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Catskill Center and DEP Announce First Land Preserved **Through Streamside Acquisition Program** 



The Catskill Center and the New York City Department Environmental Protection (DEP) today announced the purchase of a 2-acre parcel of land in Greene County - the very first to be protected under a new program that preserves environmentally sensitive lands alongside streams, creeks and rivers. The Streamside Acquisition Program is managed by the Catskill Center and funded by DEP. The program focuses on preserving lands that are adjacent to streams that feed the City's reservoir system in the Catskills.

This property is just the first of many that we will be protecting through this program, and it's a great example of what we're trying to achieve," said Jeff Senterman, executive director of the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development. "We see the Streamside Acquisition Program as a real opportunity to reach shared goals. Preserving healthy, natural streams protects water quality, prevents streambank erosion, helps mitigate flood risk, and preserves the Catskills' inherent natural beauty, which draws tourists from all over the word to visit our communities." (Contd. Pg. 6)

Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Hospital Visits Ellenville Regional Hospital



On Saturday, April 14, 2018, thirty first year medical students from the Icahn School Medicine at Sinai Mount Hospital in New York City visited Ellenville R e g i o n a l Hospital and the Ellenville Family Practice Center. The stu-

Family Practice leadership hosting the students included Steve L, Kelley, President & CEO, Ellenville Regional Hospital; Neil Calman, MD, President & CEO, the Institute for Family Health; Walter Woodley, MD, Vice President, Clinical Services, the Institute for Family Health Mid-Hudson region;

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and Maria Gonzalez, Director of Nursing, Ellenville Regional Hospital. The students also enjoyed a visit by the Life Net flight crew!

## Congressman Faso Enjoys Breakfast in Claryville



Congressman Faso with Town of Neversink Supervisor Chris Matthews and his daughter Gillian Matthews.

Last Sunday morn-Congressman John Faso attended the Claryville Volunteer Department as they hosted a pancake breakfast to benefit the Claryville Food Pantry.

Faso commented, "I was happy to attend the event and visit with local Sullivan County officials. Thank you to the volunteer firefighters who selflessly serve the Claryville community.

#### Senator Bonacic Meets with Camp Directors from the Frost Valley YMCA



Senator Bonacic is pictured with (L-R), Morgan Theze, Jesse Rafter, and Dan Weir

(Albany, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) met today with camp directors from the Frost Valley YMCA to discuss legislation that would authorize summer camps to hire certain licensed professionals to provide services. Frost Valley YMCA is located in Claryville, NY, in Sullivan County, and provides outdoor recreation and educational programs, and several overnight and day camps for children in various age groups.

#### NYS Kicks Off a Series of Listening Sessions on Climate Change



On April 9, New York State kicked off a series of listening sessions with an event in Albany, NY attended by more than 100 stakeholders from communities, businesses, non-profits, government, and universities. The session was designed to elicit stakeholder feedback from across the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic region about the opportunities and challenges associated with achieving a regional low carbon transportation system. The Transportation and Climate Initiative, coordinated by Georgetown Climate Center on behalf of member states, will be holding additional sessions throughout 2018 in support of future policy development.

Rahmstorf predicts the circulation will only weaken further as climate change advances. It may not be slow and steady: There is great fear that there may be a "tipping point" where the circulation comes to an abrupt halt.'

"The oceans' circulation hasn't been this sluggish in 1,000 years. That's bad news," published April 11, 2018 in *The Washington Post*.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: be comforted.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall Matthew 5:4

#### **OBITUARIES**

Alice Marie Magie, a lifelong resident of the area, died Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at home in Bradley, NY.

She was born October 28, 1930 to Samuel Magie and Georgia Cantrell in Bridgeville, NY. She married Paul Irwin, Sr. in 1951.

She enjoyed local backroad tours, fishing, reading the Times Herald-Record, and talking with family.

She is survived by her children Richard Irwin, Kenneth Irwin and Allison, daughter-in-law; her grandchildren: Nicole Irwin Lombardi of Wurtsboro, NY and Tracy Irwin of Killeen, Texas and; 2 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Paul Irwin Sr., and brothers Walt, Sam, Jim, John, and Ralph Magie, and sisters Elizabeth Magie, Mae Brown and Ruth Beaver.

Donations in Alice's memory can be made to the Loch Sheldrake Fire Department, P.O. Box 1005, Loch Sheldrake, NY 12759.

Services were held privately at the convenience of the family.

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

**Judith Leslie Zigmund**, of White Sulphur Springs, NY, left this life on Saturday, April 14, 2018. She was 73.

Apart from being a single supermom, Judy was an art therapist professionally, a dragon at heart, expert potter and painter, masterful chef, prolific gardener, bird-watcher, and humanitarian, who not only parented her own children but also provided support to scores of others throughout her life, professionally and personally. Judy's family would like to thank the wonderful friends Judy had throughout her life, her community, and those who eased her pain in her final hours. She will be so deeply missed.

Ms. Zigmund is survived by her three children, Sean, Beth, and Terry, three grandchildren, Escher, Logan, and Tess, and children's spouses John, and Chevenne.

A celebration of life will be held for Judy on Sunday, June 3rd, at her life-long home. Please contact Sean at 845-292-9126 for condolences and information.

Arrangements under the care of Colonial-Ramsay Funeral Home, for additional information call 845-292-7160.

#### Days of Yore... Today's History

County Treasurer Arch F. Armstrong has received a check for distribution among Sullivan county School districts for the last quarter of 1947-1948. District #1, Neversink will receive \$4360 and an additional \$1,750.02 as emergency funds.

Central Hudson will use water flowing through New York City's aqueduct between the Neversink River and the Merrimam Dam to generate electricity under a contract signed April 23rd. It is expected that both the aqueduct and the Central Hudson Power house at Grahamsvile will be completed in about four years. Location of the plant will probably be on the flat near the present home of the Huson family.

April 30, 1958 - No Townsman available.

#### May 1, 1968

"Home Town Paper"

by Raymond Erath

Now I like to read the "Daily" and story papers,

Oftimes yellow novels and other trash, don't you?

But when I want some reading that will brush away a frown,

I want that little paper from my OLD HOME TOWN.

Now it ain't a thing of beauty,

And the print ain't always clean.

But it straightens out the temper, when a fellow's feeling mean

It takes the wrinkles off his cheeks and brushes away a frown-

That little country paper from MY HOME TOWN.

May 4, 1978 - This Sunday, May 7, Boy Scouts Billy Shulte III, Scott Nyhof, Paul Nyhof and Michael Shulte will receive the Highest Religious rank in Scouting -- The God and Country Award. The ceremony will take place in the Grahamsville Reformed Church at 10:00 am. Presenting the Color Guard will be the local Scout Troop under the direction of Scoutmaster, Mr. James Rennison.

Summertime is coming upon us quickly. It's time to start planning. Summertime is camp time for boys and girls. To youngsters a week at Camp 4-H Pines is more than fun. Weekly rates area s follows: Sullivan County Residents-\$48. Non-Sullivan County Residents - \$56.00 and a weekend fee is \$10.00.

#### 46th Annual **Grahamsville Gallop Sunday May 6, 2018** 1:00pm

At Iatauro Sports Complex, **Tri-Valley School** 

All races are Girls, then Boys Awards in all races No entry fee

AGES:	
3 and under	80 M
4	100M
5	200M
6	400M
7	400M
8	400M
9	400M
10	400M
11	800M
12	800M
13	800M
14	800M
Moms' & Dads' race	800M
loggers Estimated Time	1600M

# If you See Something Nice... **Say It!**

There were so many positive comments regarding the Neversink Fire Department fundraiser for Kim and Tom Nash. So many hands and so many hearts worked together to make this happen. Mike and Karen Wolf, already have a great reputation for helping their neighbors in need - this time, in 'short order', they went above and beyond attracting others of like mind to help.

This event not only helped to raise money that went directly to benefit the Nash family, it also helped to raise the awareness in the community – there is a lot of love, understanding and compassion that often does not get recognized by the whole community this time, it was.

Thank you to all who helped Kim and Tom in their time of need.

The Wednesday *Townsman Ladies* also want to say 'thank you' to Mike and Karen Wolf for their kindness and remembering them.

The prayers and well wishes will continue for Kim and Tom.

#### A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Condolences to the Robert Curry Family of Neversink. Bob's wife, Karen, passed away on Sunday, April 15th at the age of 71.

Prayers are needed for Marie Dean, a former Grahamsville resident, who resides at the Adult Care Center in Liberty.

Congratulations to Aiden Mentnech who was recently elected NYS FBLA vice president! Spring is the time to begin to spruce up our Town, and the Renaissance Committee has already set some dates for clean-up. May 5- from 9:00 - 12:00 clean-up will take place at Bicentennial Square and Town Hall. Lunch will be provided. May 6th from 4:00 - 6:00, clean-up will take place at the new Little League Fields on Route 42. The Museum area and the Daniel Pierce Library clean-up will be held on May 12-from 9:00 - 12:00 with lunch provided. Volunteers are needed on these dates and are asked to bring their rakes, shovels and trowels along with them when they come.

