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Hermitage Piano Trio makes triumphant return to Shandelee Music Festival



From the left The Hermitage Piano Trio: Ilya Kazantsev, piano, Sergei Antonov, cello and Misha Keylin, violin, will perform on Tuesday, August 6 at the Shan

SHANDELEE, NY: "The Hermitage Piano Trio turned in a performance of such power and sweeping passion that it left you nearly out of breath," said The Washington Post.

A little closer to home, after their September 2016 performance at Bethel Woods in collaboration with the Shandelee Music Festival, music critic Barry Plaxen of the DH Canvas said, "The performing trio, Misha Keylin, violin; Sergei Antonov, cello; and Ilya Kazantsev, piano, are ... each a soloist in his own right, they imbue their chosen selections with much technical power, inspired phrasing and,

most importantly, emotion that is deeply and easily communicated to the audience" On Tuesday, August 6, the Hermitage Piano Trio returns to the area to bring the great Russian musi-cal tradition to local audiences when they perform an "Evening of Chamber Music" at the second 2019 Sunset Concert presented by the Shandelee Music Festival.

The Trio has performed at major chamber music series including Los Angeles, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Tucson and New Orleans, and they recently released their debut CD in May of 2019. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Peek in the Creek On Saturday, August 9, 1-4 pm at the Neversink Town Hall along Chestnut Creek 273 Main St. Grahamsville, NY



Explore the underwater world with our stream stewards using a mask and snorkel to see who lives right here in our local river just below the surface. There will also be streamside stations featuring fun lessons on insect and plant life and Leave No Trace outdoor recreation ethics. This event is for children ages 9 and up with a parent. Swimsuit and closed toe shoes required. Registration with Town of Neversink Parks and Rec. is required:

Email jdymond@townofneversink.org or call Jamie Dymond 845-985-2262 ext. 312.

Celebrate Woodstock's 50th at the Sullivan County Museum!



Two Days of Live '60s Music and Never-Before-Seen Photographs from the Original Festival Hurleyville, NY - This August 3 and 4, the Sullivan County Historical Society will celebrate the 50th anniver-sary of Woodstock with two days of live "music of the 60's" and an exhibition of newly discovered black-and-

white photographs from the original Woodstock concert. The collection of Woodstock photographs comes to

the Museum courtesy of Divine Corners artist Nick Clemente, who unearthed them while researching a particular image he wanted to use for a graphic design project. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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New Hope Community Partners with Local Builder to Enhance Independent Living

Janis Joplon -

photo by Mark Goff



Parag Patel, Sonny Patel's Team; Louis DiCostanzo, Sonny Patel's Team; Sonny Patel, Developer; Debra J. McGinness, New Hope Community Chief Executive Officer; Morris Schrader, Sonny Patel's Team; Juliette P. McKerrell, New Hope Community Board Chair and Terence Duncan, New Hope Community Assistance Vice President of Program Operations

New Hope Community, a leading organization providing supports and services to hundreds of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), and local builder, Saumik (Sonny) Patel are on a mission to change lives from the ground floor up.

New Hope's mission for nearly 45 years has been to fuel the best life possible for people with I/DD. This commitment has spurred their exploration of diverse opportunities that will create meaningful community involvement and integration for people with I/DD. Sonny Patel's shared interest in this goal and proven track record in high quality construction initially brought him to New Hope in 2018, and paved the way for a dynamic public/private housing partnership.

On June 27, 2019, after months of permits, talks and preparation, ground was broken on the Monticello, NY property that will be transformed into an attractive apartment complex. The units will be fully integrated and accessible for people with disabilities and also be a highly desirable rental community for others in the community. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:9

OBITUARY

Pamela Van Aken of Jeffersonville, NY passed away unexpectedly on Friday, July 26, 2019 at the age of 52. She was born in Liberty, NY on April 3, 1967.

Pamela is the mother of six children; Brittany, Shannon, Danielle, Brianna, Faith and Destiny, who is deceased. She is the grandmother of three grandchildren; Christian, Sophia and Hanna.

Pamela graduated from Argosy University with a Bachelors Degree in Human Services. Her hobbies were gardening, reading, camping and agriculture.

Most of all she loved her daughters and family that consists of her parents, Charles and Romalda VanAken, brother William and family of Sundown, NY; brother Robert and family in Michigan, brother Brian and family of Grahamsville, NY, and brother Emmet and family of Palmetto, Florida and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting will be held on Thursday, August 1st from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon with a celebration of her life immediately following at Loucks Funeral Home, 79 N. Main St., Ellenville, NY. Burial will take place in Grahamsville Rural Cemetery.

To send a personal condolence to the family please visit www.loucksfh.com

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History August 3, 1949

Morris Robinson, his wife, two daughters and his wife's mother left Saturday for Germany. Mr. Robinson serves in the U.S. Army and is there in that capacity.

Sonny Vandover of U.S. Army in Washington is spending a two-week vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brooks. Mr. Percy Cole has purchased the "Frost

Place" from Mrs. Schofield. The firm of Walsh & Perini has tendered the

low bid for the construction of 25 miles of tunnel between Pepacton Reservoir and Grahamsville. Bids were opened Tuesday in nel New York City by the New York City Board of Water Supply. Reportedly bidding \$44,200,000 for construction of the tunnel, 2 shafts, the outlet near Lows Corners, and the intake chamber at Pepacton. Walsh & Perini was believed to be \$800,000 lower than the second lowest bidder, Samuel R. Rosoff, who reportedly tendered a bid of \$45,000,000.

June 29, 1959

The State Health Department reports fortysix polio cases so far this year in the 57 counties outside of New York City. The total at this time last year was twenty-one. Health Commissioner Herman E. Hilleboe said the increase definitely pointed up to a need for all persons to receive the Salk vaccine.

William R. Rose, former president of the Home National Bank of Ellenville may become eligible for parole on August 9. He has been serving time in the Danbury Federal Prison in Connecticut. He was given a five-year term on 17 counts in connection with the misappropriation of \$1.4 million of the bank money. Mr. Rose was sentenced December 10, 1957 after A hearing pleading guilty in Federal Court. was held early in July on his application for freedom and a decision is expected.

In a quiet ceremony, Mrs. Virginia Osterhoudt and Mr. Samuel Anderson were united in marriage on Tuesday, July 21st at the Grahamsville Methodist Church. The Rev. Howard P. West officiated.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Raleigh are still attempting to aid in the search for 5-year old David who vanished from Winnisook over a month ago. One thousand dollars is offered for information concerning the whereabouts of

David, described as "white, male, five years old, 42 inches tall, 50 pounds, sturdy build, blue eyes, blond hair and wearing black sneakers, grey corduroy slacks and a grey cotton polo shirt".

Mr. Thomas Smith is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith after spending two years in Alaska with the Air Force.

Around fourteen hundred persons attended the Stock Car Races on Friday evening. This is supposed to be the largest attendance to date.

The Telephone Co. is erecting a new and larger office in town. The present one is much too small for the equipment now being used.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shannon moved to their home in New York City on Saturday. The George Dexheimers who both the Shannon place here, expect to move in this week.

Camp Valley Brook completes its three weeks with the boys this Saturday, at which time the change-over is made to a girl's camp for two weeks.

Philip Coombe was among the boys who started for his two weeks training with the National Guard, Poughkeepsie Unit, on Saturday morning.

July 30, 1969

Arlington Vissher, instrumental music teacher at Tri-Valley will conduct a six week program of music instruction for band members. The program will begin on Monday, August 4th.

The Golden Age CLub will meet at noon Wednesday, July 29 for a covered dish picnic at the home of Fred Wright on Mutton Hill Road, Neversink.

Chief Douglas Hill of the Grahamsville Fire Company reported a net profit of \$447.65 from the Horse Show. Tickets are now available for the Clambake to be held on August 24th. Probationary membership was extended to James Allison and Mark Condon.

July 26, 1979

On Friday evening, at the Neversink Pavilion judges Joe Polonsky, Bob Mangels, Jon and Brit Newson, selected 18 year old, Miss Sue Lambert of Livingston Manor as the Grahamsville Little World's Fair Centennial Queen for 1979. Sue is the daughter of Carol and Richard Lambert. Miss Lambert was crowned by Ginny Bodkin, Miss Sullivan County 1979. First runner-up was Lisa Wood of Lackawack Hill and second runner-up was Marianna Bonceck of Grahamsville. Lisa and Marianna were crowned by Miss Nieves Dieguea, Miss Sullivan County Teenager for 1979.

Friday, June 20th was the 10th Anniversary of Man's Historical Walk on the Moon. We probably had no idea then, that just ten short years after our courageous astronauts made that momentous moon walk we would be faced with the possibility of a continuous earth walk due to the gas shortage!



A Round About Tri-Valley - Carol Furman

Condolences to the friends and family of Sandra Edwards who passed away on July 14th at the age of 75. Sandra is survived by her brother, Chris Holmes of Grahamsville and niece, Juliana. Sandra was predeceased by her husband, Virgil Edwards.

Sympathy is also extended to the Fred H. Krier family. Fred passed away on July 14th at the age of 79. Locally, Fred is survived by his son, Kory and wife, Katje, of Grahamsville.

Caring thoughts also go out to Heidi Curless and Ginger Coombe on the recent passing of their father.

Congratulations to Fred Moore III and his wife, Paige, on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Rae Moore, on June 27th.

Get well wishes to June Smith of Grahamsville. June fell and broke her hip which required surgery. Her children, Wendy, Scott and Matthew are attending to her needs.

The Neversink Fire Department's Chicken BBQ will be held at the Neversink Firemen's pavilion on August 10th from 4:00 - 7:00. Please help support the fire department by attending the BBQ.

The Dollar General Store in Grahamsville looks great again! It's been mowed and slicked-up!

