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Time and the Valleys Museum Lost Catskill Farm Autumn Gala a great Event

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - The Time and the Valleys Museum's Catskill Farm Autumn Gala held on Sunday September 17th was an enjoyable event for all.

Held at Geyer Hall at Frost Valley Claryville, with food catered by the Neversink



Photo by Dennis Muthig

Barbara Purcell's daughter Lisa Garigliano accepting the award for Barbara, Dick Coombe Museum President Board of Trustees and Barry Lewis, vice President.

General Store, the event brought together people from all over showing their support of the Museum. Three people were honored for their long time efforts on behalf of the museum in many crucial ways. Founding member and long time trustee Barbara Purcell of Grahamsville, Town of Neversink Historian and museum founder Carol Smythe of Grahamsville and trustee David Forshay of Willowemoc.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is open weekends Memorial Day to the end of September, noon to 4 p.m.. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

All Museum exhibitions are interac-

tive and both fun and educational for all ages:

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

- Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.
- 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a farmhouse, outhouse, barn, electric plant, milk house and working waterwheel help visitors experience life in the 1930s through displays, videos, games and hands on activities, including the new exhibition As the Wheel Turns: Water Powered Industries in the Catskills.
- New! Bittersweet Memories: Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds a collaborative augmented reality art exhibition of the buildings and homes taken for NYC's water system.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, a collaboration between the National Endowment of the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and over 1,500 museums across America to provide free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day.



Photo by Dennis Muthig

David Forshay receiving the Golden Hammer award with Vice President Barry Lewis.



Photo by Dennis Muthig

Carol Smythe, Town of Neversink Historian with Barry Lewis.

For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700

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On the Front Burner: The way of the just is uprightness; thou, most upright, dost weight the path of the just.

Isaiah 26:7

OBITUARY

Charles R. Van Nostrand, Jr. passed away on August 24, 2023, suddenly and unexpectedly at the age



of 85, following a successful hip replacement surgery at **Garnet Health Medical Center** in **Middletown, NY**. A resident of **Lake**

Placid, Florida at the time of his passing, "Charlie" as he was known to most, had been a long-time resident in the **Catskill Mountains**, beginning in **Claryville**, and later in **Grahamsville**.

Born in **Queens, New York**, to **Helen Louise and Charles R. VanNostrand, Sr.**, he grew up in **Port Washington, NY**. He attended **Blair Academy** in **NJ** during his high school years and then served in the **US Army** in the mid-1950's as a **chopper pilot**.

During his working years that followed, Charles served as **President and CEO of Samuel French** in **New York City**, and **Chairman of the Board of Samuel French Ltd.**, **London**, for 14 years from 1992 until his retirement in 2006. He presided over the agency, which published the works of many major playwrights, composers and lyricists and licensed the works of thousands more to professional theaters, amateur groups, and high school drama clubs throughout the world.

Samuel French was founded in 1830 by his great-grandfather **T. R. Edwards** and was the oldest and largest publisher and licensor of plays and musicals in the English-speaking world until it was acquired by **Concord** in 2019.

His greatest joy, and the happiest days of his life were spent atop a tractor in the fields of his beloved **Van's Farm** on **Merritt Road**. The end of the day would be spent with a **JWB** (with a "kazoom" of water) in hand, perfectly content with his view

from the mountaintop. Despite not having grown up on a farm, Charlie was an excellent farmer, raising hogs and beef. He was always concerned about his animal's welfare and their comfort. He was also concerned about the health of his farm, evidenced by his being awarded a prize for his conservation practices by **New York State**. He combined his city life with his country life seamlessly during these days. The saddest days of his life were having to sell his farm and auction off the equipment. He never got over that.

A generous and compassionate man, he made everyone feel that they had a special bond with him. He was a great listener, an even better advice-giver. A storyteller beyond compare. And oh, so smart. He was the go-to-man for any project, large or small, as he had a mind that could look at the task from many angles to find the exact right solution.

Charlie had zero tolerance for those who betrayed him, however. He could also be stubborn in his ways and his opinions at times. Those who chose to engage with him on issues, usually walked away with another viewpoint and new knowledge, appreciating that they would just disagree on the subject.

His hobbies later in life consisted of boating, fishing, reading, and watching movies. His greatest challenge was attempting to understand technology and the point of the ever-changing world we live in. He will be sadly missed by all.

Arrangements will be private. A **Celebration of Life** will be held in the **Spring**, hosted by his Goddaughter **Cindy Heaton** and her husband **Ken**.

Carl L. Landon, of **Claryville, NY**, passed away on **September 12, 2023** at **Albany Stratton VA Medical Center**. He was 73.

He was the son of the late **Alfred J. Landon** and **Ophelia (Howse) Landon**, born on **November 21, 1949** in **Brooklyn, NY**.

Carl proudly served his country in the **US Air Force** from 1970 until 1974. Carl's main drive was computer programming and technology along with that he became a publisher and writer to share his children stories. He was at home in the natural environment of the great outdoors, especially the town of **Claryville** and **Denning**. Carl liked to work in the public life helping the members of the community. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Days of Yore...

Today's History

September 30, 1953

Miss June Caipan of Rochester, Indiana, became the bride of Pfc. Jay Victor Zanetti, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Zanetti of South Hill Road, Grahamsville on September 22, at Heidelberg. Mrs. Zanetti is a civilian employee of the Communications Division of the Armed Services. Pfc. Zanetti has been stationed 14 months in Germany in the Truck Transportation Service. He is due home in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward DuBois of Kingston are the parents of a daughter, Linda Suzanne, born on September 3rd at Kingston City Hospital. Linda Suzanne is an incubator baby as she weighed only 2 lbs. 12 oz. at birth. She is doing very well however, as is her mother, the former Helen Erts of Ladleton. She baby's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Erts.

September 25, 1963

At the invitation of the Board of Trustees of Sullivan County Community College, the Tri Valley Senior Band participated in the dedication of the college on Monday. Dr. Richard Greenfield, President, conducted the dedication exercises in the newly reconstructed college building at S. Fallsburg. The band played under the direction of Mr. Arlington Visscher.

Callers at the Herbert George home last week included Mr. and Mrs. George Dayton of Jeffersonville and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lewis of White Sulphur Springs. These folks came to see the antique horse fiddle, an heirloom in the George family which has contributed much to the traditional skimmelton in this area for the past fifty years or so. Like the skimmelton, the horse fiddle is vanishing from the American scene.

October 17, 1973

John Tillson, 82, of Kripplebush Lane, Stone Ridge, died Friday at his residence after a short illness. Mr. Tillson was a 51-year resident of that area and a retired carpenter. He was born May 8, 1891 in Grahamsville to Cortland and Ellen Hall Tillson. He was married to the former Flossie George on Sept. 7, 1919. He was a member of the Grand Jury Assn. of Ulster County and former member of the Shawangunk Dairy Coop. Surviving are his widow and three sons and a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Low of Ulster Heights, Ellenville, N.Y. announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbie Low, to Scott Mickelson, stepson of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Merritt of Grahamsville, N.Y. on September 18, 1973.

Household Hint:

Baking Soda Absorbs Kitty Litter Odors

Cover the bottom of the kitty box with 1 part soda; then add a layer of 3 parts kitty litter on top.

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

Tasty Little Nuts

One of the fun things about fall in the Catskills is finding different nuts that have begun falling from the trees: acorns, hickory nuts, and black walnuts to name a few. One of Nature's favorite treats are tiny little nuts that are often overlooked - the beechnuts that fall from the American beech tree in the fall. In contrast to the impressive Beechnut tree whose height can reach over 100 feet tall is the tiny three-angled nut that resembles a half-pyramid. The American beech- *Fagus grandifolia*, (This is Latin for: *Fagus*, beech; *grandi*, great; *folia*, leaves) is a species of beech tree that grows in the Catskills and across much of the eastern United States and southeastern Canada.

It is a large tree that grows 60 to 115 feet-high, with smooth gray bark and oval leaves. It is a familiar part of the hardwood forest and also a popular shade and ornamental species.

The tree is monoecious, with flowers of both sexes on the same tree. The flowers are small single-sex, wind-pollinated catkins, produced in spring shortly after the new leaves appear.

The fruit is a small, sharply 3-angled nut approximately 1/2 long, born in pairs in soft-spined husks known as cupules.



The American beech has two ways of reproducing: one is through the usual dispersal of seeds, and the other is through root sprouts, where the tree will have smaller trees growing out of its roots in different locations.

The leaves of the American Beech are dark green, simple and sparsely-toothed with the small teeth terminating at each vein. Leaves are usually 2 1/2 -5 in long, with a short petiole. This time of the year in the Catskills, the foliage of the Beech tree will begin to turn gold or dark copper.

The winter twigs are distinctive among North American trees. They are long and slender, about a half inch to three-quarters of an inch by less than a tenth of an inch with two rows of overlapping scales on the buds that are thin and long, resembling cigars; this characteristic makes beech trees relatively easy to identify.



Beech trees are high-branching with tall, stout trunks and smooth silver-grey bark. Beech bark is extremely thin and scars easily. Since the beech tree has such delicate bark, carvings, such as lovers' initials remain because the tree is unable to heal itself.

The timber of the Beech is used to make furniture, parquet floors, wooden bowls and even gunpowder. The wood's heating power rises above most other timber sources, and it was widely used to warm the home. It is an excellent firewood as it is easily split and burns for many hours with bright but calm flames.

The tasty little morsels of the American Beech are loved by deer, squirrels raccoon, grouse, bear, porcupines and humans.

Beechnuts have a mild flavor and can be eaten raw or cooked and are known to have an appreciable level of protein. Beechnuts can also make an exotic sprout, offering a unique sweet, crisp and nutty eating experience. The tiny nuts are a fine coffee substitute that is caffeine-free and brewed from the roasted seeds.

Mild in flavor, the young leaves of a Beech tree can be eaten raw or cooked as a potherb in the spring.

To experience its woody autumn taste of the beechnut, you will earn every tasty morsel that is extracted, including the sore finger tips that will come with handling the spiny outer shells of the nuts.

But it is well worth the effort.

OBITUARIES

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Carl L. Landon-

He is survived by his children Nancy Landon Miller (Adam), Paul Prada-Ranelle (Lina), Stephanie Landon, siblings Alfred Landon (Marilyn), Walter Landon (Cathi), Carol Landon, Linda Landon; several grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and several great-nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his son Thomas Parker Landon. A graveside service will be held at 11am on Friday, September 22, 2023 at Claryville Reformed Church Cemetery, 946 Claryville Rd, Claryville, NY with full military honors.

Arrangements under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com

With great sadness we announce the passing of **Peder H. Behan Sr.**, 71 of Hurleyville. Peder passed away on September 9th at Good Samaritan Hospital after a short illness with his family by his side.

Peder was the son of the late Charles and Eleanor Behan Sr., born in Long Island NY on August 29, 1952.

Peder owned and operated BEHAN'S Garage in Hurleyville with his family for over 40 years. Peder was able to fix, weld, or repair just about everything. When it came to Mopar cars, Peder was the answer man as he had a great love of Mopar and the American Muscle Car. If it didn't go fast, Peder made sure it did. Peder touched so many lives, helping customers and friends fixing their mechanical issues. Many times, not charging and when people didn't have the money, he would say "catch me next time."

He loved spending time working on his cars and trucks but most of all spending time with his Family and especially his granddaughter Hailey Noelle.

Peder was a quiet man with a heart of gold. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and cousin. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his wife of 48 years Miranda, whom he called the love of his life, his children Patricia (George Gibson), Peder Jr., (Jenn) and Colette (Jake Good) and his partner in crime, his granddaughter Hailey Noelle Behan Gibson. He also leaves behind his sisters, Susan, Kris and his special baby sister Barbara, sisters-in-law Ann Gardner and Claude Johnson (Phil), as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins. He also leaves behind hundreds of customers he considered his extended Family and Friends. "Remember, no man is a failure who has friends!"

Peder was predeceased by his parents Charles and Eleanor, brothers Charles Jr., Jeffrey, Sisters Jean and Phyllis as well as his in laws Jean and Josephine Sammartino who treated him like a son.

A memorial visitation and celebration of life was held on Sunday September 17, 2023 at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home The family will held a funeral reception, immediately following at the Hurleyville Fire House .

The Family will be starting the Peder H. Behan Sr., community scholarship. Peder believed that not every child was destined to go to college. Peder would say if you didn't have people that were able to work with their hands, you wouldn't have anything. The scholarship will be set up for community students going into or that want to go to a technical school to work with their hands. The family asks that any donations will go towards this scholarship and can be sent to Peder Behan Memorial Scholarship, PO Box 45, Hurleyville NY 12747.

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Days of Yore...

Today's History

(From Pg. 3)

September 29, 1983

Sculptor Dan Smythe has just received word that "Amerindian" has been accepted for the Berkshire Art Association 1983 exhibition of Painting and Sculpture at the Berkshire Museum in Pittsfield, Mass. "Amerindian", the artist's most recent work, was first shown to the public at Smythe's one-person show in May at the Emma Willard School in Troy, N.Y.

Tid Bits (from Tom Higgins) - When you're out following the lawn mower around, did it ever occur to you that there are more than 1,000 species of grass in the U.S. alone?

A survey shows that a majority of Americans are not superstitious about Friday the 13th. Nearly 8 out of 10 questioned in a public opinion survey said it was very unlikely that something bad will happen to them on Friday the 13th.

LOOKING BACK

by Beatrice Akerley

Published September 12, 1996

Holidays bring back many loving memories to me and Labor Day is no exception. In the early 1900's school always opened on the Tuesday after Labor Day and it was then that Mildred, one of my friends, plunked her books down on the desk and informed me that she was "sitting with me". We were real close because her parents bought all of their groceries at our store. Her mother said they could save money that way. I really hadn't thought that much about business matters but that was ok by me. I liked Mildred very much and admired the pretty dresses she always wore.

My dad and mom ran a neighborhood store and we were responsible for the Post Office also. They knew all their customers by name. On heavy delivery days when the canned goods arrived, daddy allowed me to help stack the shelves. Eggs were not sold in cartons then, so if a customer wanted a half dozen, dad counted out six and carefully placed them in a paper sack. Cookies, sugar, cottage cheese, fruit and vegetables arrived in bulk and each was weighed and packaged at the customer's request.

Vinegar came in a huge oak barrel and folks brought in their own containers to fill. Cheese came in a large wheel and when a person wanted a pound, daddy cut off a wedge, weighed it and wrapped it. I loved cheese and was always there for a little sliver. One time cheese didn't come with our order and I asked daddy where it was and he teased me by saying he couldn't carry it anymore because I made him lose money on it every time he served a customer. He was joking of course.

Today I really do like the convenience of modern supermarkets but as I push my cart through those wide aisles, my heart turns back in time and I can almost feel myself a little girl back in daddy's store again.

A Glimpse of the 23rd Annual Tractor Show and Swap Meet...

There was something for everyone this past weekend at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville – The Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market, Any Make/Any Model Car Club Show... and vendors with antiques, crafts, etc. And of course, the Grahamsville Fire Department had their Sausage & Pepper Sandwiches and more. Complementing their good food, right across the way the Tri-Valley Lions Club opened their Soda Booth for the occasion - serving cold drinks to go with the food.



Antique Tractors lined up along the lower field and along the roadway



... and here comes Gillian Mathews who just had her face painted



Grahamsville Fire Department & Ladies Auxiliary serving the best Sausage & Pepper Sandwiches



Tri-Valley Lions Club Soda Booth



Neversink Supervisor, Chris Mathews spends time with his parents who had a wide variety of interesting antiques and wares at their booth



The Midway was busy all day...





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Then She Vanished

Mysterious Book Report No. 418

Published September 17, 2020

by John Dwaine McKenna

California private eye Roland Ford—a tough ex-marine, grieving widower and insightful detective—takes on his toughest case yet in author T. Jefferson Parker's fourth and newest novel: *Then She Vanished*, (G.P. Putnam's sons, \$27.00, 338 pages, ISBN 978-0-525-53767-0).

The novel begins when Ford is hired by state representative Dalton Strait—who's in the midst of a tight reelection campaign—to find his wife Natalie, who has disappeared without a trace. She suffers from bipolar disorder . . . and she's done it before . . . eventually turning up in Las Vegas, 100 grand in the hole. It ought to be a simple and straightforward missing persons case, but it isn't, because the more we learn about Dalton Strait, the more complex and deadly Ford's job becomes.

