. This course will offer four patterns that can be sewn using only five-inch squares. Patterns include beach party, streak of lightening, path and styles and a special treat. This class will be structured toward participants' level of ability.

Bob Silverman returns of his second year of instruction at Frost Valley. His class will be "Scrap Basket Quilts." He will demonstrate how to use the scraps that all quilters accumulate to construct a quilt using all squares, rectangles and

**FROST VALLEY YMCA 13th QUILTING WEEKEND SET** (From Pg. 1)

Katrina Litchman will be the lead instructor for the weekend. Her class is titled "Art Quilting." This workshop will take participants away from triangles, squares and patterns into the world of free-form composition with surprising results. Class members will learn the art of spontaneous quilting.

The "St. James Star" is the focus of Kris Driessen's workshop. Participants will learn how to make the Flying Geese blocks using the Quilt-in-Day Ruler, then create star blocks and set them on point. By adding a small flange and a large border, class members can show off their quilting skills and create a great lap-sized quilt. This class is ideal for the confident beginner who makes to improve their skills.

Sherry Sega will offer a class on Quilted Jackets. This excellent class for all levels of quilters will show a variety of techniques as participants learn how to transform a sweatshirt into a unique quilted jacket.

Kathleen Davies will present a "Crazy Quilt Class" including basic block construction, use of ribbon and lace embellishments, buttons, basic beading and embroidery stitches. Class (Next Col.)

half-square triangles so there are actually no triangles to sew. Basic skills are needed, making this an excellent class for the "confident beginner."

The weekend retreat package includes lodging, meals and one weekend workshop. The workshops will be filled in order of paid signups.

Overnight guests will have the option of staying of several types of lodging (including dorm-style, inn-style and hotel-style. Day guests are also welcome for workshop instruction and lunch.

Check-in for the 13th annual Frost Valley Quilting Weekend begins at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30, followed by an evening program.

This weekend is designed for quilters of all ages and abilities. Quilting vendors will have their booths open throughout the event, including goods from Woodstock Quilt Supply and Quilt Bug Quilt Shop.

A complete materials list will be sent to quilters prior to check-in. Participants at the Quilting Weekend will also have ample free time to explore the Frost Valley and enjoy its many season program offerings. Frost Valley YMCA is located at 2000 Frost Valley Road, Claryville, NY 12725. For information or reservations, please call 845 985-2291, ext. 205 or e-mail: info@frostvalley.org. www.frostvalley.org. (Next Col.)

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**MEL MEDNICK (From Pg. 1)**

Seventeen sixsomes with a few foursomes played golf and enjoyed lunch and dinner to honor the memory of Mel Mednick, who served the Fallsburg Central School District since 1980 as a counselor and member of the Board of Education until his sudden death earlier this year. The Championship Flight was won by the team of Nate and Ira Steingart, Jeremy Levner, Mike Novogrodsky, Wayne Pimos, and Billy Jakaitis. The Mulligan Group winners were Brian Benzenberg, Tony Massar, John Evans, Ivan Katz, Mark Fedun, and Aaron Salovin.

Mel Mednick's family and friends number in the thousands, and they all wanted to remember him with scholarships at the high school that meant so much to him. The individual sponsors, including Silver, Bronze, and Friend categories, are far too numerous to mention. The Platinum (\$1000) sponsors were Dr. David Drew; Robert Green Chevrolet; Fallsburg Teachers Association; Anaconda Sports in Kingston; Rolling V Bus Corp.; Darren and Julie Schwartz; Jennifer and Steve Berry; Sue Altman and Richard Newberg; Murry's Chickens; Kagan Meats; Mr. & Mrs. Michael Mednick and Family; Kotler and Zuewsky Family; and Kohl's. Gold (\$500) sponsors were: Fallsburg High School Student Government Association; Frank Godlewski and Tennanah Lake Golf Club; Scott, Stephanie & John Humrickhouse; Pepsi Cola of the Hudson Valley; Michaels & Associates Inc.; Anthony Rodriguez and Fidelis Care; and Gold's Horseradish.