The Little League Fields on Route 42 have been completed and the area will be dedicated with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, May 19th at 11:00 am. Refreshments will be served. All are invited to attend and let's hope that the weather cooperates!

This year's Grahamsville Gallop will be held on Sunday, May 6th at 1:00 pm at the Tri-Valley School latauro Track. This event was started by Joe and Missy latauro, former teachers and running coaches at Tri-Valley, probably 40+ years ago. Local runners of all ages are invited to attend and there is no registration fee.

The Tri-Valley School presentation of the play "Into The Woods" was very well performed on April 13th and 14th. The Theater Groups next presentation will be held on Saturday, May 12\*. This will be a dinner show, with dinner being served at 6:00 pm and the show beginning at 7:00. This year's show is entitled "Ship Life", and is a murder mystery at sea! Ticket prices include dinner and the show and must be purchased in advance. Adults: \$22., Seniors and children under 12: \$18.

The Tri-Valley Lions Club will be holding their annual "Journey For Sight" on Saturday, May 5th. Walkers are asked to be at the Grahamsville First Aid Squad Building by 9:00 am. The Club will also be having a "tag day" on the 5th. Each year the Club makes a sizable donation for the training of guide dogs for the blind.

The Lions Club will also be sponsoring a Rabies Clinic at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds during the first week of June. Details will follow.

It was good to hear that the Neversink Fire Department Fund-Raiser for the Nash Family of Neversink was so successful. We live in a wonderful community where residents are always more than willing to help those who are facing difficult times! Several Tri-Valley FFA students will be attending the

NYS FFA convention in Rochester, NY on May 16-19. WORDS OF WISDOM: The greatest pleasure I know is

to do a good action by stealth and have it found out by accident. (Charles Lamb)

Smart is when you believe only half of what you hear. Brilliant is when you know which half to believe, (unknown)

## Town of Neversink SPRING CLEANUP 2018

Spring Cleanup will be held on May 5, 9 & 12, 2018. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with Pink 2018 permits will be allowed 2 loads which must be brought during the Spring Cleanup dates. Permit cards will be punched for each load.

TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during spring cleanup, residents are asked NOT TO bring any of these items during Spring Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who have their household and generate their waste material in the Town of Neversink. Ownership of vacant land does not qualify for use of the facility. The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

## Tri-Valley Theatre Students Solve Another Who-Done-It!

Tri-Valley's Theatre Arts Club is serving up another mystery with a delicious dinner. The annual dinner theatre will be held on Saturday, May 12th in the Tri-Valley Central School upstairs gymnasium.

This year's show, *Ship Life*, is written and directed by senior, Samantha Rodrigues. The mystery revolves around the suspicious death of Daisy, the ship's most popular entertainer. Who stopped this canary from singing? If you know the answer, you could win a fabulous door prize!

Dinner will be served at 6PM and the show begins at 7PM. Guests will enjoy fruit cup, salad, chicken parmigiana with pasta and side of vegetable, rolls, garlic bread, dessert, tea, coffee, and iced-tea. A vegetarian vegetable lasagna option is also available.

Tickets must be purchased no later than May 9th from a cast member or contact Regina Hartman at the school. (845-985-2296 x4154) Tickets for adults are \$22. Senior citizens and children 12 and under pay only \$18. Tickets include all tax. Show only tickets will be available at the door prior to show-time. Adults pay \$5 / Senior Citizens and Students pay \$3. Show only tickets do not include food, beverage, or door prize chance.

Come support this wonderful event and enjoy a great night out!

#### Tri-Valley Central School will host My School Color Run June 9th, 2018

The Tri-Valley Central School PTO will host the inaugural community wide My School Color Run on June 9th, 2018 at 9:30am to raise money for their school PTO.

The My School Color Run is an untimed, 3mile fun run for all ages and fitness abilities.

Along the route, participants pass through vibrant color zones, making it a "colorful experience."

Additionally, each pre-registered participant is provided with a single powder color packet that will be thrown in the air at the final color celebration at the finish line.

"Rather than sell goods, we want to engage the entire student body in a fitness initiative that aims to encourage a life-long healthy way of living," says Stephanie Lowitz. Participants that register by 5/25/18 will receive a t-shirt, race bib, and individual color packet.

You can sign up for the run by visiting events.myschoolcolor.com and searching for your event or by completing a paper registration form.

Business sponsorship opportunities are also available. Please contact the event organizer for more information.

## Kites Will be Flying at SUNY Sullivan on May 5th

LOCH SHELDRAKE, NY (April 17, 2018) - SUNY Sullivan will host its Annual Kite Festival on Saturday, May 5 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on the campus green, with a multitude of events happening throughout the college. This festival is free and sponsored by SUNY Sullivan, in conjunction with the Sullivan County Visitors Association, WSUL/WVOS Radio and Thunder 102. Free kites will be available to the first 200 children. Admission to the event and parking are also free.

This year's festival will include live music by Lion Zen, a variety of food vendors, activities for the kids including inflatables, and kite flying by professional and amateur kite fliers. Vendors selling arts and crafts, jewelry and other items will be on hand.

In addition to the kite festival, other events on campus that day include the annual Fisher Film Festival; an art show that will feature the works of SUNY Sullivan students, faculty and staff; and the "Help for Hunger" Honors Program fundraiser.

Events of the day also include "Accepted Student Day". Students who have been accepted to the college for the fall semester are invited to attend. Events within Accepted Students Day include tours of campus, financial aid discussions, placement testing, opportunities to meet current students, and more. Registration for Accepted Students Day, which begins at 10:30 am, is required. Call the Admissions office at 845-434-5750, ext. 4287 or go to www.sunysullivan.edu/accepted 2018 to reserve your spots.

For more information about the kite festival and related weekend activities, please contact the Office of Special Events and Campus Activities at 845-434-5750 extension 4377, or email hegeland@sunysullivan.edu.

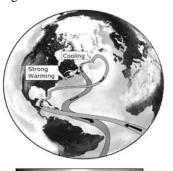
#### Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

#### That was a Solar Shock Wave!

According to an article in the *Wahington Post* on Saturday, "A solar shock wave cracked Earth's magnetic field last night, but everything is fine."

"Around 8 p.m.
Eastern Time on Thursday
night, an interplanetary
shock wave slammed into
the Earth at supersonic
speed. The density of the
solar wind quadrupled and
cracked open Earth's magnetic field. Planetary KIndex skyrocketed. A
bright, colorful aurora,
visible to the naked eye, lit
up the night sky in both
hemispheres. It took until
late morning Friday for
the solar wind density to
return to normal."



-3 -2 -1 0 1 2 3 Observed temperature change since 1870 (°C)

It's not as scary as it sounds, but rather interesting.

K-index Alerts are issued when the NOAA estimated Kp-indices reach 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9. The K-index quantifies disturbances in the horizontal component of earth's magnetic field with an integer in the range 0-9 with 1 being calm and 5 or more indicating a geomagnetic storm.

An interplanetary shock wave is a disturbance in the solar wind that is always flowing outward from the sun through our solar system. Imagine that the solar wind is like a steady stream of liquid from the sun to Earth - sometimes it flows slowly, and sometimes it is fast. There can also be waves of high-density fluid within the flow that break on our planet like an ocean wave breaks on a sea wall

Earth's magnetic field protects us from solar wind radiation, but sudden solar events such as solar flares, coronal mass ejections and interplanetary shock waves can strain the magnetic field to the point that it cracks, allowing some of the energy to escape into our atmosphere. Fortunately, once the stress of the solar event is over, the magnetic field readjusts to its normal, protective state.

Scientists have long known that the magnetic pole moves. James Ross, a scientist, located the pole for the first time in 1831 after an exhausting Arctic journey during which his ship got stuck in the ice for four years. No one returned to the Arctic until the next century. In 1904, Roald Amundsen found the pole again and discovered that it had moved at least 50 km since the days when Ross had first located the pole.

According to NOAA, (https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag/faqgeom.shtml#Has\_the\_Earths\_magnetic\_field\_changed\_significantly\_in\_the\_last\_several\_years)

— "While we now appear to be in a period of declining magnetic field strength, we cannot state for certain if or when a magnetic reversal will occur. Based on measurements of the Earth's magnetic field taken since about 1850 some paleomagnetists estimate that the dipole moment will decay in about 1,300 years. However, the present dipole moment (a measure of how strong the magnetic field is) is actually higher than it has been for most of the last 50,000 years and the current decline could reverse at any time. Even if Earth's magnetic field is beginning a reversal, it would still take several thousand years to complete a reversal."

Many migratory animals use the geomagnetic field to orient themselves. The system underlying this aptness in animals still remains a mystery. Experiments show that migratory birds can sense the declination and inclination of the local geomagnetic field. Changing the polarity of the horizontal magnetic field is known to affect the hanging position of bats. Some migrating butterflies use the geomagnetic field for direction. In the ocean, spiny lobsters, dolphins, and whales are known to use geomagnetic field for directions. It is thus, possible that a reversal of the geomagnetic field can make a difference on the migratory behavior of some animals. Since the chance of a reversal in the near future (in the next few hundred years) is very low, there is no immediate concern.

low, there is no immediate concern.