Three local Boy Scout Eagle Scout projects are nearing completion. Carsen Terwilliger has nearly completed the new sign at the Grahamsville Reformed Church, Brian Kelly is busily completing the new bottle and can redemption shed at the Town of Neversink Transfer Station and Adam Furman will soon finish his stone-arch bridge over a deep ditch on the Tri-Valley School cross country trail. All of these projects include many hours of work and should be completed before the end of August, if not sooner.

Eleven Tri-Valley FFA members returned from Camp Oswegatchie on Friday. They all had a great time! Neil Terwilliger and Bernie Lang took several local Boy Scouts to the Boy Scout Camp at Ten Mile River in Narrowsburg for a week of camping. The boys will also learn new skills and will complete some of their badge work. Thanks for continuing to bring redeemable cans and bottles to the transfer station and to the Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall porch. This helps defray camp costs for the boys.

Stress and Stress Management forum will be held on Thursday, August 22nd at 5:30 pm at the Michael Ritchie Big Barn in Hurleyville. This is part of Sullivan County's "Take Charge of Your Health Series". The event is free and open to the public.

This year's annual Monticello Rotary Monster Classic Race will be held on Sunday, August 4th. Registration for this 41st Monster Classic opens at 7:30 am, and the race begins at 8:45 am.

Words of Wisdom: "Women Drivers " (Don't always judge a story by its title!) Driving to town one morning on the interstate, I looked over to my left and there was a woman in a brand new Mustang doing 65 miles per hour with her face up next to her rear view mirror putting on makeup. I looked away for a couple seconds and when I looked back she was halfway over in my lane, still working on that makeup! It scared me so bad I dropped my electric shaver, which knocked the donut out of my other hand. In all the confusion of trying to straighten out the car using my knees against the steering wheel, it knocked my cell phone off my lap which then fell into the coffee between my legs - disconnecting an important call! Women drivers! (The Fishwrapper 2/19/19)

Public Invited to Help Honor Purple Heart Heroes from Across America

Community Tribute Ralley Set for Newburgh Armory for Honorees of Purple Heart Patriot Project Mission #1 (NEWBURGH) - Purple Heart Patriot Project Mission #1, honoring America's combat wounded veterans sponsored by American Airlines and Shop Rite Supermarkets and hosted by the National Purple Heart Honor Mission (formerly the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor Inc.), will bring Purple Heart heroes from across our nation to our area in connection with National Purple Heart Day, August 7th.

The multi-day salute will be capped-off with a Rolling Thunder/Nam Knights motorcycle escort that leads to an open-to-the-public "Welcome Home" rally at the Newburgh Armory, 321 S. William Street in Newburg, starting at 5:00PM on Wednesday, August 7th. Doors for this event will open at 4:00PM.

For additional information or to RSVP for an organization or an individual, please contact PHCommunityRally@gmail.com or call 845-275-0938.

First Friday Book Discussion Group

The book club meets on the first Friday of the month

in the Upper-Level Conference Room of the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m. Please join us! Refreshments are provided by the

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members. This month's book discussion: The Warmth of Other

Suns, The epic story of America's great migration. Author: Isabel Wilkerson

Steven D. Drobysh Elected Chair of the SUNY Sullivan Board of Trustees

(Loch Sheldrake, NY): The SUNY Sullivan Board of Trustees, at its annual reorganizational meeting, today elected Steven D. Drobysh as Chair. He succeeds Dr. Theresa Hamlin, who has lead the board since July 2016 and chose not to seek re-election. She will serve as Vice Chair, the position that Drobysh had held. The remaining slate of officers includes Susan Jaffe as Treasurer and Patricia Adams as Secretary.

Drobysh, who was appointed by the Sullivan County Legislature, has been a Board of Trustee member since 2006, and has previously served as the board's Treasurer. Vice President of Commercial Lending for Ulster Savings Bank in Goshen, Drobysh also volunteers for other community organizations. He has been a board member The Arc Sullivan-Orange Counties, NY, for many years and currently serves as President. He is also a Past President of the SullivanArc Foundation Board. On a state-wide level, he sits on The Arc New York's Board of Governors and is Assistant Treasurer. Additionally, he is a board member of The Times Herald-Record's People for People Fund.

In 2017, The Arc Sullivan-Orange Counties, NY, honored Drobysh with the Presidents's Award during its annual Community Recognition Dinner.

"I have every confidence that Steve will continue to move the college forward," said outgoing chair Hamlin. "Steve places a high priority on the fiscal stewardship of the college, and values the benefits that partnerships and workforce development initiatives with the community can bring us."

"Many thanks to Terry for her dedication and leadership during her tenure as Chair," said Drobysh. "I know I speak on behalf of the entire Board of Trustees when I commend Terry for her selflessness and guidance over the past three years," he added. "The college has been able to redirect itself with her at the helm."

DEC Seeks Participants for 2019 Summer Wild Turkey Survey Citizen Scientists Help DEC Gauge Turkey Population

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today encouraged New Yorkers to participate in the state's annual survey for wild turkeys.

"For more than 20 years the public has partnered with DEC on the Summer Wild Turkey Survey-a critical citizen science effort," Commissioner Seggos said. "The public's observations help DEC biologists to monitor and manage this great game bird and sustain it for the future."

Since 1996, DEC has conducted the Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey to track wild turkey populations and estimate the number of wild turkey poults (young of the year) per hen statewide. Weather, predation, and habitat conditions during breeding and brood-rearing seasons can significantly impact nest success, hen survival, and poult survival. This index allows DEC to gauge reproductive success and predict fall harvest potential.

During August, survey participants record the sex and age composition of all flocks of wild turkeys observed during normal travel. Those interested in participating can download a Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey form along with instructions and the data sheet from DEC's website. Survey cards can be obtained by contacting regional DEC offices, calling (518) 402-8883, or emailing wildlife@dec.ny.gov (type "Turkey Survey" in the subject line). Participants can also submit observations on-line. Visit the DEC website and click "Summer Wild Turkey Sighting On-line Report."

Additional information is available on the DEC web-

site: Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey Citizen Science Initiatives DEC Regional Office Contact Information 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, Karen Curry and Barbara Slater.

Delightful Day Lilies



I want to let Martha Ahrens know that the Day Lilies she had given me several years ago are the most beautiful we have ever seen them! Every time I pass them I say in my heart, "Thank you, Martha." While the Day

Lilies in our garden

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Cultivated Classic Caper are seeing along the road are the old-fash-

Lily of the genus Hemerocallis.

The word Hemerocallis is derived from two Greek words meaning "beauty" and "day," referring to the fact that each beautiful flower lasts only one day. To make up for this, there are many flower buds on each Day Lily flower stalk, and many stalks in each clump of plants. The flowering period of a clump is usually several weeks long.

Day Lilies are perennials with stout, fleshy roots, straplike leaves, and tall flower stalks that don't branch below the inflorescence. The flowers are terminal, meaning they are situated on the end of a stalk. The branched stalks are erect, with 3 sepals and 3 petals of dull orange color. The sepals are slightly smaller, spreading, to 3 1/2 inches long. Each flower lasts only one day.

The leaves consist of a rosette of basal leaves, coming from the base. They are narrow, straplike, hairless, somewhat folded lengthwise, and grow to about 2 feet long and have a



tendency to bend Day Lily of the genus Hemerocallis down and out-

ward around the middle, and are somewhat floppy in appearance. It is from this center of the rosette the flower stalk grows. The stout flowering stalks are held erect and are usually much taller than the leaves.

The seed capsules, if any are produced, are 3-celled and contain rows of black seeds. However, these seeds are infertile because the Orange Day Lily is a sterile hybrid. The root system consists of fleshy fibrous roots and rhizomes.

Once established, the Day Lily will spread by its roots and forms dense clumps that usually out-compete other plants.

Day Lilies tolerate most soils, but do best in rich loam. Generally, neither insects nor diseases bother the plant.

The Day Lily is a native of Eurasia. The common or Orange Day Lily was introduced into the United States in the late 19th century as an ornamental and still is a very popular plant favored by homeowners and landscape designers for its showy flowers, hardiness and ability to spread. The blossoms are rich in protein and can be eaten. They can be fried or broiled much like squash blossoms or used as a flavoring in soups, or just placed on a platter of fruit as an attractive garnish or as a tea.

Thank you again Martha, for the beautiful flowers in our gardens this year! They sure are giving competition to the bountiful and also beautiful Day Lillies that are gracing the Catskill landscape.

Household Hints

Lost Sock Sense

What to do with the mate of the lost sock Make curlers out of socks. Cut several socks into strips. Take a section of damp hair, tie the sock strip onto the section of hair and slide it down to one inch of the end. Roll the hair like you would with a curler and tie it at the scalp. Sock curlers are easy to sleep on and the curls will set overnight.

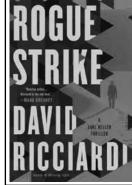


Mysterious Book Report No. 38

by John Dwaine McKenna

There are moments that come along so infrequently, when all the elements line up for someone in such a way that they're considered fortuitous . . . lucky beyond belief . . . because somehow, that person has managed to get the right pieces in the right places at just the right time to command success. Such is the case for this week's Mysterious Book Report number 382. *Rogue Strike*, (Berkley, \$27.00, 399 pages, ISBN 978-0-399-58576-0) by David Ricciardi, begins in the bombed out town of

Zanzibar in southern Yemen, where a pair of deep undercover CIA operatives – acting on a tip – have eyes on a notorious, most want-ed terrorist named Mullah Muktar . . . the object of twenty years of intense searching because he was one of the masterminds behind the September 11th attacks. Serial character Jake Keller, along with his partner and mentor, a legendary CIA ops man named Curt Roach, have a pair of UCAVs, unmanned combat aerial vehicles, circling overhead at 18,000 feet, waiting to drop their precisionguided Hellfire missiles down the Mullah's throat. They're cleared to go hot via SATCOM link, but the bat-winged stealth drone, code-named Drifter-72 does not respond to their commands. Instead, it turns around and disappears over the horizon to the north . . . where it drops both missiles onto the crowd of pilgrims at Mecca . . . the holiest site in Islam, where millions are completing an ordained religious duty called The Hajj. The entire event, including a hazy picture of what looks like a B-2 Stealth bomber seen turning away after the



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strike, is caught on TV, and POW! Just like that, the world turns against America and a billion and a half Moslems want to destroy it. SATCOMS down, Jake and Curt are marooned in a hostile, lawless land surrounded by armed-to-the-teeth Jihadists who want to kill them.