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teachers, and Mednick family members that worked tirelessly to plan and make the day so successful as the event raised close to \$15,000. To quote the brochure, "Mel would be touched and proud at the outpouring of affection. His memory will live on through scholarships in his name."

If you would like to contribute to these scholarships, please contact Steve Janove at (845) 434-6800 or [sjanove@fallsburgcsd.net](mailto:sjanove@fallsburgcsd.net).

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## UC RECIEVES \$750 THOUSAND IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS (From Pg. 1)

The \$400 thousand, county-wide housing rehabilitation grant will be administered by the Rural Ulster Preservation Company (RUPCO) and will assist eligible households in a variety of ways. "We are extremely pleased to assist the County to deliver these critical housing rehabilitation services," said Kevin O'Connor, RUPCO's Executive Director. "At the time of our application, we had 251 homeowners on our waiting list, half of whom were either senior or disabled. Remarkably, fully of these homeowners had incomes at less than 30% of the County median. This investment will save taxpayer money in so many ways. It will allow seniors to remain in their homes, eliminate health and safety violations, improve energy efficiency to lower utility costs and ultimately, sustain our housing stock for the next generation of homebuyers."

The farm worker housing rehabilitation program will address the critical rehabilitation needs for farm-worker housing in Ulster County.

The program also provides an economic shot in the arm for farmers that need to provide housing for their workers - and will help to ensure that their farm businesses remain financially viable.

"I am very pleased Ulster County will have another round of farm worker housing projects. It helps both our local farmers and workers," said Hector Rodriguez, Chair of the Ulster County Legislature's Economic Development, Housing Planning and Transit Committee.

He added, "Cornell Cooperative's track record with this program is impeccable. Our housing rehabilitation program will ensure that residents will be able to have quality housing stock that they can be proud of."

"It is welcome news that Ulster County was awarded these valuable grants. It will help sustain our seniors, working families and farm families, all of whom need as much assistance as possible during these very difficult times," said County Executive Hein. "I would also

like to acknowledge Congressman Hinchey's role in securing these grants. He has been a tireless advocate for this program and we appreciate his efforts."

Michael Berg, Chairman of the Ulster County Housing Consortium said, "These grant awards are very badly needed. Housing is a huge issue for the well being of our residents, the integrity of our workforce and our ability to attract businesses to Ulster County. I'm sure these funds will be put to very good use."

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and New York funding is provided through the New York State Office of Community Renewal. The CDBG program is a flexible program that provides communities with a wide range of unique community programs and is designed to assist persons of low and moderate income. The CDBG program is one of the longest continually run HUD programs.

## ASSEMBLYWOMAN GUNTHER ANNOUNCES \$800,000.00 FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D/C/I-Forestburgh) announced today that \$800,000.00 in grants were awarded that will help revitalize Main Streets and modernize local infrastructure.

The awards, which are financed through the New York State Community Development Block Grant (NYS CDBG) and New York Main Street programs are going to the Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce, \$200,000.00 and \$600,000.00 to the Town of Liberty.

"These grants are much needed, will save taxpayers money and improve these communities," said Gunther. "Upgrading infrastructure and revitalizing downtown business districts makes New York a better place to live, work and raise a family."

The Community Development Block Grant of \$600,000 for the Town of Liberty will finance well-head protection and replacement of outdated transite pipe that supplies water to the White Sulphur Springs Water District. The project is slated to begin this fall.

The New York Main Street program grant of \$200,000 for the Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce is a matching grant program for the renovation of facades and other streetscape improvements.

"I want to thank Assemblywoman Gunther for her support in helping to secure this grant," said John Schmidt, Supervisor of the Town of Liberty. "I would like to also thank the DEC for their support as well as the residents of White Sulphur Springs."

## GUNTHER: GOVERNOR SIGNS BILL TO ALLOW INCREASE IN NUMBER OF TRUSTEES ON MAMAKATING LIBRARY BOARD

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D, C, I - Forestburgh) announced that Governor Paterson signed her bill (A7185) on August 26th authorizing the Mamakating library district board to increase the number of trustees from five up to fifteen. The current board of the library had requested the legislation in order to increase involvement, support and community input in the library.

