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Community Members Put On a Special Day for 7th and 8th Grade Students



Tri-Valley Students Colby Costa, Jordan Costa, and Jared Phillips, along with Liberty's Moo Duk Kwan Academy instructor Ian Constable join the workshop about Martial Arts.

Wednesday, December 23 was another very special day for 7th and 8th grade students at Tri-Valley. On the last day before Winter Break, the 7th and 8th grade teachers decided to plan something unique for students. The teachers reached out to several local community members about coming into school for the day and their efforts were met with great enthusiasm from the community. Together, a "workshop" day was planned that focused on career exploration, community service, and hobbies.

Several members of our local police and emergency services held workshops. K-9 Officer Chris Rosa-from the Fallsburg Police Department-brought his K-9 dog to do a demonstration for the kids. Our school resource officer, Officer Kevin Rogers, assisted with the demonstration. New York State Trooper Holly Schoonmaker held her own workshop, where she described her duties and responsibilities. Local Emergency Medical Technician Rich Jones (and Tri-Valley science teacher) also brought an ambulance on campus to show kids what happens when a medical emergency arises.

The Tri-Valley Future Business Leaders of America-under the leadership of Nancy Peters and Brenda Hay-led a workshop where students made their own homemade sugar scrub. Tri-Valley Assistant Principal Derek Adams and Varsity Athletic Club members Chase Botsford, Jackie Musa, and Morgan Shamro talked to students about the importance of joining a Varsity Sport. Tri-Valley teacher Tanya Huggler led a "color me calm" activity where students made a gift to take home.

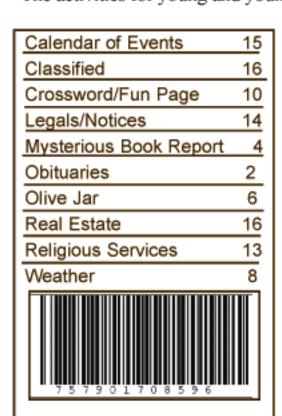
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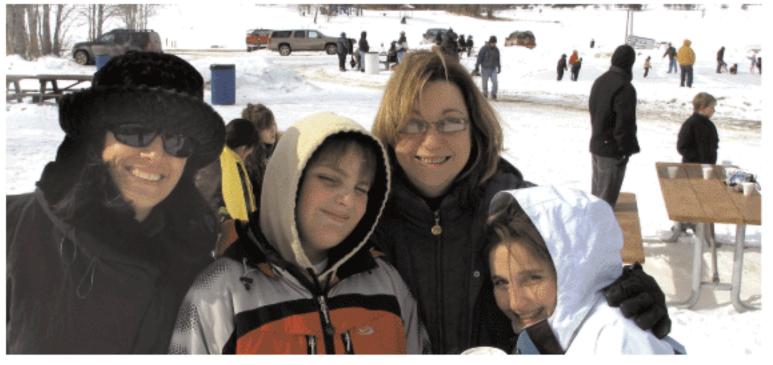
shops during the day included Karen Coombe and 8th grade student Becky Coombe, who brought their show rabbits in and discussed their care. Amy Carey and 7th grade student Alora Carey brought their horse to school and discussed horse care. Jared Ratner and Jeremy Stephens brought their expertise about science into the classroom and put on a workshop about robots. (Contd. Pg. 8)

Town of Fallsburg Resumes Winter Carnival Tradition on January 31

The Town of Fallsburg Parks and Recreation Department is busy preparing Morningside Park for an exciting Winter Carnival on Sunday, January 31, 2016 from 11 AM to 3 PM. The event is a joint venture between the Town, Morningside Park and the Fallsburg Central School District Wellness Committee. Eight years ago The Wellness Committee helped sponsor a mid-winter Carnival with the Town of Fallsburg organized by Ellen Levine and the Parks Department for the prior five years. Unfortunately weather made subsequent events difficult to schedule. Organizers, including Ellen Levine, are optimistic that Old Man Winter will cooperate for a fun-filled event with snow at the end of the current month.

The activities for young and young at heart participants include music with a DJ, delicious and warming refreshments, bouncy house, relay races, a bonfire, ice skating,





In the attached photo from the last winter carnival event held in Fallsburg in 2008 are left to right Ellen Levine, Cody Levine, Lynda Levine and Morgan Levine.

snow shoeing, snow man building and snow sculpture, broom hockey, Frisbee golf, ice golf, ice fishing, cross country skiing, etc. People are encouraged to bring their own equipment as the park has limited quantities.

The FHS Hispanic Americans United Club will be performing and teaching cultural dances and serving snacks from their home countries from 12-1 PM. If your club or group would like to participate in providing baked goods, special refreshments, entertainment or volunteering in support of the children, please contact Ms. Suzanne Lendzian, Athletic Director at FCSD, 845-434-6800, ext. 2212.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: For God is the King of all the earth; sing ye praises with understanding. Psalm 47:7

OBITUARY

Gerard M. Holloran of Grahamsville passed away on Saturday, January 9, 2016 at home with his loving family by his side. He was 74.

He was the son of the late Martin and Elizabeth Greene Holloran born on March 11,

1941 in Whitestone, NY.

Gerard proudly served our country in the United States Army from 1962-1964. For many years he worked at Hudson Valley Resort and Spa. He was a member of the American Legion and the Elks Lodge # 1971. He would often enjoy hunting and gardening particularly his fruit trees. Gerard liked doing contracting on the side and truly had a love for animals and nature. However, above everything else he loved spending time with his family; especially his pride and joy his grandson, Zachary. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend and will be deeply

He is survived by his wife, Janet Holloran, Mary Godfrey (Dr. Norman) and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by one brother, Martin Holloran and his sister, Laurine Padich.

Donations in Gerard's name can be made to the Federation for the Homeless Shelter in County Veterans, PO Box 336, Monticello, NY 12701.

Arrangements were under the direction of Colonial-Bryant Funeral Home for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com

COLLEGE NEWS

Rachel Adriaans of Neversink named to James Madison University Dean's List

Neversink, NY resident, Rachel Iris James Madison University for the fall 2015 semester. Students who earn dean's list honors must carry at least 12 graded credit hours and earn a GPA of between 3.5 and 3.899. Adriaans is scheduled to graduate in 2016 and is majoring in kinesiology.

Olivia Rehm of Grahamsville, NY Named to SUNY Potsdam President's List

recently named to the President's List at The State University of New York at Potsdam. Rehm, whose major is Music Education, was among 908 SUNY Potsdam students who were honored for academic excellence in the Fall 2015 semester. College President Dr. Kristin

factorily completed 12 numerically-graded semester hours, with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Sara Colavito Named to Fall 2015 Dean's List

Sara Colavito of Liberty, NY, was among To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must earn a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher while carrying a course load of 12 hours or

Local Residents Achieve Dean's List at SUNY Delhi

The following students have been cited for semester by achieving the Dean's List at the State University of New York College of Technology at Delhi. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have an academic average of 3.50 or higher within the semester. Karina Buckholz of Big Indian - Liberal Arts -General Studies; Yexson Flores of Liberty -Restaurant and Food Service Management; Ryan Groat of Ellenville - Criminal Justice Studies; and Tania Zuniga of Liberty -Culinary Arts Management

DAYS OF YORE.... Today's History

January 18, 1956 - Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mickelson Jr. are the proud parents of a son, born Monday morning at Liberty Loomis Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Costa of Grahamsville are the proud parents of a 9 lb. 8 oz. baby girl born Saturday, January 7th at Maimonides Hospital in Liberty. Little Miss Costa has been named Deborah Lynn. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Costa of South Hill and Mr. and Mrs. William Talbot of Grand View, Indiana.

Do you work in jeans or sport a white collar? You still want the most for your grocery dol-

Save the gas and oil it takes to roam, It's handy and thrifty to shop at home! KUM TO KRUM'S

January 19, 1966 - Miss Leslie Haydu of Port Jervis, N.Y., a recent graduate of New Paltz State Teachers College, has been appointed as vocal music teacher to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Robin Litton. Miss Haydu is an accomplished pianist, organist and vocal music teacher. Miss Haydu attended Skidmore College where she was the recipient of the Henry T. Moore scholarship and later attended New Paltz. Miss Haydu plans to reside in Grahamsville.

Mrs. Herman Ter Bush celebrated her 92nd birthday on Tuesday, January 11th at a very special dinner, complete with birthday cake prepared by her daughter, Mrs. Raymond George. On Wednesday, Mrs. Ter Bush's granddaughter, Mrs. Archie Dean Jr., arrived at the George home with another cake and an additional celebration was held.

January 21, 1976 - Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Edward DuBois on January 25th; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buley on January 26th and to Mrs. and Mrs. William Schulte on January 28th.

At least 60 people attended the 50th birthday party for Art Dymond last Saturday, in Sundown. The festivities lasted through the Olivia Rehm of Grahamsville, NY was day and into part of the night. Harry and Ann Anderson even closed their store early to pay homage to the young fellow.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coddington celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on Sunday, with a turkey dinner given by the children and grandchildren.