Perhaps it was those heavy winds on Friday, that finally blew the winter weather up North where it belongs this time of year!

For more information on K-index, check out: https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/planetary-k-index

#### **Household Hints**

#### If Your Pet Has an Encounter with a Skunk..

Bathe your pet in equal parts water and vinegar – preferably outdoors in a large washtub. Then repeat the procedure using 1 part vinegar to 2 parts water, followed by a good rinsing. To get skunk odor out of clothing, use undiluted vinegar. Let the affected clothing soak in the vinegar overnight

#### **Defectors**

**Mysterious Book Report No. 331** 

by John Dwaine McKenna



In light of all the nic-nac paddy-whacking that's been going on for weeks . . . or is it months . . . or, OMG . . . years now about Russia and who did what to whom, and the when, where, why and how until we're all sick to death of hearing about it, the MBR thought a change of perspective was in order. So, we're going back some six decades to the year 1960. It was the height of the Cold War, when American foreign policy was engrossed in preventing the spread of communism, and the US and USSR battled each other at every opportunity short of actual combat. It was when we had the arms race, the space race and spy versus spy as the two colossal governments competed for world domination while all of us little folks waited around for the nuclear bombs to start falling.

Defectors, (ATRIA BOOKS/Simon & Schuster, \$27.00, 290 pages, ISBN 978-1-5011-2139-5) by Edgar Award winning author Joseph Kanon, is the story of two brothers named Weeks. Frank, the older one, was a rising star in the newly-formed Central Intelligence Agency until he was exposed as a communist spy, defected behind the Iron Curtain in 1949 and disappeared in the Soviet Union. Now, twelve

years later, he's written his KGB approved memoirs, which he thinks are sure to be a world-wide best-seller, and invited his younger brother Simon, a respected New York publisher, to come to Moscow to edit and review the manuscript. Simon's company will then publish the finished book. Simon, who hasn't heard from Frank since his defection, goes to the Soviet Union with many misgivings. He longs to see his older sibling and wants the profits that the book is certain to gather, but worries that it will be full of lies, half-truths and propaganda. Appearing to condone Frank's behavior is anathema to Simon. He's a loyal citizen of the United States of America and a book like that would reflect badly on the integrity of his publishing company, making it seem to be like an apologist for the Soviet Union. At first, Frank is charming and social, eager for news of family, friends and the agency he turned his back on . . . whose secrets he stole and delivered to our enemies. But then, Frank gets duplicitous, an officer of "The Service," as he refers to the KGB, and tries to enlist Simon in a scheme that leaves him torn between family and country, at odds between the CIA and the KGB. . . . and both of them in danger of losing their lives. Defectors is a thought-provoking, timely, well-researched and enlightening novel that compares well to our modern conflicted world. It's utterly fascinating too!

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**Lake Superior Season Passes** Go on Sale May 1

Monticello, NY - Summer is coming, and Sullivan County has 2018 Lake Superior State Park Season Passes just about ready for sale!



"Sullivan County residents and property owners can visit the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Office, 100 North St., Monticello, NY starting on Tuesday, May 1, to get their passes," said District 4 Legislator Catherine Owens, chair of the Legislature's Agriculture & Sustainability Policy Committee. "Each pass is \$15 per person, and if you're a first-time applicant, you need to bring proof of residency or property ownership to the Office (second floor of the Government Center)

Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m."

Holders of 2017 season passes do not have to provide proof of residency and can simply apply by mail (or in person). The application form is available at the Office or on

the Parks page at co.sullivan.ny.us.

The beach at Lake Superior State Park will open to the public on Saturday, May 26, 2018 and continue to operate every weekend through the end of June, when it will commence daily operations through Labor Day. Hours are 9

a.m.-7 p.m., subject to weather conditions.

Admission is \$5 per person. Children under 3 years old and veterans who present a valid ID issued through the Sullivan County Return the F.A.V.O.R. program can enter for free. Lake Superior also participates in the Golden Park Program, which grants New York State senior citizens free admission to the park on weekdays only (but not weekends or holidays).

Boat rentals, vending machines, the playground, and the bathhouse will all be in operation during regular beach hours. Several picnic pavilions are available for rent; please contact the Parks, Recreation & Beautification office at 845-807-0287 for more information.

Lake Superior State Park is operated and maintained by the Sullivan County Parks, Recreation and Beautification Department and the Sullivan County Division of Public Works through a license agreement with the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.

**Utility Advocates and** Assemblymember Cahill Announce Joint Settlement to Roll Back Fixed **Charges and Limit Rate Increase for** Central Hudson Customers

(Albany, NY) Assemblymember Kevin Cahill, (D- Ulster, Dutchess), Citizens for Local Power (CLP), the Public Utility Law Project (PULP) and Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson announced that a settlement has been reached with Central Hudson Gas & Electric Company (Central Hudson). The agreement represents a significant reduction in the hike sought by the Company and the first time since the Fortis merger that Central Hudson has agreed to lower its fixed customer charges, which disproportionately affect seniors, low-income and low-usage consumers. The plan has been submitted to the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) for their approval.

Central Hudson filed an application on July 28, 2017 seeking increases of \$43 million in electric and \$18.1 million in gas, which would result in 13.5 percent and 18.5 per-

cent more in delivery charges respectively for customers. Central Hudson also sought an increase to fixed charges. If the Company's original proposal had been accepted by the PSC and intervenors, Hudson Valley residents and small businesses would have seen their utility bills soar.

Fixed charges, also known as customer charges, are flat monthly fees that are part of electric and gas bills, no matter how much energy is actually used. New York's fixed charges are much higher than most states and significantly contribute to the unaffordability of energy for many households. High fixed charges also disincentivize any investments in energy efficiency or renewable energy because no matter how much power a consumer saves or produce themselves, high fixed cost keep utility bills unaffordable.

The agreement significantly pushed back on the Company's request and is the first proceeding in recent memory where the Company and Department of Public Service agreed to lowering fixed costs by almost 19 percent. Central Hudson also agreed to decrease its original rate request of 13.5 percent for electric and 18 percent for gas to 1 percent and 1.5 percent respectively in year one of the rate plan (7.8 percent and 9.5 percent total over three years). The impact to customer bills will be an increase of \$1.46 and \$2.54 per month respectively in year one of the rate plan original reduction from the Companyle iniate plan, a significant reduction from the Company's initial request.

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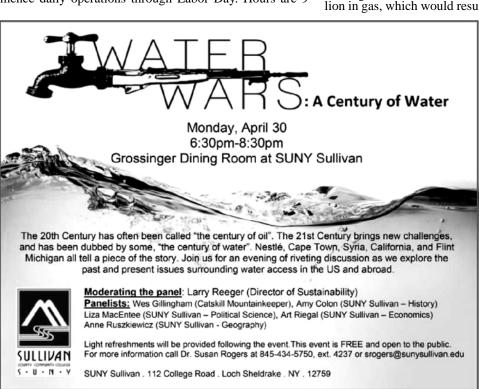
Other aspects of the agreement, which still needs approval by PSC Commissioners, include new carbon reduction measures to lower greenhouse gas output, incentives to reduce customer shutoffs, increased energy effitives to reduce customer shutoffs, increased energy efficiency programs and continued investment in economic development. Finally, low-income households will receive important rate reductions - averaging from \$19 up to \$72 per month -- decreasing financial stress on the Hudson Valley's vulnerable households.

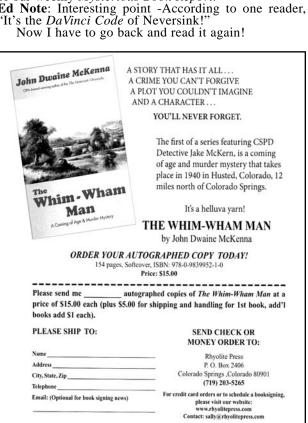
When asked about the specifics behind the agreement itself, Assemblymember Cahill stated "Hudson Valley residents and businesses are already stretched thin when it

idents and businesses are already stretched thin when it comes to paying their gas and electric bills. The original plan offered by the Central Hudson lacked specifics and looked more like a cash grab than the 'modernization plan' it was purported to be. (Contd. Pg. 6)

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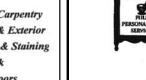
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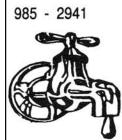
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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

#### **Preacher Cake**

A number of subjects tumbled around my brain this morning as I decided what to write. So many subjects are totally taboo or controversial that I wanted to avoid politics, sex, or religion. Those "meaty" topics just have more sides than a decahedron. Wait, I thought, I know a religious/spiritual topic everyone will enjoy. It appeals to the tummy rather than the mind. It is a recipe palatable to all divisive camps. It is "Preacher Cake."