"I was happy to carry this legislation to expand the Mamakating Library District's board of trustees," said Gunther. "Increasing community support and participation is important to the success of the Library. During these economically difficult times, our libraries are more important and vital for the community. I commend the Mamakating Library for their hard work and success."

## UC FILES SUIT AGAINST NEVELE RESORT FOR OUTSTANDING TAXES AND PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

On Friday, August 28, 2009 Ulster County filed a lawsuit, in New York State Supreme Court, against Nevele Hotel, LLC to ensure that all claims by the County for outstanding payments in lieu of taxes and other unpaid taxes are satisfied before the closing of any auction sale of the property, scheduled for September 1. According to the complaint, the total amount due Ulster County is \$290,959.16, plus penalties, interest and attorneys' fees.

Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (UCIDA) was also named in the action by Ulster County, but UCIDA was included solely for procedural purposes and Ulster County is not seeking any payments or remedies from UCIDA. The UCIDA is actively cooperating with the County to see that all payments are made and that the County is made whole.

In March 2007, UCIDA entered into an Amended Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Agreement with Nevele. The agreement was entered into because, at the time, UCIDA held title to the Nevele Resort and the property was exempt from property taxes. However, in consideration for the tax breaks and other benefits it received, Nevele agreed to make annual monetary payments, in lieu of taxes, to Ulster County, the Town of Warwarsing, Ellenville Central School District and the Village of Ellenville.

In 2008, UCIDA conveyed the Nevele Resort premises to Nevele Hotel, LLC, which terminated its tax exempt status, however, Nevele agreed to satisfy existing County, Town and Highway Taxes, in three installments. The complaint states that Nevele made the first payment, but not the second or third totaling \$74,290.65. Subsequently, Nevele refused to pay 2009 County, Town, Highway and Special District Taxes totaling \$161,388.51 which, according to law, the County was obligated to advance to those taxing entities. The County also alleges that Nevele owes unpaid Ulster County Motel Tax in the amount of \$55,280.

The action is being prosecuted by Keane and Beane, LLC, as Special Counsel, with assistance from the Ulster County Attorney.

"This matter is now in the hands of the Court and we will allow the justice system to run its due course," said County Executive Hein. "That being said, we work very hard to help businesses in Ulster County succeed and to offer them the incentives that allow them to create and

retain jobs. In return, we expect them to keep their word and abide by the agreements that they make.

It is unfortunate that the County was forced to resort to the legal system to protect the taxpayers of Ulster County. We look forward to the time when the jobs that were lost at the Nevele return to Ulster County."

## AUGUST EDITION OF ECONOMY WATCH GIVES INDICATIONS STATE LIMPING TOWARD RECOVERY

Economic Indicators from the August edition of the NYSAC Economy Watch appear to signal that the New York State economy is limping toward recovery.

"These are the strongest numbers we have seen since we have been tracking the economic indicators last year," said NYSAC President Sarah Purdy, the Yates County Administrator. "The good news is that manufacturing is showing some slight signs of recovery, unemployment seems to have stabilized and consumer confidence is gaining. However, the recession has left a scar on our economy and unfortunately it will take both time and serious efforts to demonstrate a true economic resurgence."

According to the latest Economy Watch (available at [www.nysac.org](http://www.nysac.org)):

\* New York's Business Barometer, the Index of Coincident Economic Indicators (ICEI), rose for the first time since July of 2008. It had previously declined for 11 consecutive months and 14 of the past 15 months.

\* The State's unemployment rate, before seasonal adjustment, remained steady at 8.6% unchanged from last month.

\* Consumer confidence soared in August increasing 4.8 points since last month, to its highest level in 20 months, according to the Siena Research Institute's monthly consumer confidence survey.

\* The Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Empire State Manufacturing Survey showed the General Business Conditions Index rose 13 points for the month to its highest level since November of 2007.

