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## Shane Rennison announces the release of debut album '*Irrational*' Out 19th July

New York-based singer-songwriter **Shane Rennison**, known for his soulful energy and captivating live performances, is set to release his highly anticipated debut album, *Irrational*. Over the years, Shane has garnered



a dedicated following with his unique blend of indie pop rock. Characterised by acoustic and electric guitar, unique drum patterns, and synth piano, Shane draws comparisons to renowned artists like Vampire Weekend, Passion Pit, and Harry Styles. At the arrival of *Irrational*, Shane reaches a significant milestone in his burgeoning career.

*Irrational* offers a rich sonic tapestry, highlighting Shane's eclectic musical influences. The album seamlessly fuses freshness and nostalgia, immersing listeners in intricate songwriting, lush harmonies, and unexpected instrumental flourishes, all expertly woven together. Acoustic twinklings collide with glittery synths

and punchy drums, the music occasionally introducing a brass infusion for added joy. Shane's emotional writing is at the core of the release, his honesty drawing listeners closer. The album's production, helmed by Julian Giaimo, ensures that each track maintains your engagement, transforming the soundscapes from track to track with ease.

Discussing the project, Shane explains, "I'm so grateful I finally get to share this album. We'vebeen working on it for about two years now, and it's just so nice to put it out and move on creatively. I felt as though artists were

getting away from full-length projects that flow from one song to another. It's kind of a dated concept because, in the streaming era, you can start an album on any track you wish. So for this project, I wanted to create seamless transitions from one track to the next to create a really cohesive project that satisfied us as a whole."

Shane Rennison hails from the scenic Catskills of Upstate New York, where he has honed his craft as a singer-songwriter and recording artist. His is infused with heartfelt authenticity and has captured audiences far and wide. From his early days performing diverse covers to crafting original songs, Shane's journey has been marked by a relentless pursuit of musical excellence. His debut album, *Irrational*, is a testament to his growth as an artist, promising to leave a lasting impact on listeners.

LISTEN HERE: https://soundcloud.com/shane-rennison-339681299/sets/irrational-1/soaNjpWY5yZL?si=a16c3d42b26448f69cd859af529ce06e&utm\_source=clipboard&utm\_medium=text&utm\_campaign=social\_s

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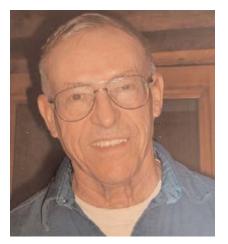
ON THE FRONT BURNER: Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than is perverse in his lips and is a fool.

Proberbs 19:1

JULY 18, 2024

# **OBITUARY**

Michael "Mike" Schuyler **Scofield** 



of Denning, NY passed away on July 12, 2024 at home. He was 88 years old. He was the son of the late Hollis and Frances (nee Hoskins) Scofield, born on June 4, 1936 in Schenectady, NY.

Mike grew up in Pittsford, NY and Sarasota, FL. He attended Allendale School, Darrow School and graduated from Sarasota High School. He entered the U.S. Air Force in 1955 and proudly served in Japan, where he was stationed until 1958. He received his Undergraduate Degree in Landscape Architecture from the University of Florida, Gainsville. His degree enabled him to keep a meticulously landscaped home any place he lived. It was in Florida that Mike met and married Sandra "Sandy" Dunbar. The couple moved to Westerly, RI where they owned a motel, The Pony Barn, and where Mike was also employed as a draftsman for Davis-Standard, LLC. It was there his three daughters were born and he first became an enthusiastic volunteer fireman.

After moving to the Catskill Mountains, he worked for more than 25 years in the maintenance department at Frost Valley YMCA. As a skilled draftsman, he was integral in designing and developing the water and sewer system, updating machinery, and was instrumental in mapping out the camp's infrastructure.

Mike contributed tirelessly to his community. He was a former Councilman on the Town Board, but his true passion was as a member of the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department, serving as Fire Chief from 1971-1980. Earning status as a Lifetime Member, he remained involved until his death.

Mike generously helped friends and family with projects. During retirement he remained passionate about volunteering at the Fire Department, keeping a beautiful home, and feeding the hummingbirds and migrating ducks that chose his lovely pond to be their home.

As a husband, father, and respected community member, Mike will be deeply missed and fondly remembered for his incredible build-it/fix-it skills, loyalty to loved ones and his witty, dry sense of humor.

Mike is survived by his wife Sandy Scofield, daughters Jennifer Kathrine Scofield and Tracy Lynn Scofield-Smith, three grandsons Tristan Smith (Bethany), Taylor Chien, Carson Wood, and two greatgrandchildren, Madelyn Smith and Julian Chien. He also leaves his step-sisters Helen Brown and Isabel Coyle, his nieces India Nolen, Michal Keeley, Lisca Coyle, and nephew Christopher Keeley. He is predeceased by his brother Lansing Guion Scofield and his youngest daughter, Lesley Stauring Scofield Wood.

Donations in Mike's name can be made to the Claryville Fire Department and/or The Hudson Valley Hospice, whose incredible staff helped make it possible for him to spend his last days at his beloved Denning home.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, August 18, 2024 from 11 a.m. at The Claryville Fire Department, 1500 Denning Rd. Claryville, NY 12725.

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

### THE TOWNSMAN

### JULY 18, 2024

## DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

### <u>August 4, 1954</u>

Frank Carlsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Carlsen of South Hill Road, will leave Sunday for a week at the Bankers School of Agriculture at Cornell University in Ithaca on a scholarship won last spring. Frank is a F.F.A. student at Tri Valley Central School in Grahamsville and was named an Empire Farmer this past year for his achievements.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Kortright of Sundown are the parents of a son, Tim Preston, born July 30th at Maimonides Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz.

> When the high cost of living Makes your piggy bank squeal, Krum's values and quality Give you a fair deal! KUM TO KRUM'S

### July 15, 1964

Miss Phyllis Norton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Norton of Greenwich, New York and Richard Irwin Coombe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Coombe of Ridgewood, Jersey and Grahamsville, were united in marriage at the Centenary Methodist Church in Greenwich on Saturday, July 11, 1964. The bride, a June graduate of Cornell University, will teach Home Economics at Liberty. The groom, who is a graduate of Ridgewood High School and Cornell University will teach at Tri Valley School. He is also associated with his brother in the operation of Thunder View Angus Farm in Grahamsville.

Let's send some anniversary wishes to our friends and neighbors: To Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Walter go special greetings on their 52nd while on the same day, July 17th, their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dion Garigliano are celebrating their 12th. To Ralph and Madeline Adams go wishes for their 22 years together. (Contd. Pg. 5)

### Household Hint: How to Microwave Corn on the Cob

Wet a paper towel and squeeze out excess water. Then wrap your paper towel around the corn and place on a microwavable plate. Cook in the microwave on high for 5 minutes. Allow to cool and then remove paper towel.

### Nature Column - L. Comando

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

### **Did You Ever Heard** a Grasshopper Sing?

Yes, grasshoppers do sing, but it is not like the lovely sound of the song birds,



but more like a chirp. Different species make the noise in different ways. Some grasshoppers rub their wings together and others clatter their wings. Males sing, by rubbing their back legs against their wings, to attract females and to warn off other males.

Grasshoppers are insects of the suborder

*Caelifera* within the order *Orthoptera*, which includes

crickets and their allies in the other suborder *Ensifera*.

Grasshoppers are all herbivores but different types of grasshoppers prefer different kinds of plants. They can cause a lot of trouble should swarms of grasshoppers start eating and damag-

ing the farmer's crops. Some of the foods grasshoppers really love include corn, oats, rye, cotton, barley, wheat, alfalfa, and clover. Some species, called locusts, will gather by the billions and eat everything in their way. They will eat almost any type of leaves, but they prefer soft vegetation. Dandelion is a favorite!

Many gardeners buy pesticides every year to keep grasshoppers from eating their garden crops. Grasshoppers are hard to get rid of because they live almost anywhere. One solution, raise a few chickens. Chickens love grasshoppers -so do lizards, snakes, toads, rodents, gophers, badgers, coyotes, skunks, bobcats and domestic cats, too.

Grasshoppers are an important part of the ecosystem of the world. While it may seem that they can be destructive, overall they fulfill a function in nature. They even do some things that help farmers, such as eating poisonous weeds and leaving nutrients in the soil.

Grasshoppers are brown, green or gray insects that may be as long as 1-3/4 inches. They have large hind legs for jumping and prominent heads with large eyes. Adult grasshoppers have two pairs of wings. The front pair is characteristically narrow and leathery, whereas the hind wings are thinner and more triangular. All grasshoppers do have something in common. They don't have any ears but hear with an organ called tympanum. They all have five eyes. Three are what are called three simple eyes and two, compound eyes. If you have ever tried to catch a grasshopper you have seen firsthand how very hard it is. That is because all of these eyes allow a grasshopper to see not only long distances, but also forwards, backwards and sideways.

Grasshoppers do not have a nose with which to breathe. Instead, they have holes all along the sides of their bodies for breathing. A grasshopper is made up of a head, abdomen, thorax, two pair of wings, six legs that have joints and two antennae. Grasshoppers typically hop when they move and they can jump 20 times the length of their body.

Grasshoppers usually lay eggs in uncultivated soil areas such as ditch banks, field margins and roadsides, as well as pastures, alfalfa and clover fields. One female grasshopper may deposit 8 to 25 egg pods. Young nymph are quite susceptible to weather and natural enemies. Cool, wet conditions during egg hatch reduce grasshopper numbers.

There are more than 20,000 species of grasshoppers.

When a grasshopper is picked up, it may "spit" a brown liquid commonly called "tobacco juice." Scientists believe this liquid may protect them from attacks by predators.

I read a strange grasshopper story about a Pinot Noir vineyard that was infested with grasshoppers. The owners of the vineyard introduced a delicacy, grasshopers, to their cats! According to one of the farmers who owned the vineyard, 50 cats could rid up 20 acres! Hmmm, is it really worth it?



# CCE Sullivan's favorite time of year is back! Visit the Sullivan County Youth Fair!

LIBERTY, NY-Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County invites the public to celebrate all that Sullivan County 4-H youth members, leaders, volunteers, and clubs have accomplished throughout the year at the Sullivan County Youth Fair, taking place from Friday, August 16th through Sunday, August 18th at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. From creative still exhibits, to entertaining animal shows and live auctions, there is something for everyone!

The Sullivan County Youth Fair is held annually in conjunction with the Grahamsville Little World's Fair. Fairgoers will have the opportunity to walk the Youth Building and two full barns to view more than 1,000 still and animal exhibit projects Sullivan County 4-H youth participants have created and nurtured over the past year. They'll also be able witness various animal showmanship competitions throughout the weekend. There will be a horse show, beef show, swine show, dairy show, and a sheep and goat show! Fairgoers who attend on Sunday may also participate in the 4-H Livestock & Agricultural Products Live Auction, beginning at 1:00 PM in the Upper Show Ring.

Dozens of volunteers and staff spend many hours pulling together exhibits, factoring scheduling and space options, navigating animal and biosafety issues, coordinating and orienting volunteers and activities for the public, processing local, state, and Ag & Markets paperwork, soliciting donations, training 4-H'ers in preparation for shows, and a number of other tasks to make the Sullivan County Youth Fair a safe, fun, learning experience for Sullivan County kids. With that in mind, join CCE Sullivan in celebrating the hard work and dedication of 4-H youth and volunteers!