To be politically correct, I should rename it "Rabbi/Priest/Minister/Pastor/Guru Cake," but the cake has a recipe reflective to the days when the preacher might drop by for a visit, and, of course, you would serve him (Preachers were always a HIM) cake and tea, coffee or lemonade. This particular recipe refers to the staple pantry ingredients that one could throw together and bake within an hour's notice of the preacher's visit, or, perhaps, it was got its "godly" name because it is so moist that it would stay fresh from Sunday to Sunday.

#### **Preacher Cake**

ups flour • 2 teaspoons baking soda • 1 teaspoon salt • 2 cups sugar • 1 cup vegetable oil • 3 eggs • 3 cups flour • 2 teaspoons vanilla (I add a bit of almond too) • 1 big can of crushed pineapple (20 oz) with its juice

• 1 cup of flaked coconut • 1/2 cup (or more) of chopped walnuts or pecans

Grease a 9 inch by 13 inch pan. Cook at 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes Top with cream cheese frosting

8 ounce cream cheese 1/2 cup (one stick) of butter 1 teaspoon of vanilla (or almond) 2 cups of confectioner's sugar

It is so divine you may even want to make it for your agnostic or spiritual friends too.

## **DEC Proposed Day Use Permit for Blue**

Hole Visitors

DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos has announced a proposal to establish a no-cost, day use permitting system requiring visitors to obtain a permit to access the Blue Hole, located in the Sundown Wild Forest of the Catskill Park in the town of Denning, Ulster County, on summer weekends and holidays. This proposal is designed to strike a balance between ensuring State lands are open and accessible to the public, reducing environmental damage, and enhancing public safety. DEC is accepting comments on the proposed permitting system through May 28, 2018.

The proposed, no-cost permit system would require visi-

tors to the Blue Hole to obtain a permit on weekends and holidays during the period from May 15 through October 15. Up to 40 permits per day would be issued, with each permit allowing entry for up to six individuals, including children. This new system would allow a maximum of 240 people to access the Blue Hole each day during peak times, helping to

protect environmental resources and public safety.

This proposal will not affect existing State Regulations that address overuse at the Blue Hole, which are:

- Daily use of the Blue Hole is restricted to one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset;
- Patrons must use portable restroom facilities;
- All use of fires and grills and portable generators is prohib-
- Parking is limited to designated parking areas;
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Comments on the proposed day use permitting system are being accepted until May 28, 2018, and may be submitted to DEC by email R3.UMP@dec.ny.gov, or in writing to:

**NYSDEC** Attn: Blue Hole Comments 21 South Putt Corners Road New Paltz, NY 12561

#### Catskill Center and DEP Announce First Land Preserved Through Streamside Acquisition

**Program** (From Pg 1)

"The first stretch of land preserved by the Streamside Acquisition Program underscores the importance of partnerships in our watershed," DEP Commissioner Vincent Sapienza said. "This new program was originally proposed by community leaders in the watershed, it was planned in coordination with the Catskill Center, and funded by DEP. The conservation of these riparian areas will

help the City protect water quality in its reservoirs and help local communities be resilient against future storms."

The newly protected property is on Mill Street in the Town of Windham. It is forested and has 275 feet of stream frontage on a tributary of the Batavia Kill. That stream is important for the water quality entering Schoharie Reservoir, which provides about 15 percent of New York City's water during a typical year. The streamside property, which is now owned by the City, will eventually be opened for public recreation.

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The Streamside Acquisition Program is one of several land conservation programs funded by DEP to protect water quality in the City's reservoir system, which serves 8.6 million people in New York City and an additional 1 million people in four counties north of the City. The new streamside program aims to preserve sensitive lands that are immediately adjacent to streams, creeks and rivers, along with floodplains and wetlands. Through this voluntary program, the Catskill Center works with interested property owners to purchase streamside lands at fair market value. In some cases, the Catskill Center will work with the property owners to subdivide the land so that it can preserve only the streamside portion while the remainder stays in private ownership. The purchased land is then owned and managed by DEP, which protects it as forever wild through a conservation easement that is conveyed to the state

Department of Environmental Conservation.

The Streamside Acquisition Program is currently in a pilot phase, operating only in the Schoharie Reservoir watershed. The pilot program was included in the 2014 revision to New York City's Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD), the state permit that allows DEP to operate its Catskill-Delaware water supply system without filtration. The 10-year FAD that was issued in December 2017 required the allocation of additional funds for the program and laid out a process for

its potential expansion to other parts of the watershed in the Catskills.

Landowners in the Schoharie Reservoir watershed who want to learn more about the Streamside Acquisition Program can call the Catskill Center at 845-586-2611 or email them at

cccd@catskillcenter.org.
Since 1969, the Catskill Center has protected and fostered the environmental, cultural and economic well-being of the Catskill Region. More information on the Catskill Center can be found at catskillcenter.org, on Facebook at facebook.com/catskillcenter, or on Twitter at twitter.com/catskillcenter.

## Utility Advocates and Assemblymember Cahill Announce Joint Settlement to Roll Back Fixed Charges and Limit Rate **Increase for Central Hudson Customers**

(From Pg. 4) Like many of our neighbors, I spoke out and registered concerns both with oral testimony and in writing that the Company was using this process to grow profits, buy stock for its executives and pay for a variety of business related expenses through higher rates. I actively advocated against through higher rates. I actively advocated against the increase and requested that the fixed charges be lowered. While I am disappointed that the rate hike was not stopped all together, there is some solace that the PSC recognized this illadvised plan and significantly reduced the request. The joint settlement is a strong indication that the public was heard and that New York State will not stand for corporate gains at the expense of our residents. I call on the PSC to approve the joint settlement as soon as possible." approve the joint settlement as soon as possible, stated Assemblymember Cahill.

The community organizations that participated in the settlement included Citizens for Local Power, PULP and Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson. Locally, Director Jen Metzger of Citizens for The United Methodist Church of Shady

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Local Power led the campaign for reducing Central Hudson's fixed charge. Their work included submitting written testimony as well as leading the grassroots organization to press for a reduction. The organization was success-ful in getting over 130 local elected officials to sign a letter to the PSC calling for a reduction in fixed charges. The group also collected and hand-delivered more than 1,500 'New Year's' postcards to the PSC from customers also demanding a reduction. In addition, with CLP as a party to settlement discussions, the organi-zation earned a place at the negotiating table zation earned a place at the negotiating table deliberating towards a compromise of the original rate request.

When asked about the joint settlement, CLP Director Jen Metzger added, "Central Hudson's historically high fixed charges have been a particular burden on seniors and low- and moderate-income families, who tend to use less energy. We welcome this important step in the right direction to alleviate this burden and make rates foirer by twing them more closely to how much fairer by tying them more closely to how much energy customers actually use."

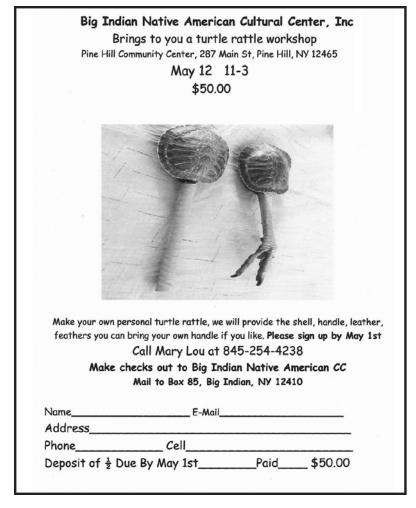
Richard Berkley Executive Director of the Public Utility Law Project of New York stated, "New York has some of the highest fixed customer charges in American This way." tomer charges in America. This coalition of caring Hudson Valley residents, together with Assemblymember Cahill and excellent work by the Department of Public Service, convinced Central Hudson to roll back its fixed charge increase and moderate its rate increase, to address affordability concerns, and work to lower shutoffs and reform customer service procedure," Berkley continued. "This is a better outcome for low and fixed-income families,

and conservation-minded consumers."

Jonathan Bix, Executive Director of Nobody
Leaves Mid-Hudson said, "A strong coalition
came together to defeat Central Hudson's proposal for an astronomical rate increase. Assemblymember Cahill's outspoken defense of ratepayers was essential for securing what we won in its place: a historic reduction in Central Hudson's fixed charge that will increase afford-

ability and decrease shutoffs."

"I am proud that once again our office could assist with the activism of local civic groups under the direction of Jen Metzger, working with Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson and the involved a research and practition skills of with Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson and the invaluable research and negotiation skills of Richard Berkley and PULP to save ratepayers millions of dollars. Their accomplishment on behalf of families and businesses in the Hudson Valley cannot be overstated," concluded Mr. Cahill.



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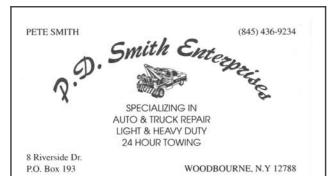
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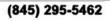
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#### **SC Audubon Second Spring Meeting**



Thursday, April 26: Sullivan County Audubon Second Spring Meeting at 6pm in Room B113 at Sullivan County Community College (112 College Rd, Loch Sheldrake, NÝ 12759) Take a walking tour of Hope Farm and Greenhouse and the SUNY Sullivan Geothermal and solar renewable energy system with us. After the program a sandwich/salad supper will be provided. No charge.