Like a lot about California, much about Strait is an illusion. Is he a war hero or a coward? An honest politician or a crook who's abusing the public trust? And finally, is Natalie in danger, having been abducted, or is Dalton Strait engineering an elaborate campaign hoax in an attempt for sympathy and publicity? Is Natalie a victim, a participant, or a runaway who doesn't want to be found? Ford's doubts about his flaky client get bigger with every new revelation.

Meanwhile, something called the Chaos Committee is setting off bombs in post offices, and sending them to public officials, urging people to join the anarchy and promising more of the same still to come. And just how does the disappearance of Natalie Strait tie in . . . or does it? As Roland Ford is drawn deeper and deeper into the quagmire that surrounds his client, his own life is increasingly at risk, and his mounting doubts multiply the chances that he won't solve this complex southern California whodunit from the hand of a master!

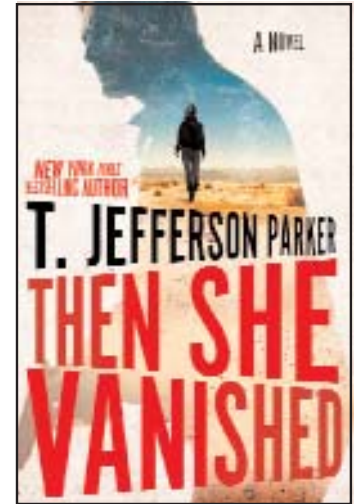
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The Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda Antique Shop, Yard Sale, or Landfill?

As we were driving to Cape Cod, there were two generations of us discussing everyday items that are just gone. Gone where? Some to Antique Shops; some to yard sales; and some

are buried in a landfill somewhere.

Here are the things we declared "MISSING:"



wall phones, landline of course, with long extension cords that cost extra party lines

CB radios

Ice cream cups with wooden spoons

buckle on roller skates with a metal key

pogo sticks and stilts

saddle shoes

crinolines and girdles

pocket cameras with film

electric frypans

blackboards

folding paper maps

photograph albums

Ovaltine and Egg Cremes

tablecloths

Television antennae

Cassettes, CD's, VCRs, and DVDs

Film projectors and screens

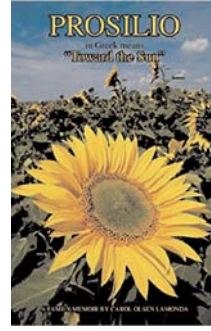
Mimeograph machines and Fax machines

I realized, as I typed this list, most of the items have been replaced or upgraded to a small three by five inch device we stick in our pocket. I wonder, if we have the same conversation next year, what will be added to the list.



The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!** *Prosilio* is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to: <http://amazon.com> or <http://barnesandnoble.com> and type in *Prosilio* in the search to order your copy of *Prosilio*



Balkan Mountain Music Festival September 23, 2023

On Saturday, September 23, the Phoenicia Library will celebrate the music and dance of the Balkan peninsula with a FREE festival of 4 NYC and Hudson Valley-based bands playing odd meters and unusual scales and harmonies in a gorgeous setting at Glenbrook Park in Shandaken. It's an opportunity to experience a different cultural heritage from another part of the world, to hear music played on instruments seldom seen or heard here, and to learn traditional dances. Bring a picnic and a chair and enjoy the music and magic.

Balkan means "chain of wooded mountains" in modern Turkish and has been the Turkish word for the Balkan Peninsula since Ottoman times. Some of the countries of Eastern Europe that are situated in or near the Balkans are Greece, Albania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia and Turkey.

Schedule

3:30 pm - Dance Instruction

4:00 pm - Eva Salina's Community Choir

4:30 pm - Pontic Firebird

5:30 pm - Mac & Cheez Balkan PowerTrio

6:30 pm - Bourbon and Breastmilk, acapella Georgian polyphonic songs and beyond

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/NcdiFhWzjJQF6jc1A>

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The event is sponsored by Ulster Savings Bank in conjunction with the Phoenicia Library. It will be held rain or shine. For more information see <http://phoenicialibrary.org/>



Daniel Pierce Library

Between the Bookends

The Need to Read: Benefits of Reading as Adults

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-As a kid, I lived for D.E.A.R time at school. For anyone that doesn't know what that is-it's an acronym for Drop Everything and Read. I remember my fifth grade teacher literally dropping her manual during a math lesson to commence our 20 minutes of D.E.A.R time-and the best part-she would read too! Looking back, there were probably a few children who didn't enjoy it; but overall, I'm pretty sure it reined us in a little and gave *everyone* a much needed break.

Fast forward a bazillion years-at least that's what it feels like-and now I'm an adult, with the job equivalent of a daily visit to Disneyland. And while we here at the Daniel Pierce Library don't exactly get to drop everything and read...we are certainly surrounded by enough material to make anyone's 'to be read' list a mile long.

Why do I bring any of this up? It's simple: the multitude of benefits in enacting your very own adult-version of D.E.A.R time can be yours with a mere trip to the library.

It's been ingrained in all of us the essentialness of reading to children. The increased academic performance, the potential emotional bonding-the positives of getting children to read are massive. But-it's also easy to do. Add a book to your child's bedtime routine or have a teacher read to her class and bam, you're done. And the younger the child, the easier it is for them to shed off their responsibilities, engage their imaginations and really get into the story. It's something we get to see and be a part of while running the Children's Story Hour program (starting the week of October 16th), and for that we are so grateful. As our Children's Program Coordinator Deirdre McHugh says, "it makes our heart happy" to watch all the kids emerge from our story hour room with their adults and race over to the picture books, ready to stack their finds on the table for check out. It's kind of like the Black Friday perception of shopping...just every week, with pint-sized "shoppers." And, if you're lucky, your child or your student will be bitten by the bug and keep reading throughout their childhood.

But then, somewhere around the preteen/teen years...the reading train slows and by adulthood...it's almost completely derailed. (This is a generalized, blanket statement, I know. There are some diehard reading fans that were able to keep their momentum going through high school, college, jobs and parenthood.)

But then there are others that fall asleep on the couch every night at 8PM exhausted and dreaming of a self-emptying dishwasher. And finding time to read is just hard.

It's with those individuals in mind in particular, that I remind everyone of the sanctity of the public library. At the Daniel Pierce Library, we have an undeniable vibe. It's a "relatively" quiet place, where we most definitely do not judge if a harried mom comes to curl up in the reading room with the latest mystery instead of doing the fifth load of laundry for the day. It's a place totally free to browse and let your imagination roam as you wander "the stacks." It's a place where if you are looking for a reading suggestion, we would be most happy to share what we've read...going so far as to bring you to that very book, on that very shelf, so you don't miss the opportunity of immersing yourself in a great story. In a time where everything is go, go go...the library is a place to stop. Breathe. Ditch the stress of the day.

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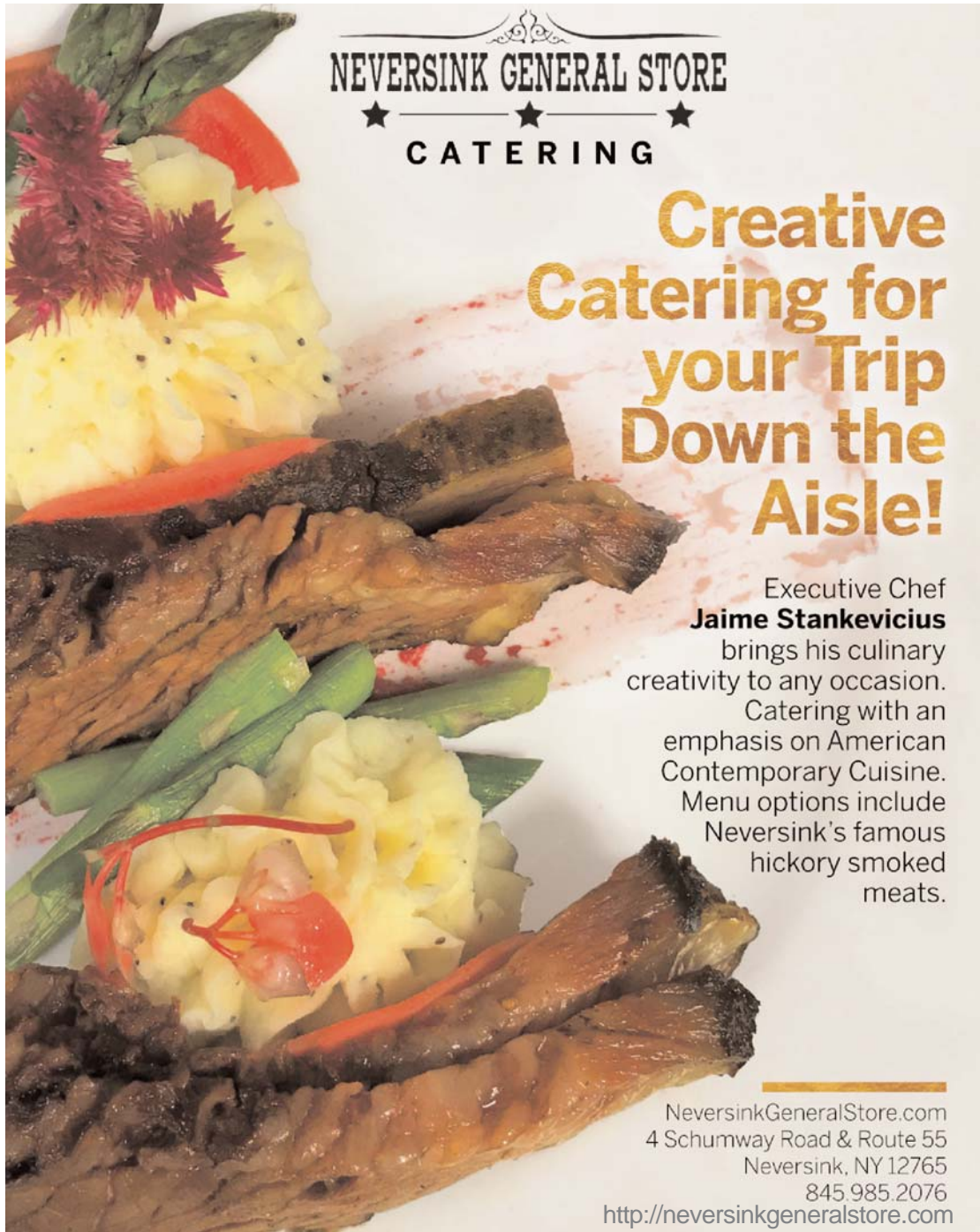
The Need to Read: Benefits of Reading as Adults

(From Pg. 8)

It should be mentioned that there are a whole host of benefits of reading as an adult, just as important as adding extra fiber to your diet or walking that extra mile. Studies have shown that reading as an adult improves memory, increases focus and concentration, reduces stress levels, enhances empathy and creativity and increases cognitive skills. (Sounds like something employers may want to consider if thinking about instituting D.E.A.R time at the job site.)

One caveat of enacting your own DEAR time is that you read a book that you want to read. If it's been a long time since you have picked up a book for the sheer PLEASURE of reading, you may have forgotten what you're into. And that's okay. You could peruse Facebook or Tic Tok to see what's popular now or take a look at the New York Times Bestsellers list; you could talk to a friend or family member and get their input (or your helpful library assistant, wink wink); you could take an online quiz that will direct you to a specific genre, be that contemporary romance or nonfiction; or my personal favorite...you could aimlessly walk around the library, judge books by their cover and check out a few. Guaranteed-you try this method, and you will eventually come up with an author, genre or style you like and will then proceed to read everything by said author, in that genre or of that style-all while helping out our circulation numbers.

The important takeaway here is that no matter how old you are, September is like the school calendar version of "the new Year." With that, a "new year's resolution" could be to read a book and really test out the theories of those scientists-do you feel more focused? Do you feel less stressed? Try it out and let me know how it goes.



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The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

I don't know how I end up in these situations, I really don't. One minute I'm on my hands and knees, scrubbing my bathroom floor in the obsessive deep cleaning that I do before every winter and the next, I'm breaking bread with good friends and an inductee to the Hall of Honor at the New York State Country Music hall of Fame.

Oh, yes, there is a story here and because I'm good at blathering on, I'm going to tell it to you. It all started a few weeks ago at that pop-up concert at the SULLIVAN COUNTRY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM sponsored by THE FREDERICK COOK SOCIETY and featuring LITTLE SPARROW. I had joined good friends BILL GRIESBECK and LIL SCOLES that day. Afterward, Lil and I were chatting with CAROL SMITH who was telling us upcoming gigs and that they were bringing in DON CERCE Jr and his father DON senior something something Hall of Fame. I admit, I wasn't really hearing what Carol was saying because I was watching Lil's reaction. Her eyes literally were the size of saucers. She couldn't have been more excited, repeating the names then asked if the father played guitar.



It turns out that back in 1954, THE COUNTRY TROUBADORS, Lil's father BOB SCOLES country band, brought in a young guitar player named...DON CERCE. This 17 year old boy added so much with his amazing guitar work and became good friends with the Scoles family and little Lil, at that time somewhere around 7 years old. Could it be the same one? Yes, yes it was. Don Sr was that same man.

The Country Troubadors Flash forward to this last Sunday. I had decided not to go, not because I was SOOO excited to scrub my bathroom, but for the very practical reason of having five more people I know testing positive. Then around 2:30 I got 'the phone call' saying "You have got to come and see this". And I am so very glad I did!!

Don Jr and his wife Susan were on stage when I came in. There are good reasons this duo is working five nights a week now. The first thing that struck me were their voices, each clear and strong and when blended, unbelievably pleasing! Don's guitar work is quite unique in that, if you watch closely, you will see those fingers move over the strings in some pretty complex moves, done so fluidly and with seemingly no outward effort. Susan is the show (wo)man, engaging the audience with gestures and movements around the stage. They complement each other so well that even if they did only country, I would go see them again (and you know how I feel about country).

I probably would have missed some of Don Jr's guitarwork, caught up in the whole, if I hadn't been seated next to the man of the hour, DON CERCE. Every so often he'd say "Wait 'til you hear the pickin' on this one!" more to Lil or BILL GRIESBECK, a great guitarist in his own right, but sometimes eyes dropping is really OK. This man was absolutely beaming with pride.



Susan and Don Jr.



Don Sr and Susan

Then he took the stage, it was easy to see where all the talent of the son comes from. At 87, put a guitar in that man's hands and a microphone anywhere near him and he becomes a young man again. He might have needed a bit of help getting up the few stairs to the Museum's stage, but those hands knew exactly what to do with those strings. His voice was just as strong and clear as his son's and his

daughter-in-law's. I was in awe.

And the amount of people who came to see this! It wasn't packed to overfill but it was really well attended by a very appreciative audience that applauded loudly, with a few hoots, after every song. That included two other good friends, JOHNNY JULES from THE JOHNNY JULES BAND, and ROSE BARNETT from the ARROWHEAD RANCH AND RETREAT in Parksville.

A bit later, we all went to dinner at CASA MIA. Only then did I fill in the gaps of the original conversation. DON CERCE will be inducted into the HALL OF HONOR at the NEW YORK STATE COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME on October 29th.



Mickey Barnett

who knew the elder DON, there were just as many there to hear Country Music. Both Dons have the best, groan-worthy 'dad' jokes.

And finally, I know where I'm going to be on October 29!!

If you are Long Island, and you see DON AND SUSAN (yes, that's the duo's name. "Our mother's named it."....a 'dad' joke) playing anywhere....go! You won't be disappointed.

Keep your masks and hand sanitizer handy. Be well, stay safe Until next time.....



Johnny and Rose



Don Sr and Lil



The two Dons

EDITOR NOTES:

“Off Peak” -Superbly Done!

If you haven't taken the ride on the Northbound Track to Poughkeepsie with Sarita and Martin, get your tickets now! You will enjoy every moment of the ride.

After their relationship ended years before, Sarita (Mary McCann) and Martin (Steve Brady), meet unexpectedly on an evening commute home. The voice over the intercom –the conductor –played by Jeff Knapp, lets us know that the train is the local to Poughkeepsie.