And that, my friends, is but the first twenty-five pages or so in this hot-off-the-presses thriller that's one of this summer's best. It's a pulse pounder ripped from the headlines, and one vou won't soon forget!

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Celebrate Woodstock's 50th at the Sullivan County Museum!

(From Pg. 1) The short version of this extraordinary story involves photojournalist Mark Goff. whose work was stored in an old cabinet in Milwaukee for 50 years. Goff covered the 1969 Woodstock concert for a Milwaukee alternative weekly. He captured over 200 images of the performers and the crowd - everyone from Jimi Hendrix and Jerry Garcia to Joan Baez, Ravi Roger Shankar,



Richie Haven from the 1969 concert...photo by Mark Goff

Daltrey and Sly Stone.



Arlo Guthrie photo by Mark Goff

A lifelong Milwaukeean, Goff enlisted in the Navy in 1965. He served in the USS Kitty Hawk's shipboard hos-pital during its 1967-1968 combat deployment, when the aircraft carrier set a record for consecutive days launching missions into Vietnam at the peak of the conflict. Upon leaving the military, Goff became staple of Milwaukee life as photojournalist. His photographs are black and white, and they tell the story of the concert with extraordinary sensitivity and a unique perspective.

On Saturday, August Little Sparrow, Greg Castro, and friends will perform songs of the Woodstock

generation between 2 and 4 p.m., followed by a reception for the work of Mark Goff. Then from 4-7 p.m., at Gallery 222 (located down the street from the Museum, at 222 Main Street, Hurleyville), a second exhibition of Mark Goff's Woodstock photography will open. The public is cordially invited to both shows.

On Sunday, August 4, from 2-4 p.m., the Sullivan County Historical Society's First Sunday Music and History program will celebrate the music of the Grateful Dead. The Grateful Dead is one of the most iconic bands to emerge from the sixties. They performed at Woodstock, and then in the '70s, Jerry Garcia returned to Sullivan County to perform a concert in Fallsburg!

Guitarist Fred Scholl and bassist Mike Manuele, who

have performed the music of the Grateful Dead for over 30 years, will join Little Sparrow for an afternoon of live jam-ming! The photography exhibition will include a special

selection of photos of the Grateful Dead from the 1969 concert. The collection will be on display throughout the month of August.

Join us to celebrate the anniversary of the world's most famous concert! Both events are free and made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

The Sullivan County Museum is located at 265 Main Street, Hurleyville. Call 845-434-8044

for more info, or visit the website at www.scnyhistory.org

Hermitage Piano Trio makes triumphant return to Shandelee Music Festival

(From Pg. 1) The Tuesday, August 6 concert will include the music of Alyabev, Rachmaninov, Parker and Dvorak, and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor.

All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. and will be followed by a specialty dessert reception.

Concert tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30.00 for Shandelee Music Festival members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277. Or purchase your tickets online and find out more about membership and sponsorships at www.shandelee.org.

New Hope Community Partners with Local Builder to Enhance Independent Living

(From Pg. 1) The location complex will consist of three, three-story buildings that house a total of 64, one and two bedroom apartments. All apartments feature smart tech-nology compatibility and are ADA compliant. Approximately 25% of the apartments are set aside for occupancy of people currently associated with New Hope Community. All apartments will be available at fair market value to the general public and would be appealing choices for workforce housing, seniors and students.

The project, which is expected to be completed in 2020, is likely to be the first of many to bring unique, integrated apartment living and a holistic lifestyle for all in the community.

About New Hope Community

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

Developer; Debra J. McGinness, New Hope Community Chief Executive Officer; Morris Schrader, Sonny Patel's Team; Juliette P. McKerrell, New Hope Community Board Chair and Terence Duncan, New Hope Community Assistance Vice President of Program Operations

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BYOB

On Monday, July 15th, Ulster County's BYOBag law banning plastic bags and imposing a five cent fee on paper bags will go into effect. The new law will encourage shoppers to remember their reusable bags, and will help keep single-use plastic bags out of our environment and waterwavs.

This new law involves a shift in behavior for me and all my neighbors. I have, for years, used cloth napkins instead of paper, and I always intend to bring my vast collection of BAGS into the store when I shop. However, my good intentions often left me with bags in the closet, bags on the kitchen counter, and bags in the back of my SUV. I often, almost always, wound up using the store bags because my bags were never with me. Each week I would accumulate a wad of plastic bags which I would save and return to a grocery store with my returnable bottles. That has got to change.

I certainly have all the bags I will need. I have plastic and cloth ones galore. I even have the very special Shirley Bachor Rose bags made from old feed bags. My favorite is the one made from Goat Feed. These are amazing because they are so sturdy, after all they were designed to hold 25 to 50 pounds of critter food.

I decided to make one myself with the skills I learned from MaryAnn Shultis, the "bag" lady who teaches us to make designer bags (purses) at our Senior Fiber Art Workshops. Mine was a bird seed one. Not only do these feed bag bags win an award for sturdiness and recycling, they are really colorful and attractive. Next time you buy pet food, notice the art.

I am proud of Ulster County for being a forerunner in protecting the environment. Just remember to BYOB, bag that is!

Nina Postupack, UC Clerk, Welcomes **Catskills Art Club**

to the Matthewis Persen House Museum Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to announce that on Saturday, August 3, the Catskill Interpretive Center will hold their monthly "Catskills Art Club" at the Matthewis Persen House located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free and all are welcome.

On Saturday, August 3 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, join staff from the Catskill Center fora fun, free way to explore the Catskills, meet new friends, and make some amazing art. The "Catskills Art Club" is an informal way to make art and seek inspiration from all of the wonderful places in our region. There are no workshops or formal lessons at Catskills Art Club meetups, just a casual gettogether of people who want to create and chat. There is no commitment, no fees, and no pressure to share your work--just come and have fun. The Art Club is open to all ages and all ability levels. Come draw, paint, or sculpt what you observe using your favorite supplies or the ones they provide! "We are so excited to host the Catskills Art Club at the

Persen House for the first time," said County Clerk Postupack. "The Clerk's Office has collaborated with the Catskill Center on other projects over the past few years and we are happy to be able to provide them with a venue for this fun, community-oriented program. We hope this becomes an annual event at the Persen House!'

To learn more about the Catskill Interpretive Center and the Catskills Art Club, visit their website at catskillinterpretivecenter.org. For further information about the Matthewis Persen House Museum and other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please contact County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040 or countyclerk@co.ulster.ny.us or visit us on Facebook.

CHOREOGRAPHY ON THE EDGE 2019

Woodstock, New York: On Friday August 9th, Saturday, August 10th at 8:00 pm, and Sunday August 11th at 3pm, Choreography on the Edge will present its 30th performance at the beautiful, historic and air conditioned Byrdcliffe Theater in Woodstock, NY. Since 1990, this innovative program has given professional choreographers and dancers a chance to experiment and push their boundaries, much to the benefit of Hudson Valley's lovers of dance!

This year we are celebrating our 30th year by bringing back some of the original choreographers as well as some relatively newer favorites. The program promises to stretch the audience's envelope as well. The line up is comprised of choreographers and dancers spanning a wide range of styles and techniques; primarily modern dance, contemporary ballet and cultural motifs. A number of choreographers will be performing their work as solos, and others will work as duets and trios. Among this stellar group are: Laura Ward with Octavia Cup Dance Theatre and D'amby Project. Louisa Barta and Sara Senecal from the Éllen Šinopoli Dance Company in Albany will be performing solos, while Laura Teeter will be choreographing and performing a duet with Damon Honeycutt from Pilobolus. Damon will also be presenting one of his own works. Celeste Graves, one of the original choreographers will be presenting a new work. This show promises to be an excellent showcase for the best that the Hudson Valley has to offer.

Also, in honor of the 30th anniversary as well as the 20th year at the Byrdcliffe Theater, Choreography on the Edge will be presenting a second weekend of new works by a different group of local choreographers. On Friday and Saturday, August 16th and 17th at 8pm and Sunday August 18th at 3pm, Choreography on the Edge will present new works by local choreographers Andrea Pastorella, Laura Ward, Julie Manna and Rebecca Frank among others. Also presenting will be Jai Mason from Albany, Jess Lewis from NYC and Jocelyne Danchick from Poughkeepsie by way of France.

A Choreographers Concert began when a group of local choreographers decided to present a showcase of new work, the only requirement being that they combine movement and music in a way that was completely new for them. The presentation was so well received that it became an annual event that drew the participation of non-local chore-ographers as well, moving from the Woodstock Town Hall to its current home at the Byrdcliffe Theater and updating the name to Choreography on the Edge. Keeping the experimental nature of any artistic endeavor alive is always a challenge, one that Choreography on the Edge has risen to time and again. To maintain this focus on fresh, innovative work and a high standard of professionalism, choreographers are asked to dig deep, incorporating elements they haven't used before. The pieces are not auditioned and most of them will be premiering, giving the work an immediacy that engages the audience in a more energetic and intimate way.