"The figures contained in the Economy Watch, although promising, do not mean that New York's economy is out of the woods as of yet. The size of the impending State deficit and the impact it may have on state and local government finances could have a chilling effect on what may be the beginning of the state's economic recovery," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "Without prompt action by the State to address its structural budget deficit issues and the underlying costs of doing business in New York State, these preliminary but promising indications of renewed economic growth could be short lived."

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Agudas Achim is affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism. However retaining a traditional feeling to our services is very important. Rabbi Fredric Pomerantz will lead Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services with the assistance of Marian Kleinman our Cantorial Soloist. His warm personality and her beautiful music will help create a special opportunity for introspection and atonement during the Days of Awe. Our historic synagogue helps create a spiritual atmosphere which enhances the prayer experience. Rabbi Pomerantz is beginning his fifth year as the spiritual leader of Agudas Achim.

The congregation conducts an annual non-perishable food drive to benefit the Livingston Manor food pantry. Donations should be brought to services. We join with other Reform congregations which hold similar drives to remind us of our obligations to those less fortunate. Also we hold a communal Yom Kippur break-fast.

For more information about the high holidays or the Agudas Achim community call Bob Freedman at 845-439-5708, Ellen Singer at 845-482-4100 or Judy Siegel at 845-292-2552. Registration for our Hebrew School is now open. Additional information is also available at

[www.congregationagudasachim.org](http://www.congregationagudasachim.org)

**Holiday Service Schedule:**

**Rosh Hashanah**

Evening-Friday -September 18th -8:00 pm  
 Morning-Saturday -September 19th-10:00 am

**Yom Kippur**

Kol Nidre Sunday-September 27th-7:30 pm promptly  
 Morning Monday -September 28th-9:30 am  
 Yiskor will follow morning prayer (will not begin before) 11:30 am  
 Nilah-4:15 pm

**Community Break-fast** will be held following services -6:45 pm approximately

**Youth Programs** - Parents must accompany children under 6  
 September 19th-10:30 am- Young children for ages 3-6  
 September 28th-11:30 am- Youth Program for ages 7-12

**POETS OF "25" TO READ at ASK**

The Arts Society of Kingston (ASK), 97 Broadway in the Rondout section of Kingston, will present a reading by the poets in "25," ASK's first literary publication, on Wednesday, October 28, at 7:00 p.m.

Edited by Ernst Schoen-René, the anthology includes poems by the editor and by Therese Broderick, Art Brown, Paul Cooper, Margaret Dixon, Lewis Gardner, Sandra Gardner, Bruce Grund, Murray Kiok, Judith Lechner, Phillip Levine, Lois Linet, Cheryl Rice, Marcia Slatkin, and Fernando Valdivia.

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 9 am - 2 pm  
 &  
**Luncheon**  
 11 am - 1 pm  
 Sept. 22, 2009

## QUEEN OF THE NETHERLANDS HONORS HINCHEY WITH DUTCH ROYAL MEDAL (From Pg. 1)

Her Royal Highness Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands has honored Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) with the Dutch Royal Officer in the Order of Orange-Nassau Medal for the congressman's work to commemorate the quadricentennial anniversary of Henry Hudson's exploration and discovery of the river in New York that now bears his name and for his efforts to strengthen the U.S.-Netherlands relationship.

The Ambassador of the Netherlands to the United States Mrs. Renee Jones, and Consul-General in New York, Mr. Gajus Scheltema, presented the medal to Hinchey at a ceremony on Friday, September 4, 2009 in the Office of the Consulate-General located at One Rockefeller Plaza in New York City.

"I am extremely humbled and honored by Her Royal Highness Queen Beatrix's decision to award me with such a prestigious royal medal on behalf of her country," Hinchey said. "New York and the Netherlands have such a rich shared history that is being strengthened through the quadricentennial celebrations of Henry Hudson's discovery and exploration of the river that now bears his name. I have long had a great admiration for the Dutch people's contributions to the establishment of our state and have sought to help share that history with my fellow New Yorkers. It's a truly rewarding experience to receive this medal and I will cherish it greatly."