January 30, 1986 - Airman Maureen D. Redmond, daughter of Richard E. and Jennie B. Redmond of Wildcat Mt. Road, Claryville, has been assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas after completing basic training. Airmen who have completed basic training earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

Army Pvt. Larry J. Sutherland, son of Donald Sutherland of Pine Bush and Margaret Hotchkins of Grahamsville, has completed the OH-58 helicopter repair course at the U.S. Army Aviation School, Ft. Rucker, Ala. He is a 1985 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School.

FAFSA Evening Workshop for Students and Parents

An evening workshop to begin the process

to electronically submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be held on Tuesday evening, January 26, 2016 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. If you are interested in participating in the FAFSA workshop,

please RSVP to Robert Peters via email (robertpeters@ trivalleycsd.org). Details to follow.

A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Condolences to the family and friends of Carl Hornbeck, Ted Connolly and Gerard Holloran. Carl passed away on January 4th at the age of 63, Ted died on January 7th at the age of 88 and Gerard passed away on January 9th at the age of 74. These Grahamsville residents will be missed.

Continued good wishes go out to Jim Minarsky who is now at home following a brief hospital stay.

Bear Cub Basketball season has begun! It's great to see all of the parents and grandparents out sup-

porting these young athletes.

The Tri-Valley PTO sponsored Science Fair will take place in February. It's not too soon for students in Grades 3-6 to begin thinking about their projects. The PTO Spelling Bee for students in grades 2-6

will be held in March or April. Watch for details!
Riley Kelly wins again! Riley, a Tri-Valley student, was the District winner of the 8-9 year old girls hoop shoot held in Liberty. She is now eligible to participate in the State Regional finals to be held in Glens Falls on February 7th. Way to go, Riley!

Keith Zanetti and Mike Brooks were recently welcomed as new members on the Neversink Town Board and Chris Matthews was welcomed as our new Town of Neversink Supervisor. Congratulations to all and thank you for your willingness to represent our Town.

The 4-H Fetlocks, a community service-based youth group, and Maple Woods Farm in Loch Sheldrake recently delivered buckets and tubs to some area equine rescue facilities. The buckets and tubs were donated by Delaware Valley Agway in

Callicoon.

The February 2nd Tri-Valley Lions meeting will be held at the Blue Hill Lodge at 6:30 pm. Mary Ann will contact all members. If you are not a member and would like to join us to see what our service organization is all about, we'd love to have you. Contact Carol Furman at 985-2918 before January 26th to reserve your dinner choice.

Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville is seeking applications for interns in the areas of education, archives, exhibits, and marketing. Upper level high school, college or adults with free time are encouraged to apply. If interested, contact the

Museum at 985-7700.

The Daniel Pierce Library is planning some "Construction Zone" for Grades K-l; January 29th and February 5 "Lego Block Party" for Grades 2-3; February 12th and 19th "Lego Block Party" for Grades 4-6. All programs run from 3:00 - 4:30 pm in the Library's Community Room. A snack will be served. Pre-on line registration is required, (www.danielpiercelibrary.org.)

Words of Wisdom: (Rules you can learn on the internet:) You need only two tools. WD-40 and duct tape. If it doesn't move and it should, use WD-40. If it moves and shouldn't, use the tape.

Happy people don't always have the best of everything, but they make the best of everything.

Cannie D's Changed Ownership

Thank you to Megan and Arden Dean for fulfilling the needs of the community and serving everybody with a smile since 2004.

New owners and newlyweds, Mark McLewin and Cristina Aby-Azar are happy and excited to continue to

Local resident Peter DiMilia, of Claryville, will be

managing the store on a daily basis.

Hope to see you at the "Grande Re-Opening" in the Spring of 2016!

Save the Afternoon

The Town of Neversink will hold the first public viewing of 2 recently discovered survey maps on January 27th from 1 to 4. The maps are from 1876 and 1890. The 1876 map was prepared by surveyor S N Smith and the 1890 map was drawn by George Rice. These maps are very important to anyone researching the use of property, the history of ownership, and more. For information call Neversink Town Hall or Neversink Historian Carol Smythe.

Need Help with your Income Tax Preparation and Filing?

Retired Senior Volunteer (RSVP) Volunteers trained as tax counselors Through IRS and AARP will prepare and e-file your Federal and State tax returns for FREE at several Local Libraries around Sullivan County from 10:00 am to 1:00pm as listed below call for your appointment TODAY:

Chamber of Commerce Meeting

The next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce meeting will be held on January 25, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Community Room at the D aniel Pierce Library All residents of the Tri-Valley area are welcome.

Liberty Library: Feb. 20th & March 3rd -Liberty Public Library - 292-6070 Library Director: Marjorie Linko

Livingston Manor: Feb 27th & March 9th -Livingston Manor Free Library - 439-5440 Library Director: Peggy Johnson

Monticello: Feb. 22nd & Feb. 29th -Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library - 794-4660 Library Director: Mary Paige Lang-Clouse

Grahamsville: Feb 24th & March 5th -Daniel Pierce Library - 985-7233 Library Director: Joann Gallagher

Jeffersonville: March 19th & Feb 17th -Western Sullivan Public Library - 482-4350 Library Director: Kristin White

Eldred: March 12th & March 16th -Sunshine Hall Free Library - 557-6258 Library Director: Patricia Kennedy

EVERY Monday & Tuesday at Cornell Cooperative Extension 10:00-1:00

(The Tax Program starts on Feb 1st and ends on April 12th at Cornell Cooperative Extension) Call (845) 292-6180 for additional information and to make an appointment.

Sponsored by AARP and the IRS, with assistance from RSVP/ Sullivan County Office for the Aging and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County.

Tri Valley Lions Fundraiser

The Tri Valley Lions are having a fundrais-ing raffle that will be drawn on February 2, 2016. Winners need not be present to win. The tickets are \$5.00 each or 3... for \$10.00.

If you would like to buy a ticket you can contact Mike-Paula Ryan, Fran Fuller, Carol Furman, Phyllis Moore, Carol Clark, Ruth Curley, Liza Salvemini, Esta Jacob, Mary Lou Vernooy and Gene Froehlich. You can also buy a ficket at Creative Cutters and Catskill

Hudson Bank.

The list of prizes are as follows: Frost Valley weekend for 4; Terry Brae golf course 4 green fees; Monticello Raceway and casino buffet for two; Prashanti Massage- free 30 minute massage; Grahamsville Deli- Free Pizza; TGIF-(4) Free Appetizer/dessert; Zanetti's Free oil change; Shoprite-\$25 gift card, Superior Building supply- \$50 gift certificate; Cannie D's- \$25 gift cert.; Rock Hill Pharmacy- \$25 gift cert.; Creative Cutters-\$15 gift cert.; Eureka Market Café- \$15 gift cert.; Golden Shears- \$25 gift cert.; Rite Aid- \$10 gift card; M & M Auto Group- \$25 gift cert.; Harnett Designs- Hand Made sculpture; Gloria Cahalan - Handmade Item; Sprague & Killian- Emergency Car Care Basket; Kim Rock- Cross body purse-by thirty one; Liza-Basket filled with Hair Supplies; Lorraine Nilsen- Oral B Professional series toothbrush; Frankie & Johnny's- \$25 gift cert.; Mary Lou Vernooy- \$25 Master Card gift card; Mary Lou Vernooy- \$25 ShopRite gift card; Nails by Tara- \$25 gift cert; and Rockland House-\$50 gift cert.

4-H Fetlocks and Maple Woods Farm riders Deliver Buckets and Feed Tubs to Local Equine Rescue Facilities

4-H Fetlocks and Maple Woods Farm riders recently delivered buckets and feed tubs to local Equine Rescue facilities. The buckets, provided by Delaware Valley Agway in Callicoon, will help provide water and grain to over 50 horses between Pine Bush Equine Rescue and Equine Rescue Resource.

The 4-H Fetlocks are an Equine and Community Service based youth group in the Tri-Valley/ Neversink area. They are under the guidance of leaders Tara Mickelson, Beth McAndrew, and Amy Barkley-Carey.

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 and Joyce Lockhart.

The Slate-colored Junco

Even though it was only a little snow, the birdfeeder was filled with little Juncos the past few

Watching them up close, we could see their tiny pink beaks crushing the seeds in true Sparrow style. The birds roll them over and over in their beaks until the shells are soft enough to crack. Then they enjoy the tasty morsels inside the shells.



Juncos really are Sparrows and are members of the finch family, Fringillidae. Adults generally have gray heads, necks, and breasts, gray or brown backs and wings, and a white belly, but show a confusing amount of variation in plumage details. The white outer tail feathers flash distinctively in flight and while hopping on the ground. The bill is usually pale

Males tend to have darker, more conspicuous markings than the females. The dark-eyed junco is 5.1 to 6.9 in long and has a wingspan of 7.1 to 9.8 in, Body mass can vary from 0.63 to 1.06 oz. Juveniles often have pale streaks and may even be mistaken for vesper sparrows until they acquire adult plumage at 2 to 3 months. Only young Juncos have the telltale Sparrow streaks. In the Catskills you may never get the chance to see the youngsters, as most young are hatched far away in the wilds of Canada or Alaska.