The pair, now in their mid-50s, haven't seen each other in almost 20 years and are catching up. It is a little cumbersome at first. Then the unexpected happens – an emergency stop – and their conversation continues longer than either would have expected.

“Off Peak” is a touching story about forgiving, forgetting, and the healing power of a long wait that provides an abundance of emotional and intellectual twists and turns.

The acting is superb! And the set – an actual fabulous cut-away section of a train car with those familiar teal and maroon vinyl seats invites you to take the ride. You will become a passenger 'on the train' witnessing the hour and a half, or so drama that unfolds between Sarita and Martin. Their encounter is believable.

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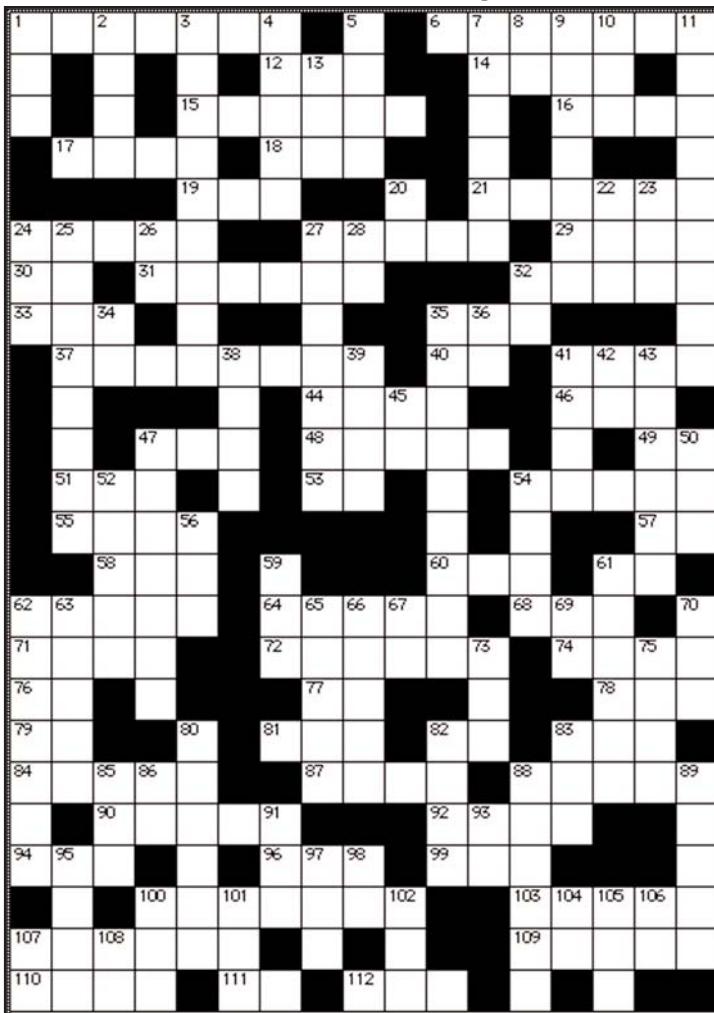
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 - 15 Third season
 - 16 Serene
 - 17 Blood vessel
 - 18 Flow of the tide
 - 19 Center of our solar system
 - 21 Select
 - 24 Kerchief
 - 27 Small marine fish
 - 29 Fabricator
 - 30 Exclamation of pleasure
 - 31 Canis Latrans
 - 32 Deposit of earth at the mouth of a river
 - 33 Precious stones
 - 35 Used to express disgust
 - 37 City in Connecticut
 - 40 Supported by
 - 41 Competent
 - 44 Shred
 - 46 Payment
 - 47 Enemy
 - 48 Our planet
 - 49 Before noon
 - 51 United Service Organizations
 - 53 Doctor
 - 54 Orchard
 - 55 California bulrush
 - 57 Half an em
 - 58 Long narrow inlet
 - 60 Total
 - 61 Nano-second
 - 62 Sweet crystalline substance
 - 64 Turn aside
 - 68 Deoxyribonucleic acid
 - 71 An American fashion designer
 - 72 Fourth season
 - 75 Tenth century German King
 - 76 Lieutenant
 - 77 Vermont
 - 78 Large metal container with a tap
 - 79 Ancient Sumerian city
 - 81 Stop living
 - 82 Near
 - 83 Plural present of be
 - 84 Cleanse
 - 87 Sketch
 - 88 Doze
 - 90 Haul
 - 92 Pain
 - 94 Evening before
 - 96 Allow
 - 99 'Your' in dialectical speech
 - 100 Inactive
 - 103 Town or city
 - 107 Unsound mind
 - 109 Explosion
 - 110 Stitching
 - 111 Perform an action
 - 112 Preserve
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 - 3 Convert
 - 4 Ingested food
 - 5 Without feeling
 - 7 Have an impact on
 - 8 Regarding
 - 9 Vesicle within the cytoplasm of a cell
 - 10 Age
 - 11 Mild
 - 13 Central point
 - 20 Either
 - 22 Petroleum
 - 23 Perch
 - 24 Hang loosely
 - 25 Deep reddish brown
 - 26 Roman Catholic
 - 27 Began
 - 28 Gym; physical education
 - 32 Delaware
 - 34 Mountain
 - 35 Lucky
 - 36 Appears to be enclosed
 - 38 Mr. Flinstone's first name
 - 39 Cherished
 - 41 At a distance
 - 42 Exist
 - 43 Main organ of photosynthesis
 - 45 Chem element Argon
 - 47 Leafage
 - 50 Adult human males
 - 52 Outpouring
 - 54 Autumn color
 - 56 Hearing organ
 - 59 Cry of a crow
 - 61 The environment
 - 62 Able to be dissolved
 - 63 An extremist
 - 65 Vibrant
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 - 73 Decay
 - 75 Woody perennial plant
 - 80 One of four divisions of the year
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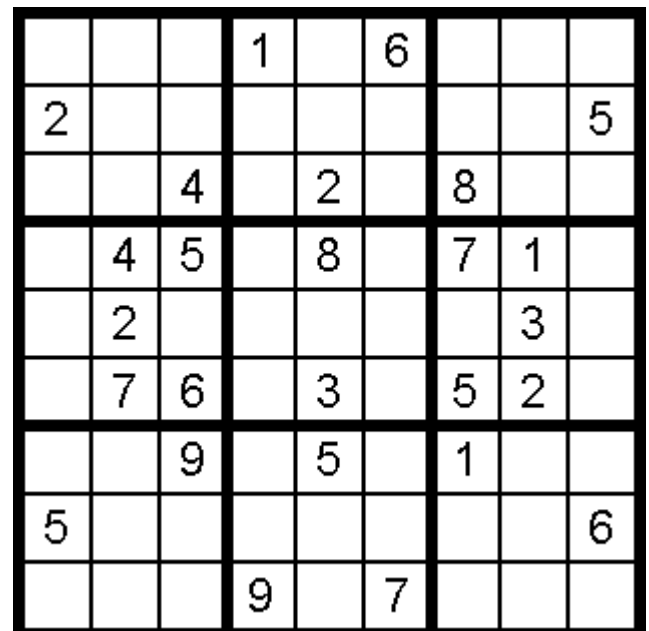
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- or 2 (4 oz.) cans pimentos, drained
- 1 1/4 c. chopped onion
- 1 1/2 c. sugar
- 1 1/2 tsp. mustard seed
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 tsp. celery seed
- 1/2 tsp. tumeric
- 2 2/3 c. white vinegar

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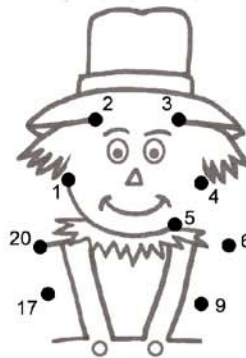
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Kids' Fun Page

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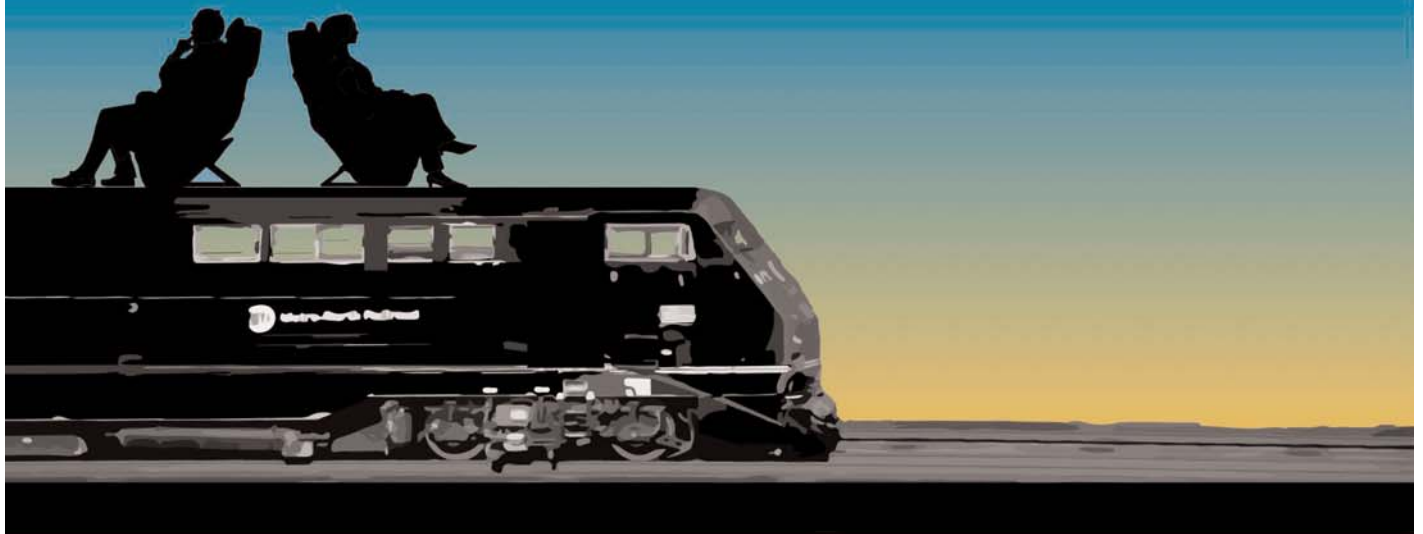
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Dated August 24th, 2023

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"Often times, this type of fraud can go undetected if the property owner does not periodically check the records at the Clerk's Office," cautioned Reeves, noting that the Sullivan County Clerk's Office Land Department only reviews requirements for recording and has no authority to refuse to record a properly prepared document, even if it may potentially end up being fraudulent.

Although checking does not prevent the actual fraudulent activity from taking place, it does provide an early warning of what may have otherwise gone undetected. (Note that even if proved fraudulent, no document can be removed from the official records without a judge's order from the courts.)

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<https://sullivanny.us/Departments/Clerk/Fraud>.

All that is asked is to provide a name to monitor. Please note there may be other local property owners who share the same name, so notifications will be generated for any matching name in Sullivan County.

Reeves recommends additional steps that property owners can take to be safer:

- o If your property is not occupied, you should check often to make sure it is not occupied illegally.
 - o Ask someone you trust to look after your house if you are going to be away for an extended period of time.
 - o Do not let mail pile up if you are going out of town.
 - o Make sure that the assessor and tax collector offices have the correct mailing address for you or the person who should receive notices about your property.
 - o Contact the assessor and tax Collector if you suddenly stop receiving notices that you used to get, such as your tax bill.
- In the event you think you may be a victim of property fraud, act quickly by:
- o Reporting fraud to the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office by calling 845-794-7100.
 - o Contacting your assessor and tax collector offices to alert them of the purported fraud.
 - o Considering consulting an attorney, since neither the County Clerk, the assessor, or the tax collector offices can take legal action on your behalf to reverse the fraudulent activity.

CCE Sullivan Invites You to Celebrate 109 Years!

LIBERTY, NY - The public is invited to attend the 109th Annual Meeting of Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) on Wednesday, November 1st. The Annual Meeting and Dinner will be held at the Michael Ritchie Big Barn in Hurleyville, New York at 6:00pm. The CCESC board and staff will present the State of the Association, the 2024 Board election, and "Friends of Extension" awards for dedication to Extension service, education, and outreach mission.

Keynote speaker Anu Rangarajan, PhD, Program Director of the Cornell Small Farms Program will give a talk on the positive impacts of a diverse agricultural workforce and how communities can be supportive.

This year's Friends of Extension recipients include:

- o Farm recipient: ALL Family Farm
- o Community partner recipient: Action Toward Independence
- o Municipal recipient: Town of Fallsburg Parks and Recreation
- o Business recipient: M&P Builders
- o School based recipient: Fallsburg Central School District
- o Volunteer recipient: 4-H Small Town Country Club Leader Jenny Phelps

We will also recognize outgoing board members Denise Frangipane and Marcie Wild for their dedicated service. Information about the CCESC Board of Directors can be found at www.sullivancee.org/about-us/board-governance.

CCESC's Annual Meeting is open to the public and there is no cost to attend. Space is limited and pre-registration is required in advance by visiting www.sullivancee.org/events, calling 845-292-6180, or emailing sullivan@cornell.edu.



Ballet Classes at The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck

Children's classes are on-going
at 10:30am on Saturdays
\$10 per session or
\$65 for 8 classes in advance

Adult Classes will start on September 13, 20, 27
and continue through October
until November 1 (8 classes)

Classes are \$10 per session,
or \$65 in advance for all 8 classes.

For more information contact
Alana Sherman via e-mail sherman_alana@yahoo.com

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September 30, 2023: Regular Hunting
October 1, 2023: Bow Hunting

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FREE HALLOWEEN COMMUNITY DAY*

October 28, 2023 • 9 am-10 pm

Bring your family and join us for a day filled with fun and exciting fall activities and an evening of spooktacular Halloween games and haunted trails! Registration for this free event includes all activities as well as lunch and dinner in our Dining Hall.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER*

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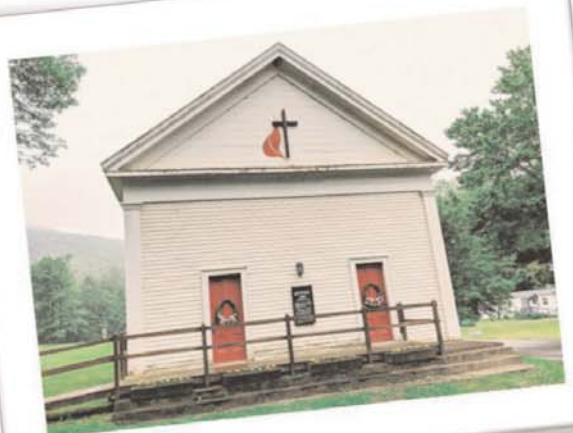
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5:30 pm
Oct 7, 2023**

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Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

St. Mary's and St. Andrews Church
139 S Main Street • Ellenville, NY 12740

Mass Times
SUNDAY EUCHARIST
5:00 PM Saturday Evening
7:30 AM Sunday Morning
10:00 AM Sunday Morning
(Latin) 11:30 AM Sunday Morning*
(Spanish) 1:00 PM Sunday Afternoon
*Sung Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays

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(845) 434-7643

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

**Sept 23rd, 2023
Thrift Sale
9 am to 12 noon
Luncheon
10:30 am- 12:30 pm**

**Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches
House Worship Plan
Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link**

Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>
Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740
Dial by your location
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The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.
If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the Pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

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845-985-2041



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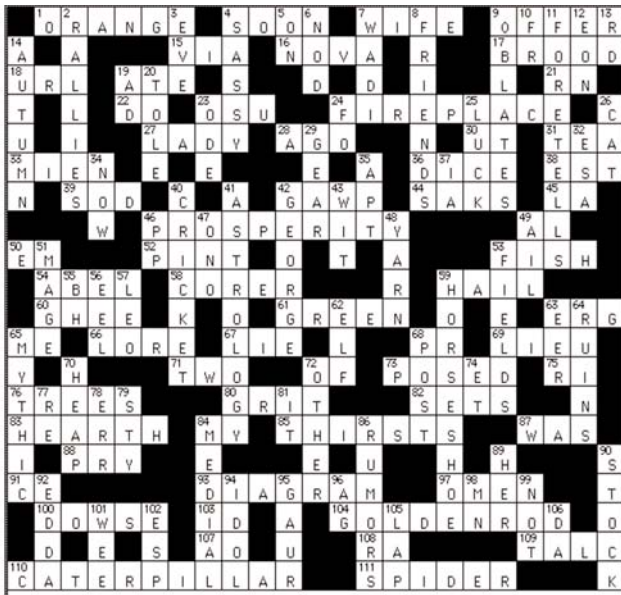
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Ans to last week's Crossword



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answer

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GrahamsvilleUMC@gmail.com—Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

**Sundown
United Methodist Church
Covered Dish Supper**

**Saturday, October 7th, 2023 5:30 pm
at the Church Hall**

**Check out the tables with Yard Sale
items available for sale**

*(Covered Dish Suppers are held the
First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm
at the Church Hall)*

14th Annual Poetry Festival

The Liberty Museum & Arts Center will sponsor its 14th Annual Poetry Festival Saturday, September 23, 2023.