The Order of Orange-Nassau Medal is awarded by Her Royal Highness Queen Beatrix to people who she believes deserve appreciation and recognition from society for the special way in which they have carried out their activities with great character. The royal medal is also awarded to those who have reached special achievements in his/her work. Such 'outstanding or exceptional services in the working environment' must exceed what might normally be expected of a person in that position. This refers to personal dedication, vision and qualities. Furthermore, the merits of the honoree must have a genuinely positive impact on society as a whole. The royal medal is one of The Netherlands' highest civil honors.

In March 2009, Hinchey traveled to Amsterdam to join Her Royal Highness Queen Beatrix for a kickoff of the Netherlands' quadricentennial celebration of Henry Hudson's journey. The congressman initiated the federal effort to organize this year's celebrations in New York of Hudson's historic voyage as well as the quadricentennial anniversary of Samuel de Champlain's exploration of the lake that now bears his name and the bicentennial celebration of Robert Fulton's invention of the steamboat in New York. In addition to meeting with the queen, Hinchey had a full agenda during his four day trip to the Netherlands that included meetings with various political leaders to discuss U.S.-Netherlands partnerships on renewable energy and economic matters.

The congressman, who has a long public record of supporting historic preservation and advancing programs that help inform the public about New York's rich history, has long been interested in the story of Henry Hudson's voyage up the now-Hudson River in 1609 and the subsequent development of New York by the Dutch. The settlement of the Dutch in New York led to the city becoming the most important travel region in the newly developed America. The importance of the river increased over time and led to the development of the Erie Canal, which enabled a growing population to move further west. The development of the canal also made New York City the most significant city on the east coast, settling what had been a two-way competition between Boston and Philadelphia for that status. The establishment of New York as a trading post also made the city a center for international trade.

While the congressman was in Amsterdam earlier this year, he traveled to The Hague for meetings with Members of Parliament, as well as with Ministers and Director Generals to discuss policy issues of mutual concern, including the economy, food safety, and sustainable energy. The congressman discussed his efforts to make New York an international leader in solar energy research and development and sought ways to partner with the Netherlands on solar energy products developed in the United States. Hinchey also met with the U.S. Ambassador to the Netherlands, James Culbertson, (Next Col.)

as well as members of the diplomatic corps.

Hinchey also visited the Royal Dutch Mint in Utrecht for the striking of the Henry Hudson Commemorative Coin and the New Amsterdam coin. Hinchey held meetings with various mayors of Dutch towns, culminating in a visit to Breukelyn, the town from which the Borough of Brooklyn in New York derives its name. Hinchey also traveled to the Anne Frank House for a private visit to what is now a museum and solemn reminder of the remarkable young woman.

Hinchey noted how Amsterdam was the most diverse city in the world during the 17th Century and how the integration of New York City was patterned after the integration of the population in the Netherlands. The congressman pointed out that many parts of New York City, such as Brooklyn and Harlem, are named after places in the Netherlands.

"Our close relationship with the Netherlands continues and this quadricentennial celebration brings that to the fore and enables people to understand and celebrate the 400th anniversary of this very important event. I look forward to our two nations strengthening our relationship even further over the next century and then celebrating the 500th anniversary of Henry Hudson's discovery and exploration."

Hinchey has personally secured \$1.39 million from Congress for quadricentennial celebrations in New York. In 2002, New York State enacted legislation creating a state quadricentennial commemoration commission. Using the funds that Hinchey secured, the National Park Service (NPS) is coordinating educational, cultural and historical projects with the state commission while also consulting with the congressman. The state commission and the NPS are also working together to support and facilitate marketing efforts for other commemorative related activities.

Hinchey is the author of the legislation that created the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area, the first federal action formally recognizing the fundamentally significant role the people of the Hudson Valley played in the early development of America and its institutions. The congressman has worked to secure various allocations of funding for the heritage area.

Information on New York's planned quadricentennial celebration can be found at [www.exploreny400.com/Home.aspx](http://www.exploreny400.com/Home.aspx).