Choreography on the Edge is produced by Zack Jacobs with greatly appreciated support from The Ulster Ballet Company, The Woodstock/Byrdcliffe Guild, and the D'amby Project. The historic Byrdcliffe Theater is located at 380 Upper Byrdcliffe Road, in Woodstock, NY. Please visit www.woodstckguild.org for directions (bottom of the "about us/contact" page), or on Google Maps. Tickets are affordably priced at \$12 each and can be purchased at the door or reserved by calling Zack Jacobs at 845-453-8673, or email ChoreographyontheEdge@gmail.com.

If you buy large bags of pet food, rock salt, or many other items at the grocery store, you are purchasing packaging that you can re-use once it's empty to make great tote bags like Carol's. This is a great re-use re-think kind of project that takes a used material and stops it from ending up in the landfill while creating a robust and durable bag that will be safe to use for years. Given the kind of material the bags are made of, it easily wipes clean, so it is no big deal if a grocery item leaks. Flatten the bag

• Cut the top and the bottom off the bag at the desired location, to make a bag size similar to a brown paper shopping bag.

• Now turn the bag inside out and thoroughly wipe down the "fabric." Allow it to dry thoroughly before sewing. To make handles:

Using material form the piece cut from the top of the bag, cut two strips off, 3-inches wide each.

Cut through each one crosswise to create two long strips. Fold the edges to the center.

Then fold in half again, enclosing the raw edges inside the strap. Use paper clips to hold as pins would leave holes

Using your sewing machine, you may want to change the needle to a size 16. Next, lengthen your stitch length. If you don't do this, the closer stitching may perforate the bag too closely in a line and weaken the stitching.

Stitch the handles near the double-folded edge to secure the layers together. Repeat with the other handle.

To make the tote:

With the bag still turned inside out, stitch across the bottom. Fold up that end, and stitch again for strength. Box each corner 3 inches. Squaring the bottom of the bag creates a bag that is easier to pack than a bag that does not have a squared bottom. To make a square bottom: • Lay the bottom of the bag so it is flat. Then create a tri-

angle corner.

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On July 14, ECO Scott Marshall responded to a call of a fawn stuck in a fence in the town of Clarence. ECO Marshall arrived to find that a fawn had attempted to jump

over a fence and got its hind quarters caught be-tween the slats. The officer contacted ECO Tim Mach-nica for assistance, and they together removed the fawn while Fuzzy Fawn Rehabilitation came to take the animal for treatment. The animal appeared to have only lost circulation to its back legs and was dehydrated. The fawn is expected to be released near the

site of its rescue after several days of care.

(See diagram) After cutting and from the tip of stitching your bag, lay it down flat and smooth with sewn the triangle up approximately edge at bottom. 3 and sew across the bag. You may want to sew this across the sec-Turn and flatten bag so stitched edge is in the ond time for extra strength. Next. on the inside top, fold Making a the top edge Boxed Corner down inch, then fold Aeasure three inches fro corner, mark a line acros and stitch along the line again REPEAT ON LEFT CORNEL more Insert the handle under the

fold, with each end 3 inches from the center.

Stitch all the way around on the lower edge, and then stitch around the top edge. For extra strength you can sew 'X' where each of the handles have been placed.

Turn the bag right side out and you are ready to go shopping!

Thank you Carol for this great idea!

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New York State Department of Environmental Conservation New Windsor (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that the eighth annual Great Hudson River Estuary Fish Count will take place at multiple sites along the banks and piers of the Hudson River on Saturday, August 10. This is a family friendly, free event open to the public.

'I encourage New Yorkers and visitors to get outdoors and enjoy this opportunity to learn about the more than 200 species of fish that live in our Hudson River," Commissioner Recreation



Stop by Country Flowers and talk to Drew or Robin to find out what's the scoop on Whacky Wednesday Something different every Wednesday!

Felled Pole Folly - Sullivan County

On July 12, ECO Tom Koepf responded to a construction site in Mountaindale for a complaint of someone illegally cutting down a utility pole. Workers at the site stated that there was a work order in with NYSEG to remove the pole, which no longer had wires attached, but that someone had prematurely knocked down the pole and buried it. When ECO Koepf arrived, he observed the pole covered with dirt but the transformers were protruding from the ground. The ECO also observed a small petroleum spill. Koepf called construction managers and later that day met with a subject who admitted to cutting and burying the pole on July 11, because he didn't want to wait for NYSEG to perform the work. Tickets were issued to the subject for unlawful disposal of solid waste, illegal discharge of petroleum, failure to immediately contain a petroleum discharge, and failure to notify DEC of a petroleum spill. DEC Spills Technician Brian Weeks responded to the site and informed the subject that he needed to immediately hire a cleanup contractor to clean the site and

Kingston Point Beach: 2 - 3 p.m.; seining. Kingston Parks and test for possible contamination.

Forecast

SUNRISE: 5:47 AM

SUNSET: 8:17 PM

AVERAGE HIGH: 83°F AVERAGE LOW: 62 °F THURSDAY

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Registration Open for Temple Sholom Religious School



Temple Sholom Religious School classes will start on September 11, 2019. Helene Perlman will teach children from kindergarten through third grade on Wednesdays from 4:00-5:00 pm. Lauren Miller will teach children from fourth grade through bar/bat mitzvah on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Registration forms are available in the temple office at 5 East Dillon Road in Monticello or on the temple website www.templesholomny.org. For more information contact Lauren Miller at 845-794-3962 or Rabbi Michele Medwin at 607-765-2895

Temple Sholom was established in 1954. It is the first congregation of Reform Judaism in Sullivan County.





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HIGH: 85°F LOW: 67°F New music and Argentine tango influence the Ansonia Quartet at Shandelee Music Festival



Clockwise from top left: Sumire Hirotsuru, Grace Takeda, Byungchan Lee and Isabel Kwon are the talented musicians who make up the Ansonia Quartet.

ance by The Ansonia Quartet on Saturday, August 10. Formed at The Juilliard School in September 2016, the Ansonia Quartet was awarded a Gluck Community Service Fellowship through the school to pursue community engagement endeavors. The Quartet's members are Sumire Hirotsuru and Byungchan Lee (violins), Grace Takeda (viola), and Isabel Kwon(cello). In a page right out of modern history, the Quartet's international career was launched by a successful crowdfunding campaign in 2017, where they met their goal of \$10,000 in only nine days. Recitals and workshops in Japan followed.

SHANDELEE, NY: The ever-popular "Evening of Chamber Music" continues at the Shandelee Music Festival's 2019 Sunset Concert Series with a perform-

The Ansonia Quartet has performed in Toronto, the Harvard Club of New York, Nicholas Roerich Museum and SOPAC (South Orange Performing Arts Center) among others.

While their passion to push string quartet boundaries has led them to pursue fresh literature, they also infuse Argentine tango into their repertoire, having held a tango presentation for the Juilliard community in collaboration with Grammy-award winning bandoneon player, Hector del Curto. The program for the Saturday, August 10 concert "An Evening of

Chamber Music featuring the Ansonia Quartet" will include the music of Beethoven, Ravel and Mendelssohn, and will be performed at the Shandelee Music Festival's fully accessible, climate controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion, located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor.

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ELLENVILLE WAWARSING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE -

Frost Valley Offers School-age Child Care at Tri-Valley

p.m.

Claryville - With school just around the corner, Frost Valley YMCA is preparing for another exciting year of School-age Child Care at Tri-Valley Elementary School. The program is offered to students in Kindergarten through sixth grade after school until 5:45



Frost Valley's School-age Child Care gives children values-driven programming in a safe, nurturing, and supportive environment. Children enrolled in the program will enjoy a healthy snack, time for homework or reading, age-specific activities, and structured programs such as sports, crafts, games, and more. The cost of the program is \$13 per day. Limited bussing is available for a small additional fee. The bus leaves the school at 5 p.m.

"Quality school-age child care is crucial for a healthy community," says Jessie Emmons, Director of Community Programs for Frost Valley. "Not only does it give children a positive and safe place to go after school, it also gives parents much-needed peace of mind that allows them to complete their work day without the stress of worrying about their children's care.

Research shows that attending an afterschool program can improve a student's academic performance,

particularly in reading and math. It can also improve classroom behavior, school attendance, academic aspirations, and reduce the likelihood a student will drop out. Afterschool programs save working families and businesses billions of dollars annually in lost productivity due to worker absenteeism created by a lack of quality child care.

Since spots fill quickly, families who are interested in registering their child for the Frost Valley School-age Child Care Program at Tri-Valley Elementary School should call 845-985-2291 right away to ensure their child's spot.

Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Shandaken Historical Museum

This is a big year for the Shandaken Historical Museum. We are holding an Anniversary Party at the Museum. There will be refreshments, face painting, balloon animals, caricatures, beekeeeper and updated exhibitions and other goodies. Come and check out the Museum, the town of Shandaken and its hamlets.

Saturday, September 14, 2019 from 11 am until 3 pm at the Shandaken Historical Museum, 26 Academy St., Pine Hill, NY 12466 (845) 254.4460.

The event is free and donations are always appreciated. This is a Family-friendly event. We are not handicap accessible.

Roundout-Neversink Stream Program Update:

Why are Hemlocks Important?



Saturday, October 5, 4:30-6:30pm at the Claryville Event Center 1471 Denning Rd. Claryville, NY.