#### Bashakill Area Association/Sullivan Audubon Joint Field TripBirding for Beginners



On Saturday, April 28: Bashakill Area Association/Sullivan Audubon Joint Field TripBirding for Beginners with naturalist Scott Graber. 8 am. Experience the variety of bird life that inhabits the Bashakill. Binoculars are required and wear sturdy walking shoes. We'll meet at the Haven Road DEC parking lot near Rt. 209. Haven Road (41.53776°N, -74.51961°W) Call Scott to register and for additional information at (914) 799-1313.

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The Delaware & Hudson Canal: 19th Century Engine of Prosperity
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On the Tow Path, 1891

region will be the subject of a presentation on May 5 at the Cragsmoor Historical Society by Bill Merchant, H i s t o r i a n, Curator, Director Deputy Director of the D & H Canal Museum Historical and ociety in High Falls.

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imagine that in the early 1820s it was easier to dig a canal with suspended aqueduct bridges for mule-drawn barges than it was to build a serviceable road to get products to market.

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Merchant will describe the many challenges in accomplishing such an engineering fete, from building the



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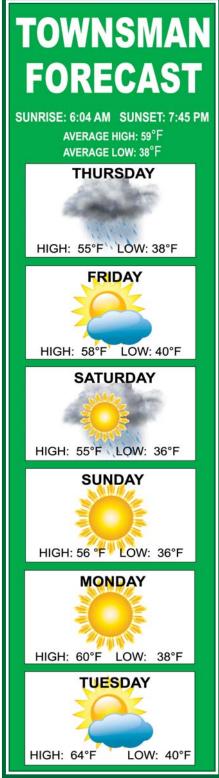
Another fascinating theme of this presentation will be how the canal contributed to the growth of com-munities from Port Jervis to Kingston.

Along its route, small clusters of homes developed into thriving villages as industries grew around lumber, leather, glass, bluestone and other products. Esopus, for example, expanded from a few hundred residents to a town of thou-

sands.

Many artists immortalized life on the canal. One of the most noted Many artists immortalized life on the canal. One of the most noted was the genre painter, Edward Lamson Henry, who started the Cragsmoor art colony when he built his Victorian home in 1883 on top of the Shawangunk Ridge above Ellenville. One of his best-loved paintings, "On the Tow Path, 1891", exhibits his sensitive portrayal of children and animals. The American Impressionist, Theodore Robinson, opened a summer art school in Napanoch in 1893 where he and his students found ample subject matter for their paintings along the canal.

This presentation will begin at 4 pm on May 5 at the Cragsmoor



Historical Society, 349 Cragsmoor Road next to the library. The historic art colony is located two miles off art colony is located two miles off Route 52 on top of the Shawangunk Ridge between Pine Bush and Ellenville. It is surrounded by thou-sands of acres of protected land with expansive views of the Catskills and the Hudson Valley. A springtime stroll along its scenic paths would be a delightful prelude to this event

delightful prelude to this event.

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FREE and open to the public Like us on Facebook! Frost Valley YMCA Welcomes Jessie Emmons As Community Programs Director

Frost Valley YMCA is excited to introduce Jessie Emmons as the new Community Programs Director. Jessie will oversee all of Frost Valley's Day Camp programs, free community events, and after-school childcare at Tri-Valley Elementary School.



Jessie Emmons as the new Community Programs Director.

Jessie has a bachelor's degree from Indiana University and has been working with youth for 13 years. She has extensive experience in running both overnight and day camps, as well as before and after school programs for YMCA of Michiana.

Born and raised in South Bend, Indiana, her love for the Y began when she was just six years old as a second-generation camper at YMCA Camp Eberhart in Three Rivers, Michigan. At 17 she joined the staff, spending six full summers at camp and three years working in Outdoor Education.

After graduating college, Jessie transitioned to the South Bend branch and began overseeing after-school and day camp programming full-time. Within four years, she was overseeing all youth development programs and had expanded their Day Camp program from one site to four.

"We are thrilled to add Jessie to our team of staff members," said Jerry Huncosky, Chief Executive Officer of Frost Valley YMCA. "Her leadership, professional experience, and positive attitude are sure to enhance the experience of the children in our day camp, after-school programs, and community events," he explained.

Local families and members are invited to come meet Jessie in person and learn all about the programs available at Frost Valley YMCA. Join us for a free Meet and Greet on Tuesday, May 8th from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville. We look forward to seeing you there!

Frost Valley will also be holding a Day Camp Open House this weekend on April 29th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Frost Valley also offers private tours with advanced notice. To register your child or for more information about Frost Valley's Day Camp programs or after-school child-care at Tri-Valley Elementary School, visit FrostValley.org or call 845-985-2291.

## Sax and Stories: A Memorable Afternoon with a Concord Alum

Hurleyville, NY - The Sullivan County Historical Society, located inside the Sullivan County Cultural Center and Museum in Hurleyville, cordially invites you to a free musical performance featuring renowned local saxophonist Larry Ravdin on Sunday, May 6, from 2-3 p.m.

Larry spent 30 years playing with the Concord Orchestra

Larry spent 30 years playing with the Concord Orchestra and has accompanied such greats as Sammy Davis Jr., Rita Moreno and Chita Rivera. Between songs, Larry will share some of his personal stories of life in the time of the historic Catskill resorts of Sullivan County.





Larry Ravdin

The musical group *Little Sparrow* will host the program. The event is free, and everyone is welcome!

This series of performances will continue on the first Sunday of each month. Donations are welcomed to benefit the Sullivan County Historical Society.

The Cultural Center is located at 265 Main Street in the revitalized downtown of Hurleyville. For more information, visit www.scnyhistory.org or call 845-434-8044.



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This project is made possible (in part) through a grant from the Arts Mid-Hudson,with funds from the Decentralization Program, and a re-grant program of New York State Council of the Arts,with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New Yor Stae Legislature

Bring your family, your chairs a blanket and spend the day listening to drums from all cultures. Have a drum bring it and drum a song for us if you don't come and spend the day.

Big Indian Native American Cultural Center ,Inc Contact Mary Lou at 845-254-4238

#### Pianist Anton Batagov Live in Concert

Anton Batagov, master Russian pianist and composer, will perform live in concert, for one night only, at the historic Stone Church in Cragsmoor on Saturday, May 12 at 7 PM. He will debut "The Evening Hymn" and play iconic music from his new release his broad repertoire.



This program will be one in a series of unique solo piano recitals that he has performed in the past few years. Intimately personal, he connects directly with his audiences from in front and from behind his instrument.

As a pianist, Batagov's interpretations of Bach, Schubert, Beethoven, Messiaen, and Ravel, as well as composers of the Russian avant-garde and Americans, John Cage and Philip Glass, have distinguished him as one the most versatile and innovative contemporary musicians.

As a composer, he has influenced the character of Russian music by expanding it to include all forms of sound from ancient rituals to rock and pop cultures to computer technologies. At the same time, the lan-

guage of his compositions is rooted in the harmonic and rhythmic patterns of Russian church bells and folk songs mixed with the spirit of Buddhist philosophy. He is viewed as a one-of-a-kind composer/musician/thinker.

#### **Reviews:**

His performance immediately transcends the material world.

(Crescendo Magazine, Germany)
Batagov shakes up our notion of what a solo piano recital can sound like. (The Gathering Note, Seattle)

Batagov paints whole worlds on the piano. (Time Out New York) Mr Bagatov is a composer of rare skill and versatility. His works are substantial, well-constructed and easily accessible. (John Schaefer

This event will benefit the Cragsmoor Historical Society and the historic Stone Church. General admission for the concert is \$25. VIP admission, followed by a reception with the artist, is \$45. Limited tickets are available at www.eventbrite.com. The Stone Church is located at 280 Henry Road, Cragsmoor. It is perched on the edge of the Shawangunk Ridge commanding an expansive view of the Rondout Valley and the Catskill Mountains. Additional information at www.cragsmoorhistoricalsociety.com

#### **Richard Hoehler's Storytelling Performance**

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance presents the award-winning playwright and actor Richard Hoehler in "E.," a new solo storytelling performance in the style of Spalding Gray, on Saturday, April 28 at 8 pm at the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY.

An accolade to Hoehler's longtime mentor and friend Edith (E.) Speziali, the evening explores their remarkable friendship with hon-

esty, affection, irreverent wit, and a few choice cuss words.

The pair first met when twenty-seven-year-old Hoehler was a budding actor who had recently moved to the city, and sixty-six-yearold Edith was already a classic New York character with a spiky personality and vocabulary to match.

Local audiences may remember Hoehler in the riches-to-rags play "I of the Storm," which was presented at Tusten Theatre in 2015



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before debuting Off-Broadway last year.