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County's 4-H Youth Development program empowers any youth ages 5-18 to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. 4-H members have opportunities to connect to Cornell University resources and gain career readiness skills through hands-on activities and "learning by doing". Any Sullivan County youth ages 5-18 can enroll in 4-H for free, all year long. To learn more about 4-H, call CCESC at 845-292-6180 or visit http://sullivancce.org/4h-youth-development.



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# **DAYS OF YORE...**

**Today's History** 

(From Pg. 3)

### July 24, 1974

Funeral services were held Sunday in Yurichville, Ohio for Howard Hunter, former Claryville and Liberty resident who died Thursday. He was born in Chillicothe, Ohio on May 28, 1896 to David and Hattie Jones Hunter. Surviving are his wife, Vera Dice Hunter; a son, Glenn of Napanoch; three daughters: Grace Loomis of Everett, Wash., Myrtle Kortright of Woodbourne and Arlene Delemarter of Ulster Heights; one brother, George of Springfield, Mass.

The Sullivan County Times-Press, published in Livingston Manor, ceased publication with its July 4th edition. Inflation and higher production costs were blamed for its demise.

#### July 26, 1984

Lena Kraus of Hasbrouck Rd., Woodbourne, a long time area resident, died Saturday, July 15th at Ellenville Community Hospital. She was 88. The widow of William Kraus, she was born January 14, 1896. Survivors include two daughters: Jean LaPolt of Woodbourne and Valerie Brevoort of Mineola, L.I.; seven grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Carol Newman of East Mountain was happy to see her brothers, Lester and Richard Thomas when they arrived here from Miami Beach, Fla. for a family reunion. Carol, Barry and children were among almost 50 members of the Thomas family at the reunion held recently in Livingston Manor.

# LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley Published July 25, 1996

It was a beautiful spring morning in the early 1900's when I asked my dad why Claude Cobb, one of our neighbors, was sawing down one of our beautiful maple trees. His answer was that it was leaning toward the house. I couldn't figure that one out, why couldn't it lean toward the house? Grandfather was sitting in his favorite rocker on the back porch and since he usually had all the answers, I went to him. This time he walked me to Koon's store where he bought a package of Nasturtium seeds. My dad didn't sell seeds, he gave them away. Our government supplied seeds for anyone who wished to plant a garden, but not flower seeds.

Grandfather took mother's old leaky galvanized wash tub and placed it on our new tree stump. He gave me a pail and he took one also and started filling the tub from soil that we had shoveled up from behind the bam. When the tub was full he smoothed it off and made little holes with a stick. I dropped in the seeds and my sister Edith, who had come out of the house to help us, covered them.

In a few weeks, I stopped crying for my maple tree as the stump and old wash tub was now just a mass of beautiful flowers. Grandfather said we could pick as many as we wanted for the more we picked the more would grow. Edith and I found this to be true. Mrs. Massey, an elderly lady, had a summer home just above our house and each morning she passed by our house on her daily walk. She was very friendly and I admired her very much. One Sunday morning, I had just gathered a lovely bouquet of the lovely Nasturtiums as she came walking down the road. I offered her my bouquet and she accepted it with a smile and said "Is this for me?' It made me feel real proud and grown up. A few days later, Mrs. Massey walked into our store and purchased a large bag of "Molly Codies". I haven't seen "Molly Codies" in years. Anyway, she gave them to me. I felt really bad for fear that she felt that she had to do something in return for my gift of the flowers but grandfather said that she just wanted to do something nice in return.

I passed the bag to him as I knew that "Molly Codies" were one of his favorite candies. So we sat and munched them until neither one of us had an appetite for the nice supper mother served that night.

### DEC Forest Rangers Week in Review Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Action

### Town of Hunter Greene County

**Wilderness Rescue:** On July 8, at 12:50 p.m., Forest Rangers responded to a call for a hiker who fell approximately 40 feet off the ledge at Catskill Mountain House site in the



North/South Lake campground. Bystanders heard the subject yelling for help and notified campground staff. Nine Forest Rangers worked with Hunter Ambulance, Greene Paramedics, Haines Falls Volunteer Fire Department, Tannersville Volunteer Fire Department, Hunter Police, New York State Police, and





campground staff on the rescue operation. Rangers set up a high angle rope system to extricate the 49-year-old from Hunter.

At 5 p.m., rescue crews successfully extricated the patient. Crews brought the subject to a LifeNet helicopter for transport to the hos-

### THE TOWNSMAN

Just in case you're wondering, we'll be re-running some of our best and most popular book reviews. They will be described as our *Legacy Mysterious Book Reports*. Send us a quick request if you have a favorite that you'd like to see again and we'll do our best to re-publish it.



Illegal Holdings Legacy Mysterious Book Report No. 92 by John Dwaine McKenna Mysterious Book Report No. 324 Published July 16, 2020

Serendipity is the ability to make fortunate discoveries by accident . . . which is what happened here at the MBR when our mailbox, (P.O. Box 2406, Colorado Springs, CO 80901) yielded up an unsolicited new publication from a small independent press in Seattle, Washington, which brought a unique superb writer to our attention

new character and a superb writer to our attention.

Illegal Holdings, (Coffeetown Press, PB, \$14.95, 228 pages, ISBN 978-1-60381-591-8) by Michael Niemann, features a fraud investigator from the United

Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services named Valentin Vermeulen. In this, the third book of the series, he's sent to Maputo, Mozambique, (Naw, me either, but if you think of the African continent as a clockface, it's down in the five o'clock position, by the Indian Ocean) where he's going to audit a NGO by the name of Global Alternatives – the not-for-profit, Non Governmental Organization that's been set up and funded by a hedge fund billionaire named Vincent Portallis to revolutionize development aid – to see if they're spending their UN grant money as promised. It's a boring, ho-hum assignment to the far reaches of the world . . . made brighter only by the fact that his globe-trotting lover Tessa, will be there at the same time, reporting on foreign land acquisitions in Africa. But as soon as he hits town, Vermeulen discovers a five-million dollar discrepancy in the accounts of Global Alternatives local partner Nossa Terra, who claims that the money . . . supposedly transferred from GA to them ... was never received. Vermeulen at first gets excuses – never saw, never got, never before and the like – which sets his alarm bells to ringing at full tilt. When the chief accountant and defacto second in command at Nossa Terra disappears on the following day, the case for his guilt seems evident to everyone. But soon after his body washes up on the beach, and there's no doubt he's been murdered. It's only the first act in a chain of violence and criminality that Vermeulen is powerless to stop, as he digs in and desperately tries to solve an increasingly complex series of crimes and evermore vicious events before he, or Tessa, or both of them are killed. Valentin Vermeulen is a hero you can believe in, an ordinary, brave and honest man, who's doing an almost impossible job in the toughest of places. He's

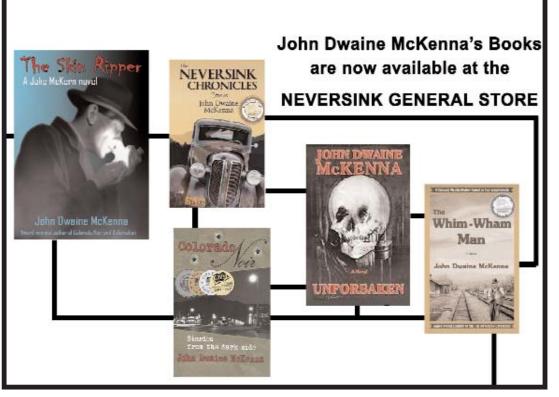
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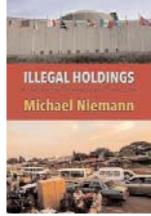
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# The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

There is No Place Like Home to See a Darn Fine Performance of the Classic "THE WIZARD OF OZ' which is now at the PHOENICIA THEATER

Small town theater offers an up close and personal view of a play unlike any other major Broadway show. Where else can you sit in a comfy chair in an air-conditioned small theater where you are surrounded by people you might know and someone in the cast you know personally?

My fiend Peggy and I saw one of the first performances, and

### The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "**Toward the Sun**," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye* 

Olde Tri-Valley Townsman. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift! Prosilio is available at Amazon or Barnes and



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the audience gave it a standing ovation. Rightly so. Dorothy even looks like Judy Garland and has an angelic Broadway voice. Every character was a star it his or her own right. You hated the Wicked Witch of the West and adored Glinda, the good witch. Justin Blydenburgh, an Onteora student, was spectacular as "The Scarecrow", and my friend Mira's husband, Jerome Cimino, stole the show as "The Cowardly Lion." Even small parts boasted superb actors. Davis Case, as Uncle Henry and the Emerald City Guard, were professional and compelling. in fact, all of the cast acted their hearts out.

Marcia Panza, another Onteora retiree, deserves a bow for her clever costumes and set designs.

Go see this play if you can. Tickets are on-line, and there is no better way to spend an evening (or Sunday matinee) than singing along and clapping as this wonderful cast comes down the aisle on their way to the wizard.

The best part was this fine theater was only minutes from home. We didn't even need to click our ruby slippers. As we all are reminded, "There's No Place Like Home."

### PHOENICIA PLAYHOUSE PRESENTS THE WIZARD OF OZ

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# **Barefoot in the Park**

Auditions for the radio play, "Barefoot in the Park" will be held at the Boiceville Inn on August 16 and 17 from 6 to 8 p.m. and on August 18 from 3 to 5 p.m.

"Barefoot in the Park" by Neil Simon will be a dinner theater planned for August 23, 24, and 25. The director will be Linda Burkhardt.

## Prepare for Hurricanes and Summer Storms

For many, warm weather means enjoying the outdoors with picnics, swimming and gardening. But summer isn't always a day at the beach. As temperatures increase, so do the chances for thunderstorms and hurricanes.

Although hurricane season began in May, late summer and early fall are when we typically experience the most hurricanes as ocean waters warm. Remember, hurricanes are not just a coastal problem, so it's important to know the risks where you live since rain, wind and flooding could happen far from the coast. No matter where you live, thunderstorms can also be a threat. Lightning injures 243 people and kills about 20 people on average each year in the United States (see Weather.gov for more information). Heavy rain from thunderstorms can lead to flash floods and power outages. In addition, tornadoes can form during some thunderstorms.

Here are some tips to prepare for storms this summer:

#### For all storms

Download the free FEMA app to receive real-time alerts from the National Weather Service and to stay informed about watches and warnings. You can also sign up to receive Emergency Alerts in your area.

Make an emergency plan. Be sure to have extra water and nonperishable foods at home. Get started by having enough supplies for your household, including medication, disinfectants and pet supplies. Make sure you consider your family's unique needs, including anyone who needs medicine or medical equipment. If there's a chance you will need to evacuate, create a smaller "go bag" to take with you or keep in the trunk of your vehicle. Remember that after certain severe weather events like a hurricane or tornado, you may not be able to buy some essential items for days or even weeks.

### Hurricanes

Know your risk for hurricanes and take action to prepare by visiting FEMA's Protective Actions Research website. https://community.fema.gov/ProtectiveActions/s/ Hurricanes are not just a coastal concern. Rain, wind, flooding and even tornadoes can strike far inland from where a hurricane or tropical storm makes landfall.

If you live in an area that's affected by hurricanes, practice your evacuation route with household members and pets, and identify where you will stay. Local emergency managers can provide the latest recommendations based on the threat to your community.