Since the first frosty days in September, little families of Juncos came down out of the north. They travel from one weed patch to another, cleaning up weed seeds. But now with the snow, Juncos will stay around our houses and farms looking for food.

'Dark winter skies above and white snow below"-that is how the poets describe their colors. Their outer tail feathers are white, too, and the air is alive with the contrasting white streaks as the birds bounce and dart from one bush to another.

These lively Snowbirds have their own ways of keeping warm. They sleep in dense evergreen trees or burrow their way into a hay-stack. Then all night long they perch first on one foot and then on the other, so that four little toes are always tucked under downy feathers. It would be hard to hop on frost-bitten toes!

Morning finds their appetites sharp as icicles, and back they hurry to our door yards. Where snow has melted, they have long cool drinks, and when the snow is dry, they take flutter baths, raising little clouds of powdery snow until the birds are screened behind a white shower curtain. After their baths, the cold wind ruffles their feathers and gives them a good dry cleaning.

In spring, before the flocks leave for their northern nesting grounds, they sing soft trills, entirely different from their low twittering. These trills are little samples of spring music for us to enjoy until the Orioles, Wrens, and Thrushes arrive from the south to give us full measure of Spring's song.

It won't be long and then one evening in April, these brave little Snowbirds will be off for adventures in the North. Their tails will flash white V's against the sky. Perhaps the 'V' stands for Victory-Victory over snow, and wind, and ice and that Spring has arrived!

Household Hints

Make Pen Ink Disappear

Did someone in your house come home with a leaky pen in his pocket? Treat the stain by first wetting it with some white vinegar, then rub in a paste of 2 parts vinegar to 3 parts cornstarch. Let the paste thoroughly dry before washing the item.

The Animals

Mysterious Book Report No. 225

by John Dwaine McKenna



Have you ever experienced poverty? Not the sort where you bounced a check once, but chronic poverty-the type that is constant, relentless and crushing-the kind that destroys self respect, hope and confidence? It's a condition capable of wrecking relationships and driving some persons to acts of desperation and outright stupidity . . . and it's one of the foun-

dational themes of *The Animals*, (W.W. Norton & Company, \$25.95, 309 pages, ISBN 978-0-87140-883-9) by Christian Kiefer, a musician, poet and writing instructor in Sacramento, California. Other themes are redemption, atonement, friendship, family, treachery, criminality, deceit and the bond between animal and mankind. The story is told in a present and past tense, with the protagonist-a man named Bill Reed, who runs a wild animal rescue and shelter in northern Idaho-telling the how and why and when he came to be hiding in a wildlife refuge and avoiding human contact. Bill Reed is a man with a past . . . a man who's trying to

escape what he was and become the new, different and better man he thinks lives inside himself . . . but those long-ago actions had consequences that demand retribution. And it's coming to town at high speed now that his childhood friend Rick is out of prison and looking for a lot more than just a redress of his grievances. He wants revenge and is determined to get it. This one's a page turner that will resonate with anyone who loves the wild places and the critters who live there.

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Winter Gardening Class Series Begins with Seed Saving

New and seasoned gardeners alike can take advantage of a winter series of horticulture classes offered in the new year that begins with a Seed Saving workshop on Thursday, January 21, 2016. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s Master Gardener Volunteer program will host this class from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Adrianne Picciano, also known as the "Dirt Diva", will teach participants how to save seeds for use next season. Instruction will also cover how to navigate through a seed catalog when ordering in preparation for spring. An informal seed saving swap will be organized and attendees can bring seeds home. Picciano is a farmer and professional gardener living in Sullivan County Cost is \$20 per person or \$15 per CCESC enrollee. Anyone can enroll in CCESC with an annual contribution of \$25 per household. Space is limited and pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required in advance. Seats are only guaranteed with payment.

Scholarships are available to the public for this educational program, made possible through generous donations from Sullivan Renaissance.

Registration and more information can be completed by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailingsullivan@cornell.edu, or visiting www.sullivancce.org. Payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

Grant Applications Now Available Apply for a Beautification Grant from Sullivan Renaissance

[FERNDALE] - Sullivan Renaissance is accepting applications for its 2016 community beautification and maintenance support grant programs. Completed applications must be submitted by Wednesday, March 16.

The applications are available online at http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/grants/applications and have form fillable fields for easy completion, or they can be printed as well. Applications, along with required documentation, can be submitted via e-mail or mail to Sullivan Renaissance by the deadline.

Upon request Sullivan Renaissance staff are available to visit communities and organizations to help with garden design plans and the application process.

Other Sullivan Renaissance programs - including business assistance, healthy community initiatives, technical assistance, community development, mini-grants, seasonal demonstration, Community Mitzvah Award, internships and scholarships - have their own application deadlines which vary based on the program.

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

Gerry Foundation.

Schumer, Gillibrand Announce Guidelines From The Centers For Disease more than \$710,000 in National for the Endowment Arts Funding Throughout Upstate New York -Funds to Support Public Arts Programs in Capital Region, Western New York, Rochester-Finger Lakes, Central New York, Mohawk Valley, Hudson Valley & North Country -2015 Marked 50th Anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senators Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand today announced \$712,500 in federal funds through the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). The funding will allow organizations to support residencies for artists, exhibitions, professional development and public engagement and outreach.

"An investment in the arts is an investment in Upstate New York's future, as both a tourist destination and a vibrant place to live. This federal funding will help regions across the state encourage the growth of artists and programs that will help New York benefit from the creativity they bring," said Senator Schumer. "This is great news for Upstate New York, and I will continue to fight hard for programs that support our artists, foster creativity and give our communities more opportunities to experience the arts in a diverse number of ways."

"This federal investment will help strengthen cornerstone programs aimed at bringing arts education and learning opportunities to thousands residing in and visiting New York to experience," said Senator Gillibrand. "I will continue to work to help grow our cultural institutions, galleries, orchestras, concert spaces, and artist's workshops for our families and children to enjoy."

The following institutions and organizations received funding through the National Endowment for the Arts in the Hudson Valley

- Sarah Lawrence College in Westchester County will receive \$10,000
- Nightboat Books in Sullivan County will receive \$10,000
- Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, Inc. in Westchester County will receive \$15,000
- Copland House in Westchester County will receive \$10,000
- Spark Media Project Inc. in Dutchess County will receive \$15,000
- · Women's Studio Workshop in Ulster County will receive \$20,000
- Mount Tremper Arts, Inc. in Ulster County will receive \$20,000
- Rhinebeck Writers Retreat Inc. in Dutches County will receive \$10,000
- Center for Photograph at Woodstock, Inc. in Ulster County will receive \$30,000
- Maverick Concerts, Inc. in Ulster County will receive \$20,000
- Woodstock Guild of Craftsmen, Inc. in Ulster County will receive \$10,000

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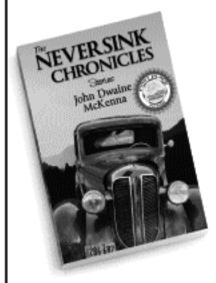
Better Guidance For Prescribing Opioids

Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman called on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to adopt its proposed guideline for prescribing opiates for chronic pain. The Attorney General sent a letter to the CDC highlighting the need for physicians to have more guidance on proper opioid prescribing practices.

"Too many lives have already been lost or destroyed by prescription drug abuse," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "New York has taken important steps to fight this epidemic, but we must do more to end systematic problems in our healthcare system that are fueling a rise in opioid abuse. By adopting the proposed guidelines, we can reduce prescription drug abuse by providing doctors with better guidance to help them prescribe opioids in a safer and more effective manner."

Opioid overdose rates are at a historic high. As data released last month by the CDC shows, 18,893 people died from opioid pain reliever overdoses in 2014, a 16% increase from 2013. In New York, from 2003 to 2012, deaths involving opioid analgesics increased four-fold, from 186 deaths in 2003 to 914 deaths in 2012. A contributing factor to the opioid overdose epidemic is the fact that physicians are writing more prescriptions for opioid pain relievers than ever before. As a result, the use of prescription opioids in the United States has increased ten-fold over the past 25 years. The CDC reports that there is a lack of evidence of effectiveness of long-term opioid therapy, while clear evidence that opioid pain medication use presents serious risks, including addiction. Consequently, physicians can benefit from guidance on how to properly prescribe opioid pain medication - as set forth by the CDC's proposed guideline.

In particular, CDC's proposed guidelines encourages health care providers to review their patients' history of controlled substance prescriptions using state prescription drug monitoring program data to determine whether the patient is receiving opioid dosages that (Contd. Pg. 13)



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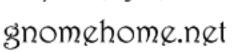
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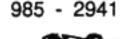
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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Ode to a Mouse

The title of this column is made with apologies to Robert Burns who wrote "Ode to a Mouse" when his plow blade accidentally stuck a nest of mice in the field. We live in the country where nature often comes in conflict with us and we with it. This summer, a mama mouse had a litter of darling little mice in the drawer of my husband's tool box in the workshop. He carefully protected them and peeked at them saying, "aw, how cute." Then, at summer's end, they were gone. We pictured them frolicking in the meadow beside the house.