The winner of the OOBR Award for Best Solo Performance, Hoehler is also the founder of "Me Myself and I," a theatre residency where actors and writers create their own solo pieces, and "Acting Out," a professional acting class for at-risk youth and the incarcerated which is currently in residency at Otisville State Prison. His other solo work includes "Working Class," "Human Resources" and "New Jersey/New York."

This performance is the first event in DVAA's Spring Cultural Series. Tickets are \$20 advance, at the door and may be purchased by calling 845-252-7272 or visiting www.delawarevalleyart-

salliance.org.

DVAA's Spring Cultural Series continues with
David Driver's "Standards & Classics & Starsky (No Hutch)" on Saturday, May 12 at 8 pm; Lard Dog & The Band of Shy on Saturday, June 2 at 2 pm; and Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra's "The Carnival's in Town" on Sunday, June 10 at 2 pm.

The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are supported in part by public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

## **SUNY Sullivan presents "Angels in**

America: Millenium Approaches"
(Loch Sheldrake, NY): The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program is proud to announce performances of Angels in America: Millenium Approaches from May 3 to May 13, Thursdays - Sundays. Performances will be held in the Seelig Theater on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm and Sundays at 2 pm.

Written by Tony Kushner, the award-winning Angels in America: Millenium Approaches is directed by Nick Lopez, adjunct professor of theater and speech at SUNY Sullivan. The cast is comprised of SUNY Sullivan students, staff, faculty, and community members. Set in 1980s New York City, the play focuses on a gay man who is abandoned by his lover when he contracts the AIDS virus, and a closeted Mormon lawyer whose marriage to his pillpopping wife stalls.

Kushner's experiences in New York in the gay

and art communities during the HIV/AIDS epidemic and the rise of social conservatism during the era of Ronald Reagan served as inspiration for many of his plays, including Angels in America and a Bright

Room Called Day.

The suggested donation for admission is \$10.
For more information about the performance, tickets, or for information about accessible seating services, contact Mr. Lopez at nlopez@sunysulli-

#### The Piano Plus! Concert Series **Celebrating its Fifth Season** Featuring Andrea Lam at Olive Free Library

West Shokan, NY: Each spring for the past five years the Olive Free Library in West Shokan has hosted the Piano Plus! Concert series featuring world-class pianists along with guest performers. Tickets are a suggested \$12 donation at the door. The final concert of the 2018 series will feature

Pronounced a "real talent" by the Wall Street Journal, pianist Andrea Lam is earning consistent acclaim as a soloist, recitalist, and chamber musician for her "great style and thrilling virtuosity" (Sydney Morning Herald). A frequent guest at US venues such as New York's Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center to Australia's Sydney Opera House, Andrea's performances are noted internationally for her "melting lyricism, filigree touch and spirited eloquence" (The Australian).

Andrea Lam made her orchestral debut at age 13 with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, and since then she has given over 80 performances with orchestras in Australia, New Zealand, the United States, Japan, and Hong Kong. She has performed with many of the world's leading conductors, including Alan Gilbert, Edo de Waart, Michael Christie, Sir William Southgate and Wing-sie Yip. She has performed with all the major Australian orchestras (Sydney, Melbourne, Oueensland, Adelaide, Tasmanian, and West Australian symphony orchestras), the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra, San Francisco Ballet Orchestra, Columbus Symphony Orchestra, Wichita Symphony, Ridgewood Symphony and Christchurch Symphony Orchestra (NZ). ABC Classics recently released her soloist recordings of



two Mozart Concertos with the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra and Nicholas Milton.

A regular guest of festivals such as Musica Viva's Huntington Estate and Sydney Festival in Australia, and the Chamber Music Northwest, Yellow Barn, Skaneateles, Norfolk, and Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival in America, and the Orford Festival in Canada, she has collaborated with artists including the Takacs Quartet, Anthony McGill, Matt Haimovitz, Ani Kavafian, Misha Amory, and the Australian String Quartet. She has given masterclasses at Duke University, Vanderbilt University, Columbia University, Texas State University, and in San Miguel de Allende.

A keen chamber musician, Andrea is also pianist of the Claremont Trio with violinist Emily Bruskin and cellist Julia Bruskin. Described by Strad Magazine as "one of America's finest young chamber groups", their recently released Beethoven disc for Bridge has received universal acclaim. Deeply committed to commissioning composers of their generation, they have premiered works by Sean Shepherd, Helen Grime, Gabriela Lena Frank, Robert Paterson, Kati Agócs, and Judd Greenstein.

Recent and upcoming highlights include return concerto performances with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra in Australia, debuts with the Auckland Philharmonia and Australian Youth Orchestra, recording of Aaron Jay Kernis' First Club Date written for Matt Haimovitz, and concerts at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Chamber Music Monterey Bay, and Monash University.

Andrea Lam was a Semifinalist in the 2009 Van Cliburn Competition, where she was praised for her 'audience savvy, superb technique, and innate musical instincts". Her other prizes include winner of the 2010 Astral Artists Auditions, Silver Medalist in the 2009 San Antonio Piano Competition, winner of the ABC's 'Young Performer of the Year' Award in the Keyboard section, the ABC Quest Competition Viewers' Choice Award, the Salon de Virtuosi Career Grant, and the Yale Woolsey Hall Competition.

Andrea holds degrees from the Yale School of Music and the Manhattan School of Music. Her teachers include Boris Berman, Arkady Aronov, Ronald Farren-Price, Neta Maughan, and Kathryn Lambert. A native of Sydney, Australia, Andrea was featured in two nationally televised programs, including Andrea's Concerto, documenting her life as a young pianist and her performance of Tchaikovsky's Concerto No. 1 with the Queensland Symphony Orchestra.

The Piano Plus! Concert Series offers outstanding concerts in March, April, and May. Concerts are on Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. The series is curated by Bard Conservatory Distinguished Composer in Residence George Tsontakis. The "plus!" performances have included collaborations with voice, string instruments, marimba, and clarinet. The concerts are offered in the Olive Free Library's community room on the library's beautiful Steinway Model B Grand Piano.

For more information, please call the Olive Free Library at 845-657-2482, or email programs@olivefreelibrary.org or visit www.olivefreelibrary.org.

#### **LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:**

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING/Daniel Pierce Library Vote, OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Daniel Pierce Library at Grahamsville, New York on: Tuesday, June 5, 2018 At 7:00 P.M. (EDST) for the purpose of presenting the Library's budget for the 2018-2019 school year.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Tri-Valley Central School District shall be held at the Daniel Pierce Library, 328 Main Street, Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York, 12740, on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. daylight savings time. The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

#### **PROPOSITION**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 259 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District, Sullivan County, New York be authorized and directed to raise annually by taxes the sum of \$434,950 (which sum consists of \$426,681 previously authorized plus an additional \$8,270) for library purposes for free library services for the benefit and free use on equal terms of all residents of the School District. Said appropriation shall be for the annual support of the DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY, Grahamsville, New York beginning in the 2018-2019 fiscal year and the funds collected thereby shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Daniel Pierce Library, upon written demand of its Trustees.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the text of the foresaid proposition may appear on the ballot labels in the following abbreviated form:

#### **PROPOSITION**

Shall the Tri-Valley Central School District, Sullivan County, New York, be authorized to levy taxes in the amount of \$434,950 for the annual support of the Daniel Pierce Library, Grahamsville, New York, for library services for the benefit of residents of the School District beginning in the 2018-2019 fiscal year?

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. A date for personal voter registration has been set for Wednesday, June 6, 2018 in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, June 7, 2018 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to June 12, 2018. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, June 5, 2018) OR the day before the election (Monday, June 11, 2018), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election . Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Tri-Valley Central School District Grahamsville, New York Norma Peña, District Clerk

Dated: March 30, 2018

4/26/18; 5/10/18; 5/17/18; 6/7/18

#### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR** SEAMLESS EPOXY FLOOR COATING FOR SWIMMING POOL BATHHOUSE LOCATED AT GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS, **GRAHAMSVILLE, NY**

The Town of Neversink is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide labor and materials for Seamless Epoxy Floor Coating (app. 1000 SF) at the Town of Neversink Swimming Pool Bathhouse located at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, State Route 55, Grahamsville,

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For additional information, please call Supervisor Chris Mathews at (845) 985-2262 x301 or (845) 866-6035.

Proposal must be submitted by April 30, 2018 to: Supervisor Chris Mathews, Town of Neversink, 273 Main Street, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, New York 12740. 4/26/18

## **Secondary Assistant Principal Tri- Valley Central School District**

The successful candidate should possess a solid understanding of the academic, social, and emotional characteristics of high school students; have exp. with supervision and evaluation of teachers; and have the ability to foster collaborative working relationships and handle disciplinary issues.

New York State SBA/SBL Certification Required.