## UC EXECUTIVE HEIN ASKS DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND COUNTY SHERIFF TO TAKE IMMEDIATE DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Last week, the Ulster County Executive's Office was notified of potentially improper emails on the County computer system and immediately launched an investigation. The preliminary results of this investigation indicate that four individuals appear to have participated in the dissemination of pornographic material, which is a clear and intolerable violation of County policy. The individuals involved are employed by the offices of the Ulster County District Attorney and the Ulster County Sheriff.

County Executive Hein said, "I will not stand for egregious violations of policies and procedures in any way, shape or form. My office has provided extensive preventative training, along with clear notification to County employees, regarding my administration's 'Zero Tolerance' policy on workplace harassment. Any inappropriate behavior that brings discredit to the County will be met with the same 'Zero Tolerance' stance.

In reference to specific measures taken in response to this incident, the County Executive said, "My administration takes this issue extremely seriously. As such, I have informed the Ulster County Legislature. In addition, I have called upon the Ulster County District Attorney and the Ulster County Sheriff to take swift and decisive disciplinary action. Further, I ordered a complete independent investigation of this incident to be conducted by Special Labor Counsel."

The County Executive added, "My administration is committed to addressing these issues, immediately. I will not tolerate this, or any other inappropriate behavior. I will continue to fight every day to deliver the great government that the (Next Col.)

people of Ulster County so clearly deserve."

## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY

September 1, 2009 - Registration is now open for the Ninth Annual Catskills Local Government Day, to be held Thursday, Oct. 15 at Belleayre Mountain Ski Center.

The Catskill Watershed Corporation will sponsor the event, whose theme this year is "Climate Change Made Local." To see the agenda and register electronically, go to [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org). Registration materials may also be obtained by calling toll free 877-WAT-SHED, or 845-586-1400.

Elected and appointed government officials and employees, economic and environmental planners, and interested community members are welcome to attend. Space is limited; registration deadline is October 9. A \$10 fee includes all presentations and workshops, as well as lunch.

The event will feature presentations on the science of climate change along with discussions of its potential impacts on municipal and community infrastructure and on the economy of New York and the Catskills. Examples of area municipalities that have already taken steps to address flooding hazards and insurance costs, reduce energy use and minimize their carbon footprints will be highlighted.

Members of planning and zoning boards may wish to take advantage of a two-hour training session on "Promoting Climate Protection Through Land Use Tools." A workshop for town board members, highway department heads and other municipal officials will focus on examining the vulnerability of community infrastructure - from buildings and parks to sewer plants, water systems and street lights. "Green Means Business" will look at how businesses can save money using sustainable practices, and the potential for jobs in the renewable energy field.

The featured lunchtime speaker, Mimi Katzenbach, will explain the Transition Movement by which communities work towards locally-based energy, economic and social systems - not unlike the Catskills of the pre-World War II era -- as a strategy for meeting a future of weather extremes, fossil fuel depletion and other challenges.

Local Government Day is being planned with the environment in mind. Promotion, outreach and registration are being handled electronically to reduce paper consumption. Those unable to register online will receive materials printed on 100% recycled paper. To encourage car pooling to the conference, CWC will give bottles of local maple syrup to all those who arrive in vehicles occupied by two or more people.

Belleayre Ski Center, the venue for the event, has been working diligently for the past few years to cut resource and energy consumption and to recycle waste. Attendees will have an opportunity to view plans for the new "green" lower lodge being planned at the state-run facility. Belleayre management and its food service purveyor, Boston Concessions, are working in collaboration with CWC consultant Hospitality Green to address potential areas of waste and redundancy at Local Government Day.

The CWC is a non-profit organization based in Margaretville. It is committed to protecting water resources, encouraging environmentally friendly economic development and supporting watershed education in the five-county New York City Watershed west of the Hudson River.

## ZENTANGLE WORKSHOP A DELAWARE VALLEY ARTS ALLIANCE

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance presents Zentangle 101, a workshop with Linda Cobb on Saturday, September 26 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Delaware Arts Center, 37 Main St, Narrowsburg, NY.