I now know where they went (to the tune of \$298 paid to the repairman) when we turned on the broiler of my fairly new stove to cook a delicious, expensive steak on Christmas Eve. Thank goodness the temperature was balmy that day because we had to open all doors and windows and run fans to dissipate the horrid

smell that came from the broiler. Cooked mouse excrement heads the list of absolutely disgusting odors.

When the stove was taken apart, we found that the little mouse had a cache of dry dog food and cat food down the sides of the oven in the insulation while it had declared the top part to be its outhouse. A repairman was called in to replace all the contaminated insulation, special insulation, mind you, that had to be ordered. Well, two weeks and many dollars have passed, but the repairman's parting words filled our hearts with terror. "Now there is no guarantee that that mouse won't return." It was a declaration of all out war.

I returned from the hardware store with an arsenal of mouse-warfare material. Conventional traps set with peanut butter, glue pads, D-Con, peppermint boobytraps and new-fangled plastic bait traps line the counter and perimeter of the stove. My kitchen reeks of Pine Sol since someone said mice hate that smell. Well,

so does my husband!

Stay tuned. Will that 2 ounce rodent stand a chance against an irate human determined to protect her expensive Samsung double oven?

Pine Hill Community Center to Screen Local Documentary "Demon On Wheels"

Join this special one-time screening of a film that explores the story of a Catskills hot rodder, his woman, and the custom Mustang Shelby that comes between them.

Pine Hill Community Center will be hosting a one-time screening of the documentary "Demon on Wheels" on Saturday, January 23 at 7 pm at the Pine Hill Community Center, Pine Hill, NY. Admission is \$10 at the door.

A former speed demon and rum runner, now an aging mechanic in an impoverished Catskill Mountains town, risks it all - his health, his security, even the love of his life - when he vows to restore and race the prized car of his wild youth, a 1968 Ford Mustang that's been hidden away for 35 years. Now a self-described "old man in an old car," Mike Ondish wants to chase racing glory one last time, hoping to rekindle the spark in his relationship, and rediscover the thrill of a fast car and the wide-open road. But will his quest to restore the car restore him, or will a love triangle between himself, his girlfriend Martha and the Demon lead him to crash and burn?

Featuring interviews with the legendary Carroll Shelby and Ford's chief Mustang enthusiast, John Clor.

View the Trailer for the film at: https://vimeo.com/43281160

Proceeds from the screening benefit Pine Hill Community Center.

There will be questions and answers with the film's director & star after the show.

For images & film info at: http://demononwheels.com/

Olive Free Library Calendar of Events

T hursday, January 21, 6-8 p.m. Lego Fun!
Please note we have moved this program to
Thursdays for 2016. Come do Lego projects at the
library. We supply the Legos and a theme, you supply
the creativity!

Monday, January 25, 6:00 p.m. (Part 1) (Mon. Feb. 1, and Mon. Feb. 22, parts 2 & 3) *Watercolor Class* with Melanie Hall

Jukebox Jewels Singing Circle Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 p.m. We sing the most fun songs from a wide timespan! Open to all ages and free. Participants can request a song or bring a song, and be willing to join in with others. Reading music is not necessary.

Catskill Ukulele Group Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 p.m. Pull up a ukulele and learn a song! This is a friendly group who welcomes all comers. If you do not have a ukulele but would like to participate, you can check one out from the library. This group stays connected to other players through Meetup.com under the name Catskill Ukulele Group

Tuesdays 10 a.m. <u>Preschool Story Hour</u> Come join the fun! Each week we do a craft activity, read some books, do yoga, sing, make music together, and everyone plays an instrument in a parade through the library. All are welcome!

<u>Library Beehive Project</u> Update-Safety glass has arrivedLocal Boy Scout, Blake Overton, is building an observation beehive for the library thanks to many donations raised in the past year. He is now in the construction phase of the project. The safety glass

arrived recently which will allow us to observe the bees. As you can tell from the picture, the hive is quite large! The hive fits into a kiosk which Blake designed, drew in a CAD program and which he is also building.

Library Hours

Monday 10-8; Tuesday 10-5; Wednesday 12-8; Thursday 2-8; Friday 1-5; and Saturday 10-4 Weekly Groups at OFL

Preschool Story Hour Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

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Ukulele Circle Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. Singing Circle Wednesday, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Knitting Circle Wednesdays at 11 a.m.(call library the day before to confirm) A.A. Meeting Fridays at 7:30 p.m. Olive Free Library 845-657-2482

NYAMA President Supports Governor's Upstate Airport Initiative -Statement by Jeremy P. Martelle, ACE President of the New York Aviation Management Association (NYAMA) Regarding Governor Cuomo's Upstate Airport Initiative

The Upstate Airport Initiative is another example of the Governor's commitment to modernizing the State's transportation system to meet the needs of the new global economy and enhance New York's position as the Empire State. NYAMA supports the additional funding in the state budget for critical infrastructure and business development projects for airports in every region of the state.

NYAMA is a non-profit association of aviation professionals with members from New York State airports, State government agencies, planning boards, consultants, engineers, equipment manufacturers, and education facilities. NYAMA is devoted to promoting airport development and representing the needs of the entire aviation industry.

Omnibus Spending Bill Includes Approximately \$90 Million in Federal Funds to Launch a Community-Based Apprenticeship Programs For FY 2016

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced that, following her push, the Omnibus spending bill signed by the President last year includes \$90 million for a new Apprenticeship Grant program. The apprenticeship program will support grants to states in order to increase their capacity to register and oversee apprenticeship programs. The funding will be used to launch apprenticeship models, and for community-based organizations to help underserved populations and fund innovative programs.

"If we want our businesses to create new jobs and spur growth in our economy, we must make sure they have access to a well-trained, highly skilled workforce." said Senator Gillibrand. "The Apprenticeship Grant will fund job training programs that will help to ensure workers are well-positioned to meet the needs of employers. The funding I pushed to secure in the Omnibus will help our businesses expand and put more New Yorkers to work."

In March 2015, Senator Gillibrand wrote to the Senate Appropriations Committee urging the committee to secure funding for this program, in addition to other vital federal job training programs. The new Apprenticeship Grant program included will expand apprenticeships by supporting efforts to engage, recruit and connect under-represented populations with apprenticeship opportunities. Gillibrand fought to secure the funding in this Fiscal Year 2016 Omnibus bill because approximately five million jobs in the U.S. will go unfilled because of limited postsecondary education and credentials.

Gillibrand also announced bipartisan legislation last year to address the skills gap employers face and enhance job training to help workers develop the skills they need for good-paying, high-demand jobs. The Apprenticeship and Jobs Training Act of 2015 would create a \$5,000 tax credit for employers that use apprenticeship programs to train workers in high-demand professions such as health care, manufacturing and technology. The bill also would allow veterans in apprenticeships to get credit for previous military training and experience, as well as incentivize mentoring of apprentices by senior employees.

Apprenticeship programs benefit both the employer and the employee, and 9 in 10 people who complete apprenticeships are employed, with apprenticeship completers having an average starting wage of over \$50,000 a year and earning on average \$300,000 more in lifetime wages than those with similar backgrounds who don't according to a 2012 study by Mathematica Policy Research.

Assemblymember Cahill's Office Coming to a Library Near Your

Kingston, NY - Representatives from the office of Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill, (D-Ulster, Dutchess) will be available at the following locations to greet members of the community, answer questions, provide information and discuss any concerns that constituents of the 103rd Assembly District may have:

- Friday, January 22nd: 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. STARR LIBRARY 68 West Market Stree Rhinebeck, New York 12572
- Friday, January 29th: 12:00 2:00 p.m. WEST HURLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY 42 Clover Street West Hurley, New York 12491
- Friday, February 5th: 2:00 4:00 p.m.

WOODSTOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT 5 Library Lane Woodstock, New York 12498

 Friday, February 12th: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. PHOENI-CIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION 48 Main Street Phoenicia, New York 12464

"Setting up office hours in our local libraries offers an opportunity for constituents who may not live near the district office to meet my staff and ask any questions they may have so that we can offer support and assistance," said Cahill. "It is my hope that residents in the 103rd Assembly District take advantage of these events. We welcome your voices and invite you to stop by, even just to say hello and introduce yourself. As always, the district office in Kingston will remain open from 9am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. This is a way to expand our reach."

Mobile district office dates will be scheduled through April. For further information, or if you have suggestions on places where we might hold future community hours, please contact the Kingston District Office at (845) 338-9610.

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Martin Gonzalez Reenlists Continued Service in New York Army National Guard Citizen Soldier from Woodbourne extends service to state and nation

LATHAM, NY (01/11/2016)-- Major General Patrick A. Murphy, the Adjutant General, announces the recent reenlistment of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their continuing commitment to serve community, state and nation as part of the Army National Guard.

Sergeant Martin Gonzalez from Woodbourne, N.Y. (postal code 12788) has reenlisted to continue service with the 727th Military Police Detachment, Law and Order.

"The New York Army National Guard has sustained our force at or above 100 percent strength for the better part of seven years now," Murphy said. "Keeping those ready forces in our ranks mean that New York is ready to provide forces for state missions here at home, as we saw during the Buffalo Snow Emergency last year, Hurricane Sandy in 2012 or for sustaining our support to federal missions for our nation around the country and around the world."