Poets from various places and backgrounds will read their original works, on a number of topics and styles...something for everyone. The reading will take place at the Liberty Public Library (North Main Street, Liberty) and on "zoom" starting at 1:00 p.m., and will be followed by a reception at the Museum (46 South Main Street) for readers and audience. Admission is free.

For more information, contact Marilyn Laufer, coordinator, at 845-292-6628. For a zoom link, call Marj at the Liberty Library...845-292-6070.

**Sullivan County Chamber's Golf
Outing Postponed to Spring 2024**

We regret to inform you that the Chamber's Golf Outing, originally scheduled for Thursday, September 21, has been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. After careful consideration, we have decided it is best to reschedule the event for Spring 2024. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding. Further details regarding the rescheduled event will be provided as they become available.

Thank you for your continued support.

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9/23/23	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon Luncheon 10:30 am - 12:30pm
9/13/23	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
9/18/23	Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
9/21/23	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
9/21/23	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
9/23	Sundown UMC Chicken BBQ - 4 - 7 pm
10/4/23	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
10/7/23	Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
10/10/23	Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
10/11/23	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
10/17/23	Claryville Fire District Budget Hearing and Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm

Save the Date!

October 7, 2023 Giant Pumpkin Party

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

Town of Denning - <http://www.denning.us>
Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week Of September 18 - September 22, 2023

Monday, September 18

o **6:00 PM - Trails Advisory Committee**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Tuesday, September 19

o **3:30 PM - Ulster County Housing Development Corporation Board of Directors**, in the Planning Department Conference Room, 3rd Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **5:00 PM - Ways & Means Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **6:00 PM** (or immediately following Ways & Means) - **Caucuses: Democrats**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Republicans, in KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **7:10 PM - Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 10 of 2023: A Local Law Amending Part II, §218, Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster**, To Extend Participation In The New York State Hunting Pilot Program For 12 - 13 Year Old Deer Hunters, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **7:15 PM** (or immediately following the Public Hearing) - **Legislative Session**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston; & 663 Oregon Trail, Pine Bush, New York 12566 - The Public Hearing and Legislative Session are also available via

Vimeo Livestream at: <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>

Wednesday, September 20

o **8:30 AM - Ulster County Workforce Development Board**, at the Office of Employment & Training, 521 Boices Ln., Kingston

o **9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Board**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **10:00 AM** (or immediately following UC IDA) **Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Board**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **6:00 PM - Ulster County Human Rights Commission**, in the Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center, 733 Broadway, Kingston

Thursday, September 21

o **3:00 PM - Audit Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **5:30 PM - Youth Board**, in the Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center, 733 Broadway, Kingston

o **5:30 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Public Hearing on 2024 Budget**, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

o **6:00 PM** (or immediately following the UCRRA Public Hearing) - **Special Meeting of the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board**, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

Friday, September 22

o **12 Noon - Resolution Deadline**

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SHADOWLAND STAGES to Partner with Local Artist for a Work of Public Art

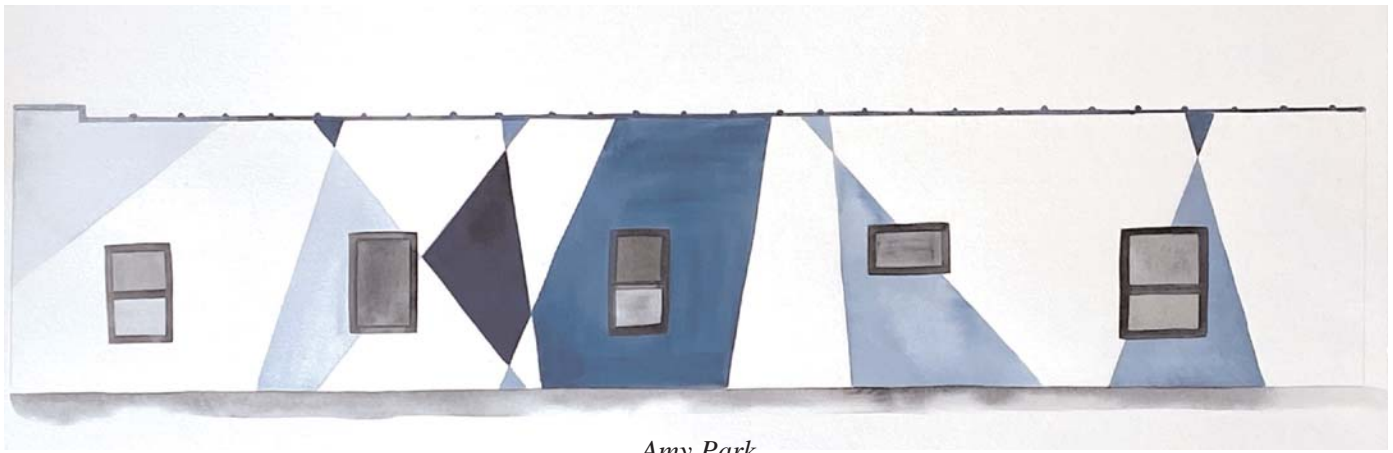
Ellenville, NY - Ellenville-based artist Amy Park is partnering with SHADOWLAND STAGES and an anonymous donor to create an expansive mural for the three-building SHADOWLAND STAGES campus located in downtown Ellenville, NY.



*Amy Park
The Shadowland Murals, Main Stage of
SHADOWLAND STAGES, 2023
Watercolor on paper rendering of façade*

For the past two years, SHADOWLAND STAGES has been interested in unifying the facades of its buildings, which have vastly different architectural styles. "The Shadowland Murals, created by Amy Park, are art for the exterior of Shadowland that match the mission, creativity, professionalism, and excellence of the art that has graced Shadowland's interior for years," says Shadowland board president Jim McIntyre. SHADOWLAND STAGES is an artistic hub in the Hudson Valley and draws thousands of visitors annually. Park's mural speaks to everything that Shadowland strives to be for the region. It serves as an inspired and inspiring gathering place where people can experience imaginative, well-told stories. "I'm thrilled to help create an exciting and memorable identity for the Shadowland campus and, by extension, signify that the Village of Ellenville is home to a vibrant and growing community with the theatre at its core."

"I have explored architectural facades as the basis for my work as a painter, creating large-scale precisionist watercolor renderings and architecturally derived abstract paintings. In a gratifying 'closing of the circle,' this project takes the abstract vocabulary I developed based on architectural facades and carries them back onto actual building walls," says Park. "My designs were created through many hundreds of sketches and are based on abstractions of the conical form of theater lights shining onto a stage. Working with my usual process of painting and drawing with watercolor and pencil, I developed a monochromatic, blue color scheme along with geometric designs for the buildings. Each wall has a unique design, tailored to its overall dimensions, style, and placement on the village block, but the overall effect is to tie the three buildings together and endow them with a vibrant, unmistakable identity." Visitors to SHADOWLAND STAGES and the community can observe muralist Josh Deitchman as he brings Park's vision to life. He will be painting the 15,388 sq ft of the SHADOWLAND STAGES' facades this Fall.



*Amy Park
The Shadowland Murals, Set Shop-Parking Lot/Back of SHADOWLAND STAGES, 2023
Watercolor on paper rendering of façade*

About the Artist: Amy Park lives and works in Ellenville, NY, with her partner, sculptor Paul Villinski, and their son, Lark. In early 2021, they purchased a 1970s department store in the village to transform into an art studio. Park's work was recently included in "McCormick House: From the Collection" at the Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL, in the museum's Mies van der Rohe-designed home, and "Ed Ruscha Books & Co." at Gagosian Gallery, Beverly Hills, CA. She is represented by Morgan Lehman Gallery, New York, NY, and Kopeikin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Park received a BFA and an MFA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Park's work can be seen on her website: www.amypark.net

Garnet Health Assures Legislators It's Committed to Sullivan County

Monticello, NY - In a meeting with legislators this month, Garnet Health leaders reaffirmed their commitment to continue providing healthcare services to Sullivan County.



Garnet Health Medical Center-Catskills, Harris campus

Following up on a discussion with legislators last November, Garnet Health CEO Jonathan Schiller and Garnet Health Medical Center-Catskills CEO Jerry Dunlavey noted that while there have been financial challenges for the nonprofit operator of Sullivan County's two hospitals, providers' offices and urgent care, Garnet Health will not be departing Sullivan County and, in fact, is actively planning a new facility to one day replace the aging hospital located in Harris.

"Garnet Health Medical Center - Catskills has deep roots in Sullivan County and our commitment has never wavered," says Jerry Dunlavey, Garnet Health Medical Center-Catskills CEO. "We feel strongly about the community we have been serving for decades and we will continue to serve Sullivan County for years to come."

"While Garnet Health's Middletown campus provides needed regional services, it's absolutely imperative that Sullivan County continue to be served by a local medical center like Garnet Health Medical Center-Catskills," notes Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty. "Our health rankings, our less affluent workforce, and our growing tourism levels demand that we have a facility capable of immediate, on-site treatment of injuries, accidents and day-to-day health concerns."

"I'm grateful we have an open line of communication with Garnet Health and that they're receptive to the concerns of the Legislature and the needs of the community," says District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajs, who has spent her career in the health field. "It's apparent that they do want to work with us to continue to provide very much-needed healthcare in Sullivan County. We cannot be without a provider of hospital-level services."

"I'm glad Garnet Health continues to place a priority on communicating with us," adds Legislature Vice Chair Mike Brooks. "Our constituents expect that we remain open and proactive with one another, and the County will continue to monitor and, where appropriate, assist with Garnet Health's plans to enhance its presence and services in Sullivan County."

"It was a very educational meeting with them, and I came away from it pleased with what I heard," affirms District 4 Legislator Nick Salomone, who chairs the Legislature's Health & Human Services Committee. "I do believe they remain committed to the County."

"We had a positive conversation, with questions openly asked and openly answered," remarks District 5 Legislator George Conklin. "We can look forward to partnering with them on improving and expanding their offerings in Sullivan."

"When my late wife was ill and we visited other hospitals, we waited and waited and waited. Not so at Garnet Health-Catskills," recalls District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez. "Even when we did telemedicine with Garnet Health-Catskills, they always knew exactly what my wife was dealing with, and they did an incredible job. I will always be grateful to their team for their attention and care."

"Our hospital is very important for our community, not only as an asset but as a crucial part of our quality of life," notes District 7 Legislator Joe Perrello. "I'm glad to know of their strong commitment and plans to grow, and we're ready to assist them as needed. I look forward to welcoming them to future Legislature meetings as their plans progress."

"We are lucky to have a hospital serving our rural region, and I'm pleased to hear they're not going anywhere," says District 8 Legislator Ira Steingart. "I've personally used their services many times, and I've always been treated well. It's critical those kinds of services continue in Sullivan County."



Garnet Health Medical Center-Catskills, Callicoon campus

Kingston's First Cannabis Showcase - *Kingston BURNS* - Announced for October 14

Community event will feature live local music, local food, educational discussions, fashion, cannabis and more

KINGSTON, NY - Kingston Marijuana Task Force members Elizabeth Baker and Amberly Jane Campbell, in partnership with the City of Kingston and Ulster County, are pleased to announce Kingston's first Cannabis Showcase - *Kingston BURNS*, a celebration of locally-based music, food, education, fashion, cannabis and more. The event is slated for Saturday, October 14, from 12 noon to 6 p.m., at Kingston Point Rotary Park.

It will feature local and regional growers, such as Back Home Farm in High Falls and Hepworth Farms in Milton. Regional dispensaries will also be on hand to facilitate the purchase of cannabis products.

Educational discussions courtesy of Blak Mar Farms will run throughout the event, and cover topics such as "Cannabis and Wellness," "Responsible Consumption and Harm Reduction," "Medical Applications of Cannabis," "Cultivation and Sustainability," "Social Equity Programs and Initiatives," "How to Launch Your Brand," and much more. Educators will be on hand to answer your burning cannabis questions.

Radio Kingston is providing a stage, with musical guests coordinated by Fabian Marshall, Monique Tinsley, Joe Simms and Corey Marshall. The event will host a range of local musical acts, such as Ayi, Simms, Fly Guy Impulse, F.A.B. and more.

Kingston's own Anrika Martin of Di Sweet Spot - fresh off her Food Network appearance - will debut her new food trailer, and join other local food trucks at the event.

A mini-fashion show will kick off at various times throughout the day, organized by Ann Marie Crooks of Mac Ree Styles and Tyra Costello of Tyra's Vintage Rack.

Candice Van Dyke, Chief Diversity Officer and Associate

Professor at SUNY Ulster, will be in attendance to promote educational opportunities.

The event's name is not only a nod to cannabis but is also an homage to The Burning of Kingston, a three-day event running concurrently in Kingston, October 13-15, which commemorates historical events that transpired in 1777 during the Revolutionary War.

Kingston BURNS was additionally made possible thanks to the help of several local stakeholders, including community organizer Ravin Williams.

"The stigma surrounding cannabis use has long plagued our communities, often leading to unjust discrimination and marginalization. It is high time that we challenge these misconceptions and foster a more informed and compassionate dialogue," said co-organizer Elizabeth Baker, owner of We Got The Juice, on

Broadway in Kingston. "As an advocate for social equity and a firm believer in the power of community, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all those who have partnered with us on this journey.

Together, we are working towards creating a more inclusive and accepting society, where everyone has equal opportunities and access to resources.

By organizing

this community day, we aim to shed light on the positive aspects of cannabis. Our goal is not only to celebrate the local Kingston-based folks who have embraced the principles of equity, but also to encourage open conversations about cannabis and its potential benefits. We firmly believe that education and understanding are key to dismantling the stigma associated with cannabis use.

I am truly excited about the possibilities that lie ahead and the impact we can make together. Let us come together as a community, celebrate our shared values, and pave the way for a more inclusive and stigma-free future.

Thank you once again to all our partners and supporters for joining us on this important journey. Together, we can make a difference and create a society that embraces social equity and understands the true potential of cannabis."

If you are a grower, dispensary or have a cannabis-adjacent business and wish to become a vendor, the fee is \$80 (with half going to the City of Kingston), and you will need a Certificate of Liability insurance rider. For more info, email: kingstonburnsshowcase@gmail.com.

Entry is free, and is prohibited for anyone under 21 years of age.

Saturday, October 14

12 - 6 PM

**Kingston Point
Rotary Park**

Kingston BURNS

Cannabis Showcase
Live Music • Food Trucks
Education • Fashion Show
Community

21+

Town of Fallsburg Announces Exciting Open Swim and Adult Swim Activities for Residents

Fallsburg, September 18, 2023 - The Town of Fallsburg is thrilled to announce an invigorating aquatic program designed to bring community members together for a splashing good time. Starting September 28, 2023, residents can dive into free open swim sessions at the Fallsburg Jr./Sr. High School Pool, with an exclusive opportunity for adult swimmers. This program, running until November 30, 2023, promises a refreshing and fun-filled experience for all participants.

Kathy Rappaport, Supervisor of the Town of Fallsburg, expressed her enthusiasm for this initiative, saying, "Our aim is to foster a sense of community, health, and well-being among Fallsburg residents. We believe that this open swim program will not only be a source of joy but will also promote physical fitness and relaxation for everyone. We are also pleased to offer students Allana, Katelyn, Lilly, and Ross from the Fallsburg Central School district jobs as lifeguards."