Eastern hemlock forest buffers help conserve water quality of Catskill rivers, offer ideal fish habitat conditions, and strengthen stream banks. Learn how hemlock trees serve as a keystone species to forest and river ecosystem health. Presented by Jonathan Rosenthal and Radka Wildova of Ecological Research Institute. To register for this free event, please email info@rondoutneversink.org

Save the Date for our 6th Annual Anglers Symposium

Friday, November 1, 1-4pm at the Claryville Event Center 1471 Denning Rd. Claryville, NY Over 50 supporters enjoyed last year's symposium. Join us this year (and invite your friends) as we explore how the winter season impacts our water history, habitat, and hobbies. Guest speakers will address a wide range of topics relating to snow pack and cold water stream health. Guest speakers include geographer Andrew Reinnmann of CUNY, Dianne Galusha, Barry Baldigo, Scott George, and others. Make sure to mark your calendars for this year's Symposium, it's one you don't want to miss! For more information on this upcoming event, please email info@rondoutneversink.org

Restoration Updates

Blue Hill Lodge and Denning Town Hall

Vegetation is our greatest ally in our fight against erosion. New growth is sprouting along our most recent restoration sites: Blue Hill Lodge and Denning Town Hall. A great deal of planning has gone into establishing healthy vegetation at these restoration sites. Efforts include hydroseeding,



hand-seeding native wildflowers, installing willow fascines/stakes, and planting over 300 native trees. Both sites feature an area dedicated to edible native plants, where you can find trees and shrubs that will mature to produce delicious edible fruits and nuts. We are proud to announce we have moved away from using plastic tree tubes, which contribute harmful microplastics to the watershed. Installation of wooden, biodegradable tree protectors has been successful at both restoration sites.

Healthy plants create a strong root system, stabilize stream banks and prevent fine sediment from eroding into our rivers and streams. We're looking forward to watching our restoration projects continue to develop resilient, diverse, vegetation in the years to come.

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UC Dedicates Rochester Bridge In The Memory of Arthur D. Lapp, Sr. TOWN OF ROCHESTER, N.Y. - Ulster County



Executive Pat Ryan announces today the dedication of the County Route 6 bridge in Alligerville as the Arthur D. Lapp, Sr. Memorial Bridge in honor of the fire district's former chief. The bridge carries County Route 6 over the Rondout Creek in the Town of Rochester.

Lapp was a dedicated volunteer firefighter and train-er at the Accord Fire District. He served the Ulster County community for over sixty years serving in several positions at the Accord Fire Company, including several years as Chief and Commissioner. Lapp also was the former Director

of the Ulster County Volunteer Firemen's Association and a member of the Ulster County Fire Advisory Board.

Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan

'Arthur Lapp, Sr. can be summed up in one word, 'service.' Lapp dedicated his life to help his neighbors and enhance the community that he grew up in and loved. It is a fitting tribute that after spending over 60 years as a volunteer firefighter and trainer that this bridge will be in the shadows of the Alligerville Fire House. I am thrilled that we as a county are able to honor an individual who dedicated his life to public service in such a way

Arty Lapp, High Falls Fire Department Chief, Son of Arthur D. Lapp Sr.

'My father was born in a house that was on the other side of this bridge. From there, he went to school in a one room schoolhouse and eventually helped turn it into a firehouse which we are standing in front of today. Fire service was has passion, giving 65 years of service. Thank you to everyone for honoring him; I know he wouldn't have wanted us to, but we are all his family and we got this for him.

Rich Demorest, Accord Fire Department Chief

"I got to know Arthur D. Lapp Sr. and his family through many years in the fire service as I moved up to the ranks to Chief of the Accord Fire District. With the bridge being named after him, hopefully it will continue his legacy for future generations to come.

The Scene Too By Jane Harrison

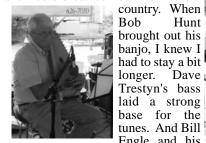
It was a beautiful day for a party, Saturday was! The gathering/fund raiser 1930 HOEDOWN was held on two levels: The dinner was served on the stunning 2nd floor patio with the music and square dancing down below. I appreciate museums, all museums, and this brought home to me that even though I have been to the Daniel Pierce Library many times, I had not yet been to the TIME AND VALLEYS MUSEUM, something I will have to remedy.

The party was a virtual who's who of prominent per-sons from this side of the County. It was heartening to see so many coming together for such a worthy cause. And I was surprised at how many people I knew and those who knew me! Chris Mathews, of course. The Muthigs. The Coombes. John and Diana of STORY'S NEVERSINK PLANT COMPANY. David and Theresa Trestyn of THE HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL. Alan and Lori Fishman, who I haven't seen in quite a while and had a chance to catch up with. Even Mark McLewin of the NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE that provided the amazing spread and helped arranging some of the other donations of edibles and drinkables, popped in.



Then on to the dancing, square dancing that is. With music provided by THE COUNTRY TRAVELERS, I was surprised at how many younger people joined in and KNEW how to do this! Patty Legg's style is absolutely perfect for calling a

dance. Paul Lounsbury deep melodic voice and fiddle breathed new life into old



country. When Hunt brought out his banjo, I knew I had to stay a bit Dave 🜉 longer. Trestyn's bass laid a strong base for the

Engle and his autoharp brought in a true authentic sweetness. I've never been a big fan of old country, but this band just might change my mind.



It was still early when I tore myself away at 8:30 so off I went out to CABERNET FRANK'S and THE JOHNNY JULES BAND. As most of you already know, Johnny and this band are good friends in addition to being a terrific bluesy band, covering a range of (yes) old country, Dylan, The Band, The Grateful Dead etc, weaving it seamlessly into their sets. CABERNET FRANK'S is also a favorite place of mine and the two together is just great for me. This night was a bit different though. The audience at the tables and bar seemed to held rapt and it was a night where THE JOHNNY JULES BAND played a concert, not a gig. This is a rarity for Frank's and it was wonderful to see the people hanging on every lyric and note. The band's strength is performing what people want to hear, transporting them back to a time that makes them smile.

Next week, I'm off to Jersey for the celebration of INTERNATIONAL BLUES DAY; the day where all over the world, the best of the best come together to celebrate the Blues. For me, it's bittersweet. Several of the musicians who will be at this event were in bands at one time or another with my late husband.

This is what's coming up this week: Wednesday Night:

Open Mic at the HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL, Grahamsville; 7pm THE FRED ZEPPLIN BAND at the ROCK HILL SUM-

MER CONCERT SERIES; Rock Hill; 6:30pm (bring a chair!)

Thursday Night:

Open Mic at CABERNET FRANK'S, Parksville

YASGUR at the Gazebo Park, Kauneonga Lake (part of the Bethel Lakeside Music Series); 6:30pm (bring a chair!) Friday Night;

TALKING MACHINE at the Pickled Owl, Hurleyville; 7pm

BROTALITY at Cabernet Frank's, Parksville; 8pm

Saturday Night:

MARC DELGADO at the Pickled Owl, Hurleyville; 7pm THE MINETTES, TUFFY, FLYIN J & THE GHOSTROB-BER at Cabernet Frank's, Parksville; 8p, Sunday:

MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT Open Mic at DeFillipe's Bakery, Monticello; 11am-1ish

Monday Night: THE JOHNNY JULES BAND at the Fat Lady Café, Kauneonga Lake; 6pm

Tuesday Night:

THE GREATER SEARCH AND RESCUE ORCHESTRA featuring Joanna Gass at BREW, Rock Hill; 6:30pm (This ain't your momma's orchestra!)

Ulster Trending:

• July 26-Sept. 1 – Pericles, Prince of Tyre: Presented by Woodstock Shakespeare Festival's 24th season. Bring blankets and chairs. Picnics welcome. Admission free. Suggested donation \$10. 45 Comeau Drive, Woodstock. 845-247-4007; birdonacliff.org

Aug. 2-4 – 10th Annual Phoenicia International Festival of the Voice: This season's three-day festival offers vocal performances ranging from opera to musicals, gospel to world music, featuring international stars in seven venues, all within walking distance in the hamlet of Phoenicia. Performances include the opera " Elixir of Love" by Donizetti, a special African-American hommage, a fantastic recapitulation of the past 10 years of music and beauty. from jazz to opera, gospel to plays. Multiple venues in Phoenicia. 845-688-3291; phoeniciavoicefest.org

Aug 2-18 - "HAIR: The American Tribal Love-Rock Musical:" In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Wooodstock 1969 Festival, this production celebrates the 1960s counterculture with songs like "Aquarius," "Good Morning, Starshine," "Hair," "I Got Life" and "Let The Sun Shine." Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. Tickets range from \$32-\$40. Woodstock Playhouse, 103 Mill Hill Road, Woodstock. 845-679-6900:

woodstockplayhouse.org • Aug. July 30-Aug. 4 - **132nd Ulster County Fair:** Oneprice admission includes all entertainment, shows, parking and exhibits. Tuesday-Sunday. Accessible parking. Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Libertyville Road, New Paltz. 845-255-1380, 845-255-1707; ulstercountyfair.com

• Aug. 3, 4, 10, 11, 18, 24, 25, 31 - Maverick Concerts in August: JAZZKIDS with Christian Sands: Aug. 3, 11 a.m. Young Mavericks Festival. Christian Sands Trio: Aug. 3, 8 p.m. Jazz at the Maverick. Quatuor Danel of Belgium: Aug. 4, 4 p.m. Chamber Music Festival. Tribute to the Art of Ravi Shankar: Aug. 10, 8 p.m. Harlem Quartet: Aug. 11, 4 p.m. Concert and reception for the friends of Maverick. Amernet String Quartet: Aug. 18, 4 p.m. Chamber Music Festival. Maverick Chamber Orchestra Concert: Aug. 24, 4 p.m. Chamber Music Festival: Pacifica String Quartet: Aug. 25, 4 p.m. Creative Music Studio Legacy Ensemble In the Spirit of Ornette Coleman: Aug. 31, 8 p.m. Check website for ticket prices. Maverick Concert Hall, 120 Maverick Road, Woodstock. 845-679-8217; maverickconcerts.org