"Each of our 16,000 men and women serving in the Army and Air National Guard as an important role and I'm pleased that so many continue to reenlist and remain part of our New York National Guard family."

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For more information about the Association or to receive a copy of the new 2016 Sullivan County Catskill Travel Guide, please call 845-747-4449.

Senator Bonacic Votes to End Harmful

Gap Elimination Adjustment

(Albany, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pleased to announce that he has voted in favor of legislation, (S. 6377) that passed the Senate, which would eliminate the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA). The GEA was implemented in 2010, when Democrats controlled the Senate, as a means to close a \$10 billion budget gap. Since its inception, the GEA has taken billions of dollars from local school districts and as a result, has had a profoundly negative impact on our schools, especially those from upstate.

"The elimination of the GEA was a top priority of Rick Lander, Lander's River myself, and my Senate Republican colleagues," said Senator Bonacic. "By acting on this bill at the outset Richard Glisson, Monticello of the 2016 legislative session, Senate Republicans are sending a message to parents and students that we are committed to ensuring the highest quality educa-tion for all New Yorkers. I feel strongly that the restoration of these cuts will have a positive impact

statewide.

The legislature previously reduced the GEA by \$602 million dollars in the 2014-2015 fiscal year, and by \$603 million in the 2015-2016 fiscal year. The remaining amount left, \$434 million would be eliminated by the passage of this legislation. The bill now goes to the Assembly for its consideration.

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Archaeologists Honor Congressman Gibson



Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) received the John F. Seiberling Award from the Register of Professional Archaeologists during a ceremony held last

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Congressman Gibson and Senator Martin Heinrich of New Mexico were presented the Seiberling Award in recognition of their support for historic preservation and the conservation of archaeological resources.

"As a lifelong student of history and someone who is committed to protecting and promoting our historic sites, it is a tremendous honor for me to receive this award," said Congressman Gibson, who is seen here with Terry Klein of the Society for Historical Archaeology.

"I will continue to advocate for programming like the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area to help grow travel and tourism in our region and connect more Americans to the fascinating places that tell the story of our nation."

Community Members Put On a Special Day for 7th and 8th Grade Students (From Pg. 1)



HIGH: 28 °F LOW: 22°F Joining the day to put on a workshop about martial arts were Tri-Valley Students Colby Costa, Jordan Costa, and Jared Phillips, along with Liberty's Moo Duk Kwan Academy instructor Ian Constable (Owner/Certified Instructor). Chuck Bragg, from North American Energy Services, talked about alternative energy and his duties as manager at the East Delaware Tunnel Outlet hydroelectric facility. Finally, Kathy Poppo-culinary instructor at Sullivan County BOCES-and several of her culinary students talked to Tri-Valley students about their culinary program and even had our Tri-Valley students take a spice quiz. They finished the workshop by decorating their own gingerbread cookies.

Weather

FORECAST

SUNRISE: 7:21 AM SUNSET: 4:53 PM

AVERAGE HIGH: 32°F AVERAGE LOW: 21 °F

THURSDAY

HIGH: 26°F LOW: 12°F

HIGH: 27 °F LOW: 17 °F

HIGH: 27 °F LOW: 17 °F

SUNDAY

HIGH: 32 °F LOW: 22 °F

MONDAY

HIGH: 27 °F LOW: 18°F

TUESDAY

SATURDAY

FRIDAY

there was a buzz in the hallway and the excitement was evident. The range of careers and opportunities certainly had to be eye-opening for students. The 7th and 8th grade teachers want to give a big thank you to all of the presenters for volunteering their time. We are blessed to live in such a caring and generous community. Thank you for all you dotogether, we're continuing

Several members of our local police and emergency services held workshops. K-9 Officer Chris Rosa-from the Fallsburg Police Department-brought his K-9 dog to do a demonstration for the kids

Learn About Frost Valley YMCA's Day Camp at a Free Open House



It's hard to think of summer time when the roads are slushy and snow blankets our yards, but if you're considering Frost Valley YMCA's Day Camp for your child or teen, now's the time to start planning - sessions fill fast!

If you've never sent your child to day camp, or any sort of summer camp, you might have several questions. For instance: What do kids do all day? What

does camp look like? Will my kids be safe? In addition to helpful registrars who can be reached by phone, Frost Valley will host several free Day Camp Open House events this spring. During an Open

House, families tour the grounds where camp is held; learn about Frost Valley's fun programs, secure environment, and experienced leadership; and discover how day camp can help a child or teen build confidence and character while having fun and making friends. Frost Valley Day Camp Open Houses will take place April 10, May 5, and June 10 from 10am-1pm. If these Sundays don't work for you, Frost Valley can

accommodate a private visit. Families who attend a free open house will enjoy a tour, presentation, Q&A session, lunch in the camp's dining hall, and more.

Reservations can be made by contacting Daycamp@FrostValley.org.

Don't forget: Frost Valley's Spring Break Day Camp takes place March 21-25. Spring Break Day Campers enjoy crafts, games, hiking, candle making, healthy cooking lessons, climbing, and other active programs, while surrounded by nature. Weather permitting, campers have the opportunity to take an offsite trip to a local indoor pool, and they'll experience a tour of Frost Valley's Maple Sugar House to taste fresh maple syrup and learn how it's made. Spring Break Day Camp would be incomplete without a visit to the Frost Valley Farm to meet and pet baby animals. Lunch, snacks, and transportation are included. Visit FrostValley.org to learn more or call (845) 985-2291 to register today.

Senator Bonacic Meets with Representatives from NYS Dispute Resolution Center



Senator Bonacic is pictured with representatives from the NYS Dispute Resolution Center. Pictured from L-R are, Ron Vero, Rebecca Koch, Donna Ramlow, and Charlotte Carter.

(Albany, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) met with representatives from the NYS Dispute Resolution Center, in his Albany office, to discuss funding for the 2016 Budget and legislative priorities for the upcoming session.

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A Celebration of the Life of Jack Yelle

Lillian Constant-Roscoe On December 17, 2015 the community of Roscoe lost one of their most beloved friends, Jack Yelle.



Jack was a family man, a friend, Watercolor artist, teacher, A Veteran, community volunteer, chess player, camper, nature enthu-siast, fly fisherman, generous, a gentleman and the list continues.... well in one word, Jack was extraor-dinary. A man who went above

had the privilege and honor that the Yelle's chose Roscoe. (Contd. Pg. 11)

Celebration of the Life of Jack Yelle (From Pg. 8) Whenever I think of the Louis Armstrong song, "What a Wonderful World," I think of Jack Yelle.

I see trees of green, red roses too
I see them bloom for me and you
And I think to myself
What a wonderful world
I see skies of blue and clouds of white
The bright blessed day and the dark

sacred night
And I think to myself
What a wonderful world
The colors of the rainbow
So pretty in the sky
Are also on the faces
Of people goin' by
I see friends shakin' hands
Sayin', "How do you do?"
They're really sayin'
"I love you"

I hear babies cry, I watch them grow They'll learn much more than I'll ever know

And I think to myself What a wonderful world What a Wonderful World.

I will miss Jack's infectious smile, his hugs, his words of encouragement. I will miss his beautiful renderings....

But most of all I will miss watching Jack and Pat holding Hands.

Thank you Jack for all you did for us. You are and will be truly missed. There is a phrase that goes, "If love could have saved him, he would have never died."

On Saturday, January 16, 2016 hundreds of family and friends attended, "A Celebration of the Life of Jack Yelle", which was held at the Roscoe Community Center. A testament to what a great man he was.

Farmers' Market Nutrition Program Certification Training

LIBERTY, NY- Farmers and farmers' market managers can attend a free Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) training and receive certification to understand and accept Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) FMNP Checks, Senior FMNP Checks, and WIC Vegetables and Fruits Checks. This webinar training for farmers and farmers' market managers is being offered on Wednesday, February 3, 2016 from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm at no cost to them. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) will host this event at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

This free, educational opportunity is mandatory for farmers who want to accept checks from WIC and FMNP participants at authorized farmers' markets. Attendees will learn about the advantages of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits and how to accept SNAP benefits at farmers' markets.

Training participants will learn about the different federal nutrition benefit programs and will be provided with corresponding policies and procedures. Farmers benefit from the programs by direct marketing their locally grown, fresh produce to eligible participants at their community farmers' markets.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required in advance. Registration and more information can be completed by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or visitingwww.sullivancce.org. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the office.

This program is being offered in collaboration through Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County, Catskill Mountainkeeper, Eat Smart New York, Sullivan County Public Health Services - WIC, & Sullivan County Rural Health Network.

NACL Drama Classes for Kids at Narrowsburg Union

NACL Theatre is registering children for winter session drama classes for children in grades K-6. Classes will be held Saturday mornings starting January 23, 2016 and run for 8 weeks.

Children's Creative Drama engages children in theatre games and original-play-making practices that focus on imagination, collaborative play-making, and skills that build theatrical expression. Classes will be taught by NACL artistic director Tannis Kowalchuk and held Saturdays 10:30-11:30 AM for grades K-2 and 11:30-12:30 for grades 3-6. The cost is \$95. Scholarship is available.