The open swim sessions will be held at the Fallsburg Jr./Sr. High School Pool, providing a safe and enjoyable environment for participants of all ages. Whether you're a seasoned swimmer or just looking to swim, these sessions are open to individuals and families alike. Lifeguards will be on duty to ensure the safety of all swimmers.

For those seeking a more tranquil swim experience, the program includes dedicated adult swim sessions. These sessions are perfect for adults who want to enjoy a peaceful swim without the hustle and bustle of a typical pool environment.

Fiona Feltman, Aquatics Coordinator, remarked, "We are thrilled to offer these opportunities for our community members. The adult swim sessions are designed to provide a serene and relaxed atmosphere for those looking to unwind and exercise at their own pace."

While the Town of Fallsburg is proud to offer these activities free of charge to its residents, there will be a nominal fee for out-of-town participants. This fee ensures that the program remains accessible to the broader community.

Program details:

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- o September 21, 28
- o October 19, 25,
- o November 2, 9, 16, 30

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- o November 2, 6, 8, 14, 16, 20, 22, 28, 30



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For more information, please contact the Supervisors Office at 845-434-8810 or visit the Town Clerk's office.

Music on Market is back!

Join us on Saturday, October 7 at 7:30 pm in-person at MISU for the Hudson Valley Flyers who are bringing along early country and honky tonk music.

With an hour-long show that spans the late 1920s to early 50s, the Flyers will make you cheer and cry all within a few minutes' time. The songs are short, so don't wait to ask that special person to dance. You'll hear hits from the first country stars, like Hank Williams, Ernest Tubb, Webb Pierce, and Bob Wills, on through to electric numbers from Red Foley, Nat King Cole and much more.

The Flyers are a five-piece outfit led by Max Rainwater on vocals, guitar and fiddle. The Ellenville show will bring a one-night-only lineup of guest musicians; Rob Stein on pedal steel, Cesar Moreno on electric mandolin, Jeff Keithline on bass, and Dan Uttendorfer on drums. Hailing from Kingston, NY, The Hudson Valley Flyers canvass the I-87 corridor and far beyond.

Tickets will be available at the door for a \$10 (suggested donation)

Letter to the Editor

The Honorable Supervisor David Brooks
The Honorable Denning Town Council
PO Box 277
Denning, NY 12725

Dear Supervisor Brooks and Councilmen,

I am writing to thank, Supervisor Brooks for his ten-year effort in reducing the tax burden paid by Denning residents.

The increase in New York State land, Forever Wild Forest, which is highly utilized, is greatly appreciated. Assessor Patricia Masterson, thank you for a job well done.

The consistent concern regarding this inequity and support of the entire Town Board is appreciated, as well. As posted online, on the Denning-Neversink Facebook page, the 11.04% decrease in this year's Town property tax levy (bill), I believe is impressive in these tight economic times. I looked forward to the decrease in the school tax levy and was not disappointed, despite the school budget increase.

Please include these remarks in the official record of the Town.

Yours truly,
Joy Monforte
Denning, NY

Cc: The Tri Valley Townsman



Music on Market "Coffee House"

presents

The Hudson Valley Flyers

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Early country & honky tonk music that spans the late 1920s to early 50s.

Led by Max Rainwater, vocals, guitar and fiddle, Rob Stein, pedal steel, Cesar Moreno, mandolin, Jeff Keithline, bass, and Dan Uttendorfer, drums

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Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack Welcomes the Society for Creative Anachronism to the Persen House for “Life in the Middle Ages”

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to announce that on Saturday, September 23, the Society for Creative Anachronism, Shire of Nordenhal, will host at the Matthewis Persen House Museum located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free and all are welcome.

On Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), Shire of Nordenhal, will host “Life in the Middle Ages” at the Persen House. The SCA is an educational organization dedicated to reproducing and exploring the very best aspects of pre-17th century cultures. Join members of the SCA's Shire of Nordenhal for family-friendly activities and discussion on period clothing, calligraphy, fencing, archery and other countless activities of interest.



It is sure to be a day filled with entertaining and educational experiences!”

To learn more about the Society for Creative Anachronism, visit their website at nordenhal.eastkingdom.org. For further information about the Matthewis Persen House Museum and other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please contact County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040 or countyclerk@co.ulster.ny.us. You can also stay updated by visiting our Facebook page.

Medieval games, dancing, inkle-loom weaving and diverse arts will be demonstrated throughout the day.

“We are excited to have the SCA back at the Persen House this season,” said County Clerk Nina Postupack. “They offer a fun, family-friendly way to learn about the people and events of the middle ages.



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Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Support New Yorkers with Disabilities

- *Legislation (S.7094/A.6543) Improves the Developmental Disabilities Planning Council and Renames it the State Council on Developmental Disabilities*
- *Legislation (S.3313-B/A.5879-A) Updates Language in the Private Housing Finance Law, the Public Authorities Law and the New York State Medical Care Facilities Finance Agency Act*
- *Legislation (S.4041-A/A.7258-A) Amends the Education Law to Use Appropriate Terminology*

Governor Kathy Hochul today signed key legislation to support New Yorkers with disabilities. Legislation (S.7094/A.6543) renames the Developmental Disabilities Planning Council to be the State Council on Developmental Disabilities and updates its membership to reflect the diversity of the state. Legislation (S.3313B/A.5879A) updates outdated language used in the private housing law, the public authorities law, and the New York State medical care facilities finance agency Act. Legislation (S.4041-A/A.7258-A) replaces certain instances of the words “handicapping conditions” with disabilities related to children with such disabilities.

“It is important to myself and the State of New York that we remain up to date and respectful of individuals at all times,” Governor Hochul said. “This legislative package will allow changes to outdated language in our State laws and continues our efforts to help strengthen the rights of all New Yorkers.”

Legislation (S.7094/A.6543) makes important updates to the Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, which supports individuals with developmental disabilities through programs that promote self-advocacy, participation, and inclusion in all facets of community life. The legislation will enable fresh perspectives to be heard on the council by implementing a diverse, rotating membership. The bill also renames the council to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

State Senator John W. Mannion said, “These changes to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities ensure New York prioritizes diversity and puts individuals with disabilities and their families first. Thank you, Governor Hochul, for signing this important legislation.”

Assemblymember Rebecca Seawright said, “I commend Governor Hochul for her leadership in signing into law our legislation to significantly promote inclusion, dignity, and respect for New Yorkers living with disabilities. Through the Governor's action, together with the State Legislature, we are most substantially increasing representation of people with disabilities on our State's planning council and renaming the 'Disabilities Planning Council' to the 'State Council on Developmental Disabilities,' implementing person-first language to put the person before their disability. We are also updating the outdated and offensive language “mentally retarded” to “developmental disability.” These changes are a huge step in the right direction for achieving full equality for New Yorkers with disabilities.”

Legislation (S.3313-B/A.5879-A) allows updates to outdated language used in the private housing finance law, the public authorities law, and also the New York State medical care facilities finance agency act.

State Senator James Skoufis said, "There is no justification for perpetuating hurtful language when referring to individuals with intellectual disabilities. Terms like 'mentally retarded' belong to a

bygone era. I thank Governor Hochul for signing this bill to replace such terms with more respectful language to foster inclusion for individuals living with intellectual disabilities throughout New York.”

Legislation (S.4041-A/A.7258-A) is designed to replace certain instances of the term “handicapping conditions” with “disabilities” related to children with such disabilities in the education law. This will modernize the New York Education Law to be consistent with the federal law and dignified phrasing conventions.

State Senator Shelley Mayer said, “I am pleased New York is taking another step in modernizing New York Education Law by ensuring we use appropriate language for people with disabilities. By replacing the words 'handicapping conditions' with 'disabilities,' New York will use appropriate language that reflects our commitment to recognizing people with varying abilities and will be consistent with Federal law. I thank Assemblymember Michael Benedetto for championing this legislation in the Assembly, and Governor Kathy Hochul for signing it into law.”

Assemblymember Michael Benedetto said, “Words have meaning and words can be hurtful even when they are not intended to hurt. It is time we fix this injustice with this legislation. I applaud Governor Hochul for seeing that the time is long overdue.”

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Senator Gillibrand, Rep. Nadler Announce Landmark Labor Bill to Strengthen Garment Workers' Rights and Incentivize Made in America Clothing Manufacturing Bill Announced In The Midst Of Reinvigorated U.S. Labor Movement

The U.S. Garment Industry Loses Out On Over \$23 Billion Annually Due To China Imports;

The Global Fast Fashion Industry Is Expected To Grow By More Than 15% This Year, Prioritizing Profits Over an Already Overworked Workforce; Abuse In Garment Industry Disproportionately Shouldered By Women, People Of Color, And Immigrant Workers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand announced the re-introduction of her one-of-its-kind labor bill, the Fashioning Accountability and Building Real Institutional Change (FABRIC) Act. For far too long, garment workers have faced unsafe working conditions, wage theft, and piece-work pay, which often prioritizes fast fashion over the safety of workers. Supply chain disruptions caused by the pandemic and the popularization of the fast fashion business model have only exacerbated these ongoing issues, which are disproportionately shouldered by women, people of color, and immigrant workers. Gillibrand's FABRIC Act would protect nearly 100,000 American garment workers and help revitalize the garment industry in the United States by improving working conditions and reforming the piece-rate pay scale. Women are leaders in the cut-and-sew apparel manufacturing industry, making up 67% of workers, and following heavy job losses for women during the pandemic, investing in these workers is crucial for the future of the industry. Congressman Jerry Nadler (D-NY-12) leads this legislation in the House of Representatives.

The FABRIC Act is centered around four main pillars:

1. Combating subminimum wages by reforming piece-rate pay structures to ensure minimum wage as a floor with productivity incentives on top.
2. Establishing new liability measures that compel major retailers to become allies in combating workplace violations.
3. Introducing recordkeeping and transparency measures.
4. Creating a Domestic Garment Manufacturing Support Program designed to revitalize the industry in the United States.



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Senators Cory Booker (D-NJ), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Alex Padilla (D-CA), Bernie Sanders (I-VT), and Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) are original cosponsors of the FABRIC Act.

"American workers are making their voices heard across industries as a renewed labor movement makes its voice heard. For far too long, garment workers in the once-bustling American apparel manufacturing industry have been exploited and overlooked," said Senator Gillibrand. "The popularization of the fast fashion business model has perpetuated abuse of an already underpaid and overworked workforce, promoting profits over people, overconsumption, and rampant wage theft. From designers to workers, women, people of color, and immigrants shoulder this burden. I'm reintroducing the FABRIC Act, a one-of-a-kind federal bill to thread the needle of protecting workers' rights, putting an end to the misuse of piece-rate pay, and making historic investments in domestic garment manufacturing. Protecting the garment workforce has direct impacts on economic prosperity, environmental sustainability, and gender equality. It's time to take bold action at the federal level to change the fabric of the American garment manufacturing industry so we can protect these vital workers and not only make American, but buy American."

"As the Representative of New York's storied Garment District, I'm proud to join Senator Gillibrand in introducing the FABRIC Act today, legislation that will advance historic protections for garment workers and revitalize fashion manufacturing in the United States," said Congressman Jerrold Nadler. "With domestic fashion manufacturing having declined precipitously from its peak in 1973, the FABRIC Act is essential to bringing back these jobs from overseas while holding manufacturers accountable for labor violations that are far too common in the industry." (Contd. Pg 36)

Senator Gillibrand, Rep. Nadler Announce Landmark Labor Bill to Strengthen Garment Workers' Rights and Incentivize Made in America Clothing Manufacturing Bill Announced In The Midst Of Reinvigorated U.S. Labor Movement

(From Pg. 35) "It is unconscionable in 2023 that the makers of our clothes do not make enough to feed their families. The FABRIC Act is a timely bill that would create jobs of dignity right here at home at a time when onshoring interest has gone up. The bill includes necessary investments to spur cleaner, greener manufacturing in the United States." - Ayesha Barenblat, CEO, Remake

American garment workers face the second-highest rate of wage theft of any group of workers in the country. At its peak in April of 1973, the U.S. apparel production industry employed 1.4 million people. This number has steadily declined since. As of August 2023, only 91,200 Americans were employed in apparel manufacturing. Today, apparel imports from China to the United States are over 8 times higher than they were in the 1980s, and between 1995 and 2020, China gained an estimated 1.25 million jobs in apparel and apparel-adjacent manufacturing while the U.S. lost roughly 700,000 jobs. The U.S. garment industry now loses out on over \$23 billion annually that is instead imported from China. To fix this, the FABRIC Act has dual goals: 1) protecting and improving working conditions for garment workers; and 2) rejuvenating the garment industry in the United States.

The FABRIC Act amends the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to create a historic new set of labor protections for workers in the garment industry designed to curb many of the abuses inherent to industry bad actors. Some of these protections include:

1. Creating a new \$50 million per year Domestic Garment Manufacturing Support Program administered by DOL to provide grants and technical assistance to help manufacturers address facilities and equipment costs, make safety improvements, and do training and workforce development.
2. Prohibiting predatory payment-by-piece-rate compensation schemes as base pay where workers are not already paid minimum wage or covered by a collective bargaining agreement. Piece-rate pay enables bad actors in the garment industry to avoid paying workers a fair wage. The bill works to ensure manufacturers provide minimum wage as a pay floor with the option to pay piece rate above and beyond initial wages.
3. Holding brands accountable for the labor practices of their manufacturing partners. This will help increase accountability in the garment industry and compel major retailers to become allies in combating workplace violations.
4. Creating a new Undersecretary of Labor of the Garment Industry to oversee enforcement of these provisions as they apply to the industry.
5. Creating a nationwide garment industry registry to ensure manufacturers and contractors operate according to these labor standards.

The FABRIC Act has garnered more than 200 endorsements. For the full list please click here.

This legislation has received technical assistance from the Department of Labor Wage & Hour Division and legal experts at the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations.

To read more about the FABRIC Act, please click here <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/FABRIC-Act-118th.pdf>

Governor Hochul Announces Free Car Seat Checks Available During Child Passenger Safety Week Governor Encourages Parents and Caregivers to Take Advantage of Free Car Seat Fittings Offered at Locations Statewide

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that free child car seat checks by certified child passenger safety technicians will be available across the state during Child Passenger Safety Week, which starts Sunday, September 17 and concludes with National Seat Check Saturday on September 23. The events are part of a yearlong safety initiative in which state and local law enforcement agencies work together with various community safety partners to offer free fittings

"As a Governor, mother, and grandmother, keeping our children safe is a top priority," Governor Hochul said. "Car seat checks can save lives, and I encourage all parents and caregivers to use this opportunity to ensure their children are properly secured in the appropriate booster seat or car seat to protect our kids and save lives."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), in 2021, 1,184 children under the age of 15 were killed in traffic crashes, 40 percent of those children were unrestrained. That same year, an estimated 445 were injured every day in traffic crashes while riding in cars, SUVs, pickups, and vans.

NYS Department of Motor Vehicles Commissioner and GTSC Chair Mark J.F. Schroeder said, "It's a proven fact that correctly using a car seat, booster seat or seat belt saves lives. The Governor's Traffic Safety Committee provides parents and caregivers with safety information and year-round car seat inspection opportunities to ensure their child safety seat is properly installed. These events are just one of the many ways New York is helping to protect young lives on our roadways."

According to NHTSA, when used correctly, car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71 percent for infants (younger than 1 year old) and by 54 percent for toddlers (1 to 4 years old) in passenger cars. While most parents believe they have properly installed their child's car seat, the seats were installed incorrectly in 46 percent of cases.

Trained technicians will use the model of "Learn, Practice, and Explain" to educate caregivers on how to select a child restraint that will fit their child, fit their vehicle and be used correctly every time.

Parents and caregivers can find free Child Passenger Safety Week car seat check events in their region, or make an appointment at a year-round regional car seat fitting site.

In addition to car seat fittings, parents and caregivers can view a series of videos produced by NHSTA on proper installation of rear-facing and forward-facing car seats and booster seats. NHTSA also offers information on registering a car seat, finding the right car seat based a child's age and size and see ratings on all car seats.

For more information about GTSC, visit trafficsafety.ny.gov, or follow GTSC on Facebook and Twitter.