• Aug. 3, 4, 10, 17 - August Events at WAAM: Lecture Series - Part II.III The Woodstock Art Colony: The Nascent Years 1900-1930: Aug. 3, 2-4 p.m., \$20 general admission, \$15 WAAM members and students. Lecture with John Murphy, PhD: Art and the Counterculture in 1960's Woodstock: Aug. 4, 4 p.m. Admission free. For Phillip Guston: Performed by New York's Bent Duo & Kelli Kathman: Aug. 10, 1-5 p.m. Admission free. Opening Reception for the New Exhibitions at WAAM: Aug. 17, 4-6 p.m. Admission free. On view until Sept. 1. Woodstock Artists Association & Museum, 28 Tinker St., Woodstock. 845-679-2940; woodstockart.org

• Aug 3 & 23 - Olive Free Library August Events: Art & **Poetry Workshop:** Aug. 3, 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. Free erasure poetry workshop led by West Shokan resident, Ana Silva for interested adults and teeens. Mushroom Hike: Aug. 23, 5-7 p.m. Catskill Fungi's John Michelotti leads a fun forest walk looking for and learning about wild mushrooms. Meet at library and carpool to hike location. Call to preregister or

email programs@olivefreelibrary.org. Olive Free Library, 4033 Route 28A, West Shokan. 845-657-2482; olivefreelibrary.org

Statement from UC Executive Pat Ryan on the Ulster County Fair

"The Ulster County Fair must be an event that everyone can enjoy while representing the values of all members of our community. Any showcasing of a symbol of division and racism runs counter to that principle and will be vigorously opposed by my administration. We are proud that we have come up with a solution addressing the concerns of many while still providing high-quality entertainment. Stay tuned, we are really excited about the act that will be headlining the fair Thursday night and that we will be announcing shortly.'

Governor Cuomo Signs Legislation Banning Cat Declawing - New York Becomes First State in Nation to Ban Cat Declawing

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today signed legislation (S.5532B/A.1303) banning the performance of declawing pro-

cedures on cats, making New York the first state to prohibit the practice. The bill takes effect immediately. "Declawing is a cruel and painful procedure that can cre-ate physical and behavioral problems for helpless animals, and

today it stops," Governor Cuomo said. "By banning this archaic practice, we will ensure that animals are no longer subjected to these inhumane and unnecessary procedures.

Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris said, "Cat declawing is a brutal procedure similar to severing a human finger at the first knuckle and has lifelong ramifications for cats. I am proud of the new Senate majority's emphasis on animal welfare and am glad the Governor enacted this legislation.'

Assembly Member Linda B. Rosenthal said, "Today, New York becomes the first state in the nation to ban cat declawing. Declawing is cruelty, plain and simple, and with so many lowcost and pain-free alternatives available, there is no reason to allow this barbaric practice to continue, not here in New York or anywhere. It's a wonderful day for the cats of the state and the people who love them. Now that my bill has become law, New York has been catapulted onto the leaderboard of humane states, and we expect other states to quickly follow in out footsteps

Declawing, also known as onychectomy, involves the removal of all or most of the last bone of each of the toes of the front feet, and tendons, nerves and ligaments that allow for normal function of the paw are severed, resulting in intense and chronic pain and other serious medical or behavioral issues. After the claws are removed, cats often shift their gait and where it places most of its weight, causing strain on its leg joints and spine, which can lead to early onset arthritis and prolonged back and joint pain. Cats' claws play an important role in various aspects of their lives, including to assist in climbing and maintaining balance and to escape danger.

DEC Launches New 'DECinfo Locator' to Increase Transparency and Access to Data and Reports- First-of-its-Kind Online Map

Delivers Public Documents and Recreational Information,

Tailored to Location

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the launch of DECinfo Locator, an interactive map that provides access to DEC documents and public data about New York's environment and outdoor recreation resources. This first-ofits-kind DEC mapping application generates results specific to locations across the state, including water and air permits, enforcement actions, recreational assets, environmental education facilities, and sites in the State Superfund and Brownfield Cleanup programs.

"DEC created this platform to make information about New York's environment accessible to everyone," said Commissioner Seggos. "For the first time, the public can use DECinfo Locator to generate maps to check out both their favorite fishing location and learn about water quality. From viewing permits to searching for state land regulations, DEC's new tool provides transparency to our work and helps New Yorkers better understand the full breadth of DEC's work protecting the environment and our communities.

With more than 50 interactive data layers, DECinfo Locator lets users see and download permits, former industrial site cleanup plans, water quality reports, and more based on where they live, work, or play. Selecting a map feature can bring up links to database records for petroleum bulk storage facilities, oil wells, or permitted mines. Users can also view potential environmental justice areas and Climate Smart Communities or find out what local wastewater facilities are doing to reduce their impact on New York's waterbodies. (Contd. Pg 14)

FCC Recently Announced New Proposal That Could Force State and Local Municipalities to Choose Between Continuing to Provide Public Access Channels or Lose Vital Funding for Other

Community Services New York State Has Over 70 Public Broadcast Channels that Could Be Under Threat If New FCC Proposal Is Implemented; Senators' Letter Comes Ahead of FCC's Vote

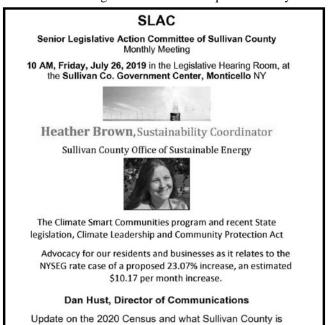
on this Proposal Next Week Washington, DC - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand and U.S. Senate Minority Leader Charles F. Schumer today announced

Senate Minority Leader Charles E. Schumer today announced their call on the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to reject a proposal that could threaten local public access television channels and force local municipalities to choose between providing public access channels or funding other vital community services. Earlier this month, the FCC released a proposal that would allow cable companies to place a dollar value on public access channels, and then deduct that amount from the fees they pay to local and state governments and municipalities. Local programming, officially known as public, educational, and governmental (PEG) channels, is supported by franchise fees that cable companies pay cities and towns. The senators' push comes ahead of the FCC vote on this proposal scheduled for August 1st.

"We have heard from local governments and municipalities across our state who fear, if enacted, this rulemaking would undermine their ability to provide critical services to their communities by putting funding for these services at risk," Gillibrand and Schumer wrote to FCC Chairman Pai. "Congress understood the important role PEG programming and I-Net services play in communities, and expressly intended for these services to flourish by being included in franchise agreements separate from the franchise fees. PEG channels act as a platform for local voices to be heard, news to be shared, and local government transparency to be enforced... We urge the FCC not to adopt any rule that would undermine the value PEG channels and I-Net services provide to New Yorkers and the rest of the country, or that would harm existing local government authority over franchising agreements."

New York State has over 70 public access channels that could be put at risk by this proposal. These channels are vital for New Yorkers across the state to stay informed with locally produced programming, such as local government proceedings and business, town school board meetings, high school and college news and events, religious news from local places of worship, and important local and regional emergency alerts. In addition, this new rule could also force municipalities to choose between supporting Institutional Network (I-Net) services, which provide high-speed internet, video, and data services to public buildings such as schools, libraries, community centers, and government office buildings, or collecting revenue from the franchise fees.

If enacted, the FCC proposal could fundamentally change the terms of the negotiated agreements between cable operators and municipalities to allow cable operators to assign a dollar value to PEG channels and I-Net services and then subtract those amounts from the franchise fees that they pay to local communities. Gillibrand and Schumer noted in their letter that this proposal could also restrict the ability of local municipalities to tailor franchise agreements to meet unique community needs.



Update on the 2020 Census and what Sullivan County is doing to make sure everyone is counted.

SLAC is affiliated with New York State Alliance for Retired Americans (NYSARA) and StateWide Senior Action Council. SLAC, PO Box 248, Klamesha, NY 12751. For more information please call Office for the Aging, 845-807-0241. Attorney General James Announces Equifax Breach Website – Now Accepting Consumer Claims; Consumers Can Check if Personal Information Was Breached, Sign Up for Credit Monitoring and Restoration, and Apply for

Restitution Directly on Site – Third Party Administrator - Not Equifax - is Operating Website NEW YORK - Attorney General Letitia James announced that consumers can now visit a new website www.EquifaxBreachSettlement.com - and input limited information to see if their personal information was compromised in Equifax's massive breach of 2017 that ultimately affected more than 147 million consumers. The site not only has information about the breach and the settlement reached, but also allows consumers to check if they were victims of the breach, file claims for financial restitution, set up credit monitoring and restoration services, and check on the status of all these services.

"For two years, nearly half the U.S. population has wondered if their personal information was compromised because of Equifax's irresponsible and negligent behavior," said Attorney General James. "Today, we can finally provide every American with clarity and undoubtedly tell them whether their information was stolen or not. I urge all to visit www.EquifaxBreachSettlement.comand check to see if their data was illegally breached, and if so, file a claim for restitution. Consumers will need to deal with the fallout of this breach for years to come, and this website is just the first step in helping provide consumers with the tools to recover."

On July 22, Attorney General James announced a multistate settlement with Equifax following their 2017 breach that compromised Social Security numbers, names, dates of birth, addresses, credit card numbers, and, in some cases, driver's license numbers of nearly half the U.S. population. While the company created a website, in 2017, for Americans to check and see if their personal information was breached, that website was riddled with vague and inaccurate information that only provided consumers with more uncertainty and no clear answer as to whether they were impacted by the breach or not.

Now that the settlement has been provisionally approved by the court, www.EquifaxBreachSettlement.com has been updated so that consumers can easily input their last name and the last six digits of their Social Security Number to find out if their information was breached. A third party administrator - not Equifax - is overseeing this new website.

If consumers find out they were victims of the breach, restitution can be provided in a multitude of ways.