Zentangle is an easy to learn method of creating beautiful images from repetitive patterns. This new art form is fun and relaxing, and is suitable for all ages and skill levels. Creating a Zentangle is a process of simple deliberate strokes, which build on each other in surprising ways. Zentangle is an unusual approach to art because you have no idea what its result will be when you begin. For more information on this art form, visit [zentangle.com](http://zentangle.com).

Linda Cobb will host a Zentangle 101 workshop at the Delaware Arts Center Saturday, September 26, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tuition is \$35 (which includes supplies). To register, call (845) 252-7576.

THE TOWNSMAN CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department**

[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)

(845) 985-2262 extension 312

**Games & Socializing** FREE fun every Friday afternoon 1 pm - 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Town Hall. -

**Paint Your Own Pottery** Saturday October 17. Town Hall 10 am. \$7 residents \$20 non-residents must be paid no later than October 6.

**Shopping Garden State Plaza** Tuesday November 17. Leave Town Hall 8 am and return at approximately 7 pm. This trip is for adults 21 and over. A non-refundable \$20 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than October 6.

**FREE BINGO** Friday November 20 Town Hall 7 pm Bring a non-perishable food item for the local food pantry.

**FREE Pizza & Christmas Craft** Friday December 4. 5:30 pm Town Hall. Quick dinner & decorate Gingerbread cookies. All supplies will be provided. FREE to residents/\$8 non-residents must be signed up no later than November 10.

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**LIBERTY MONTHLY PARENTS FOR PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING**

The Parents for Parents Support Group will meet on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 from 6:00-7:30p.m., at the Sullivan County BOCES campus, Rubin Pollack Education Center, Liberty, NY. Come to the E-Wing entrance - Follow the signs at the second driveway. The meeting will take place in room E8.

The meeting's theme will be "Welcome Back!" and will give parents a chance to connect with the group facilitators and other parents. Bring your children to the support group evening and, while parents are connecting, the kids will have fun with staff from Sullivan County BOCES and the Sullivan County Department of Community Services, playing games and doing crafts. The theme for the child activities will be "Up, Up and Away!" Snacks will be provided for the children and coffee and tea will be provided for parents. Free transportation can be arranged with prior notice. In addition to a parent support group, a Sibling Support Group meets at the same time. This support group is for siblings between the ages of 11 and 15, of the family member with an emotional or behavioral issue. This meeting takes place in a separate room and offers youth a safe, confidential place to share feelings and engage in fun activities. You must call to register.

To register and to arrange for transportation to and from the meeting, please contact Debbie O'Malley (295-4040) or Sherry Eidel (295-4042), Sullivan County BOCES' Parent Educators/Resource Facilitators.

**MEETING OF LONG TERM CARE COUNCIL**

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, the single Point of Entry for information about long term care services in Sullivan County.

The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, September 16, 2009, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd Floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, NY. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public. (Next Col.)

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- Dept. of Motor Vehicles - Neversink Town Hall - 10 am - 2 :30 pm**
- Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)
- ERH Auxillary Annual Luncheon at Eagle's Nest -call (845) 210-1431 or (845) 647-5817
- Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals
- Tri-Valley AARP #1604 Meeting-** 1:30 pm Town Hall Grahamsville
- Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Meeting - 7:30 Neversink Fire House
- Annual Jakes Extravaganza @** Frost Vally YMCA-Claryville
- Grahamsville Reformed Church Roas Pork Dinner 4-7 pm
- Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Show** 9 am-4 kpm
- Claryville Fire Dept. Monthly Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon
- Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)
- Claryville Fire Dist. Meeting - 7:00pm
- Grahamsville Fire District Meeting
- Neversink Fire Dist Meeting - 7:30 pm - Public Meeing 8:00 pm
- Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper** 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
- Extreme JAKE Pheasant Hunt (pre-registration required) call (845)439-3738
- Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall
- Tri-Valley AARP #1604 Meeting-** 1:30 pm Town Hall Grahamsville
- Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
- First Thursday Readers Group** Meeting 1:00 p.m. at the Daniel Pierce Library
- Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- Grahamsville Reformed Church Smorgasbord Dinner 4 - 7 pm
- Town of Neversink Board Meeting
- Dept. of Motor Vehicles - Neversink Town Hall - 10 am - 2 :30 pm**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Neversink Rondout Antique Tractor Fall Show** Sept. 19-20 9 am-4 pm  
Oct 3rd -- 24th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade!!!