Make sure to clear storm drains and gutters and bring outside furniture indoors. Consider installing hurricane shutters if you need added protection against the storm.

### Thunderstorms

Be prepared for thunderstorm, lightning and hail by planning to move inside a sturdy building or a metal vehicle with a roof. Remember the saying, "When thunder roars, go indoors." Moving under a tree to stay dry is especially dangerous because lightning often strikes the tallest object in its path.

There is no safe space outdoors. If you are caught outside with no safe shelter anywhere nearby the following actions may reduce your risk:

Immediately get off elevated areas such as hills, mountain ridges or peaks.



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Stay away from windows and doors, and stay off porches. Do not lie on concrete floors, and do not lean against concrete walls.

### Tornadoes

Be prepared for a tornado by understanding that they can happen anytime, anywhere so it's important to know where to stay safe. If a tornado warning is issued for your area, immediately find a place such as a basement or storm cellar where you can safely shelter in place. If you can't find a basement or storm cellar, locate a small, interior room on the lowest level where you are, and shelter there until it is safe to come out of your shelter location.

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### Chillin' and Thrillin' through July! Sullivan Catskill Visitors Assoc

Every summer has a story. Come write yours in our legendary Sullivan Catskills, where the good times are an open book. Book a place to stay and let your fun begin. Choose from full-service resorts, charming boutique inns, B&Bs, hotels, wellness centers, vacation rentals, campgrounds, and glamping tents and domes.

There are a few more opportunities to catch Jimmy Buffett's Escape to Margaritaville at Forestburgh Playhouse. Better hurry... the show ends Sunday. More live theater happens Thursday in Roscoe when Catskill Public Theater hosts a performance of Terror at 7:30 pm. Also, on Thursday (and weekly through August 17), get a Golden Ticket for you and the kiddos to a young audience version of Willy Wonka at Forestburgh Playhouse. The summer music scene keeps rolling along, too. Bethel Woods hosts Luke Bryan on the Pavilion Stage on Thursday at 7 pm. Take your Bethel Woods concert experience to the next level and camp through the weekend so you can stick around for the Hello Inclusion Festival and Jason Mraz on Friday, then Kidz Bop on Sunday.

On Friday... Forage and Gather hosts their Friday Open Mic Night from 5 to 8 pm. Happy Hour at Seminary Hill Orchard and Cidery starts at 3 pm. Stick around until 5 pm for Jazz pianist Miho Sasaki. Far Beyond Gone plays at the North Lodge Bar at Holiday Mountain from 7 - 10 pm. Movie night, anyone? HPAC in Hurleyville is showing Despicable Me at 6 pm (and other times all weekend long). It's playing at 7:30 pm too, at the Callicoon Theater. At 8 pm, Andre Turan takes the Cabernet Frank's stage. Then on Saturday, see Jack Grace. The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop's 6-show run of The Ripple Effect begins at 8 pm.

This Saturday falls into the category of so many things to do, so little time... Wurtsboro celebrates its annual Founders Day Street Fair from noon to 5 pm, featuring Live Mural demonstrations with Catskill Revibe, vendors, live music, and more. The next installment of DVAAs Retro Cinema features The Iron Giant, the family-friendly animated story of a young boy defending a giant at the Tusten Theater at 7 pm on Saturday. In Barryville, at the Farmers' Market, The Outside Institute's Laura Silverman will hold a Cooking Demo between 10 am and noon. The Roscoe Motel is holding its annual flea market: Roscoe Flea from 10 am - 4:30 pm. Experience colonial history with Fort Delaware as they celebrate Patriots & Loyalists Day starting at 10 am. Farm Arts Collective will host FREE Family Fun Day from 1-4 pm at Willow Wisp Organic Farm. Learn about organic farming and tour the greenhouses, vegetable and flower fields. There will be performances, face painting, games, cooking demos, and more. Wear farm boots. The 18th Annual Zane Grey Festival takes place from 10 am - 4 pm. From 2-5 pm, Jeremy Langdale plays tunes while you indulge in cocktails and food at Do Good Garage Bar and Eats in Roscoe. The Monthly Catskills Pride gathering takes place today at Forestburgh Playhouse from 3-6 pm. At 5 pm, Conflux Gallery and The Parksville Arts Center will host The ConPac TSTS (Too Short To Suck) Film Festival and Memmy Award Show. Riverside Sessions continues this week at The Smoke Joint at 5:30 pm, featuring music by Smoking Buddy Steve. The Arts Nest in Lake Huntington presents Elise Mark in Concert with violinist, June Bender at 7 pm. Also, at 7 pm The Callicoon Pantry celebrates its 5th anniversary with a Dance Party at the Delaware Youth Center in Callicoon. Then, at 8 pm, join the River Rep Theater at the Delaware Valley Opera Center for Jeremy Dobrish's delightful comedy The Handless Maiden.

It's Sunday, Funday! There's no better way to start this day than with brunch. And so many of our restaurants serve it up, especially for you. Afterward, head to Sunshine Colony in Livingston Manor for an Open Jam Song Circle of Country, Folk & Bluegrass from 1-4 pm. Back up at Do Good Garage Bar and Eats, Dan Brother will perform from 1-4 pm. Head over to Organic World US for Cooking Class Paella Fiestas. Want to explore more? There are plenty of places to shop throughout our charming small town. But if you're up for adventure, try a river trip, hiking, watersports, wellness, family fun, and more. The Good Taste Craft Beverage Trail has many wonderful beers, wines, spirits, and cider. The Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail is a great way to see our stunning summer countryside. Take a selfie at each of our 70+ sculptures. And when you get hungry, our inventive chefs and bakers will cook up something Catskill-icious just for you.

### SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

Russian Mule: 12 noon - 9 pm Rivers Edge: Noon - 4 pm\_ The Heron: Saturday Noon - 3 pm & Sunday 11 am -3\_pm\_ The Arnold House: Noon -3 pm\_ Western Inn: Sat 11 am - 3 pm & Sun 11 am - 4 pm \_ Conover Club at Callicoon Hills: 10 am-1 pm\_ The Spotted Cow: Sat 9 am until closing & Sunday 10 am until closing Homestead Restaurant+ Lounge: 11:30 am - 4 pm Seminary Hill: Sat & Sun 10 am to 2 pm

### SUNDAYS

Russian Mule: Noon - 3 pm Sullivan House: 11am - 3 pm Creek House Grill: 11am - 3 pm Brew: 11 am - 3 pm The Dale: 11am - 3 pm Tango Café: 10 am - 2 pm (Contd. Pg. 12)

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# Chillin' and Thrillin' through July!

### Plan Ahead:

o The Chi-Hive in Narrrowsburg will host Chi Kids Summer Camp July 15-19 and 22-26. Register your kiddos here.

o The Annual Weekend of Chamber Music takes place July 15-28 at Lulu's Social Club, Catskill Art Space, The Liberty Museum and Arts Center, and the Eddie Adams Barn.

o Sunshine Colony once again hosts a Pizza Party by The High Meadow Project on July 16 and 23.

o On July 17, Sip on some crisp Seminary Hill Cider while you learn hands-on how to create a stunning charcuterie board with Victoria Garigliano, owner of Garigliano Grazing Co.

o DVAA is taking part in the Upstate Art Weekend July 18 - 21. The weekend kicks off with a Catskills Pride Artist Mixer in Krause Hall. Learn more details here.

o The Borscht Belt Historical Marker Project continues with the latest dedication at HPAC on July 21 at 1 pm.

o Concerts on the Pavilion Stage at Bethel Woods continue July 18-21 with Santana, Impractical Jokers, Daryl Hall + Elvis Costello and the Imposters, and Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo. Plus, Train and REO Speedwagon on July 25 and Limpbizkit on July 26.

o The Bradstan Cabaret Series at the Eldred Preserve continues July 21 at 7 pm, when Roz Brown performs a Tribute to Motown. Also, at 1 pm Catskill Art Space will host Noah Kalina, a photographer known for his boundary-pushing durational photography, who will talk about photography as a tool for examining the passage of time.

o Pelky's Tavern will host the Tunnel to Towers Charity Ride July 26 & 27. Also on July 27, the Mamakating Environmental Education Center will host Snakes of the Hudson Valley at 10 am.



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We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause, and we are working with other municipal pool programs to support accommodation of additional patrons this season. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

# "Get Offline, Get Outside"

Governor Kathy Hochul today launched the "Get Offline, Get Outside" summer campaign to promote physical and mental health by helping New York's kids and families to put down their phones and computers, take a break from social media, and enjoy recreation and outdoor social gatherings. Governor Hochul kicked off the campaign by announcing that the State is waiving swimming pool entry fees at New York State Parks this summer. Additionally, Governor Hochul launched the \$1.5 million Connect Kids to Swimming Instruction Transportation Grant program to help with transportation to swimming lessons as part of the NY SWIMS initiative. This follows the Governor's historic \$150 million NY SWIMS investment to support pools in underserved communities - New York's biggest investment in swimming since the New Deal. Governor Hochul made today's announcement at Riverbank State Park Pools in New York City alongside local elected officials.

"We're making it easier for our young people to put down their phones and computers, enjoy time with friends and family, and stay active all cross our state," Governor Hochul said. "Summer is here - get offline and get outside." 

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### **Roasted Garlic Hummus**

1 can chickpeas/garbanzo beans (15 oz. can) 2 tablespoons roasted garlic 1/2 tablespoon lemon juice 1 tablespoon olive oil 1/2 teaspoon oregano

In a food processor, process beans, garlic, olive oil, lemon juice and oregano until desired consistency. If hummus is too thick, simply add olive oil in small increments (1/2 teaspoon) until desired consistency.

Serve roasted garlic hummus garnished with finely chopped parsley with hot pita bread, pita chips, or veggies. Roasted garlic hummus goes very well with cubes of warm Italian bread.

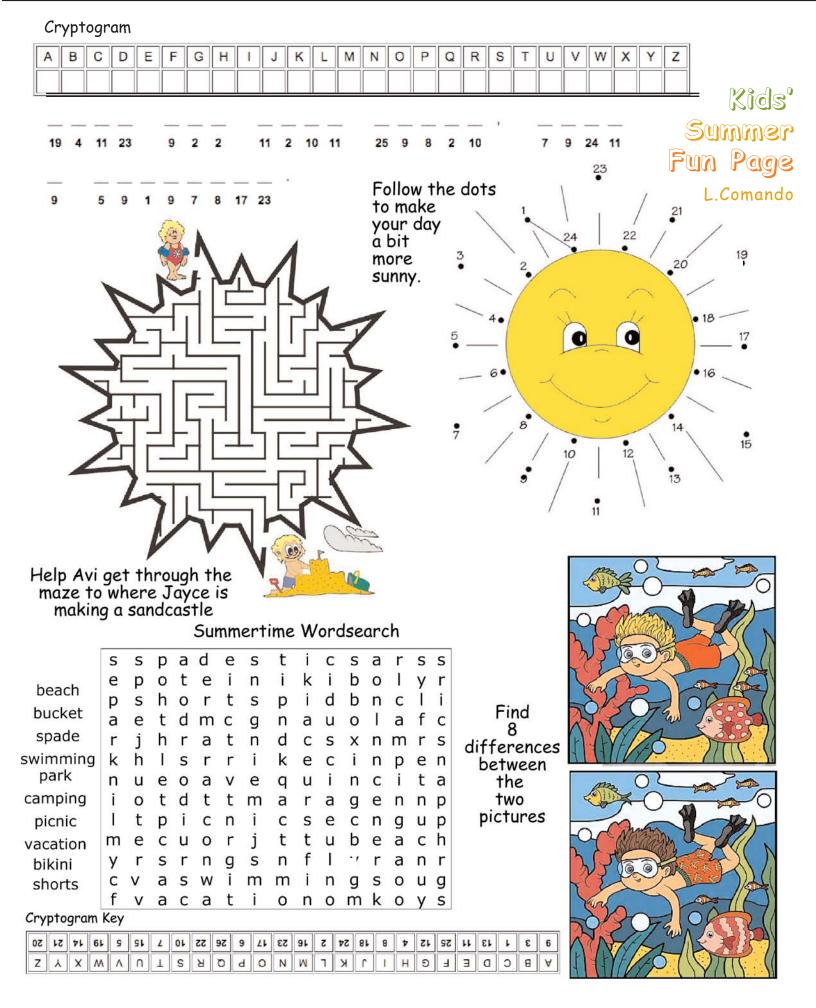
Hummus can be prepared in advance up to two days if stored in airtight container in the refrigerator. To serve, heat in microwave or on stovetop. Can be served cold as a dip.