Classes will be held at The Narrowsburg Union located at 7 Erie Avenue, Narrowsburg, NY 12764. To register please e-mail tannis@nacl.org.

ABOUT NACL

NACL Theatre is an ensemble theatre company, now in its 16th season that creates and presents exciting original and contemporary theatre. NACL performances include Shakespeare's Will, STRUCK, The Little Farm Show, and the award-winning community spectacular, The Weather Project. For more information about NACL, please go to www.nacl.org

Special exhibit at New York State Capitol, on display now, highlights impact of Franklin D. Roosevelt, labor movement following triangle shirtwaist fire, and other progressive accomplish-

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the opening of a Path Through History exhibit dedicated to the "New York Idea" - that lasting social progress can be achieved through collective action - championed by Franklin D. Roosevelt. Roosevelt was a Hyde Park native who served as the 44th Governor of New York State and the 32nd President of the United States. The exhibit also highlights other progressive milestones in New York's history, including the first minimum wage and the labor rights movement following the Triangle Shirtwaist fire. The exhibit is now open in the East Gallery of the New York State Capitol.

"Throughout our nation's history, New York has been the progressive leader that rises to meet the challenges of the day and sets an example for others to follow," said Governor Cuomo. "This exhibit helps tell the story of how, from the leadership of Franklin D. Roosevelt, to the activism and determination of exploited workers after the tragedy of the Triangle Shirtwaist fire, New Yorkers have been at the forefront of creating a better society for all. I am proud that we are honoring these important contributions this year, as we continue to fight for fairness and justice for New Yorkers."

As president, Roosevelt's recovery and reform measures provided relief to millions of Americans suffering as a result of the Great Depression. However, his vision for a better nation began right here in New York State, where he quickly gained a reputation as a steadfast leader who turned ideas into action. New York passed a minimum wage law five years before it was enacted by the federal government - and when it passed at both the state and federal levels, it was Roosevelt who was behind the campaign to give workers fair wages, saying, "A self-supporting and self-respecting democracy can plead no justification for the existence of child labor, no economic reason for chiseling worker's wages, or stretching workers' hours." The law bolstered the state's economy and helped to lead New Yorkers out of the Depression.

The minimum wage law, prominently featured in the exhibit, is just one example of the New York Idea: a belief in the ability of elected leaders of all parties to work together and plant seeds of progress and policies that persist long after their term is over, improving the lives and addressing the needs of generations to come. While Roosevelt believed he was only furthering the ideas of those who came before him, he was one of the greatest practitioners of the New York Idea, setting a new model of progressive action to which the nation looked when it needed a leader during troubling times.

'About Face' at Alliance Gallery Group Show

Alliance Gallery kicks off the 2016 gallery season with a group exhibition of artworks titled "AboutFace." The exhibit opens on Saturday, February 6, with a reception from 2 - 4 pm, and will be on view through March 26.

As the title implies, "About Face" is an exhibition about faces and their complicated expressions. The show depicts "images of happiness, sadness, fear, pensiveness, mystery and intensity," says gallery curator Rocky Pinciotti. "Each artist has chosen to portray the subject's charisma, temperament, individuality and psyche in such a way that the viewer is pulled into the subject's world through the vehicle of the face-the mask we present to the world."

The show grew out of general submissions received by the DVAA for the Alliance Gallery. Says Pinciotti, "A theme typically surfaces as we look through the submissions, and this year there were a number of unique works involving portraits."

The exhibition includes an assortment of media including painting, photography, collage and woodcut prints. Artists in the exhibit include Mark Ciocca, Claire Lambe, Lisa LoCurto, Charles Maraia, Akira Ohiso, John Rocklin, Richard Seehausen, Miguel Tio, and Scott A. Woolsey.

Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY, and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm.

The opening reception for "About Face" will take place at the Delaware Arts Center on Saturday, February 6 from 2 to 4 pm, in conjunction with DVAA's online Bgallery space which will be presenting "Altered Ego - Manipulated Self Portraits of and by the artist."



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Gillibrand Leads Official Senate Trip to Middle East to Meet with Allies, Discuss Strategy to Fight Global Terrorism -

Trip included meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and President Reuven Rivlin

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) led an official Senate trip to the Middle East last week to meet with allies and discuss a broad range of regional security



issues, including the threat from groups such as the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) and Hezbollah and progress on implementing the Iran nuclear agreement. Gillibrand and seven other senators met with heads of

state, ambassadors and other top officials in Israel, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and Austria during the trip to discuss strategies to counter Iran and fight global terrorism.

"Last week, I led a trip with seven of my Senate colleagues to meet with top government officials and military leaders about security concerns in Israel and our other partners in the Middle East," saidSenator Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee and the leader of the Senate trip. "We heard from Israel's leaders about the constant threat of terrorism they face, and we reaffirmed to them our commitment to supporting and protecting our closest ally and the only democracy in the Middle East. I look forward to using the insights we gained in our meetings across the region and with the IAEA to continue working to keep our country safe, hold Iran accountable under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and better protect our allies and partners in the Middle East."

Senator Gillibrand was joined on the trip by U.S. Senators Chris Coons (D-DE), Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND), Tim Kaine (D-VA), Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), Mazie Hirono (D-HI), Cory Booker (D-NJ), and Gary

Peters (D-MI).

Gillibrand met with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, President Reuven Rivlin, and other high-ranking Israeli government officials to discuss the ongoing threats from Iran and its proxies, terrorism and violent extremism in the region, the future of Israel, and how the United States can continue to work with Israel to ensure its security. The senators discussed the U.S.-Israel Memorandum of Understanding on strategic cooperation and learned about the development of Israel-U.S. anti-tunnel technology to detect underground terror tunnel networks. Gillibrand supported funding for anti-tunnel technology in the National Defense Authorization Act in June 2015.

Senator Gillibrand also met with officials from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna, Austria, to learn about the progress of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, also known as the Iran nuclear agreement, which Gillibrand supported in September to prevent Iran from developing a nuclear weapon. The senators and IAEA officials discussed how they monitor Iran's implementation and ensure that it is held accountable.

In Turkey, Gillibrand and the senators held meetings with Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan and Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu to discuss the threat from ISIL and other terrorist groups and the Syrian refugee crisis. The Senators also met with government officials in Saudi Arabia, including women appointed to Saudi Arabia's Shura Council, to discuss counter-terrorism efforts and U.S.-Saudi relations.

Senator Bonacic Introduces Constitutional Amendment for Ban on Income from Outside Active Employment

(Albany, NY)-State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I - Mt. Hope) has introduced a proposed constitutional amendment (S.6356 of 2016) which would ban members of the legislature from receiving income from outside active employment. Additionally, this constitutional amendment would provide additional stability for legislators by extending their term of office to four years from two years currently.

"Numerous government reform organizations throughout New York State have called for limiting outside income for members of the legislature in order to restrict the potential for conflicts of interest and unethical behavior by legislators who are seeking to enrich themselves," said Bonacic. "This constitutional amendment proposes to address these concerns by banning income from outside active employment for members of the legislature, while providing additional stability for legislators by extending their term of office to four years."

Further, the accompanying enacting legislation will provide that the Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation will be empowered to set the definition of "outside active employment" and the types of prohibited income for members of the legislature.

Time and the Valleys Museum 2016 Calendar of Events

<u>Become a Museum Docent</u> Sunday, March 20, 2 p.m. FREE Come and learn about our popular educational field trip program for K to 12 students, and the help we need to keep the program going. Hundreds of students visit the Museum every year eager to learn about local history, and we don't have enough help to accommodate all of the classes!

If you have a little free time and think you might like to help, please join us for the afternoon. No pressure- just learn about the program. If you are interested in becoming a docent, great! If not, that's o.k., information on other volunteer opportunities will also be available. You don't need teaching experience to work with students, and will be fully trained and comfortable before beginning. Refreshments are included.

<u>Designing Gardens with Flora of the American East</u> Saturday April 2, 2 p.m. Members FREE, \$3non members Carolyn Summers will talk about her new book which takes an in depth look at the natural history of eastern native plants and their use in gardens.

Learn about the many reasons why using indigenous plants is important, including helping prevent infestations of invasive plants and preserving our regional identity. Light refreshments are included and books will be available for sale.

Exhibit Opening: Picture Your Selfie in the 1930s Thursday, May 26 4 p.m.

FREE Bring a camera and join us for the opening of this exciting new exhibit, which will immerse you in the history of the 1930s. Interact with the artifacts and have fun learning about life in the 30s-take a selfie and send to a friend! Refreshments are included.

143rd Infantry Civil War Reenactment Sunday, June 19th 1 p.m. Members FREE, \$3 non members Experience army life during the Civil War with Sullivan County's own 143rd Infantry Regiment reenactors. Organized at Monticello and mustered into service for three years on Oct. 8, 1862, the regiment saw battle at Richmond, Chattanooga and Knoxville, before being mustered out in July, 1865. Great fun for all and an exciting learning experience for families.

Old Time Fair & Chicken BBO Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Chicken BBQ: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Grahamsville Fairgrounds

FREE Admission Rain or shine, this year's Old Time Fair will feature old fashioned activities such as corn shucking, hay bale throwing, the popular skillet toss and new adult and children's contests. We will have vendor booths and demonstrations of old time crafts. The very popular pie auction and music will entertain you while you enjoy the delicious chicken barbecue. Plenty of free parking, and free admission.