**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>

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The Long Term Care Council recently completed a Gap Analysis of Long Term Care Services. This report (53 pages) and the Executive Summary excerpted from this report (4 pages) are available upon request. For further information about the Gap \ Analysis Report (Next Col.)

or the Long Term Care Council, please contact Martha Scoppa, Point of Entry Coordinator, SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, Office for the Aging, 100 North Street, P.O. Box 5012, Monticello, NY 12701, or (845) 794-3000, ext. 0257.



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**5769-5770 HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES 2009**

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Friday Evening	September 18th	7:00 PM
Saturday Morning	September 19th	9:30 AM
Saturday Evening	September 19th	7:00 PM
Sunday Morning	September 20th	9:30 AM

**Yom Kippur Services**

Sunday Evening	September 27th	7:00 PM	Kol Nidrei
Monday Morning	September 28th	9:30 AM	
<b>Yiskor Services</b>	<b>September 28th</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	
Monday Afternoon	September 28th	4:30 PM	

Services this year will be conducted by the Gottliebs  
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### Denning Democrats

The Democratic Caucus is September 19, 2009 @ 6:00 PM, Sundown Church Hall (see legal notice is in this publication).

Remember these seats are paid positions.

Want to run for office in the Town of Denning or are you seeking a Democratic endorsement? If so, send your resume to Democratic Committee Chair, Frank Comando 135 Peekamoose Road Sundown N.Y. 12740

We have a right to elect a new slate in the Town of Denning this November. Contact the new Denning Democratic Committee. Send your suggestions for improving the Town of Denning to; email, [denningdems@yahoo.com](mailto:denningdems@yahoo.com) or call 845.985.0501

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### Knarf's "Classic Movie" Trivia

*The Trouble With Harry*: (1955)

Alfred Hitchcock's comical humor is obviously apparent in this good clean fun for the entire family film, when a corpse creates a world of trouble for several passers by, who each believe they may have caused the death. Cast: Edmund Gwenn, John Forsythe, and Shirley MacLaine. Dir: Alfred Hitchcock. C-99 mins, TV-PG, CC, Letterbox Format, see it on TCM, Tuesday September 15, @ 8:00 PM  
A. Which of these actors in this film, because of his looks and attitude, portrayed one of the most famous and loved Santa Claus characters of all time?  
B. Who was cast as Jennifer Rogers?

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

Well it's the 24th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade coming on Saturday, October 3, 2009- 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Parade Begins at 9:00 AM Grahamsville Fairgrounds, Route 55  
**FREE ADMISSION RAIN OR SHINE!**  
Park at the fairgrounds and take the bus to the Daniel Pierce Library- for the Children's Parade. The shuttle will run from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. This service is being donated by Gershowitz Transportation, Inc.

We all hold that the *Holocaust of September 11* will long be remembered as "The New Millennium Day of Traitorous Infamy." This is the eighth anniversary of our fallen. We cannot forget some of our most courageous citizens, our *9/11 Heroes*, the volunteer firefighters, construction workers, police, and medical personal that rushed to the sneak-attacked disaster area of the Twin Towers. These men and women, who are now sick with lung disease and other health problems that was caused by their volunteering to help their neighbors by working in the contaminated rubble of the *Twin Towers war torn area* looking for survivors, are the heroes that are still waiting for the US government to approve the Health Bill that is now their only hope for health care as their health insurance, companies have refused to cover them. Close to 6,500 of our friends, relatives, and neighbors are already dead. Let none of us rest until those responsible are brought to justice. In remembrance of all who suffered from this terrible catastrophe, and for Philomena Giordano Gobitz, Mr. C's 43 year old niece who perished in this *9/11 Holocaust*.

Bye,

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