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Swimming Lessons Registration has begun and is ongoing at the Town of Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville. Registration forms can be downloaded from the Documents section of the Town of Neversink's website or picked up at the Neversink Town Hall located in Grahamsville from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday.

Any child who lives in the Tri-Valley School District and/or the Town of Neversink is eligible to participate in the Swimming Lessons Program. There is no fee. For more information please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

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## Pool Passes on Sale

2024 Pool passes for the Town of Neversink Pool located at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville will go on sale at the Town of Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville on June 25, 2024. The cost of a pass is \$15.00 per person ages 3 and up. Children 2 and under free. Forms are available in the Lobby and also on the Town of Neversink's web site under documents. The Town Hall is open daily from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Town of Neversink residency is required. The Pool is projected to open on July 3rd. For more information, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

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<u>UPDATE-</u>Thursday,

July 11, 2024 Please be advised: The Village of Monticello Dillon Park Pool will be CLOSED to the Public EVERY MONDAY for the 2024 Summer Season!!!!

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# Shadowland Stages Presents Hilarious New Comedy Lend Me a Soprano

ELLENVILLE, NY - **SHADOWLAND STAGES** is delighted to present the uproarious new comedy, *LEND ME A SOPRANO*. Adapted from the Tony Award-winning *LEND ME A TENOR*, *LEND ME A SOPRANO* promises an evening of side splitting entertainment. The production will grace SHADOWLAND's MainStage Theatre from July 18th through August 4th.

Set in 1934, *LEND ME A SOPRANO* transports audiences to the Cleveland Grand Opera Company on the eve of a monumental performance of *CARMEN*. Chaos ensues when world-class soprano Elena Firenzi, portrayed by Julia Meadows, arrives late, sparking a chain reaction of mistaken identities, jealous outbursts, and comedic calamity. As the showbiz adage goes, "The show must go on!"

Critics have hailed *LEND ME A SOPRANO* as "An undeniable crowd pleaser!" (Houston Press) and "A screwball delight, fast, furious and consistently funny!" (Houston Chronicle). This delightful farce boasts a stellar cast including Peter Evangelista, Hudson Harden Scheel, Katrina Ferguson, Stephanie Bacastow, Sam Balzac, Valerie Lynn Brett, Ben-David Carlson, and Julie Meadows. **SHADOW-LAND** artistic director Brendan Burke is set to direct. The production kicks off July 18th at 8 PM, leading up to the official opening night on July 20th at 8 PM. Opening night festivities will occur after the July 20th 8 PM performance at Tony & Nick's Italian Kitchen in Ellenville.

Tickets for *LEND ME A SOPRANO* at **SHADOW-LAND STAGES** are now on sale and can be purchased online at www.shadowlandstages.org or by calling the box office at (845) 647-5511. Don't miss your chance to experience this comedic masterpiece live on stage!

Tickets are \$46 for evening shows. Tickets for Sunday matinee performances are \$42. SHADOW-LAND STAGES' MainStage Theatre is located at 157 Canal Street in Ellenville, NY. Tickets can be reserved by calling the box office at (845) 647-5511 or online at shadowlandstages.org.

**SHADOWLAND STAGES,** entering its 39th year, is a professional Equity theatre located in New York's beautiful Hudson Valley. The theatre produces a season between May and December of seven shows, including two musicals and a holiday production. Shadowland also houses the Academy at Shadowland Stages, a separate education program providing classes in acting, dance, and music for kids and adults.



### LEND ME A SOPRANO

BY KEN LUDWIG DIRECTED BY BRENDAN BURKE

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This delightful farce, adapted from the author's Tony Awardwinning LEND ME A TENOR, will have you singing with laughter!

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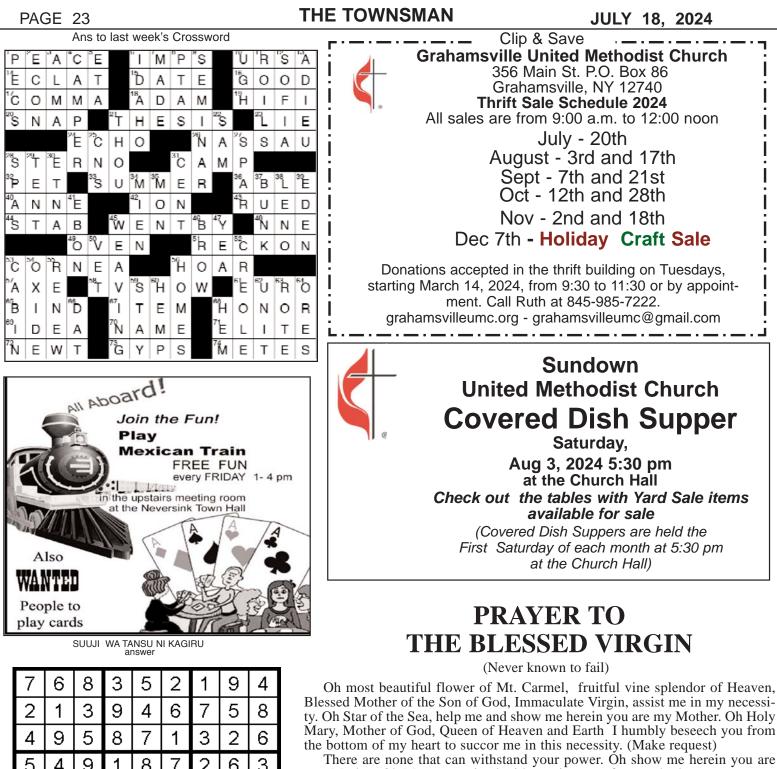


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- 7/18/24 Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
- 7/20/24 Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
- 7/21/24 Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 8 am 12 noon
- 8/3/24 Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
- 8/6/24 Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
- 8/7/24 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
- 8/13/24 Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
- 8/14/24 Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm

### Save the Date!

### The Matthew Bertholf Annual Horseshoe Tournament will be Sunday, July 14, 2024

### TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

**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.

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### Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week Of July 15 - July 19, 2024

All Legislative Committee Meetings are Livestreamed at

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Monday, July 15

**o** 4:30 PM - Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Board Meeting, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston; 1106 Dalewood Street, Kingston & Via Zoom, Meeting ID:85815520015 Passcode:325763

o CANCELLED: Fleet Management Review Committee

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

### Tuesday, July 16

o 5:00 PM - Caucus: Democrats, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o 6:00 PM - Caucus: Republicans, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Legislative Session and the Following Public Hearings will be held in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston and may be viewed via livestream at https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203

**o** 7:05 PM - Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article XXX Of The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending Article XXX Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Section 216 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Commission of Human Rights, To Modify Various Provisions

o 7:15 PM - Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster To Establish The Department Of Assigned Counsel

o 7:20 PM - Legislative Session

### Wednesday, July 17

**o** 8:00 AM - Workforce Development Board, in the Ulster County Career Center, 521 Boices Lane, Kingston

### Thursday, July 18

**o** 2:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Reform Committee, in the County Executive Conference Room, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

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

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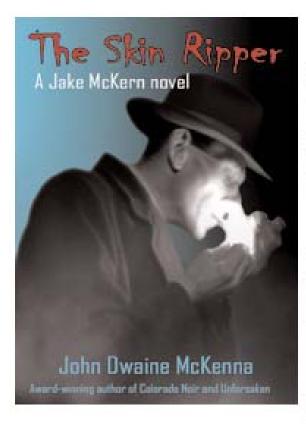
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Friday, July 19 o No Meetings

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# 34th Annual Riverfest DVAA's Street Festival Celebrating Art, Music, & Ecology

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) will once again take



over Main Street in Narrowsburg for their annual Riverfest. There are many events called "Riverfest" across the USA, but DVAA has been producing this vibrant street festival continuously for 34 years-wow! It's a day to celebrate art, music, and ecology surrounded by breathtaking scenery in the picturesque river town of Narrowsburg, NY.

Mark your calendars, this year's Riverfest takes place on Sunday, July 28th, from 10 am to 4 pm. Admission is free, and the event takes place rain or shine.

### **Schedule & Activities:**

**RIVER DOGS ON PARADE - 10 AM** (9 AM for registration) The festival kicks off at 10 AM with the much-anticipated River Dogs on Parade, where proud pet owners can showcase their furry friends to a panel of distinguished (and hilarious) judges and an enthusiastic crowd. Costumes are encouraged (for both pets and parents!) Participants can register in advance by calling DVAA at (845) 252-7576 or day of at 9 AM in front of Narrowsburg Feed & Grain.

Special thanks to our Dog Parade Sponsors: Narrowsburg Veterinary, Narrowsburg Feed and Grain, Dog Mountain Lodge, Pet Central, Delaware Farm and Garden, and Beach Lake Bread.

#### KIDS' ACTIVITIES - 11 AM - 3 PM

Kids get in on the creativity and fun at the River Kids Tent from 11 AM - 3 PM. This free activity features eco arts and crafts and invites kids to create their very own Riverfest Art Posters to take home.

The Chi Hive will once again be offering a special pop-up space for kids' fitness activities and demos at their aerial pavilion throughout the day.



### LIVE MUSIC - 11 AM and 2 PM

Enjoy a morning concert with Odetta Hartman of Ladybug Land (Cochecton Center) and Rania Sokolov-Gonzalez starting at 11 AM. The pair will fill Main Street with a selection of jazzy folk and americana in joyful harmony.

Later in the day, kick up your heels to the honky-tonk sounds of local legend, Cliff Westfall beginning at 2 PM. With a sound deeply rooted in traditional country with a Rockabilly influence reminiscent of Carl Perkins, Westfall will be joined by a trio of musicians whose performing and recording credits including working with the likes of Bruce Springsteen, Steve Earle, Ronnie Spector, They Might Be Giants, and others.

#### **STREET THEATRE - 12:45 PM**

Always the spectacle, Farm Arts Collective lead an annual processional through Main Street, featuring excerpts from Alice in Scienceland, which evolved from The Scientists, part of their decade-long series of climate change plays, Dream on the Farm. **POSTER AUCTION - 1 PM** 

One of the highlights of Riverfest is the annual Riverfest Poster Auction. Original art posters are created by local artists to raise funds for DVAA programming. Previews and bidding begin online in the DVAA gallery windows starting July 20th.