Old fashioned prices and fun will fill your day!

Denning and Claryville History Afternoon Sunday, August 7th, 1 p.m. FREE See our rich collection of Claryville and town of Denning materials that bring life to the history of the Upper Neversink and Upper Rondout valleys. We welcome the sharing of any items relating to the Claryville or Denning area. Bring your research questions! Admission to the Museum is included.

<u>Family Fun Day Sunday.</u> August 28, 2 p.m. Members FREE Non members \$5 per family Kids bored and driving you crazy? Come to the Museum for an afternoon and have fun exploring the exhibits, coloring, playing a scavenger hunt, and interacting with the new "Selfie" exhibit!

Neversink History Afternoon Saturday, September 10, 1 p.m. FREE How did Grahamsville get its name? Learn about Lt. Graham and the Chestnut Woods Massacre through a presentation on the different versions of this tragic event. What is fact and what is fiction? We might just find out! Photos, records, stories and artifacts from the town of Neversink will be on display and research staff on hand to answer questions. We welcome you to share special history items, photos or anything related to town of Neversink history.

<u>Calling All Collectors!</u> Sunday, September 25, 1 p.m Members FREE, non members \$3 Have a collection of plates or buttons or cans or ANYTHING? If you are a collector, or just have a lot of "something" you would like to share, bring your collection to the Museum for others to admire. Reservations are required, please call or e-mail to reserve your free space. Dust off your collections and let them shine for an afternoon! Refreshments will be available.

<u>Sharing Memories of the Delaware Water System</u> Sunday, October 16, 1 p.m. Members FREE, non members \$ Hear the fascinating stories of the Delaware Water System's reservoirs and tunnels from those who built them. Explore the exhibit, view never before displayed photos and documents, and talk with tunnel and reservoir workers.

Did you or anyone you know work on the Delaware System? Do you have stories, photos, letters or documents? We would love to hear from you! Call and find out how you can participate in this memorable afternoon. Refreshments are included.

Gone Missing in New York

Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m. Members FREE, non members \$3

Each year, hundreds of New Yorkers disappear under mysterious circumstances never to be heard from again, leaving families and loved ones waiting painfully. Marianna Boncek talks about her book Gone Missing In New York, which highlights individual stories of the missing and their families, including the tragic local story of Frederick Holmes, a 22-month-old baby who went missing from Denman Mountain in 1955. Books will be available for sale, and refreshments are included.

The Catskills: Its History and How It Changed America Saturday, November 5, 2 p.m Members FREE, non members \$ -A talk by Stephen M. Silverman, founding editor of People.com, about his recently published and beautifully illustrated book on the history of the Catskills. From Henry Hudson to Washington Irving, James Fenimore Cooper, the Hudson River School painters, generations of Utopians at Woodstock to Jennie Grossinger - all are here and written about with elegance, depth and respect. Books will be available for sale, and refreshments are included.

D&H Canal & Sullivan County Sunday, November 20, 2 p.m. Members FREE, non members \$3 - Bill Merchant, President of the D&H Canal Historical Society and Vice-Chair of the D&H Canal Transportation Heritage Council will talk about the impact of the D&H Canal on Sullivan County.

In operation from 1828 to 1898, the Delaware and Hudson Canal stretched 108 miles from Honesdale, PA to Kingston, NY. It carried coal, lumber, cement and other local goods up and down the canal and to the Hudson River bound for New York City. Refreshments are included.

Loch Sheldrake Fire Department announces

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Grahamsville United Methodist Church Rte. 55. Grahamsville

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Ehtelbert B. Crawford Public Library Offers Free Storytimes for Children

Swing by the new library at 479 Broadway in Monticello and enjoy a story time! The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library has weekly storytimes for toddlers and preschoolers. Winter story times will start Monday, January 25.

Toddler storytimes are every Monday at 10:00. It is an Early Literacy Program for babies, toddlers and their caregivers. This program uses rhymes, books, crafts and finger plays to develop skills that will help children get ready to read. Many activities require one-to-one adult/child interaction. Pre-K storytimes are every Friday at 10:00. This program will continue to develop early literacy skills with stories and crafts. Evening story times are every-other Tuesday at 4:30. This storytime uses songs, games and other activities to build literacy and social skills.

All storytimes are free and open to the public. Walk ins are always welcome. In case of inclement weather storytimes will be cancelled if Monticello Central School District announces a closing or delayed opening, even if the library opens at our regular time.

For more information and updates, call the library children's room at 845-794-4660, visit the library website, www.ebcrawfordlibrary.org, or follow the library on social media.

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Guidelines From The Centers For Disease Control Can Assist Primary Care Physicians To Prescribe Opioids Properly (From Pg. 4) put him or her at high risk for overdose, something already required in New York. Other key components of the proposed guidelines include preference for nondrug and nonopioid drug therapy for chronic pain, and that providers should only add opioid therapy if expected benefits for both pain and function are anticipated to outweigh risks to the patient. Furthermore, providers should also periodically assess the risk from opioidrelated harms, such as the risk of abuse and overdose.

New York's historic Internet System for Tracking Over Prescribing ("I-STOP") legislation was signed into law on August 27, 2012, an initiative that was spearheaded by the Attorney General's office (OAG). This law made New York the first state in the nation to ensure every prescription for a controlled substance is tracked in a real-time database accessed by both prescribers and pharmacists. New York's I-STOP program, which became mandatory in 2013, has helped reduce prescription drug abuse, decreasing doctor shopping by almost 75%. In addition to I-STOP, OAGhas taken other actions to combat New York's prescription drug abuse epidemic including prosecution of many health care providers who illegally prescribed and diverted opioids; enforcement of laws that require parity in health plan coverage of mental health and addiction treatment; and creation of the OAG Community Overdose Prevention (COP) Program, which equips New York law enforcement agencies with a life-saving heroin overdose antidote, has saved more than 100 lives.

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PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I, Joy Monforte, Tax Collector for the Town of Denning, Ulster County, State of New York, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes within the Town of Denning for the year 2016.

Taxes will be collected at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725 on Monday thru Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., and at the Catskill Hudson Bank, 279 Main Street, Grahamsville, N.Y. 12740 and by mail to the Town of Denning, P.O. Box 277, Claryville, N.Y. 12725.

Please take note that payment for taxes must be made payable to: Tax Collector.

Taxes will also be collected on Saturday, January 30th, 2016 from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. at the Denning Town Hall.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE as pursuant to Ulster County Law No. 8 of 2012 an insert has been provided describing each Unfunded Mandate required by New York State.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that taxes may be paid on or before the 31st day of January without interest. On all taxes received after such date there shall be added interest of one percent of the amount of the unpaid taxes for each month or fraction thereof until taxes are paid or until the return of unpaid taxes to the Ulster County Department of Finance pursuant to law.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of law, the tax roll for the Town of Denning will be returned to the Ulster County Finance Commissioner on the date of expiration of the Collector's Warrant for 2016.

Joy Monforte Tax Collector Town of Denning

December 29th, 2015

1/6/16; 1/21/16

PUBLIC NOTICE: Town of Denning

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Denning, Ulster County, New York, at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution, an abstract of which is as follows:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXPEND FUNDS FROM THE TOWN OF DENNING HIGHWAY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND OF THE TOWN OF DENNING SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.

The Town Board of the Town of Denning. duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve pursuant to the provisions of section 6-c of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York that the Supervisor of the Town of Denning is hereby authorized and directed to transfer from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund of the Town of Denning, duly established on May 6, 2003, to the Machinery Equipment Contractual Expense DA5130.2 in the Annual Budget for the year 2016 in the amount of Seventy Seven thousand Six Hundred Eighty Five and Nine cents, (\$77,685.09) of the principal and accumulated interest in said Reserve Fund for the purchase of the 2016 Ford

F-550 with sander, plow and undercoating.

The adoption of this resolution is subject to a permissive referendum and shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption, unless there shall be filed in the interim with the Denning Town Clerk a petition signed in the same manner as required by New York State Law; to be recorded by resident taxpayers of the Town of Denning owning taxable real property, protesting against such resolution and requesting that it be subject to the qualified electors of the Town of Denning for its approval.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD Joy Monforte Town Clerk 1-12-2016 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT

There will be a **RECESSED MEETING** of the Town of Neversink Town Board to be held at the Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY at <u>7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, January 27, 2016.</u>

The purpose of the meeting is to continue business from the January 13, 2016 meeting and any other business that may legally come before the Board.

Lisa Garigliano, Town Clerk Dated: January 15, 2016

The Annual Plot-Holders' meeting for the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery will he

held on February 8, 2016 at the Daniel Pierce Library at 7:00pm

1/21; 1/29

Settlements Reached With Planet Fitness, Gold's Gym, Curves, And L.A. Fitness Locations, Among Others Schneiderman: As Many New Yorkers Focus On Fitness And Wellness Goals In The New Year, Knowing Your Rights Can Help You Take Care Of Both Your Health And Your Wallet

NEW YORK - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today announced settlements with 96 health club operators across New York State to resolve his investigation of compliance with the state's Health Club Services Law and New York's General Obligations Law. The 96 operators have signed "Assurances of Discontinuance" agreeing to modify their contracts to comply with NYS laws and to pay penalties and fines. The settlement agreements stem from an investigation by the Attorney General's Office that revealed widespread violations of the law, including failure to make required disclosures to consumers, and compliance with obligations required of health clubs under state law and inclusion of unenforceable release and/or waiver of liability provisions in their contracts.