Please forward letter of interest and resume by May 18th to: recruitment@scboces.org or mail to Sullivan County BOCES Recruitment Service, 6 Wierk Ave, Liberty, NY 12754 Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE

NYS DEC Region 3 Attn: Blue Hole Comments 21 South Putt Corners Road New Paltz, NY 12561

For decades I have enjoyed the sheer beauty of the Rondout Creek's environment; it's rugged, primitive terrain so easily accessed is a natural Catskill treasure. As such I fully support NYS DEC's efforts to address issues of overuse, misuse, trash, and other instances of poor conduct at the Blue Hole, along the upper Rondout Creek. Through use of social media, in recent years the Blue Hole has become an attractive nuisance and needs to be managed as such by limiting the number of users who visit the location on any given summer day. Furthermore the number of DEC employees, plus other law enforcement officers, there on weekends policing issues is a taxpayer drain, let alone diverting limited DEC assets from other resources requiring management attention. Therefore I applaud DEC's proposal to require day-use permits at the Blue Hole, and along the upper Rondout Creek, on weekends and holidays from May 15th through October 15th. I also request DEC monitor the number of permits allocated to determine if forty permits per day is too many. The upper Rondout Creek is a headwater wild brook trout stream, a pristine environ, natural treasure, and source of drinking water for millions of people. With reference to Rondout Creek, John Burroughs so eloquently wrote in A Bed of Boughs, "My eyes had never before beheld such beauty in a mountain stream." Let's restore the Blue Hole to the gem that will once again be enjoyed by thoughtful visitors rather than trashed by misguided party seekers. Thank you for considering my comments. And, best of luck commencing with this additional regulatory tool to help manage the Blue Hole as a wilderness resource.

Sincerely Edward D. Ostapczuk NYS licensed guide, #1461 69 Ridge Road Shokan, NY 12481



#### The Grahamsville United **Methodist Church**

Tuesday, May 1st -Thrift Sale and Luncheon

Saturday, May 19th -Thrift Sale

Tuesday, May 29th Thrift Sale and Luncheon

The dates for our bar-b-q season have been set. They are as follows... **Friday, June 15th** - Ribs and Pulled

Pork Dinner

Saturday, July 21st - Bar-B-Q Dinner (The exact menu is yet to be decided, so please just put "Bar-B-Q Dinner"

Friday, September 14th - Chicken

Bar-B-Q Dinner The Grahamsville United Methodist

Church 356 State Route 55, Grahamsville 985-2283

#### PRAYER TO THE **BLESSED VIRGIN**

(Never known to fail)

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven.

Oh, Blessed Mother of the Son of God; Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity.

Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me you are my Mother.

Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity.

(Mention your request here)

There are none that can withstand your

Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (say three

Holy Mary, I place this prayer in your hands. (say three times).

Amen. Say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published.

BM

#### Novena Prayer to the Blessed Mother

Pray once a day for nine days:

O Holy Mary, My Mother, Into your blessed trust and special keeping, into the heart of your tender mercy, this day and every day of my life and at the hour of my death, I commend my soul and body; to you I entrust all my hopes and consolations, all my trials and miseries, my life and the end of my life, that through your most holy intercession and your merits, all my actions may be ordered and disposed to your will and that of your divine Son. To your unfailing maternal care I entrust my needs:

[Name your intentions here]

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

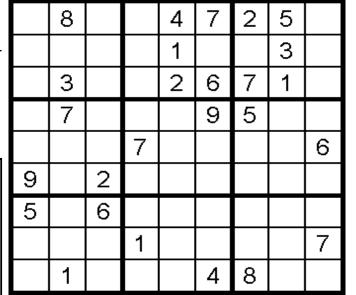
Glory Be...

M.B.L.C.

#### **Ed Notes:**

I apologize for last week's SUUJI WA TANSU NI KAGIRU (Sudoko) - let me try it

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## Grahamsville United Methodist Church May 1st

Thrift Sale 9-12 & Luncheon 10:45-12:30

April 21st Third Saturday Thrift Sale 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

## St . Augustine's Chapel

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

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



#### **LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:**

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Secondary School Library Lower Level in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

Tuesday, May 1, 2018 At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2018-2019 school year.

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

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the <u>VOTE</u> upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2018-2019 school year budget and the <u>VOTING</u> for members of the Board of Education, and <u>VOTING</u> on the below propositions and any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Main Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 16, 2018. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run atlarge. For 2018, there are four Board seats available. Two seats will be three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

> Kimberly Botsford Brent Clarke

A third seat will have a term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 (currently held by Kathy Poppo, who was appointed to replace Lori Schmitz). A fourth seat will have a term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021 (currently held by Joseph Colon, who was appointed to replace Keith Edwards). The successful candidate with the highest number of votes will be seated immediately for the term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021. The successful candidate with the lowest number of votes will be seated immediately for the term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. Newly-elected Board Members will take the Oath of Office at the Board of Education Meeting scheduled for May 15, 2018, immediately following the close of the vote (after 8:00 p.m.). Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the public at the Annual Budget Hearing on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 and Wednesday, May 9th, 2018 in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 10th, 2018 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 15, 2018. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Norma Peña, District Clerk Dated: March 30, 2018

## TOWN OF NEVERSINK Request for Proposals-Lawn Care

The Town of Neversink is requesting proposals to provide lawn care services for a portion of the property located at Grahamsville Fairgrounds, NYS Route 55, Grahamsville, NY. The scope of work includes mowing, trimming and leaf removal. All interested parties are required to meet at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on May 2, 2018 at 10:00 AM for specific details and site inspection. Proposals must be submitted to Supervisor Mathews by the end of the day on May 7, 2018. 4/26/18

#### **NOTICE**

The Town of Neversink will be accepting applications for Lifeguard positions at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Pool for the 2018 season.

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

#### PLEASE NOTE: THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS WILL BE 4:30 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018.

Town of Neversink Summer Swim Program is also requesting applicants for WSI Instructors. For further information on either please call Town Hall at 985-2262, ext. 305. 4/12; 4/26

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

**Pursuant to section 103** of General Municipal Law, Sealed bids are being requested for the following items:

LOW ABRASION CRUSHED STONE in the following sizes: 1A - 1/4 inch #2
#1 - 1/2 inch Stone Dust

#1 - 1/2 inch Stone Dust CRUSHER RUN & GRAVEL CRUSHER RUN ICE CONTROL MATERIAL (Sand - Brown) GASOLINE

**DIESEL FUEL** 

HEATING FUEL OIL #2 - HGWY GARAGE HEATING KEROSENE OIL - HGWY GARAGE HEATING FUEL OIL #2 - TOWN HALL

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office, 273 Main Street, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding holidays.

All bids must be in the hands of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall no later than 2:00 pm on Monday. May 7, 2018 at which time or as reasonably soon thereafter, all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Town Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids without reason.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF NEVERSINK LISA GARIGLIANO, TOWN CLERK April 11, 2018

## District Openings Tri-Valley Central School

School Social Worker 2018-2019 Openings

School Media Specialist Secondary School Business Teacher

NYS Certification Required

Forward letter of interest and resume by May 11th
To www.olasjobs.org or recruitment@scboces.org
or mail it to: Sullivan County BOCES Recruitment
Service 6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754
Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE



Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation
Call for info: (845) 985-2262
extension 312 www.townofneversink.org 5/1/18

#### 2018 Updoming Events

Apr 30-May 4 Screen Free Week 5/15 Tour of Bethel Woods Museum & Lunch 6/9 - 7th-12th Grade Free Paint Ball Trip 6/16 Wine, Food, Music Bounty of the Hudson 7/4 Decorated Bicycle Parade & Albi Concert 7/13 Free Water Fun at Grahamsville Fairgrounds

9/29 Garlic Festival 10/13 Jack O Lantern Blaze 10/27 Look for our Trunk at the PTO Trunk or

11/3-11/4 Indoor Water Park Sleepover 12/1 Transportation to NYC 12/2 Elf Workshop & Tree Lighting 12/15 Disney on Ice

8/4 NY Renaissance Fair



#### **Daniel Pierce Library**

hours of operation Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Closed

If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.

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

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



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#### Thrift Sale and Luncheon - Grahamsville UMC

5/1/18 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00 pm - Denning Town Hall

5/5/18 Tri Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk - Sign In 8:15am - Walk 9am

SC Soap Box Derby Chicken BBQ 12 noon- 8 pm Call 807-2043 for information 5/5/18

5/5/18 Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

5/5/18 Tribute to James Reese Europe and The Harlem Hellfighters 8 pm St. Andrew's Church-S. Fallsburg

46th Annual Grahamsville Gallop 1pm latauro Sports Complex Tri-Valley School 5/6/18

Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 7 pm Denning Town Hall 5/8/18

5/10/18 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm - Denning Town Hall

5/10/18 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm

Claryville Fire Department Mother's Day All You Can Eat Breakfast - 7 am to Noon 5/13/17

5/15/18 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse Third Saturday Thrift Sale - Grahamsville UMC 9 am - 12 Noon 5/19/18

Neversink Farmers' Market 11am-3 pm (Rt 55 & Shumway Rd/Parking Lot of Neversink General Store) 5/26/18

#### SAVE THE DATE!

May 5 - Tri-Valley Lions Club Journey for Sight Walk: Sign-in 8:15-9am First Aid Building - 9am Walk on Fairgrounds May 25-28, 2018 Sundown Community 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Miles & Miles of Yard Sale!