### MAKERS' MARKET - ALL DAY

Featuring over 40 Artisan Market Booths, this year's Riverfest will showcase a diverse range of handcrafted treasures including locally made paintings, photography, prints, hand-made crafts, jewelry, clothing, home décor, body care products, and more!

Highlights include jewelry by The Copper Newt in Mountaindale, Deep Earth Pottery from New Paltz, natural skincare products by Yemallah Naturals in Hurleyville, woodworking by Harnett Designs in Grahamsville and on-site Tintype photography by Rebecca Daniels from Scranton, PA.

### **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

Additionally, Riverfest offers visitors an opportunity to engage with our local environmental and service organizations through informational booths hosted by numerous non-profit organizations. Sign-up, volunteer, and get involved!

### FOOD TRUCKS - ALL DAY

Festival foods favorites like Luigi's Italian fare, Bibimbus Korean foods, and Nikki C's Sea Food, as well as B-Line Ice Cream. Additionally, all of Narrowsburg delicious restaurantsand a few new ones will be open with views of the festival and the river.

### **SPONSORS**

We are thrilled to welcome back JEFF Bank as Riverfest's 2024 Sponsor and WJFF Radio Catskill as our Media Sponsor. Additional support comes from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency with support from the Office of the

Governor and the New York State Legislature, DVAA's members, our 2024 Business Supporters, and individuals.

So, mark your calendars and join us at Riverfest 2024 on Sunday, July 28th, from 10 AM to 4 PM on Main Street in Narrowsburg, NY. Admission is free, and the event will take place rain or shine. Don't miss the fun, food, and art activities that make Riverfest a super-fun day out for the whole family!



# David Munford to give ''Plein Air'' Painting Demonstration



This Wednesday, July17th and repeated on Saturday the 20nd from 9:30-11:30am, landscape artist David Munford will be giving a "plein air" painting demonstration at the old Stone House in Hasbrouck.

Plein air is a French term meaning "outdoors" and refers to the practice of sketching or painting outdoors, in the open air, rather than working inside the studio. Adopted by the impressionists, this method of working directly from nature remains popular today among landscape painters.

These demonstrations will focus on the basics of painting outdoors and ways to approach plein air. We will discuss equipment and materials, choosing a subject, the use of preliminary sketches, composition, value, and color. Suitable for all levels. No materials required for these demonstrations.

### ALL LEVELS WELCOME

FEE: \$10.00 Donation (cash or check payable to The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck, Inc.) located at 282 Hasbrouck Road in Hasbrouck.

Made possible by a grant from the New York State Council of the Arts and distributed by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance

# **REP. MOLINARO STATEMENT ON TRUMP'S RALLY**

Binghamton, NY -- U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement:

"I'm in disbelief and praying for President Trump, law enforcement, and those attending the rally. In the United States, our elections are decided by voters, not violence."

# SENATOR GILLIBRAND STATEMENT ON SHOOTING AT TRUMP RALLY

"My thoughts are with former President Trump and all of those affected by this horrible act, and I'm grateful to law enforcement for their swift response. Political violence is completely unacceptable and has no place in American democracy."

## STATEMENT FROM NYS SENATOR PETER OBERACKER FOLLOWING THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT OF PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP

ONEONTA, 7/13/24 - State Senator Peter Oberacker (R/C - Schenevus) has released the following statement on the assassination attempt of President Donald Trump at a campaign rally in Butler, Pennsylvania on Saturday.

Tonight my thoughts are with President Donald Trump and his family as we continue to learn more about the assassination attempt on his life. While I'm saddened by what transpired, I also stand resolute that we will not and cannot be intimidated by those who choose to use violence to silence our views and values.

We pray for President Donald Trump; we pray for the other victims of today's acts of violence; and we pray for our Nation. As we move forward, I am confident we will not be intimidated and we will not be deterred.

### ULSTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE JEN METZGER HAS RELEASED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT

"We have chosen our President through the ballot box for 236 years, and we will continue to do so. Violence has no place in politics, just as it has no place in our schools, houses of worship, or anywhere else in our society."

# UC in Partnership with OSI Invites Public to Ribbon-Cutting for Newly Improved O&W Rail Trail

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger, in partnership with the Open Space Institute (OSI), the Towns of Rochester and Wawarsing, and the Village of Ellenville, is pleased to announce a ribboncutting in Accord to celebrate the improvement of five miles of the Ontario and Western ("O&W") Rail Trail on Friday, July 26, at 11 a.m. at the Rochester Town Park, 50 Scenic Road, in Accord. A Rain Date has been scheduled for Thursday, August 1, at 2 p.m.

The improvement projects included the repair of a 3.2-mile-long trail section between Accord and Kerhonkson and a 2.1-mile-long section stretching north from the Village of Ellenville toward Port Ben. The work also included new trail surfacing, replacement of three bridges, trailhead parking area improvements in the hamlet of Accord, vegetation maintenance, and drainage improvements.

"We're committed to enhancing the County's world-class trail network in all corners of the County, providing recreational and non-motorized transportation opportunities for residents of all abilities, and bringing more visitors to our Main Streets," said County Executive Metzger. "OSI has been a great leader and partner in this effort, and I want to thank OSI President and CEO Erik Kulleseid and his team for their pioneering work to improve our trail system, including here in Rochester, Wawarsing, and Ellenville."

"As demand for greenway trails increases - for transportation, recreation, and community connections - OSI is leading the effort to reinvent the entire O&W line as part of our Growing Greenways initiative," said Erik Kulleseid, president and CEO of OSI. "From building partnerships to land acquisition, trail restoration projects, and more, OSI is doing everything it takes to accomplish our goal of creating a connected corridor that helps grow the region's trail network, links communities, and expands public access to nature."

Together costing more than \$1 million, the improvement projects were managed by OSI and funded by Ulster County, with OSI providing \$95,000 in project management services. Thanks to a generous donor, OSI also provided a 50-foot steel truss bridge for improvements completed in Ellenville. BACKGROUND:

In 2021, the Ulster County Legislature awarded OSI \$2.1 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to complete rail trail improvement projects in the region. Following substantial improvements to the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail in 2023, the two O&W projects mark OSI's successful completion of all Ulster County-ARPA funded initiatives.

The restoration of the O&W Corridor was outlined as a priority in the 2020 New York State Greenway Trails Plan.

Improvements throughout the O&W Corridor, including the newly restored sections of the rail trail, are a focus of OSI's Growing Greenways: West of Hudson Greenway Trails Vision Plan. The OSI-led plan presents a vision and a blueprint to connect several existing Hudson Valley trail networks, including the arterial O&W Rail Trail, to create an interconnected, multi-use trail network spanning more than 250 miles and connecting dozens of communities throughout Ulster, Sullivan, and Orange counties.

Renovations along the lengthy O&W Corridor are key to the success of the Growing Greenways initiative: Once trail improvements are completed, the fragmented former railroad corridor will be transformed into a continuous, 57-mile greenway trail running from the City of Kingston to the City of Port Jervis, forming the backbone of the Growing Greenways trail network.

In addition to the new improvements, this year OSI has notched several Growing Greenways conservation and trail improvement victories along the O&W Rail Trail, including the purchase of 2.4 miles of the O&W railbed in Wawarsing, additional trail improvements in Port Ben, and the launch of the O&W Rail Trail Corridor Study. The O&W Rail Trail Corridor Study is supported in part by a \$500,000 grant from the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation through Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993.

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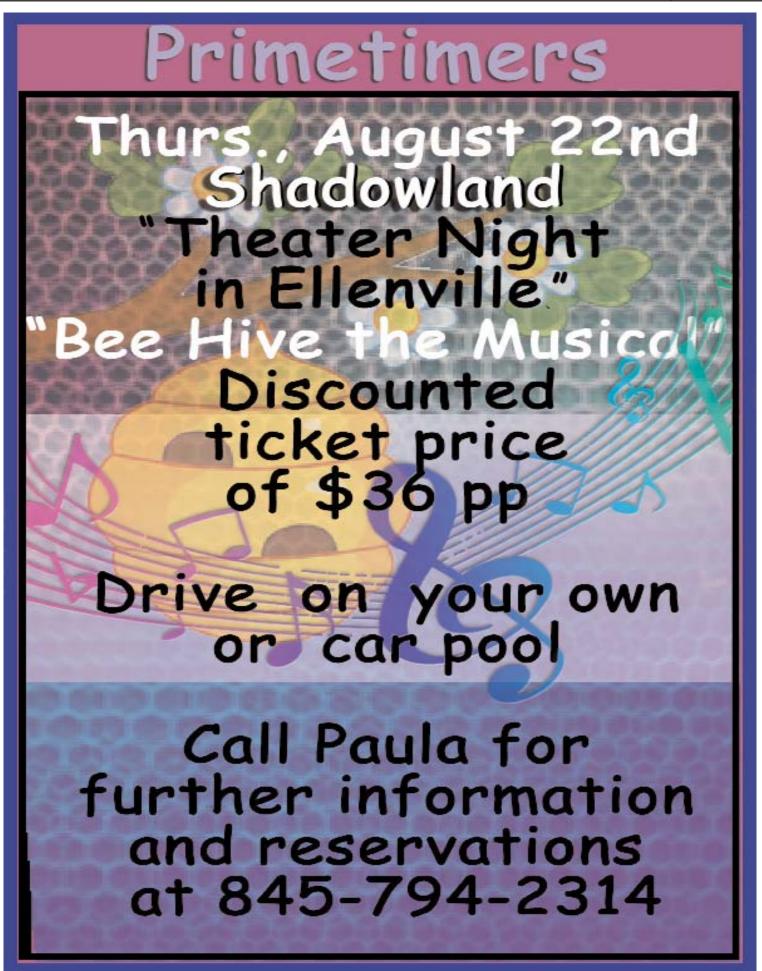
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Please contact Michelle to make an appointment.



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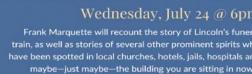
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# Olive Free Library







### SUMMER PROGRAMS

Crafternoons! Tuesdays, 3-5pm Drop-ins welcome; registration not required July 16: Bird Crafts July 23: Make Wands July 30: Under the Sea Flashlight

Summer Movies! Free Classic Movies on the Library Lawn-Saturdays in July at 8:00 p.m. Coming up: July 19: His Girl Friday July 26: Little Shop of Horrors

Beat the summer heat by checking out a Summer Movie Matinee at the Library-Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. all summer long! Coming up: July 17: Arthur the King (PG-13) July 24: A Man Called Ove (PG-13) July 31: All That Breathes (NR) Book Clubs:

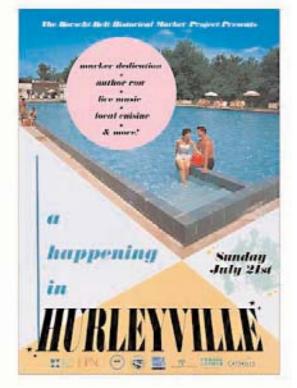
# A HAPPENING IN HURLEYVILLE with The Borscht Belt Historical Marker Project

Join the Borscht Belt Historical Marker Project on July 21 for **A HAPPENING IN HURLEYVILLE** – a literary and arts expo celebrating the Borscht Belt!