"Many people opt to sign up for a gym membership in January - and then, you hope, actually go to the gym," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "Today my office announced settlements with dozens of health clubs across the state to ensure members are treated fairly and clubs comply with state law. As you consider your own wellness goals, follow a few basic tips to make sure you're getting the membership you want at the price you expect. By following a few tips, you can make sure you're taking care of both your health and your wallet."

January is the number one month for enrolling in health club memberships. Prompted by New Year resolutions and health club promotions, consumers flock to health clubs and sign contracts

prepared by health club operators.

New York State's Health Club Law provides consumers with certain protections. For example, no health club contract can exceed \$3,600 a year or be for a term longer than 36 months. In addition, all health club contracts are cancelable within three days of the signing of the contract, and at any time for any of the following reasons: if the health club ceases to offer the services stated in the contract; if the consumer moves 25 miles from any health club operated by the seller; and if upon a doctor's order, the consumer cannot receive the services as stated in the contract because of significant physical disability for a period in excess of six months. Such notices must appear on all health club contracts. The health club must provide refunds within 15 days of such cancellation. Schneiderman offered the following tips to consumers when considering a health or fitness club: Become an educated consumer and visit or call more than one health club to earn about dues and when they must be paid, hours of operation, variety and frequency of classes and ability to use multiple locations

o Do not give in to high pressure sales tactics or feel obligated to sign a contract immediately. A reputable gym will give you enough time to read the contract thoroughly, tour the facilities, and check out other options before making an informed decision. Tell the health club representative you need time to think about joining the club and ask for free passes to determine if the club is right for you. Talk to other members.

o If a health club requires you to pay a down-payment or pre-pay your dues, ask it is bonded or has filed the proper financial security to protect you against losses of pre-paid membership dues. A health club is exempted from this requirement if they do not offer pre-paid memberships or if they offer a monthly payment option and the monthly dues do not exceed \$150, memberships do not exceed one year and the contract does not contain an automatic renewal provision. To verify a club's compliance with this requirement, consumers can call (518) 474-4429, fax (518) 473-6648 or write to the New York State Department of State, Division of Licensing Services at 84 Holland Avenue, Albany, New York 12208.

o Determine your fitness goals and select the facility that best fits your needs. If you've been inactive for a while or have a serious health condition, it's always a good idea to consult with a medical professional when setting your fitness goals.

o Consider the location. If your gym is across town, you'll be less likely to work out. Choose a fitness club that is convenient to your work or home so that location is not a deterrent to getting regular exercise.

o Can you afford it? Monthly gym fees add up and after any introductory periods are over, the price could jump higher than your budget can handle. Be sure to do the math before you join and make sure you can afford a gym membership.

o Look for health clubs that allow members to make monthly dues payments and permits cancellation for any reason. Remember that the grounds for cancellation are limited to those set by New York State law if you sign a long term contract!

o Did you get everything in writing? Read the contract carefully and make sure that all verbal promises made by the salesperson are included. The terms of the contract are defined by the document you sign, so always be sure to get everything in writing.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation www.townofneversink.org

Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Skiing/Snowboarding at Holiday Mountain Sundays, January 3- March 6. Sign your family up for Skiing/Snowboarding and receive discounted rates. Skiing hours are 10 am - 5 pm. SUNDAYS ONLY. \$12 pp for Lift Tickets, \$12 pp for Ski Rentals, \$20 pp for snowboard rentals. Group Lesson 8 and older \$12 pp. Group Lesson 6 & 7 \$26 pp, 5 and under \$70 lesson. To take advantage of these rates purchase a Town of Neversink Parks & Rec ID Card for \$7.



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 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.

2016 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle Schedule

July 14 January 14 August 11 February 11 September 5 March 10 October 13 April 14 November 10 May 12 December 15 June 16

V E T E R A N S always Free search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. call 8044.

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. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42. Woodbourne

For information call 845-434- Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty



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1/21/16 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

TVCS Board Meeting - 7 pm 1/21/16

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2/2/16 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7 pm

Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm 2/3/16 Claryville Fire Dept Commissioners Meeting 6:30 pm 2/4/16

2/6/16 Take Your Child to the Library Day -

2/6/16 Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm

2/9/15 Town of Denning Business Meeting 7 pm

2/9/16 Daniel Pierce Library Mardi Gras Donut Sale -9 am-5 pm Community Rm (See flyer in this week's issue)

2/10/16 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm

2/11/16 Dept of Motor Vehicles -Neversink Town Hall 10 am-2:30 pm

2/11/16 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm

Town of Neversink Holiday - President's Day 2/15/16

2/16/16 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm

2/17/16 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc Meeting 7:30 pm 2/20/16 Third Saturday Thrift Sale Grahamsville UM Church 9-1 3/20/16 Become a Museum Docent Time and the Valleys Museum 2 p.m.

Save the Date

Sat., May 7, 2016 Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

Tri-Valley Central School District Board of Education

Will hold - Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 7:00 PM

In the Intermediate School Library

PTO - Events and News "It takes a village to raise a child"

Geography Bee- Our 1st PTO Sponsored "National Geographic Bee: will take place January 15, 2016 @ 7:00pm in the Secondary School Theater. Come cheer our students on! Test your knowledge now at www.nationalgeographic.com!

Science Fair- 3rd Annual PTO Sponsored Science Fair will be taking place tentatively February 19, 2016-information will be sent home with students in grades 3-6.

New and exciting changes to our Science Fair events this year for our community to enjoy!

Spelling Bee- Our 1st PTO sponsored Spelling Bee will take place April 1, 2016 for grades 2-6! Stay tuned for details on how to sign your child up.

"My Princess & Me" Dance- Our 1st PTO sponsored Father/daughter dance tenatively scheduled to take place Friday March 11, 2016 at 7:00p.m Students in grades K-6 encouraged to bring their dad, stepdad, grandfather, uncle or male role model to enjoy a night of dancing. Refreshments will be provided. More information will be sent home shortly

<u>Birthday Celebrations:</u> January birthdays will be celebrated on Wednesday January 27, 2016.

Pull Tabs- PTO has begun collecting pull tabs off of aluminum cans. Our Goal is to collect 1 Million pull tabs for Ronald McDonald's House. Please send the pull tabs in to school with your child. Let's see if we can reach this goal by June!

Juice Pouches, Granola Bar Wrappers, Campbell's Soup Labels and Box Tops: The PTO is still seeking Box Tops, Campbell's Soup Labels and Juice Pouches. Please remind your children to recycle their juice pouches and granola bar wrappers in the collection boxes. Our organization will receive money for recycling these items.

PTO MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE:

Thursday January 21, 2016 at 6:00 pm (Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m)

Thursday February 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m (Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m)

Thursday March 17, 2016 at 6:00 p.m

Thursday April 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m (nominations for the office of Vice President and Secretary will take place at this meeting)

Thursday May 19, 2016 (election of Vice President and Secretary will take place this evening)

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302	Keith Stryker	Building Department
303	Teri Lockhart	Bookkeeper
305	Geri Gorton	Payroll
306	Brenda Devore	Supervisor's Assistant
307	Lisa Garigliano	Town Clerk
311	Deborah Shaver	Clerk to the Court
312	Jamie Dymond	Parks & Recreation Director
313	Carol Smythe	Historian
316	Geri Gorton	Planning Board & ZBA
319	Geri Gorton	Assessor's Office
323	Bryan Delaney	Assessor's Office
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2016 starting @ 12:00 AM, 108 min, Color TV-PG, on TCM Quiz

I. Who plays Malcolm Rodney?

2. Who plays Gila?

What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhoodtm?

GRAHAMSVILE

Daniel Pierce Library will hold its Annual Mardi Gras Donut Sale on Tuesday, February 9 from 9 am to 5 pm in th Community Room at the Library. Cinnamon Sugar, Powdered Sugar and Plain donuts will be on sale and can be ordered by the dozen ahead of time on line at www.danielpiercelibrary.org

The next Third Saturday Thrift Sale will be held at the United Methodist Church in Grahamsville on Saturday, February 20, 2016 from 9 am to 1 pm.

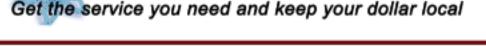
SUNDOWN

Come join your friends and neighbors and share some good comfort food on a winter's evening. The Sundown Methodist Church will hold a Covered Dish Supper on Saturday evening, February 6th at 5 pm in the Church Hall.

NOTICE TO ALL CHURCHES, MUNICIPALITIES and COM-MUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

- It is not too late! You can still send us your new calendar of events for 2016 so that we can publish the dates in the Townsman. You send them via email (tvtownsman@yahoo.com); by regular mail: The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop them in the drop box on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Building.

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