Molinaro Demands FCC Crack Down On Albany's Corrupt 911 Diversion Fee Scheme

Molinaro: Stealing Money From Emergency Operators And Putting It In The Coffers of Albany Bureaucrats Is Insulting & Dangerous

U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) called on Jessica Rosenworcel, Chairwoman of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), to end New York State's corrupt practice of diverting 911 fees from local emergency call centers, crisis intervention services, and other emergency safety operations. Rep. Molinaro sent led this effort with U.S. Reps. Chris Smith (NJ-4), Mike Lawler (NY-17), Nick Langworthy (NY-23), Brandon Williams (NY-22), and Anthony D'Esposito (NY-4).

In New York, cell phone bills have a \$1.20 fee imposed on each contract cell phone device. These fees are intended to support local emergency operations. Instead, the FCC has uncovered that New York State diverts these funds and uses them for other non-emergency uses. As a result, cash strapped emergency operators are unable to make necessary upgrades, hire or retain personnel, or integrate crisis intervention and mental health services into their emergency dispatch systems. This diversion also makes states ineligible for federal grants, such as NextGen 911, which support emergency dispatchers.

In a letter, Rep. Molinaro urged the FCC to implement a rule to end this corrupt practice and create a national standard for how 911 fees should be reinvested in emergency service and local government operations.

Rep. Molinaro said, "The FCC has the power to prevent New York State from stealing 911 fees from local emergency operators. They need to use it. This is a corrupt practice that is taking needed dollars from emergency responders and placing them into in the coffers of Albany bureaucrats. It's insulting to taxpayers and jeopardizes community safety."

Alex Rau, Sullivan County 911 & EMS Coordinator said, "I applaud Congressman Molinaro on his support of this critical issue which affects the safety of every New Yorker. The basis of a 911 surcharge is to support the provision of 911 services to the public, ensuring that when they dial 9-1-1 the service is ready to respond to their needs. The fact that NYS is diverting these surcharge funds already meant to fund 911 services for other non-public safety uses, only further saddles tax payers of NYS as local municipal budgets are forced to raise those operating expenses on the backs of the tax payers yet again."

Matthew Chase, Executive Director of the National Association of Counties said, "911 funding is critical to the safety and well-being of county residents. The Federal Communication Commission has identified 911 fee diversion as a major impediment to public safety, negatively impacting access to reliable emergency assistance. We must appropriately reinvest 911 fees into the systems our residents depend on. Counties thank Representative Molinaro for his leadership, and we look forward to working with our bipartisan congressional partners to support essential 911 emergency operations."

The full text of the letter is below:

Dear Chairwoman Rosenworcel:

As you know, the Federal Communication Commission created the Ending 911 Fee Diversion Now Strike Force to study the problem of 911 fee diversion and how the federal government "can most expeditiously end diversion by states and taxing jurisdiction of 911 fees or changes." Currently, several states use 911 fees collected from consumers on their phone bills for non-911 purposes, including New York, Nevada, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and West Virginia. As you are aware, at the conclusion of the 911 Strike Force, the three independent working groups arrived at identical conclusions - 911 fee diversion negatively impacts public safety operations and limits local emergency response services from making the necessary investments to save and protect lives.

This is a top issue for local emergency response services. In New York, cell phone bills have a \$1.20 fee imposed on each contract cell phone device. In 2021, the state collected over \$247 million for the Public Safety Surcharge while counties only saw \$75 million broken down into two formula-based grants. In the absence of direct support from 911 fees to support local public safety answering point operations, counties and other local entities must turn to their general fund revenue for support and often exhaust available resources.

Moreover, this diversion issue makes states ineligible for grants, such as NextGen 911, to bolster their own 911 operations. We have heard from EMS directors and community leaders across our districts about the ongoing challenges of hiring and retaining qualified public safety professionals. These funds are also vital for counties to integrate crisis intervention and mental health services into their emergency dispatch systems. They need to have the resources to make necessary safety upgrades to the 911 system so they can continue serving their communities and fund modernization activities that will improve the delivery of 911 services. The 911 fee diversion issue is negatively impacting emergency service operations and overall fiscal sustainability for counties, particularly in rural communities.

As the Ending 911 Fee Diversion Now Strike Force found, several states experience the issue of fee diversion. These states continue to report consistent fee diversion activities, for issues ranging from aging statutes that do not account for the generational shift from landline to mobile fee assessments, to the lack of a set-aside in 911 fee collection that would reinvest dollars back into public safety answering point operations for things like facility upgrades, computer aided dispatch, mapping technology, and more.

Given these conclusions, we ask the FCC to reevaluate the Ending 911 Fee Diversion Now Strike Force results and establish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to put an end to this unjust practice done by the states we represent. Additionally, the FCC should establish a national standard for a set-aside in 911 fee collection to be reinvested in public safety answering point operators and local government public safety budgets. Commonsense enforcement mechanisms, outlined in the Strike Force, should follow an escalation path focused on resolving fee diversion. Such steps will allow for a measured and balanced approach to solving this critical issue.

We appreciate the efforts and overall mission of the Ending 911 Fee Diversion Now Strike Force and look forward to working with the FCC to solve this critical issue.

DEC Announces Start of Small Game Hunting Seasons

- *Special Youth and Military Hunting Opportunities Available*

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)

- *Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that most small game hunting seasons open on Saturday, Oct. 1, across New York State*

"From waterfowl and upland gamebirds to squirrels, rabbits, and more, there are abundant opportunities for hunters across New York State," Commissioner Seggos said. "This year, hunters can enjoy even more waterfowl hunting opportunities, with an increase in mallard and Canada goose bag limits and an extended goose season."

Season dates, bag limits, and other hunting regulations for New York's small game species are available in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide, which can be obtained from a license-issuing agent or on DEC's website.

Waterfowl Hunting and Special Youth and Military Days

New York offers vast waterfowl hunting opportunities as hunters may harvest more than 30 species of waterfowl. New York has five waterfowl zones and nine Canada goose zones that help to maximize hunting opportunity across diverse habitats. Most waterfowl zones also have special hunting days for youth and members of the military (both active duty and veterans) that often begin prior to the regular hunting season, giving these hunters the opportunity to hunt with less hunting pressure.

Youth Waterfowl Days:

Northeast, Southeast and Lake Champlain Zones: Sept. 23 and 24
 Western Zone: Sept. 30 and Oct. 1

Long Island Zone: Nov. 4 and 5

Military and Veteran Hunting Days:

Northeast and Southeast Zones: Sept. 23 and 24

Western Zone: Oct. 7 and Jan. 20

Long Island Zone: Nov. 11 and 12

There are no special Military/Veteran days for the Lake Champlain Zone.

Opening dates for the Regular Duck Seasons:

Northeast & Lake Champlain Zones: Oct. 7

Western and Southeast Zones: Oct. 21

Long Island Zone: Nov. 18

For more on waterfowl hunting season dates and bag limits, visit the Waterfowl Seasons page on DEC's website.

Ruffed Grouse Hunting

Ruffed grouse hunting season runs from Oct. 1 through the last day of February in most parts of the state. In Northern New York, the season opens on Sept. 20, and runs through the last day of February. In New York City and Long Island, the season is closed.

Ruffed grouse hunters in the Northern Zone are reminded to positively identify quarry before shooting. The Northern Zone, specifically Wildlife Management Units 5C, 5F, 6F, and 6J, is also home to the spruce grouse, a State-endangered species that is ille-

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gal to hunt. Loss of a single spruce grouse, particularly a female, could be a significant setback for a small local population. For tips on how to discern the two species, view the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide or the Ruffed Grouse Hunting Information page on DEC's website.

DEC encourages ruffed grouse hunters to take part in the grouse hunting log program and submit feathers from harvested birds to assess recruitment (number of young produced per adult female grouse) for different parts of the state. Interested hunters should visit the DEC website.

Pheasant Season and Pheasant Propagation Update

During the spring of 2023, the Reynold's Game Farm suffered a Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza outbreak in the breeder flock. After enacting precautionary measures to ensure the facility was properly decontaminated, DEC secured a contract to acquire 30,000 pheasants from a commercial hatchery to supplement fall upland bird hunting opportunities around the state.

Prior to hunting seasons, DEC will release adult pheasants on lands open to public hunting for the upcoming fall pheasant hunting season. The pheasant hunting season begins:

Oct. 1, in northern and eastern portions of New York

Oct. 21, in central and western portions of the state

Nov. 1, on Long Island

Since 2007, DEC has offered a special youth-only season to provide junior hunters the opportunity to hunt pheasants during the weekend prior to the regular pheasant hunting season. In Western New York, the youth pheasant hunt weekend is Oct. 14 and 15. In northern and eastern New York, the youth pheasant hunt weekend is Sept. 23 and 24, and on Long Island, it is Oct. 28 and 29. (Contd. Pg. 39)

DEC Announces Start of Small Game Hunting Seasons

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Both the junior hunter and their adult mentor must have a hunting license. Only the junior hunter can carry a firearm and harvest birds on these dates.

An interactive map of statewide pheasant release sites, approximate timing of stocking, and number of birds stocked, can be found on DEC's website.

Squirrel, Rabbit, and Hare Hunting

Opportunities to pursue squirrels and rabbits can be found throughout the state, including on many public lands. Squirrel seasons started Sept. 1 in Upstate New York and begin Nov. 1 on Long Island. Rabbit hunting begins on Oct. 1 in Upstate New York and on Nov. 1 on Long Island. With ample opportunities and mild weather, squirrel and rabbit hunting are great ways to introduce novices to hunting.

Snowshoe hare (or varying hare) season starts Oct. 1 in the Northern Zone. Hare hunters in the Southern Zone, where the season starts in late fall or early winter, are encouraged to report their observations to DEC through the DEC website.

Wild Turkey Hunting

Wild turkeys can be found throughout the state but reach their highest densities in landscapes that have a mix of forests, old fields, and farmlands. Wild turkeys are less vulnerable to harvest in areas with abundant food (e.g., hard and soft mast), because they don't have to roam far and wide foraging, so scouting before the season is important. The statewide fall season bag limit is one bird of either sex. Hunting hours are sunrise to sunset.

Season dates for fall 2023:

Oct. 1 - 14, in the Northern Zone

Oct. 21 - Nov. 3, in the Southern Zone (corrected dates**)

Nov. 18 - Dec. 1 in Suffolk County, Long Island

**Note: there is an error in the hard-copy 2023-2024 hunting regulations guide. As always, DEC recommends hunters visit the DEC website before going afield to confirm season dates and regulations.

Turkey Season Dates

Corrected Hunting Guide

Furbearer Hunting Seasons

With 16 species of furbearers living in New York, furbearer hunting and trapping opportunities are abundant. Coyote hunting season begins Oct. 1 across much of the state and hunting seasons for other furbearers such as bobcat, raccoon, and fox begin on Oct. 25. Season dates and zone boundaries for all furbearers and other hunting information including tips for identifying coyotes can be found on DEC's website and in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide.

Citizen Science

Citizen science efforts such as the Grouse and Woodcock Hunting Log, Ruffed Grouse Parts Collection, and the Bowhunter Sighting Log provide hunters the opportunity to partner with DEC to monitor game species. To learn more about how to participate in these efforts, visit the DEC website.

DEC Encourages Hunter Safety

While statistics show hunting in New York is safer than ever, mistakes are made every year. DEC believes every hunting-related shooting incident is preventable, and Commissioner Seggos encourages hunters to use common sense this season and to

remember what they learned in their DEC Hunter Education Course.

Firearms Safety:

Point your gun in a safe direction.

Treat every gun as if it were loaded.

Be sure of your target and beyond.

Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

In addition to blaze orange or pink being required for hunting big game with firearms, DEC encourages small game hunters to wear blaze orange or blaze pink. Wearing orange or pink prevents other hunters from mistaking a person for an animal or shooting in a hunter's direction. Hunters wearing blaze orange are seven times less likely to be shot.

For more information and other important safety tips, please visit DEC's website and watch videos about hunter safety. For more information about getting outdoors safely and responsibly, visit DEC's website.

Governor Hochul Signs Public Health Legislation to Crack Down on Tobacco Sales

Legislation (A1025/S50) Bans the Sale of Tobacco Products at Vending Stands and in Vending Machines in New York State Buildings

Protects Public Health by Making Harmful Tobacco Products Less Accessible

Governor Kathy Hochul signed public health legislation (A1025/S50) to crack down on tobacco sales in New York. This legislation will make tobacco products less accessible by prohibiting the sale of these products at vending stands and in vending machines in New York State buildings.

"For decades, tobacco companies have hooked generations of New Yorkers on nicotine," Governor Hochul said. "We're cracking down on Big Tobacco by banning the sale of their harmful products in New York State buildings. Protecting public health is a top priority for me, and I will continue to discourage the sale and use of these dangerous, addictive products in New York."

Legislation (A1025/S50) amends the public buildings law to prohibit the sale of tobacco products in vending machines and at vending stands leasing space in New York State buildings. The prohibition will apply to new leases and contracts with vendors. This legislation makes the public buildings law consistent with other state laws and policies regarding tobacco sales.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, cigarette smoking is the leading cause of preventable death in the United States, resulting in more than 480,000 deaths each year. Given the proven link between the use of tobacco products and serious disease and health risks, this legislation aims to protect public health in New York State by curbing the sale of these products on State property. According to the 2013 Independent Evaluation Report of the New York Tobacco Control Program, reductions in tobacco use are achieved by creating a social environment and legal climate in which tobacco becomes less desirable, less acceptable, and less accessible.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

BRING YOUR DECORATED PUMPKIN . . .

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(See criteria for judging on page #9)



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Address _____

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Child (6 & Under) Child (7-12) Teens (13-17)

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37th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade

The 37th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2023 from 9AM to 4PM at the fairgrounds in Grahamsville, NY. This traditional fall festival has always focused on children and their love for reading books! It's a family day out in the country with something for everyone - from the costume parade, pony rides, giant pumpkin growing contest, craft fair, hayrides, hay maze, a book sale, live music, delicious food and other amusements! New this year is the teen's Adventure Zone, with a rock-climbing wall and various games and challenges. And of course, there will be pumpkins and gourds available for purchase!

The children's costume parade and contest (open to children of all ages and groups of all ages-with a theme) starts the day's activities on stage at the fair-ground with registration at 9AM.

The Tri-Valley School Band, under the direction of Matthew Weyant, will follow the Costume Contest at 11:30 AM. The Giant Pumpkin Party is thrilled to welcome the Manaklin Brothers, a country band with a rock twist to this year's entertainment lineup. The Manaklin Brothers play country, new and old, along with music from the 50's and 60's and Rock and Roll. They are sure to please everyone.

Visitors to the Giant Pumpkin Party will also enjoy children's games, craft activities, handmade crafts, and a raffle featuring more than forty prizes. In addition to these activities, Giant Pumpkin partiers may participate in the many scheduled contests: Giant Pumpkin Growing Contest (adult and children's categories), Pumpkin Decorating Contest, and Hay Bale Throw Contest. Please refer to the booklet or our website (www.danielpiercelibrary.org) for more information on contests and rules.

Every library benefit needs a book sale and the Giant Pumpkin Party is no exception. A collection of gently used books, the best of the best donated to the library over the course of the year, will be featured in the Giant Pumpkin Party Better Book Sale. Find a book and take a refreshment break in between the fun with sumptuous treats of homemade donuts, chili, hot dogs, hamburgers, hot apple cider and drinks available for purchase.

Remember, the event is held rain or shine! Admission and parking are free! Funds raised will be used to benefit the Daniel Pierce Library Children's Program. For entry forms, contest rules, a schedule of the day's events or additional information, please call the Daniel Pierce Library at (845) 985-7233 or visit the Giant Pumpkin Party page on the library website www.danielpiercelibrary.org.



COSTUME MARCH

Saturday, October 7th
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Children's Registration:

The Costume March will take place at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. No fees.

For more information, please contact Deirdre McHugh at 845 985-7233 x105.

Any costume will do. Everyone who participates will receive a special prize book and a delicious Frost Valley Chocolate Chip Cookie!

There will be a separate raffle in each of the following age groups:

- ◆ 0-2 year-old
- ◆ 3-5 year-old
- ◆ 6-9 year-old
- ◆ 10 years and older
- ◆ Group all ages-with theme




GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY


CONTEST INFORMATION


Win Great Prizes!