The day begins at 1:00 pm with a historic marker dedication historic marker dedication at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre (HPAC). Among other Hurleyville histories, this historic marker pays tribute to **Mel Brooks**, who began his comedic career in Hurleyville at age the age of 14!

Afterwards shop the small businesses on Main Street. Be sure to stop by "Author Row" at Morgan Outdoors to browse books and illustrations about the Catskills. CatskillLand: Billboards of the Borscht Belt! at the Homestead Collaborative College High School is a slideshow not to be missed!

The happening continues at **HPAC** with a ticketed performance of Sam Sadigursky's **Solomon Diaries** at **3:00 pm**. Sam is a member of the **Philip Glass Ensemble**, has released eleven albums and has toured and recorded with numerous musicians including **David Byrne**, **Bruce Hornsby** and **Tom Jones**. The immersive performance is from a series of albums by Sadigursky inspired by the Borscht Belt. The music blends klezmer, jazz, American folk, and Middle Eastern rhythms in a "compelling musical remembrance of a bygone era."



DATE: Sunday, July 21

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

1:00 pm: Historic Marker Dedication at HPAC
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm: Town stroll, Author Row (at Morgan Outdoors) and Catskilland: Billboards of the Borscht Belt slideshow at the Collaborative College High School
3:00 pm: Solomon Diaries at Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre (HPAC)
\*This event is free and open to all, except for the performance, which is a ticketed event. Purchase tickets at the QR code.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

info@borschtbelthistoricalmarkerproject.org www.maytheborschtbewithyou.org



### ABOUT THE BORSCHT BELT HISTORICAL MARKER PROJECT:

We are a group of locals, artists & historians dedicated to commemorating the history of the Borscht Belt, a celebrated era in American Jewish life, American culture and Catskill history. Our mission is the creation of a large-scale historic marker trail that leads audiences on an educational and adventurous tour through history. The 20-marker trail aspires to permanently cement the Borscht Belt in its physical place and pays tribute to its legacy. Enhanced by photographs and QR codes, when complete the trail will be united by a self-guided audio driving tour.

This project is made possible with funding from a Sullivan County Arts & Heritage Grant from the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and Purchase College. Additional partners include the Jewish American Society for Historic Preservation, Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre, Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association, the Sullivan County Historical Society and the hamlet of Hurleyville.

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# **LETTER TO THE EDITOR:** Where Are Ukraine War Protesters

The Ukraine War is in its third year, and Russia continues its attacks. Hopefully, the aid by the U.S. and European countries will help Ukraine fight off the Russian invasion and prevent Russia from overrunning Europe. The U.S. finally allowed Ukraine to hit targets on Russian territory utilizing U.S. arms.

Russia has unleashed devastating attacks on Ukrainian infrastructure, including power plants, water distribution systems, warehouses, businesses and housing. Approximately, 12,000 Ukrainian civilians have been killed and over 20,000 injured. Thousands of Ukrainian children have been kidnapped and sent to Russia.

Why aren't people protesting against the killing and wounding of Ukrainian civilians? Aren't the Christians of Ukraine just as important as the Muslims of Gaza? Or is there a bias involved? Isn't it important for the U.S. to support Ukraine and prevent a much wider war in Europe? Do the protesters care about the U.S., or do the protesters just want to create chaos and promote anarchy? Are they an anti-democracy Fifth Column? Maybe protesters should go to the Ukraine and Gaza war zones to make a meaningful impact.

We must continue to support Ukraine with military aid and donations by citizens. Note: I have contributed to a number of Ukrainian relief organizations.

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# The Primetimers of Temple Shalom in Monticello sponsoring A Day on Your Own Bus Trip to New York City

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**DEC Releases Proposed Amendments to Certain Trout Stream** Regulations Draft Changes to Regulations to Align with DEC's Trout Stream Management Plan, Protect Wild Populations, and Optimize Fishing Opportunities on Certain Waterbodies **Deadline for Comments** is Sept. 9

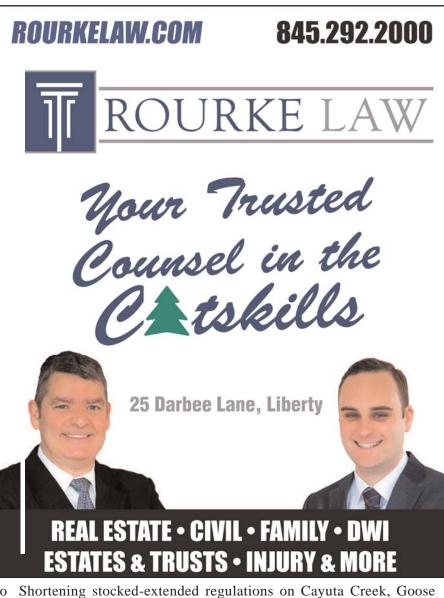
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar today announced the release of proposed changes for select trout stream regulations to align with DEC's Trout Stream Management Plan to protect wild populations and optimize fishing opportunities for anglers to catch trout on certain waterbodies, including on Long Island, along the Southern Tier, in the Hudson Valley, and other regions. DEC will be accepting public comments on the proposed amendments through Sept. 9, 2024.

"DEC released the New York State Trout Stream" Management Plan in 2020 as part of the State's ongoing work to manage and restore trout populations while creating and improving recreational o opportunities for anglers," Interim Commissioner Creek, and Wappinger Creek; Mahar said. "The proposed regulation changes released today reflect DEC's commitment to oversee New York's trout stream resources in an adapencourage anglers to review the proposed amend- Suffolk county streams; ments and share their comments with DEC."

eries management objectives and help anglers find These include management of trout stream stock- select Suffolk county tidal streams. ing, catch-and-release allowances, season length, and segments of streams, known as reaches, that angling opportunities for the public.

Highlights of the proposed regulations include:

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o Eliminating stocked-extended regulations on Cayadutta Creek and West Branch Limestone Creek;

tive fashion that responds to changing needs and I o Clarifying that inland trout stream regulations apply to Nassau and

The New York State Trout Stream Management o Aligning the catch-and-release brook trout season with the brown Plan established categories to clearly define fish- and rainbow trout season on the Carmans River; and

their preferred trout stream fishing experiences. o Extending the brown and rainbow trout season to year-round on

The full text and a summary of the proposed regulatory changes are share physical and biological characteristics that available on DEC's website. https://dec.ny.gov/regulatory/regulainfluence its ability to support trout and trout tions/proposed-emergency-recently-adopted-regulations

DEC is interested in anglers' viewpoints and encourages public feedback on these proposals. Comments should be submitted via e-mail o Creating a wild-quality reach on Camden Creek; to regulations.fish@dec.ny.gov with the subject line "Trout stream regulations" or via mail to the Inland Fisheries Section, NYSDEC, 625 o Creating a stocked-extended reach on Ischua Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4753. Comments will be accepted through Sept. 9, 2024.

# Radio Catskill Receives CPB Grant Next Generation Warning System Joins Stations Across the Country Upgrading

Equipment for Public Safety (July 11, 2024) - Radio Catskill has been awarded funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) to upgrade equipment to provide enhanced emergency alerting. CPB has awarded 13 grants to date through the first round of funding for the Next Generation Warning System (NGWS) grant program, funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Radio Catskill joins public media stations Unalaska Community Broadcasting in Alaska, South Texas Public Broadcasting System, and North Country Public Radio (New York State) in this latest round of funding.

"Public media stations have long played a vital role in emergency alerting in communities across the country," said Patricia Harrison, president and CEO of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. "The Next Generation Warning System grant program helps public media organizations, especially in rural areas, replace and upgrade their infrastructure so that they can continue to keep their communities safe."

Radio Catskill General Manager Tim Bruno said, "Ultimately, we are a public service. This grant is crucial to our ability to maintain consistency and reliability in our signal for our communities in The Catskills and Northeast Pennsylvania when they need it most."

Last month, CPB launched a Request for Applications (RFA) portal on the CPB website for a second round of funding for the NGWS grant program. The total amount of NGWS grant funds available in this round is \$48 million, approved in Fiscal Year 2023.

In 2022, FEMA selected CPB to establish and administer the NGWS grant program to help public media stations across the country create a more resilient and secure public alerting system. The program funds public media stations to upgrade their equipment and receive training to enhance alerting and warning capabilities, including the ability to use NextGen TV broadcast technology and comparable digital broadcast technology for radio stations. The program prioritizes public media stations serving rural, Tribal, and underserved communities.

"FEMA is committed to building resilience by rapidly disseminating emergency communications to the public through diverse integrated pathways," said FEMA IPAWS Director Manny Centeno. "FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) provides a suite of tools and resources for local authorities to effectively send emergency communications to the public. We continue developing the Next Generation Warning System concept as we improve continuity and leverage new technologies, such as ATSC 3.0, that can reach the public wherever they are."

Here are the latest stations to receive NGWS grants:

Unalaska Community Broadcasting/KUCB-FM, Unalaska, Alaska, up to \$224,081 to install and upgrade emergency alert system equipment and add needed resiliency equipment.

South Texas Public Broadcasting System/KEDT-TV/FM & KVRT-FM, Corpus Christi and Rancho Viejo, Texas, up to \$536,921, to replace equipment to increase transmission reliability and prepare KEDT for ATSC 3.0 broadcast capabilities. The upgrades to the TV and radio transmissions will ensure that KEDT can provide critical news and information to the coastal region in South Texas during emergencies.

Radio Catskill/WJFF-FM, Liberty, NY, up to \$135,439 to replace critical broadcasting infrastructure to ensure emergency alerts can be sent to rural and underserved communities.

North Country Public Radio/St. Lawrence University/WSLU-FM, Canton NY, up to \$109,675, to expand coverage into two currently unserved portions of northern New York and replace and upgrade critical broadcasting infrastructure to ensure emergency alerts can be sent to rural and underserved communities.

They join Alabama Public Television, Alamo Public Telecommunications Council (KLRN-TV, San Antonio, TX), Bethel Broadcasting (KYUK/TV-AM-FM, Bethel, Alaska), Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Indian River State College (WQCS, WQCP, and WQJS, FL), Delta College Public Media (WDCQ, MI), Community Radio Project



(KZET-FM, KSJD-FM, and KICO-FM, Four Corners region), KSTK Stikine River Radio (CoastAlaska) and Silakkuagvik Communications Inc. (KBRW, AK), which have also received grants from the \$34 million in FY 2022 funding that CPB is awarding over two years. **About the NGWS Grant Program** 

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has awarded CPB a total of \$96 million in FY 2022 and FY 2023-appropriated funds to establish and implement the Next Generation Warning System (NGWS) grant program. CPB is administering a competitive grant program for public television and public radio stations to replace and upgrade infrastructure to expand alert, warning, and interoperable communications, creating a more resilient and secure public alerting system. For more information, visit cpb.org/NGWS or email us at ngws@cpb.org.

#### **About CPB**

The Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), a private, nonprofit corporation authorized by Congress in 1967, is the steward of the federal government's investment in public broadcasting. It helps support the operations of more than 1,500 locally managed and operated public television and radio stations nationwide. CPB is also the largest single source of funding for research, technology, and program development for public radio, television, and related online services. CPB is also the largest single source of funding for research, technology, and program development for public radio, television, and related online services. For more information, visit www.cpb.org and follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn and subscribe for email updates. About Radio Catskill

WJFF Radio Catskill is an independent community voice of the Catskills and Northeast Pennsylvania. We connect listeners through locally focused and globally aware programming to inform, entertain, and inspire our communities, and promote understanding among people of diverse social, cultural, economic, and political backgrounds.