Consumer Restitution Fund

A single Consumer Restitution Fund of up to \$425 million - \$300 million of which will initially be dedicated to compensation, with an additional \$125 million available if initial funds are depleted - will be provided to victims. Consumers can claim up to \$20,000 to compensate for

money lost due to identity theft or fraud. Consumers who are eligible for redress will be required to submit claims showing they have been a victim of fraud or have taken proactive steps to set up credit monitoring services by submitting documents online or by mail.

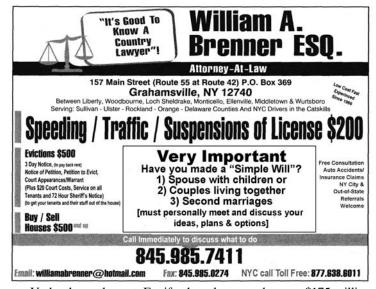
Consumers, however, do not have to prove direct causality from the breach to identity theft. As long as an individual was a victim of the breach and a victim of identity theft in the two years since the breach, they can apply for restitution. Consumers can also be compensated for the time spent dealing with identity theft - at the rate of \$25 per hour, for up to 20 hours.

In addition to filing claims online, consumers can also call 1-833-759-2982 to request a paper application be sent to them by postal mail.

Credit Monitoring and Restoration

Equifax has agreed to offer consumers, who had their data exposed, with free credit-monitoring services for up to 10 years. Consumers that take part in the service will have up to \$1 million of identity theft insurance available - at no deductible - to cover identity recovery expenses and legal costs. The first four years of credit-monitoring service will include monitoring by all three of the big three credit reporting agencies, while years five through 10 will be made available through Equifax.

Additionally, Equifax has agreed to take several steps to assist consumers who are either facing identity theft issues or who have already had their identities stolen. These steps include making it easier for consumers to freeze and thaw their credit, and dispute inaccurate information in credit reports, as well as maintain sufficient staff to assist consumers who may be victims of identity theft. Additional Pieces of the Settlement



Under the settlement, Equifax has also agreed to pay \$175 million in fines to the Attorneys General of 48 states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; \$100 million in fines to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB); and \$10 million in fines to New York State's Department of Financial Services.

Equifax has also had to spend hundreds of millions of dollars to strengthen its security practices as part of the settlement, and will continue to do so going forward. The company has agreed to regular thirdparty assessments to evaluate whether it's administrative, technical, and physical safeguards meet the requirements provided in the agreement.

Summer Plans: Senator Metzger's Office to Deliver Mobile Office Hours at Farmers' Markets Across SD-42 in August

Middletown, NY...State Senator Jen Metzger today announced the dates and times in August that her constituent services staff will hold mobile office hours at farmers' markets in Middletown (Orange County), Monticello and Callicoon (Sullivan County), and New Paltz (Ulster County).

During mobile office hours constituents can meet with the Senator's constituent services staff to ask questions, share ideas, discuss local or legislative issues or seek assistance in working with a state agency.

"Farmers' markets are a cherished gathering place for our rural communities and a wonderful way for us to do our part in supporting our local farmers and food producers," said Senator Metzger who chairs the Senate Agriculture Committee. "This summer, many farmers' markets across the 42nd Senate District have kindly let us set up shop to deliver mobile office hours, including farmers' markets in Delhi, Walton, Barryville, and Rosendale. August is fast approaching and we're excited to extend the reach of our constituent services to more of our wonderful farmers' markets and the community members frequenting them."

In addition to mobile office hours at local farmers' markets, the Senator's staff hold monthly mobile office hours in Delhi, Ellenville, New Paltz, Port Jervis, and Roscoe.

The Senator operates two permanent offices in the district, which are located in Middletown, in Orange County and in Liberty, in Sullivan County. Constituents can visit the Middletown office at 201 Dolson Ave. on Mondays (9 am - 7 pm) and Tuesday - Friday (9 am - 5 pm) or call (845) 344-3311 to speak with a member of staff. The Liberty office is located at 59 N. Main Street and is open Monday -Friday (9 am - 5 pm). Constituents can call (845) 292-0215 to speak with Liberty office staff.

Mobile Office Hours to be held at farmers' markets during the month of August are as follows:

MIDDLETOWN

Middletown BID Farmers' Market Saturday, August 3 -8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Erie Way, at the intersection of Cottage St. & Railroad Ave, Middletown, NY 10940

MONTICELLO

Monticello Farmers' Market Monday, August 12 -,11:00 am - 2:00 pm Ted Stroebele Recreation Center - 10 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY 12701

CALLICOON

Callicoon Farmers' Market Sunday, August 18 - 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Callicoon Creek Park • 23 Dorrer Dr, Callicoon, NY 12723

NEW PALTZ

New Paltz Open Air Market Sunday, August 25 • 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Church St, New Paltz, NY 12561 *Between Main St. & Academy St.

Senator Metzger will continue to announce further dates and locations for mobile office hours through her Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and website. Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Aug. 11 Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon Adults: \$9 Children Ages 5-11: \$5 Under 5 Yrs. Free \$50 from the Breakfast is donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

FALL STOP MOVE STRONG Fall Prevention Education and Exercise Program All adults welcome!

Sundays 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Begins August 4 - Sept 8

Six Sessions

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

(Fellowship Hall - back door) 24 Chestnut St., Liberty, NY 12754

Questions? Contact: Gale Haynes, Instructor teachergale@yahoo.com

(Free will offering)

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ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION

The Little Church with the Big Heart Sunday, 8 am Service of Holy Communion, except: Second Saturday of each month, 12:00 noon Music by Fred VanWagner Coffee hour follows service All are welcome! 5277 State Rt. 42 • South Fallsburg 845-436-7539 www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

Sundown United Methodist Church

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

Grahamsville United Methodist Church Rte. 55, Grahamsville Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m. Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available! For information contact Rev. Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283 e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@amail.com

Loucks Funeral Home Geoff and Heather Hazzard "Celebrating Life, One Family at a Time"

79 North Main Street Ellenville, New York (845) 647-4343

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Have you lost someone? Are you in pain? Need to talk, we will listen. Come to a

LOSS & GRIEF MEETING

Aug. 14 Every 2nd Wednesday night of every month at 6 p.m. Sundown Methodist Church Hall

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

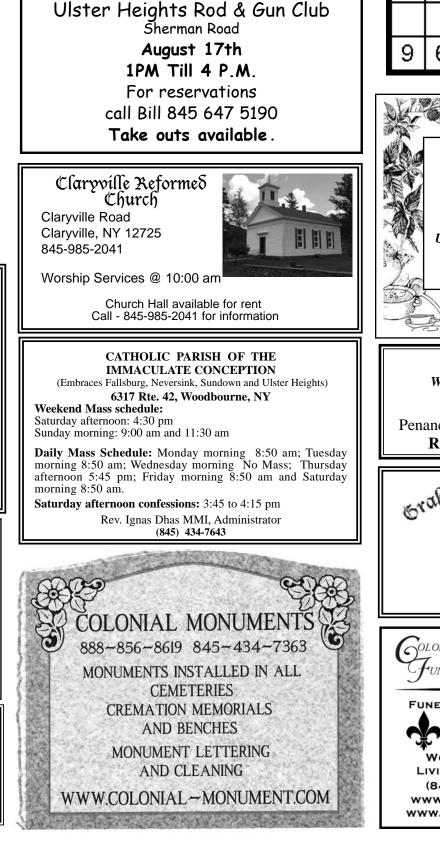
(Never known to fail) Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. (Make request)

There are none that can withstand your power. Oh show me herein you are my Mother. Oh Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (3x).

Holy Mary I place this cause in your hands. (3x).

Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. You must publish it, and it will be granted to you LLCMC

Chicken B.B.Q.



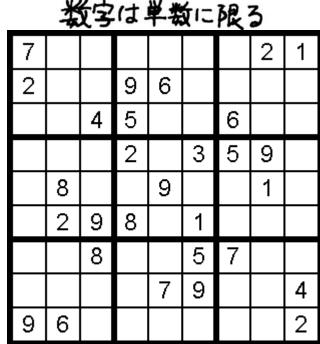
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HOT DOG LUNCHEON

YARD and CLOTHING SALE Fridays at 3:00 pm

Comics, Vintage items, books, clothing, yard sale items, children's clothing, toys... something for everyone!





St . Augustine's Chapel Watson Hollow Rd .• West Shokan, NY Sunday Mass - 9:30 am Holy Days 5:30 pm Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

6rahamsville Reformes Church a friendly welcome Pastor Kenneth Ronk Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am P O Box 238 - Route 55 Grahamsville, NY 12740 845-985-7480



LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of Gary Slater for the purpose of a 2 lot Subdivision on Pepacton Hollow Rd. Grahamsville, (SBL# 25.-1-14.3).

Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF NEVERSINK JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

The Annual Meeting (2019) of the Fallsburgh and Neversink (Velie) Cemetery Association will be held on Friday, August 16th at 7:00 pm at 479 Divine Corners Rd., Loch Sheldrake.

For more information please call Nancy Barkley at 845-434-4817.

This cemetery is located south of the Neversink Reservoir on Divine Corners Rd.

TVCS Board of Education will have a Board Meeting on August 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

DEC Launches New 'DECinfo Locator' to Increase Transparency and Access to Data and Reports

(From Pg. 11) Several information layers can be active at the same time, allowing users to see the many ways DEC is working to protect and enhance the state's environment and recreational opportunities.

The map's Near Me feature lets users narrow data results by creating an interactive list of data points within an area of up to 10 miles from a selected point. In addition to environmental quality information, users can explore new places for recreation such as hiking, cross-country skiing, or mountain biking, or look up the rules for a nearby Wildlife Management Area. The public can also download Unit Management Plans for state forests, access a web page with details about allowed uses on a nearby Conservation Easement or find a DEC campground and see photos of individual campsites (where available).