Enter our contests at the Giant Pumpkin Party for both children and adults for a chance to win great prizes! For entry forms and complete contest rules and information, please refer to the **Giant Pumpkin Party Booklet**, which is available throughout the community, call the **Daniel Pierce Library** at 985-7233, or visit our website at www.danielpiercelibrary.org and click on the "Giant Pumpkin Party" link.

 **Costume March:** (pg. 5) All participants receive a special book prize and a sweet treat. There is also a separate raffle in all of the age groups. Registration will begin at the fairgrounds at 8:30 a.m. The Costume March begins at 9:00 a.m.

 **Giant Pumpkin Contest:** (pg. 7) Trophies and Cash Prizes awarded to all winners! Enter your Giant Pumpkin into our adult or children's categories.

 **Children's Pumpkin Decorating Contest:** (pg. 8) Gift cards or books awarded to all winners! Enter your Decorated Pumpkin into one of 3 categories.

 **Hay Bale Throw Contest:** (pg. 10) Trophies awarded to the furthest throw in each category! Test your strength and give this contest a try. Categories for men, women and children.

* The Thirty-first Annual * HAY BALE THROW CONTEST

The Hay Bale Throw Contest will be here before you know it — are you ready? Now is the time to start preparing.

Remember the special tips that Ol' Hazard Twine Baylor has shared with us over the years:

1. Bring out the "orange" on Pumpkin Party Day.
2. Look for loads of 4-leaf clovers.
3. Practice makes perfect.
4. Eat those leafy "greens" and "orange" carrots.

The GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY has been granted lifetime certification by the *International Hay Bale Throwers Association* of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada.

All persons who are able to pick up a bale of hay, and who pay one ticket shall be entered: to include women, men and children on equal standing.

- 1) No special rules shall be made to benefit men.
- 2) Women shall be offered a special line from which to throw.
- 3) Children too small to pick up a bale may be helped by a parent or other adult.



Association Rules are as follows:

(No exceptions!)

- Throwers must be able to identify a hay bale, and be able to pick it up.
- No special gear, such as: goggles, extra-wide suspenders, or off-color shoe strings will be allowed.
- No practice on event day!

Artwork by Bob McLean



Trophies to be awarded at the conclusion of the PARTY!

* BEST FEMALE THROW • BEST MALE THROW
• BEST CHILD THROW

GIANT PUMPKIN CONTEST

Grahamsville Fairgrounds • Route 55
Saturday, October 7, 2023

Giant Pumpkin Contest Rules

1) A stem must be attached to the entry. If the stem needs to be reattached, clear tape must be used. For example, use clear packing tape.



Michael Lazdauska

2) The major criterion will be weight.

3) Only one entry per person will be allowed.

4) Bring your pumpkin to the Fairgrounds between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. No entries will be accepted after 9:00 a.m.

5) Judging will take place at 10:00 a.m. Winning pumpkins must be left for viewing until 3:00 p.m. or prizes will be forfeited.

— Prizes —

King	\$250.00	
Queen	\$150.00	Prince
Princess	\$75.00	
Knight	\$25.00	(ages 12 and under)

Trophies will be awarded to all winners!

ENTRY FORM FOR PUMPKIN CONTEST • NO ENTRY FEE!

Send to: Daniel Pierce Library - Pumpkin Contest, P.O. Box 268, Grahamsville, NY 12740.
For more information call the Daniel Pierce Library (845) 985-7233.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Category: Adult (13 years and older) _____

(select one) Child (0 - 12 years of age) _____

Variety of Pumpkin _____

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Giant Pumpkin Party Raffle

RAFFLE PRIZES

Prizes	Donated by
1st • Weekend Lodging for Four	<i>Frost Valley YMCA</i>
2nd • Weekend Lodging for Four	<i>Frost Valley YMCA</i>
3rd • Outdoor Furniture	<i>Grey's Woodworks</i>
4th • Family 4 Pack Splash Pass	<i>Kartrite Resort & Indoor Waterpark</i>
5th • Wood Art	<i>MAG Woodworks</i>
6th • Saturday Pass for 4 Frost Valley	<i>Frost Valley YMCA</i>
7th • Original Art Work	<i>Ann Higgins</i>
8th • Original Art Work	<i>Elise Hornbeck</i>
9th • \$140 Vouchers to Neversink General Store	<i>Neversink General Store</i>
10th • Museum at Bethel Woods Four Adult Passes	<i>Bethel Woods Center for the Arts</i>
11th • Handmade .999 Fine Silver Necklace	<i>Sweet Metal Designs</i>
12th • \$100 Gift Card Foster Supply	<i>Foster Supply Hospitality</i>
13th • \$100 Gift Certificate to Catskill Mountain Spa	<i>Catskill Mountain Spa</i>
14th • \$100 Gift Certificate to Catskill Mountain Spa	<i>Catskill Mountain Spa</i>
15th • 16' Boy's Bike	<i>"Mr. Pat"</i>
16th • 16' Girl's Bike	<i>"Mr. Pat"</i>
17th • \$70 Meat Package (10 lbs.)	<i>Thunder View Farms</i>
18th • Time and the Valleys Museum Family Pass	<i>Catskill Hudson Bank</i>
19th • \$60 Gift Certificate to Garigliano Events	<i>Victoria Garigliano</i>
20th • Soup Toureen	<i>Staci Conjura & Family</i>
21st • Gaming Head Set	<i>Friend of the Library</i>
22nd • Dr. Teals Gift Set & Blanket	<i>Friends of the Library</i>
23rd • \$50 Cash	<i>Sutton Underground</i>
24th • Holiday Blanket	<i>Julie & Chip Furman</i>
25th • Candy Corn Mug Set	<i>Anonymous</i>
26th • Pancake Breakfast for Two Claryville Fire Department	<i>Michael Schiffer</i>
27th • Pumpkin Peep Mug Set	<i>Anonymous</i>
28th • Deluxe Scrapbook Set	<i>Friends of the Library</i>
29th • Halloween Treat Jar	<i>Anonymous</i>
30th • Harry Potter Game	<i>Friend of the Library</i>

Raffle Tickets may be purchased for \$1.00 (6 for \$5.00) at the Daniel Pierce Library and will be on sale at the Little World's Fair and on the day of the Giant Pumpkin Party. Winner need not be present.

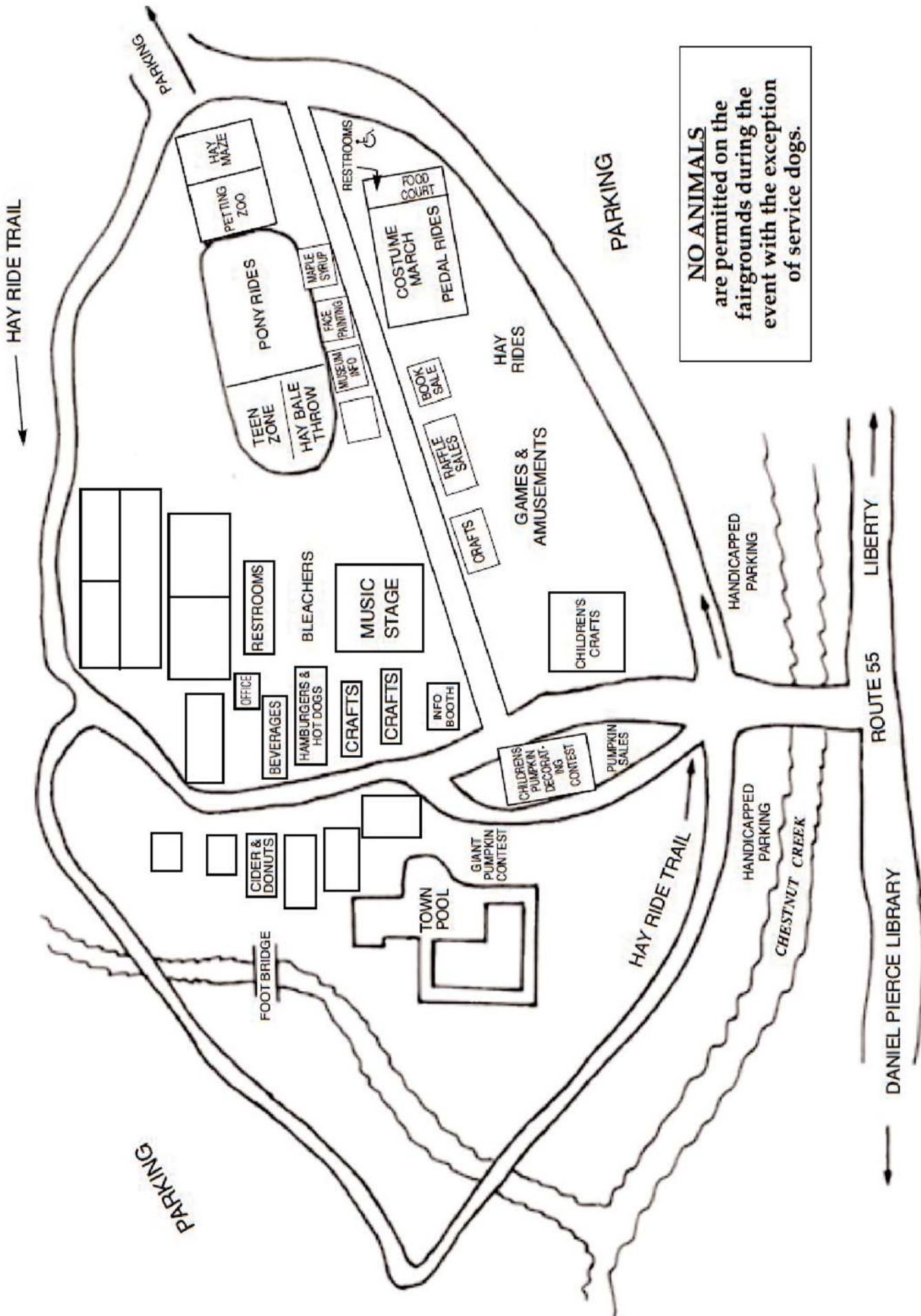
Raffle Drawing at 3 p.m. on October 7 at the Giant Pumpkin Party

Funds raised will be used for the Children's Program Room, and to purchase automation equipment and needed books for all age groups.

GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY

NO PETS ALLOWED

NO ANIMALS are permitted on the fairgrounds during the event with the exception of service dogs.



DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY

ROUTE 55

LIBERTY

HANDICAPPED PARKING

PARKING

PARKING

HAY RIDE TRAIL

PARKING

WANTED

Pink and Grey T-shirts or T-Shirt Fabric



Maureen Hamilton is making another hooked rug! This time she needs enough **Pink and Grey T-Shirt Fabric** to complete this **project**

When the rug is finished it will go on sale by the **Sundown UMC Ladies**

All proceeds from the rug will be for the benefit of **The Sundown United Methodist Church**

Maureen is usually at the Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale - Second Floor

THE SUNDOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2023 CHICKEN BBQ

(Taste has been guaranteed for many years.)



September 23rd
from
4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Adults \$15.00
Children (8 and under) \$8.00



Contact
Call # 845-985-2283
Text # 845-693-0889
(Thank you for your support!)



Peekamoose Rd & Greenville Rd
Grahamsville, NY 12740
United States

OR search 'Sundown UMC' for directions

SHARE THE NUMBER

SPREAD THE WORD

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There is hope.



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SAVE A LIFE! DONATE! SHARE OUR STORY!



NICK NEEDS KIDNEY -TYPE O (IN SOME CASES TYPE A BLOOD COULD WORK)

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) progresses in stages and, if untreated, can lead to complete loss of kidney function. At CKD stage 5, when both kidneys fail completely, the only options for survival are dialysis or a kidney transplant. Nick is at stage 5.

If interested in donating please contact Westchester Medical Center and speak with a Living Donor Coordinator at 914.493.1990

More about our warrior Nick....

Nick was diagnosed with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) at birth. TSC is a neurological disorder that produces seizures, tumors, and lesions that effect the organs of the body and can cause Autism. Nick has been battling with seizures his whole life from infantile spasms to adult grand-mal seizures. May 2019 we heard the worst news that Nick's function was under 10% on both kidneys. Since then Nick has had multiple surgeries so he could get the proper dialysis preformed. Nick goes in center for 4 hours 3 times a week. Not what the sweetest, kindest, 31 year old should be going through.

Nick has such a big heart and is loved by so many in our community. We all want Nick to have the best quality of life and going through dialysis does not provide that quality. We hope and pray a kidney comes to us and that Nick will be able to live a happy and healthy life doing what he loves and that is to bicycle all throughout our town making people smile. Nick is a big part of the community, he takes pride with his volunteer work with the EMS and is the Honorary member of the Monticello Fire Department.

Lets all band together for Nick and help him find a kidney so he can live life to the fullest!

*For any other questions
845.798.2077 nickneedsokidney@gmail.com*

 Follow Nick
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Grahamsville United Methodist Church

T H R I F T

Saturday



Sept 23rd

Thrift Sale

9:00 am
to 12 Noon



Luncheon
10:30 am
to 12:30 pm
EAT IN
or
TAKE OUT

Join Esther and look for new bargains
and treasures at the next Thrift Sale

**GRAHAMSVILLE
UMC THRIFT MINISTRY**

Donations accepted in the Thrift Building
on Tuesdays
from 9:30 to 11:30 am or by appointment.

Call Ruth at 845-985-7222
The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team

Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop

END OF SUMMER

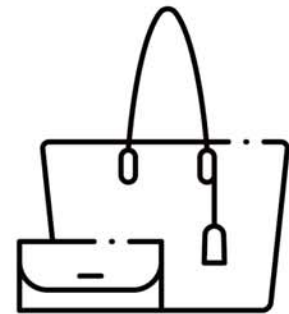
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50% OFF

ALL CLOTHING,
SCARVES
HANDBAGS,
AND DECOR



30% OFF

ALL STERLING
SILVER AND
COSTUME
JEWELRY



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

10AM - 3:30PM 10 HEALTHY WAY



MISSING DOG

LAST SEEN IN ROXBURY, NY



PEPPER

Schipperke/ Chihuahua Mix
Black with white chest
Neutered male - 13 pounds
Microchipped

Pepper was last seen in
Roxbury, NY on Friday,
8/25 chasing a grey SUV

**CASH
REWARD**

CALL OR TEXT WITH ANY INFORMATION

212.470.0746

THE OLD DUTCH CHURCH

9TH ANNUAL LIVING HISTORY



CEMETERY TOUR

Step back in time to October 1777 and hear the personal stories of six remarkable women who survived the -

THE BURNING OF KINGSTON

Saturdays in October at 7 pm

The Old Dutch Church, 272 Wall St., Kingston
\$15 per person, \$10 students and seniors.
\$1.00 for 12 and under.

The one-hour tour is accessible and appropriate for all ages.



Tickets and info: livinghistoryny.com

Produced and performed by theatreontheroad.com

Daniel Pierce Library

Fall Children's Programs

2023

Sign Up TODAY!

The 8 week fall story hour programs will begin the week of October 16th.

Mother Goose Time (12-23 months)

Wednesday, October 18th

Toddler Time (24-35 months)

Thursday, October 19th

Story Hour (3, 4, and 5 year-olds)

Friday, October 20th

Universal Pre-Kindergarten Story Hour

Children will be registered at school

Tuesday, October 17th

Happy Fall

CAN YOU LEND A HAND?



**DONATIONS NEEDED FOR PHASE 2 SIDE OF THE
PLAYGROUND PROJECT**

(for help in purchasing side pieces for younger children)

HELP US RAISE \$2,000

NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL!

GOAL IS TO RAISE \$2,000 BY JULY 14TH.

IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE SEND DONATION TO:

TV BEARS PTO

PO BOX 43

GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740



Moving Forward With the Biden Impeachment Inquiry

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RwDTKHxkUi4>

In spite of interference by the Department of Justice, which slow-walked and covered up the investigations into the Biden Crime Family, House Republicans have extensive evidence that the President is beyond compromised. We have uncovered evidence revealing the Biden Family's crimes and corruption, including previously undisclosed multi-million dollar payments from Ukraine, Romania, and China to the President's family and likely the President himself. It is unacceptable that the President is making policy decisions based on self-interest and also enriching himself and his family at the expense of the American people. House Republicans are moving forward to responsibly investigate the President's alleged crimes with an impeachment inquiry. On behalf of my constituents and every American, I remain committed to holding the Biden Crime Family accountable.