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DEC Announces 15-Pound, 14-Ounce Longnose Gar Breaks State Fishing Record Winner of angler awards holding Longnose Gar June Catch from Butterfield Lake in Jefferson County is First Fish to Set a State Record in 2024



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar today announced a new state record for longnose gar was set on June 21, 2024. Using a topwater swimbait, Chuck Zimmerman of Hilton, Monroe County, reeled in a 15pound, 14-ounce longnose gar from Butterfield Lake in Jefferson County. The record-breaking catch surpassed the previous state record longnose gar, caught from Lake Champlain in 2018, by one pound and four ounces.

"From the Hudson River to the St. Lawrence River, Lake George to Chautauqua Lake, New York waterways support strong, healthy fish populations and provide world-class fishing opportunities for anglers of every level," Interim Commissioner Mahar said. "DEC congratulates Mr. Zimmerman on an impressive catch and encourages all anglers to take advantage of the state's plentiful fishing opportunities\_in the hopes they too can catch a new state record or other Angler Achievement Award when they cast their next line."

The prehistoric longnose gar prefer shallow weedy areas of larger lakes and can be found swimming near the water's surface. In New York, longnose gar are primarily found in the St. Lawrence River, Niagara River, Lake Champlain, eastern Lake Ontario, and larger tributaries to these waters. Evolutionarily speaking, longnose gar are

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-Going Towards Olivebridge	7.5 Miles
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Bingo at the Monticello Elks Lodge Every Tuesday at 7 PM 46 North Street in Monticello For information contact Past Exalted Ruler Ronni Scannell at (845) 701-0695

considered living dinosaurs and New York is fortunate to have these fish swimming in its waters today. Their long, needle-like snout is filled with rows of teeth, making them unmistakable from other fish species.

Mr. Zimmerman submitted details of his winning catch as part of DEC's newly revamped Angler Achievement Awards Program, which also tracks state record fish. Through this program, anglers can enter freshwater fish that meet specific qualifying criteria and receive official recognition of their catch along with a species-specific sticker commemorating their achievement. The three categories that make up the program are: Angler Award, Youth Angler Award, and State Record. As part of the program revamp anglers can now submit entries for qualifying catches from the convenience of their smart phone through an online entry form. The program further supports the Governor's "Get Offline, Get Outside" initiative, which was launched earlier this month to promote physical and mental health by helping New York's kids and families to put down their phones and computers, take a break from social media, and enjoy recreation and outdoor social gatherings.

**St Francis Church** 4020 State Route 52 Youngsville, NY 12791

# Giant Bazaar in our parking lot

Friday and Saturday, July 19 and July 20, 6 to 10 pm

# Two fun-filled nights of games, prizes food and DJ Music

Rain Date Sunday, July 21

## Exclusive Interview: CBS6 Albany Discusses Molinaro's New Proposal For Illegal Immigrant Registry

Washington, DC -- CBS6 in Albany sat down with Congressman Marc Molinaro to discuss new legislation he put forth in response to the rape of an Albany teenager by an illegal immigrant. The bill will create a Department of Homeland Security registry of illegal immigrants who have been convicted of a felony.

In New York, illegal immigrants found guilty of felonies are not always deported because the state's sanctuary state laws prevent coordination between law enforcement and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Watch the full clip here. https://x.com/marcmolinaro/status/1810718494100488423

## DEC Releases Draft Regulations for Review to Protect Freshwater Wetlands Across New York State

Proposal Would Protect an Estimated One Million Additional Acres of Wetland Habitat and Address Changes to Freshwater Wetlands Act

Comments Accepted through Sept. 19; Hearings Scheduled Sept. 10 and 12

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar announced the release of proposed regulations to protect freshwater wetlands across New York State. The draft regulations are now available for public comment until Sept. 19, and would safeguard an estimated one million additional acres of unprotected wetland habitat by expanding the number of wetlands regulated by DEC.

"Wetlands provide economic and ecological benefits to all of New York's communities by improving natural resiliency, helping protect communities from flooding, particularly in response to climate change, while providing essential habitat for fish and wildlife," Interim DEC Commissioner Mahar said. "I encourage New Yorkers to review this proposal and provide input as we fulfill Governor Hochul's commitment to modernize wetlands protections and work to ensure the long-term health of these vital ecosystems."

Freshwater wetlands are lands and submerged lands-commonly called marshes, swamps, sloughs, and bogs-that support aquatic or semi-aquatic vegetation.\_New York's Freshwater Wetlands Act was enacted in 1975 and modernized as part of the 2022-2023 Enacted State Budget. The proposed rule would take effect in January 2025 and clarify jurisdictional status of smaller wetlands of "unusual importance" that meet one of 11 specific criteria contained in the newly amended Freshwater Wetlands Act. In addition, the draft regulations provide a revised wetlands classification system and a process for the public to request and appeal jurisdictional determinations.

The proposed regulations continue DEC's ongoing efforts to involve interested stakeholders in regulation development and, along with public feedback, build upon an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rule Making DEC released in January 2024. The proposed rule and supporting documents can be viewed and downloaded on DEC's website.

DEC encourages the public to comment on the proposed regulations. Comments will be accepted through Sept. 19, 2024, and can be submitted via e-mail to WetlandRegulatoryComments@dec.ny.gov (subject: "Wetlands Part 664 Comments") or via mail to NYSDEC, Attn: Roy Jacobson, Jr., 5th Floor, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4756.

The public can also provide comments during virtual and in-person public hearings. The virtual public hearings are scheduled Sept. 10, at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. An in-person public hearing is scheduled Sept. 12, at 1 p.m. at the DEC office at 625 Broadway, Albany, NY. Registration for the public hearings can be found on DEC's website. https://dec.ny.gov/regulatory/regulations/proposed-emergency-recently-adoptedregulations

#### ALICE IN SCIENCELAND SATURDAY, JULY 27th at 2 PM at The New Agri-Cultural Center at Farm Arts Collective A 30-minute musical play for families. A fun,

#### musical, natural sciences spin on ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Damascus, PA--- Farm Arts Collective will present their natural science-based performance for children entitled ALICE IN SCIENCELAND on Saturday July 27th at 2 PM. The performance features a host of the Farm Arts Collective company members and the performance is followed by a Q and A with a retired NASA climate scientist.

The story follows a young science student named Alice who falls asleep while studying for her science exam. Suddenly a white rabbit appears and assumes the role of her tutor. White Rabbit takes Alice down a rabbit hole and embarks on a journey with her. Alice shrinks and grows (in a delightful stilt-walking sequence) and meets a host of characters from her natural sciences text book.

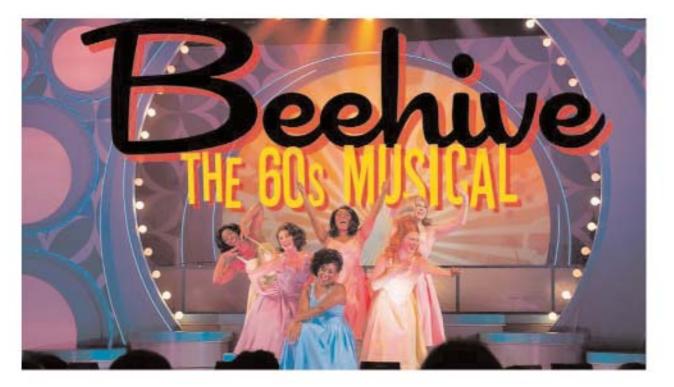
In Alice's adventures in Scienceland, she meets Cilly, a singing microbe on a compost pile, a mysterious dancing Fungus, a sickly Atmosphere in the clouds, and the stormy Hydrosphere. Each character feels the effects of human encroachment on their natural states of balance, habitat, and their very existence feels imperiled. At each encounter she learns new scientific facts and gains important environmental perspectives about the climate. Alice returns home ready to take her test and fight for a healthy planet.

Alice in Scienceland is performed by Farm Arts Collective and directed by artistic director, Tannis Kowalchuk. The cast includes Pam Arnold (Foley Sound Artist), Jess Beveridge (Alice), Ginny Hack (Fungus), Annie Hat (Cilly), Tannis Kowalchuk (White Rabbit), Doug Rogers (Atmo).

ALICE IN SCIENCELAND is an all-ages show best suited for ages 5 and up. It has evolved from Farm Arts Collective's performance entitled The Scientists which premiered in 2021 on Willow Wisp Organic Farm, part of DREAM ON THE FARM a decade-long series of climate change plays, featured in the New York Times.

Show runtime: 30 minutes with a 15 minute talk back with NASA Scientist Elaine Matthews to follow. Carrot snacks will be offered.





## Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Presents:

## "A Taste of Broadway III"

The Shadowland Theatre at 157 Canal St. is featuring this rollicking '60's Broadway musical coupled with lunch at Gaby's Café, 141 Canal St., Ellenville, NY.

Date: Sunday, August 25th - Lunch at 11:45, 2 pm show.

## Price: \$99 includes lunch, show and fundraiser.

\*If you are a paid season subscriber to Shadowland, your price is \$74.

(Please make check payable to: "ERH Auxiliary" along with your phone #, choice of entrée and if you are a season subscriber.

Mail to Helene Morris, PO Box 105 Spring Glen, NY 12483 Call 845-210-7120 with any seating requirements or questions.

## "A TASTE OF BROADWAY III"

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

11:45 Start/Open Seating (Cash Bar)

<u>Menu</u> Chips & Salsa Gaby's House Salad Choice of Entrees

Pollo 5 de Mauso

Egg battered, pan seared chicken breast with capers, fresh tomatoes in a reduction of fresh garlic, white wine and lemon juice.

Pernil al Horns

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style

Pasta Primancra

Roasted Vegetable over Pasta



Assorted Cookies,

Soda/Coffee/Tea Included

(Please call Helene Morris. Auxiliary Event Coordinator at 845-210-7120 with your selection)



# August 3rd, 2024 5:30 pm

Bring a covered dish to share Enjoy good food and fellowship

> and don't forget to check out the tables filled with a variety of collectibles, household items and more that will be available for sale

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall (Intersection of Sundown Rd., Peekamoose Rd. & Greenville Rd., Sundown, NY 12740)



## Get Museum Membership & FREE Admission to over 30 Museums <u>for only \$25 a year</u>!

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## Time and the Valleys Museum

P.O. Box 254, 332 Main Street, Grahamsville NY 12740

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#### Do you have crafts you want to sell?

Do you have outdoor and sportsman equipment you want to sell? Do you have gently used items you want to sell? Do you have antique household and small farm equipment you want to display? Do you have tractors or antique vehicles you want to show off! Are you 13-21 years old with a special tractor? We have a trophy category just for you!

And for those of you 12 and under with your very own tractor, we have trophies for you!

If you answered YES to any of the questions then WE WANT YOU!

Come join us at the 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NRAMA ANTIQUE TRACTOR SHOW On September 21<sup>st</sup> (raindate Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>) At the Grahamsville Fairgrounds (Grahamsville NY)

#### From 10-6

Be part of a fun day filled with tractors, farm machinery displays and demonstrations; live entertainment; craft, sports & yard sale vendors;

beer garden with Bridge & Tunnel local brewery; and lots of food including the Grahamsville Fire Dept. famous chicken BBQ (from 4-6).