Users can activate the Public Fishing Rights layer to see available locations and nearby boat launches, then overlay information about the water quality of lakes, rivers, and streams to access DEC data for specific locations. Additional features and data will be added to the DECinfo Locator in the future.

To access the mapping application, visit the DECinfo Locator web page. Learn more about its features from the DECinfo Locator Tutorial on YouTube.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following position is available at Tri-Valley Central School for 2019-2020:

Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Worker Salary Range: \$34,000 - \$35,500 Full Civil Service job description

available online at: Trivalleycsd.org/Our District/Employment

Minimum Qualifications: One year of experience in a position requiring the use of standard hand tools in a mechanical or construction trade or in grounds maintenance.

****** Interested parties should submit letter of interest or application to: Mr. Jesse Bell, Director of Buildings and Grounds Tri-Valley Central School District 34 Moore Hill Road Grahamsville, New York 12740 Email: jessebell@trivalleycsd.org

Governor Signs Metzger/Gunther Legislation Honoring Fallen Sullivan County **Veteran Allan Milk Renames a Portion of State Highway** in Fremont in His Honor

Albany, NY... Governor Cuomo signed into law legislation sponsored by Senator Jen Metzger and Assembly Member Aileen Gunther to rename the portion of State Highway 97 that crosses the Basket Creek in the town of Fremont as the "Specialist Allan Milk Memorial Bridge." Allan Arlyn Milk, an Army Specialist who grew up in Fremont, served in the United States Army in Company B, 5th Battalion, 7th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division during the Vietnam War. He was killed in action in Bihn Dihn Province, South Vietnam, on November 1, 1966, just six months shy of his 21st birthday.

'Army Specialist Allan Milk, a native of Fremont in Sullivan County, gave his life in service to our country," said Senator Jen Metzger. "Renaming the Basket Viaduct Bridge in his name honors his heroism, and memorializes his dedication to his country and the sacrifice he and his family have made to protect it.'

"I want to thank the Governor for signing this bill into ," said Assembly Member Aileen M. Gunther. "Specialist law," Allan Milk is a hero, and this honor is long overdue. Specialist Milk was killed in action 53 years ago in South Vietnam while fighting for our country. He served with honor and distinction, and I am proud to have sponsored this legislation in the Assembly.

The renaming of the bridge has been widely supported by the local community as a way of commemorating the sacrifice that Milk and his family have made in service to the country.

Governor Cuomo Unanimously Voted to Serve as National Governors Association Vice Chair



"Governors don't have that option. We have to get things done. And when Washington doesn't do its job, our job gets more difficult because we have to do our job, and theirs. That's why the NGA is more important than ever. It's where we share our best practices and where we can take the best of what we've done, then press the federal government to supply the money and the muscle to expand state solutions to every corner of the country. I am honored to serve as the Vice Chair of the NGA, and I look forward to working with Governors from across the country on issues that truly matter.'

Earlier today, Governor Cuomo met with Governor Larry Hogan of Maryland, Governor J.B. Pritzker of Illinois, Governor Gavin Newsom of California, Governor Gretchen Whitmer of Michigan, Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico and Terry O'Sullivan General President of the Laborers' International Union of North America. Additionally, Governor Cuomo addressed the conference in a Governor's only plenary session and participated in a meeting on the importance of rebuilding our nation's infrastructure before returning to New York.

Governor Cuomo Signs Legislation Creating New State Commission to Study Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

Commission Will Determine How These Technologies Can Be Used to Enhance Public Sector Services and How the State Should Regulate Them in the Best

Interest of New Yorkers

Cuomo: "Artificial intelligence and automation are already having a profound impact across many industries and their influence keeps growing, so it's critical that we do everything in our power to understand their capabilities and potential pitfalls. This new commission will look closely at how these rapidly evolving technologies are functioning and report back on how we can optimize use to benefit New Yorkers and our economy.

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today signed legislation (S.3971B/A.1746C) creating a temporary state commission to study and investigate how to regulate artificial intelligence, robotics and automation. The New York State Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and Automation Commission will look at the latest uses and impacts of these technologies to determine how the State can best utilize and regulate them as necessary

"Artificial intelligence and automation are already having a profound impact across many industries and their influence keeps growing, so it's critical that we do everything in our power to understand their capabilities and potential pitfalls," Governor Cuomo said. "This new commission will look closely at how these rapidly evolving technologies are functioning and report back on how we can optimize use to benefit New Yorkers and our economy.

The commission will examine how artificial intelligence, robotics and automation:

• affect employment in New York State

- o acquire and disclose people's personal information affect technology industries
- can be used by the public sector to enhance performance and services
- may be used in unlawful or unsafe ways 0

The commission will also examine how these innovative technologies have been used and regulated by other states, determine whether current New York laws are effective in regulating them, and make recommendations for how the State can leverage existing uses and, if necessary, update laws to protect industries and residents. This review will include meetings with key stakeholder groups to understand the full landscape of AI, robotics and automation as emerging technologies within the business, nonprofit, academic and governmental sectors.

The commission will consist of 13 members: five appointed by the Governor; two by the temporary president of the Senate; one by the minority leader of the Senate; two by the speaker of the Assembly; one by the minority leader of the Assembly; one by the SUNY chancellor; and one by the CUNY chancellor.

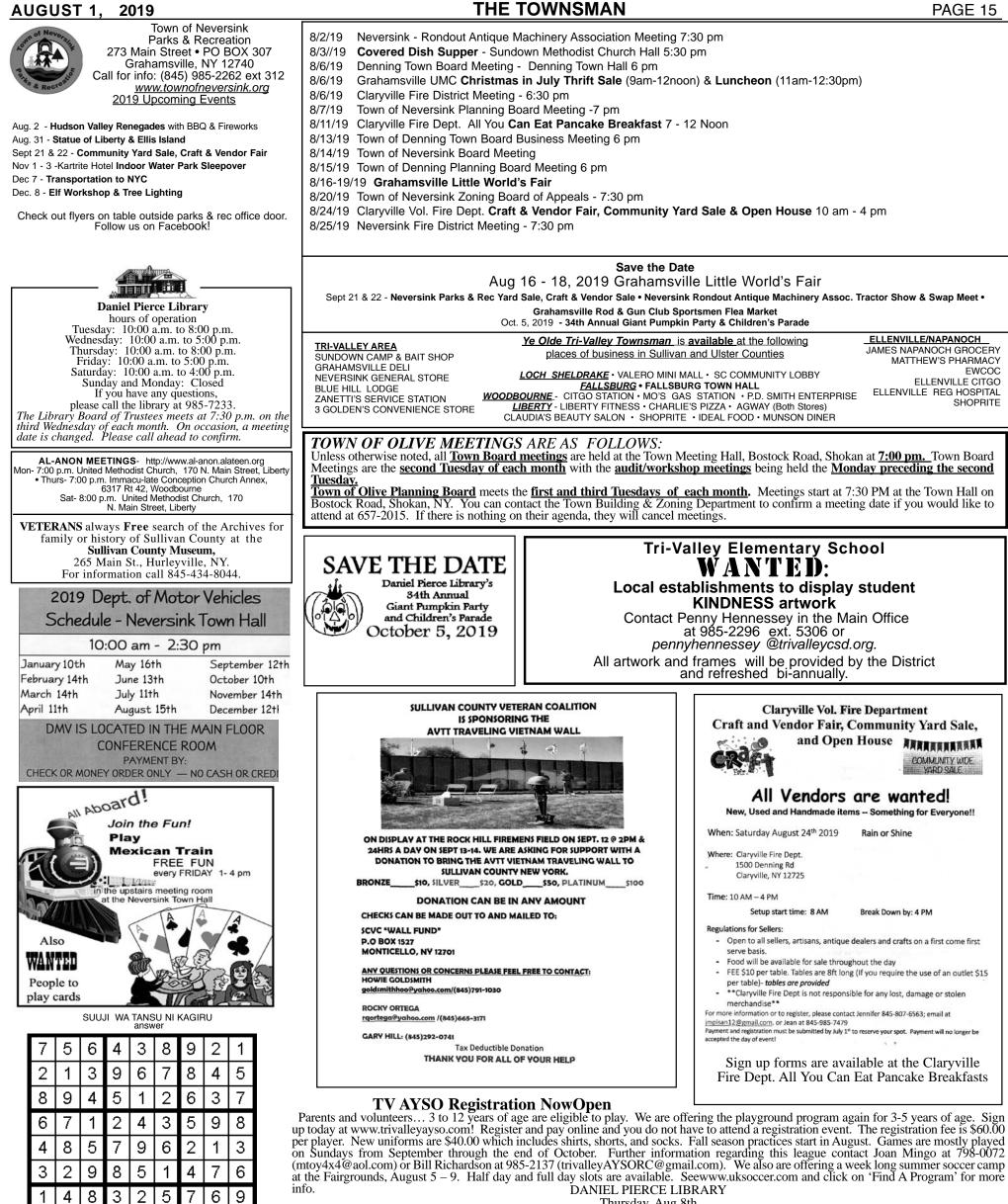
Upon completion of its study, the commission will issue a final report with its findings and recommendations to the Governor and legislative leaders.

M. Cuomo was unanimously voted to serve as Vice Chair of the National Governors Association (NGA) during the NGA Annual Conference in Salt Lake Utah. City, The Governor also met with governors from across the country to discuss investing in infrastructure and strengthening the role of states' rights.

Washington would rather have an issue to run on than a solution people. that helps Rather than lead, Washington is caught in an endless blame game,' Governor Cuomo said.

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Thursday, Aug 8th 2:00 pm – 7:30 pm Find us on Facebook at Tri-Valley AYSO.



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