READ MORE: Rep. Claudia Tenney supports impeachment inquiry into President Joe Biden

https://www.fltimes.com/news/rep-claudia-tenney-supports-impeachment-inquiry-into-president-joe-biden/article_8ec7b470-519d-11ee-8ed3-ff92f39047a1.html

Addressing Secretary Granholm's Clear Crimes and Conflicts of Interest

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRqYPxIJ8jw>

Rep Tenney Grilling Biden's Secretary of Energy for Committee Perjury

In this week's Science, Space, and Technology Committee Hearing, I directly asked Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm why she has not resigned and why we should not begin an impeachment inquiry for her blatant ethics violations, crimes, and conflicts of interest. Secretary Granholm has admitted to lying to Congress under oath and committing perjury. Perjury grants Congress clear grounds for impeachment. This is yet another example of the colossal ego and arrogance of the Biden Administration that Americans despise most. It is far past time that Secretary Granholm is held accountable for these clear crimes and conflicts of interest. Secretary Granholm has made our lives unaffordable and pushed a radical green energy agenda, all while lining her own pockets on the backs of the American people. Enough is enough.

READ MORE: GOP rep calls for impeachment inquiry into Biden energy secretary Granholm: 'she lied, under oath'

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/gop-rep-calls-impeachment-inquiry-biden-energy-secretary-granholm-she-lied-under-oath>

I Joined Fox and Friends to Discuss the Migrant Crisis

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/gop-rep-calls-impeachment-inquiry-biden-energy-secretary-granholm-she-lied-under-oath>
Rep Tenney on Fox and Friends

This week, I joined Fox and Friends to discuss the ongoing crisis at our Northern border. Within the past year, migrant crossings have increased by almost 850%! Every state, county, and town has turned into a border community thanks to the failed policies of the Biden Administration, Governor Hochul, and Mayor Adams. This escalating migrant crisis is threatening the safety of all of New York, including NY-24, and straining our resources. It is costing taxpayers billions!

I was one of the first Congress members to call for Mayorkas' impeachment for his failure to act and will continue to urge the rest of Congress to launch an impeachment inquiry. Until that happens, I utilized the power we have in Congress, the power of the purse, and introduced legislation reducing his pay to \$1. I remain committed to firmly opposing efforts to relocate unvetted migrants into NY-24 and all of New York.

Watch My Full Interview on Fox and Friends Here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TY2ji5bHqcc>

Protecting Our Nation With The SEVER Act

This week, I introduced the Strengthening Entry Visa Enforcement and Restrictions Act, or SEVER Act, to ban Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi and other officials associated with the Iranian Supreme Leader from entering the United States. This was done in advance of Raisi's arrival for a meeting of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

As we approach the opening session of the UNGA, it is imperative we stop Raisi and his associates from setting foot on American soil. Raisi, whose nickname is "the Butcher of Tehran," has a record of grave human rights abuses and orchestrating terrorist activities worldwide. The SEVER Act is necessary to protect our nation from the threat posed by President Raisi and others connected to the Iranian regime, as well as to show the international community that terrorists are not welcome in the U.S.

We need to send a clear message that we will not allow known terrorists like Iranian President Raisi on U.S. soil. President Biden needs to sign this bill into law before Raisi's planned arrival at the opening session of the UNGA.

READ MORE: Republicans Move to Ban Iranian President From Entering the U.S.

<https://freebeacon.com/national-security/republicans-ban-iran-president/>

Transparency in Congress and a well-informed electorate are vital to preserving our self-governing Constitutional Republic.

Constituents deserve to know how their members of Congress vote, which is why I have explained the votes I have cast in Congress since I was first elected. Those I represent will always know where I stand, and I will continue to prioritize transparency, accessibility, and integrity in everything I do on behalf of New York's 24th Congressional District.

To read more about my votes and see the full list with explanations of all the legislation considered this week by the House, please click here. <https://tenney.house.gov/about/my-votes-explained>

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 1435, the Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act. Over the past few years, we have seen the Democrats' failed energy policies result in high prices at the pump, unaffordable heating bills, and the enrichment of Chinese entities who influence our electric vehicles and critical minerals supply chains. (Contd. Pg. 58)

This Week with Claudia

(From Pg. 57) It was even more shocking when California and New York, utilizing California's unique waiver process in the Clean Air Act, moved to ban the sale of cars with combustion engines by 2035. We should not be picking and choosing what types of vehicles Americans can buy; instead, we should let the power of the free market decide. Currently, electric vehicles are expensive toys for the wealthy who do not yet have the range or charging infrastructure required to work in rural America. That's why I supported legislation to protect consumer choice in the automotive market and prevent California and New York from implementing any similar policy banning gasoline-powered vehicles. This bill passed the House by a vote of 215-200.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 1567, the ACRES Act. Recently, the United States has experienced numerous devastating fires, particularly out west. One of the most effective ways of reducing these fires is to thin out extra fuel and perform controlled burns. However, a 2022 investigation from NBC News found that the United States Forest Service was overstating the land it had treated by an estimated 21 percent nationally. In response, this legislation would require the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of the Interior (DOI) to conduct an annual report outlining the number of acres treated across the country. This will enhance the accuracy of how USDA and DOI must report on the number of acres they treat, granting us better data we can utilize to prevent future fires. This bill passed the House by a vote of 406-4.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 3324 to extend the authority to collect Shasta-Trinity Marina fees through fiscal year 2029. This bill will allow the Secretary of Agriculture to continue collecting fees for the marina facility in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest. The fees will be used to fund facility enhancements, repair and maintenance, and visitor services. This bill passed the House by a vote of 415-0.

I voted "Yes" on H.Res. 492, Condemning the Government of Iran's state-sponsored persecution of the Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights. This resolution denounces the state-sponsored persecution of the Baha'i religion by the Government of Iran and demands the release of all religious prisoners. In the past year, the Iranian Ministry of Intelligence has confiscated dozens of Baha'i properties and has arrested at least 30 members of the Baha'i community due to their faith. As the Iranian regime continues to brutally oppress its own people, we must remain vocal in denouncing their horrific human rights abuses. This bill passed the House by a vote of 413-2.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 589, the Mahsa Amini Human Rights and Security Accountability Act, or the MAHSA Act. This bill requires the President to determine and impose appropriate sanctions on Iranian officials responsible for gross human rights violations. In addition, it would help institute additional sanctions against the theocratic regime to end its reign and support for oppression and terrorism. I am honored to be a cosponsor of this important legislation and support its passage through the House as we look to counter Iran's malign presence across the world. This bill passed the House by a vote of 410-3.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 3152, the Fight CRIME Act. H.R. 3152 works to deter the Iranian development of ballistic missiles and drones as the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2231, which restricts Iran's nuclear activities, is close to lapsing. In addition, the legislation requires the administration to create a strategy to prevent the UNSCR 2231 from expiring in October 2023 and impose sanctions on all persons and entities involved in supporting and supplying the Iranian arms program. It is vital to global security to prevent the theocratic Iranian regime, a sponsor of terrorism and violator of human rights, from further developing and building ballistic missiles and drones. That is why I led a letter months ago to our E3 partners (France, Germany, and the United Kingdom) urging them to initiate snapback sanctions against Iran and make the UNSCR 2231 sanctions permanent. I am honored to cosponsor and support H.R. 3152, which is a great first step toward extending our domestic sanctions. This bill passed the House by a vote of 403-8.



Following Farm Bill Listening Session with Scenic Hudson, Rep. Molinaro Introduces Bipartisan Bill to Support Soil Conservation & Farmers

Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (R-NY-19) today announced the introduction of the Peer Learning for Agriculture Conservation Education (PLACE) Act. Rep. Molinaro worked with Scenic Hudson and Regenerate America to develop this bill and introduced it with U.S. Rep. Andrea Salinas (D-OR-6). The PLACE Act's introduction follows Rep. Molinaro's Farm Bill Listening Session with Scenic Hudson, which focused on soil conservation and environmental sustainability.

Soil conservation practices are crucial for maintaining viable farmland and mitigating environmental degradation. However, during Rep. Molinaro's Farm Bill listening session, participants raised concerns about the lack of federal resources to help educate farmers about these practices and implement them.

Rep. Molinaro's bill creates a program within the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Regional Conservation Partnership Program that will incentivize the creation of peer-to-peer conservation education and training networks. These networks will help regional farmers access technical assistance and expertise on effective conservation practices without the burden of having to work through overburdened USDA staff.

Rep. Molinaro said, "My Farm Bill Listening Session shed light on the urgent need to prioritize soil health and environmental sustainability. Soil conservation is not just essential for the long-term viability of our farmland; it's a cornerstone of our environmental stewardship. Unfortunately, we recognized there's a gap in federal support for educating and implementing these crucial practices. My bipartisan bill will cut red tape and help more farmers get the help they need to implement conservation strategies."

Ned Sullivan, President of Scenic Hudson & founder of Northeast Carbon Alliance said, "The local, family-owned farms throughout New York and Northeastern states are an indispensable resource, providing food and farm products to the nation. They also play a vital role in delivering clean water and healthy soils, and reducing and slowing the impacts of climate change. Congressman Molinaro understands the potential of supporting win-win agriculture and environmental policies. His bipartisan PLACE Act promotes soil health and brings farmers, scientists and technical service providers from the public and private sectors together to learn from one another and apply their knowledge in the field. I am proud to partner with him on the legislation."

The PLACE Act is endorsed by Scenic Hudson, Regenerate America, Great Wonder Farms, Handsome Brook Farms, Hudson Carbon / The Foundation for Agricultural Integrity, the American Sustainable Business Network (ASBN), and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC).

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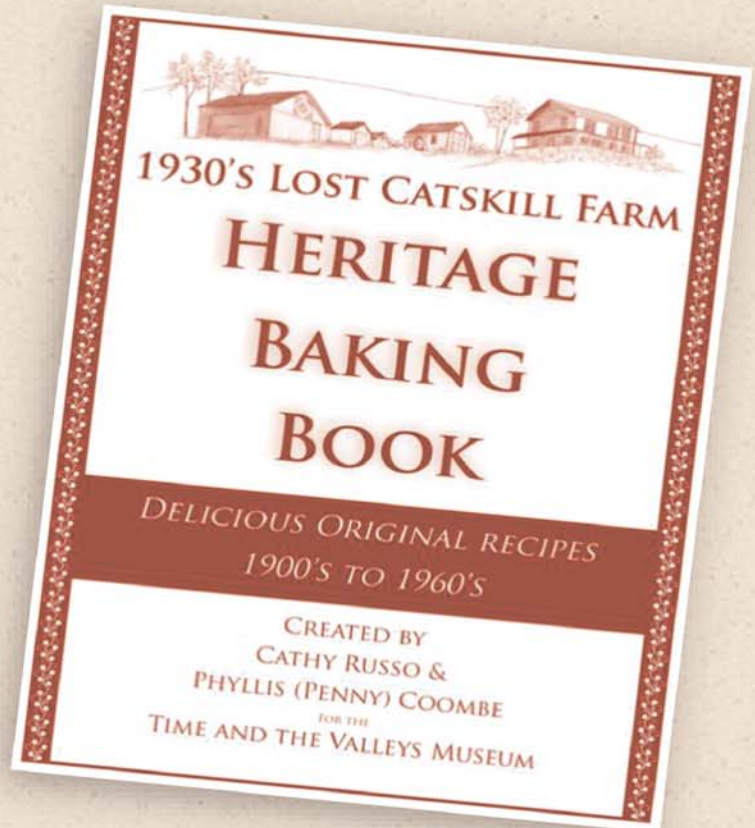
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WEIGHT: 145

EYES: HAZEL

HAIR: BLONDE

CLOTHING: Black shirt, blue jean shorts,
Black Nike sneakers.



Missing since June 18, 2023

From Garnet Health Medical Center in Harris

The Sheriff's Office is seeking the public's help for information regarding the whereabouts of Matthew Russo, who disappeared on June 18, 2023. Anyone with information about Matthew, or what may have happened to him, is asked to call the Sheriff's Office. A reward of up to \$5,000 is being offered to information leading to resolution of the case and finding Matthew.

Sheriff's Office direct phone number is 845-794-7100 (x1)

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1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

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Grahamsville, NY

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Sullivan County

Delaware & Hudson Canal Interpretive Center

16 Bova Road, Summitville, NY

Upcoming Canal Events

Guided Canal Trail Walk

Sunday, September 10, 2023 1:00 pm

Join the Interpretive Center staff and learn what life was like on the canal, view remnants of Lock 50 and visit the Canal Interpretive Center.

Contact S.C. Parks Department to register. Email: scparks@sullivanny.us or call 845-807-0287.

Guided Canal & O&W Trail Walk

Sunday October 15, 2023 1:00 pm

Join Kerron Barnes to explore along a two-mile loop of the D&H Canal and the O&W Trail north of Summitville. Co-sponsored with the Mamakating Library

Contact Mamakating Library to register. Email: mamcirc@rcls.org or call 845-888-8004.

D&H Canal Presentation

Sunday October 22, 2023 2:00 pm

Join Cliff Robinson Jr., member of the Delaware & Hudson Transportation Heritage Council and Executive Director of the Neversink Feeder and Canal Conservancy for a presentation focusing on the Mamakating portion of the D&H Canal.

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JOIN US!

Join us for a peer led, mental health, lesson based virtual support group for teens ages 13-17. Together we learn about our mental health and do an activity together. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

Contact Rebekah at rumarbashar@asfl.org for more information.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD
WEDNESDAY
@ 6:30 PM



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Join us for a peer led virtual support group for parents of children with mental health challenges. Together we have time for conversation and an activity. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

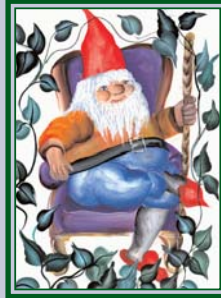
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**“KNARF'S CLASSIC
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TENSION AT TABLE
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**(1956 / WESTERN / 1 h 33 Min. /
Rated PG)**



The murder of the owner of a stagecoach station is one of the reasons a gunman takes his place at the way station. Watch Richard Egan tame the west as he possibly falls for what may be the love of his life.

Directed by Charles Marquis Warren and starring, Richard Egan, Dorothy Malone and Cameron Mitchell



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Answer to last week's Trivia Question: Gregory Peck

This weeks' Trivia question: True or False: Kevin Spacey and Helen Hunt are featured in *Pay it Forward*.



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"KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE II "
ON AMAZON, NETFLIX, IMOB
THE YOUNG GUNS

(1956 / 1H 24M | WESTERN | TV-PG)

Not the best "YOUNG GUNS" film in my opinion. The 1988 version is my favorite.



However –in 1897 a typical bad boy youth falls in with the wrong crowd. Directed by Albert Band and starring Russ Tamblyn, Gloria Talbott, Perry Lopez.

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE III

ON AMAZON, NETFLIX, IMOB

RIO BRAVO

(1959 / 2H 21M | WESTERN | TV-14)



A sheriff enlists a long time *ole buddy*, (Dean Martin) a drunk, a kid and an old man to fight off ruthless cattlemen. Directed by Howard Hawks and starring John Wayne, Dean Martin and Ricky Nelson. The only non-musical where the song fits. Great job guys!

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE IV "
ON AMAZON, NETFLIX, IMOB
THE LEFT HANDED GUN

(1958 / 1H 42M | WESTERN | TV-PG)

Up there with the best is Paul Newman's portrayal of William Bonney alias "Billy the Kid," caught in the middle in the very political Lincoln county cattle war.



Directed by Arthur Penn and starring Paul Newman, Lita Milan and John Dehner

Very close to the true story of William Bonney–a/k/a Billy the Kid – Charles A. Siringo, in his book published in 1915 "A Texas Cowboy," Chapter XXI (21) entitled, "A trip which terminated in the capture of billy the kid", tells it as it was,

It seems the shooting of Billy, was not a heroic killing for Sheriff Pat Garrett, as Pat, was crouched down behind a dresser, in a dark room while Billy's body was silhouetted by the hall lantern behind Billy's head. When Billy entered in the doorway of the dark room he was an easy target. Charlie also said that, that was the only way to kill Billy. He added, "I could shoot as good as the Kid, but no where's near as fast and good."

Stay safe, and stay well
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