May 27th 7th Annual Sullivan County Soat Box Derby 8 am North Main Street, Liberty Info: 807-2043

Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic June 6 – 5-7:30 pm Animals must be 3 months old. Horsebarn on Fairgrounds June 9 TV PTO Fun Run/Walk for Kindness & Community Day Free day of fun-filled activities: Jumpy house, obstacle course, dunk tank, batting cage, face painting, corn hole, can jam, touch a truck and many more activities. 9-2pm Sunday, July 8, 2018 Marty Bertholf Horseshoe Tournament

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following places of business in Sullivan and Ulster Counties

TRI-VALLEY AREA SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP **LOCH SHELDRAKE** · VALERO MINI MALL · SC COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARY GRAHAMSVILLE DELI NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE FALLSBURG • FALLSBURG TOWN HALL BLUE HILL LODGE

**WOODBOURNE** - CITGO STATION • MO'S GAS STATION • P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE <u>LIBERTY</u> - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Both Stores) ZANETTI'S SERVICE STATION
3 GOLDEN'S CONVENIENCE STORE (Seasonal) CLAUDIA'S BEAUTY SALON · SHOPRITE · IDEAL FOOD

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JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
EWCOC
ELLENVILLE CITGO
ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
PETER'S MARKET
THORTON HARDWARE
SHOPRITE

#### 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

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

#### Tri-Valley Lions Club Journey for Sight Walk May 8, 2018

Sign-in 8:30 - 9:00 am in the First Aid Building 9 am - Walk on Fairgrounds

## Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic

June 6, 2018 · 6:00 - 7:00 pm Animals must be 3 moths old. Horsebarn at the Fairgrounds

#### **TV AYSO Registration**

**Now Open** 

Parents and volunteers... 3 to 12 years of age are eligible to play. We are offering the playground program again for 3-5 years of age this May. Sign up today atwww.trivalleyayso.com! Register and pay online and you do not have to attend a registration event. The registration for pay online and you do not have to attend a registration event. The registration fee is \$55.00 per player. Early registration discount is \$45.00 which must be paid by June 16th to receive the discount! New uniforms are \$40.00 which includes shirts, shorts, and socks. Fall season practitices start in August. Games are mostly played on Sundays from September through the end of October. Further information regarding this league contact Joan Mingo at 798-0072 (mtoy4x4@aol.com) or Bill Richardson at 985-2137 able. See www.uksoccer.comand click on relaxation. 'Find A Program' for more info. The p

#### TRI-VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL **LIBRARY**

Monday, April 30th 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm Tuesday, May 15th 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm Tuesday, May 22th 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm Friday, June 15th 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Find us on Facebook at Tri-Valley AYSO.

4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/10, 5/17, 6/5, and 6/14.

# Shawangunk Garden Club Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale May 12th

from 8:30 a.m-2:00 p.m.
The Hunt Memorial Portico & front lawn,
Liberty Square, Ellenville, NY 12428
(just off Canal St.)

Hanging baskets, Plants and
Garden Gloves.

Members will be available to help make choices
for that special someone.

Wrapping and gift cards will be available.

#### Free Presentation on Managing Arthritis in Older Adults

LIBERTY, NY-Many older adults with arthritis face ongoing pain that can lead to depression, anxiety, or a feeling helplessness when they are no longer able to do what they enjoy. Family caregivers could feel that they (trivalleyAYSORC@gmail.com). We need to solve everything, when in fact what older adults also are offering a week long summer soccer camp at the Fairgrounds, August 6 – tions of sadness and loss. Chances are, both the older 11. Half day and full day slots are available adult and their family member could use some rest and with arthritis want most is to simply express their emo-tions of sadness and loss. Chances are, both the older

The public is invited to a web seminar on Managing Arthritis in Older Adults Thursday, May 3, Managing Arthritis in Older Adults Thursday, May 3, 2018. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s Caregiver Resource Center offers this free program from 1:00 to 2:00 pm at its Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. This web seminar is approved for AoTA contact hours in addition to CEUs approved for all ASA web seminars. Refreshments will be provided.

Participants will be able to: Recognize the symptoms and warning signs of arthritis: Understand how

toms and warning signs of arthritis; Understand how arthritis is diagnosed and treated; Identify ways of preventing arthritis; Learn tips for coping and support for sufferers and caregivers

#### 2018 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall

10	:00 am - 2:30	) pm
January 11th	May 10th	September 13th
February 15th	June 14th	October 11th
March 15th	July 12th	November 15th
April 12th	August 16th	December 13th
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Mark your Calendars for the 2nd Annual Memorial Day **Weekend Sundown Community** Miles and Miles of Yard Sales May 25, 26, 27 & 28 and

The Sundown United Methodist Yard Sale and Bake Sale on March 26th Keep watching The Townsman for details

Lakelyn Hogan presents this web seminar, part of the Family Caregiver Support Series, sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care®. Bee Maher will be present for a special Q and A portion after the

web seminar.

Lakelyn Hogan is a gerontologist and caregiver advocate for Home Instead Senior Care and a doctoral candidate at the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO), studying social gerontology. She has a master of arts in social gerontology and mas-ter's in business administration from UNO. Lakelyn has professional experience in the private

and public sectors of senior care services.

This seminar is free to the public and requires five pre-registered attendees to hold the class. Registration is required in advance by visiting www.sullivance.org, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCESC office.

This co-partnered program between Cornell Cooperative Extension and Office for the Aging of Sullivan County is supported by a grant from the NYS Office for the Aging's Caregiver Program.



New York State Licensed Real Estate Broker 135 Peekamoose Road

Sundown, NY 12740 grahamsvillerealty@yahoo.com http://www.grahamsvillerealty.com

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pd 4/26-5/31



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#### NAPANOCH SPRING **FESTIVAL**

Sat. April 28 10 am-3 pm Location: St. Mark's UMC 68 Clinton St. Napanoch, NY

Craft Vendors, Touch a Truck, Face Painting, Food Booth, Bake sale, and More.

## ADDICTION?

There is Always Hope... LOCAL 24/7 INFO & REFERRAL 866-832-5575

TEXT #HOPENY SALLT.

#### **HELP WANTED**

Part-time Help needed for Special Events at the beautiful Claryville Event Center. Experience in restaurant service helpful. Ideal for teachers or college students over summer vacation. Call 845-985-0247.

Pizza Chef at Blue Hill Lodge & Cafe. For interview call 845-985-0247 and leave a message. We will get back to you.







**CRAFTERS** Need a website? Call us at 845-985-0501 or visit our Virtual Mall at gnomehome.net

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#### "Knarf's Classic Movie Trivia" ON TCM MONDAY APRIL 30, 2018 10:15 AM **Manpower** (Drama, 1941)



This is one of my top ten favorites, Edward G. Robinson and George Raft square off as utility company workers tough enough to defy death and each other while working treacherous power lines. Directed by Raoul Walsh, and starring Edward G. Robinson, Marlene Dietrich, George Raft, Alan Hale, Walter Catlett, Frank McHugh, Eve Arden. Lively, typical Warner Bros. film, with nightclub "hostess" Dietrich

coming between high-voltage power line workers Robinson and Raf, as power linemen who feud over the love of the sultry nightclub singer (Marlene Dietrich) The scene in a diner is worth the price of admission. Manpower is an exquisite example of the battles of the sexes and life's toils, and tribulations.

B/W - 103 min. Rated, TV-PG, Closed Captions.

1. Who played Dolly? 2. Who played Omaha?

#### What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhood<sup>tm</sup>

#### **SUNDOWN**

May 5th - Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

Residents of Sundown – when you start your Spring cleaning, don't forget to put aside all those things you want to sell at this year's 2nd Annual Memorial Day Miles and Miles of Yard Sale! Keep watching The Townsman for details.

P.S. Just in case you don't want to have a Yard Sale and are cleaning those closets and wonder what to do with all that 'stuff' - Sundown Methodist Church will be receiving gently used articles for their BIG Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, May 26. Articles will be received for the sale now through May 1st.

#### **GRAHAMSVILLE**

May 19 - Grahamsville United Methodist Church Third Saturday **Thrift Sale** from 9 am to noon

May 1 - Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale and

May 5 - Tri-Valley Lions Club Journey for Sight Walk: Sign-in 8:15-9am Grahamsville First Aid Building - 9am Walk on Fairgrounds - To make a pledge to sponsor a 'walker' for this event contact any TV Lions

May 19 - Grahamsville United Methodist Church Third Saturday Thrift Sale from 9 am to noon

<u>Upcoming TVCS PTO Events:</u>
Spelling Bee- Daniel Pierce Library, April 26 6:30-8:00 pm 2nd-6th grade, Registration Required.

Color Run For Kindness- TVCS Track & Field, June 9 - 8:00am-1:00 pm, food, free fun, games & activities. Race Registration Required.

> Knarf Odnamoc Gnome

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