For more info on the tractors and antique vehicles contact Paul Kelly @ 845-985-0081
\*\*\*For more information on how to become a vendor or if you have any antique household & small farm
equipment you want to display contact Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401 OR at cherwoehl@gmail.com \*\*\*
(LEAVE A MESSAGE IF NO ANSWER)

Check out our NRAMA Facebook page for more details on the show and info on how to get your raffle tickets (for some incredible gift card prizes!)

## **Claryville Fire Dept.**

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

# All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



# Sunday, July 21st

Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$13 Senior Citizens (age 65 +): \$11 Children Ages 5-11: \$5 Under 5 Yrs. Free Take-outs: \$13 Call 845-985-7270

Pancakes, French Toast, 3 eggs any style, Hash brown, Sausage, Man-n-moon, Spud-eggo, Oj, Coffee / Tea

\$50 from the Breakfast Is Donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

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#### JULY 11, 2024







## COME JOIN US FOR THE

THE NEVERSINK RONDOUT ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION'S 24th ANNUAL TRACTOR SHOW

on

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21 from 10 am - 6 pm (rain date Sept. 22) at the GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS

COST: \$5 PER CAR

\*\*\*\*\*IT'S THE YEAR OF THE JOHN DEERE\*\*\*\*\*

(But all tractor models are welcome!)

Several makes/model tractors & farm equipment w/hit & miss engines, shingle mill, sawmill A showroom of antique household and farm machinery

Food by our Grahamsville Fire Dept. & Tri-Valley Little League including a Chicken BBQ Dinner from 4-6 pm (pre-orders available at <u>fd.grahamsville@gmail.com</u>)

Beer Garden w/Bridge & Tunnel brewery & entertainment by Jon Zanger & DJ Mark Hyser

Craft, yard sale, sports and machinery equipment vendors Hayrides, Pedal Tractors, Timmy the Train, Tractor Bingo & more TRACTOR PARADE © 1 PM

Trophies awarded for

Best Featured Tractor (John Deere), Best Restored Tractor, Best Original Condition Tractor, Best Garden Tractor, Best Young Adult (13-21) Tractor, Furthest Traveled Tractor and to all Tractors from ages 12 and under.

> Classic and antique vehicles welcome. Club membership not required. ALL TRACTORS MUST REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE IN SHOW

Want more info? Contact: Paul Kelly @ 845-985-0081 or Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401 (if no answer leave a message and we'll get back to you as soon as possible)

Check out our NRAMA Facebook Page for additional info on the show and the raffle.





## ULSTER BOCES AND ELLENVILLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

Over the past school year, Ulster BOCES has placed more young professionals in internships than ever before. On June 12, both young professionals and business partners were recognized at an event held in the Mohonk Mountain House Pavilion. This celebration marks the culmination of dedication, growth, and achievement for Ulster BOCES interns and the deep commitment and support the business partners have provided them.

In addition, business partners (including Ellenville Regional Hospital) were recognized for their continued support of the Ulster BOCES Workplace Learning program. There were 257 Ulster BOCES young professionals participating in internships or capstone work as of June 10, many of which were paid, with the remaining being experiential or clinical internships. This year there were 82 paid internships averaging over \$18,000 per week combined. As these numbers continue to grow year after year, Ulster BOCES is proving to be an economic development engine for Ulster County and the Hudson Valley and Ellenville Regional Hospital is proud to support them.

## SAVE A LIFE! DONATE! SHARE OUR STORY!



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

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

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

## More about our warrior Nick....

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

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

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



For any other questions 845.798.2077 nickneedsokidney@gmail.com

















### You are invited to get involved! Make a difference in your community today.

Volunteering with Sullivan 180 offers diverse opportunities for grassroots engagement while connecting people with places and one another. We are looking for volunteers to help with: beautifying schools and public spaces; teaching workshops; leading health and wellness programs; and outreach support. Volunteer opportunities are matched to individual skills, interests, and availability.

Why volunteer? Volunteering:

- connects individuals to their community;
- Teaches new skills;
- promotes physical activity;
- and so much more!

"I was born and raised in Monticello, and it feels good to give back. Lenjoy working with everyone involved. I volunteer because I want to make a difference where I live."

-Diane Moss, Community Volunteer

## COMMUNITY HEALTH CHAMPION & VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

Wednesday, April 24 6:00-8:00 PM

CVI Building, I Cablevision Center Drive, Liberty

#### Register at Sullivan180.org.

Questions? Contact Anne-Louise Scandariato at Anne-Louise@Sullivan180.org or (845) 295-2405.





ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB BOX 25 CLARYVILLE, NEW YORK 12725 PHONE 845-985-2943 or 845-985 7162 EMAIL bungst01@gmail.com GLENN EMAIL tmatthewsm88@gmail.com TOM

## **2024 SHOW DATES**

#### THURSDAY 7/4/24: LIBERTY RISING STREET FAIR

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARKING LOT, NORTH MAIN STREET, LIBERTY, NY 12754

SHOW TIME 9:00 AM TILL 4:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:00 PM PARADE LINE UP 11:30 AM. PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 25; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW. RAIN DATE 7/6/24.

#### SATURDAY 7/13/24 WURTSBORO FOUNDERS DAY

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, MAIN STREET WURTSBORO, NEW YORK 12790

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:30 PM PRICE \$15:00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 30; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; BOARD OF TRADE CHOICE; CLUB PICK AND BEST OF SHOW.

#### SUNDAY 8/11/24 MONTICELLO BAGEL FEST

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, BROADWAY MONTICELLO, NY 12701

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 3:30 PM PRICE \$15:00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 40; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW

#### SATURDAY 9/21/24 OUTPOST BBQ SHOW

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, 6611 ROUTE 209 KERHONKSON, NY 12446

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 4:00 PM PRICE PER VEHICLE \$15.00 TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 25; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; OUTPOST BBQ CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW.

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## THE WIZARD OF OZ

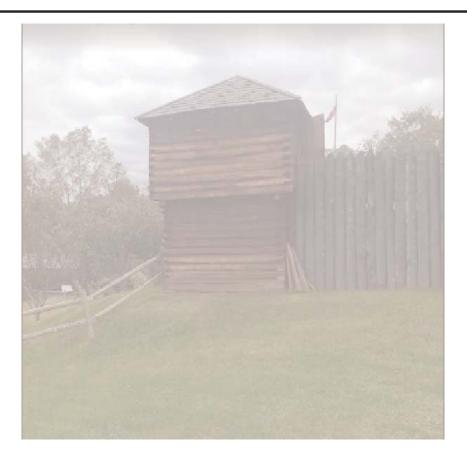
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https://www.onthestage.tickets/show/phoenicia-playhouse/66689a5795197f0ef0216a85/tickets

## BUY TICKETS

# Primetimers Self drive trip to **Buck Brook Alpacas** in Roscoe Private tour Create a fiber craft as a souvenir Lunch on your own Only \$25 pp Fri., August 9th

Call Paula for further information and reservations at 845-794-2314



## Primetimers Self-Drive Trip to Fort Delaware in Narrowsburg

## Meet at 10:30 on Friday July 12 Colonial history tour by John Conway

\$25 per person Call Paula for reservations

561-504-7192

## Senior Legislative Action Committee

Our Next Meeting will be on July 26,2024 in the Sullivan County Legislation Room at !0 AM.

Our agenda will be to read the letters and emails we sent to our representatives, and evaluate any responses we received.

Depending on the results, we will plan our next move to protect the ACC and the Garnet Hospitals in both Harris and Orange, from the ruin of health care in all three facilities, due to privatization.

Patients can no longer get the services they need in any of these facilities, and are shipped to parts unknown for any needed specialized care or surgery. This situation is unacceptable and must be stopped.

Hope to see you all, and bring a friend. The more participation we have , the more we can accomplish.



#### News from Representative Ryan

Before providing an update on how I've been fighting for Hudson Valley families, I wanted to address what unfolded over the weekend:

Let me be as clear and unequivocal as possible: there is no excuse whatsoever for political violence.

I am praying that former President Trump continues to make a strong recovery, that those hospitalized with injuries make speedy recoveries, and for the loved ones of Corey Comperatore, a volunteer firefighter who tragically lost his life while shielding his family.

In this deeply divided moment, we must all remind ourselves that there is far more that unites us than what divides us. We must come together as Patriots to lower the political temperature and do what is in the best interest of all Americans.

#### LOWERING THE COST OF GROCERIES

Too much of Hudson Valley families' hard-earned income is spent just trying to put food on the table.

I'm taking direct action to bring down costs, get inflation in check, and deliver relief, which is why, alongside Congressman Molinaro, I'm proud to introduce the Lower Grocery Prices Act to require the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) to analyze the price of groceries over the last 20 years, provide effective solutions on how to lower costs, and develop a national plan to combat the high prices and ease the affordability crisis.

Whether it's taking on price gougers, or fighting back against corporate monopolies, I'll keep pushing relentlessly to lower the cost of living for Hudson Valley families. Watch here . https://x.com/RepPatRyanNY/status/1810790512070131953

#### CELEBRATING THE FOURTH OF JULY

I hope everyone across the Hudson Valley had a happy and safe Fourth of July, coming together to celebrate our nation's founding principles of freedom and democracy, and to honor everyone fighting for these ideals.

America is at its best when we show up, united together. From Middletown, Monroe, and Harriman to Hyde Park and everywhere in between, thank you to everyone who came to celebrate together as a community!

#### FIGHTING FOR CLEAN WATER IN THE HUDSON RIVER

For decades, General Electric (GE) discharged toxic Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) "forever chemicals" into our precious Hudson River, putting their profit ahead of the health and safety of Hudson Valley families, including the more than 100,000 people who rely on the river for drinking water

Last week, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its third Five-Year Report on the progress of GE's cleanup to reduce its PCB pollution. The results reinforced past data that has shown time after time that GE's cleanup continues to fail to meet the progress benchmarks required.

The data is clear: our community simply can't wait any longer. GE's first cleanup isn't passing muster and continues to endanger our families and environment. The time to act is now.

That's why I'm again calling for a more aggressive cleanup by GE and will keep pushing to hold GE accountable for the full cleanup of its mess. Read more here.

#### WORKING TOGETHER WITH FAITH LEADERS

I'm deeply grateful to our faith leaders in Newburgh, Middletown and across Orange County who joined me to discuss our efforts to uplift and strengthen our communities.

I'm looking forward to our continued partnership as we work to deliver for Hudson Valley families.

#### REOPENING THE WURTS STREET BRIDGE



I proudly stood at the Wurts Street Bridge as County Executive to break ground on the rehabilitation of the historic bridge - now I was honored to join in the ribbon-cutting for its grand reopening.

Its reopening is a testament to years of effort across every level of government and proof of our commitment to restoring critical infrastructure across NY-18. I want to thank Governor Kathy Hochul and former Assemblymember Cahill for their critical partnership in making today possible.

The Bridge is essential to our Kingston and Port Ewen communities, a vital artery connecting our families and businesses and it will remain so for generations to come.

## AND FIXING MORE BRIDGES ACROSS THE HUDSON VALLEY

I'm proud to be bringing home a landmark Bipartisan Infrastructure Law investment in Newburgh to overhaul the Route 52 bridge across Interstate 84 and: (Contd. Pg. 57)

## News from Representative Ryan (From Pg. 56)

• deliver safer roads for Newburgh families

• improve the resiliency of Hudson Valley bridges as we bring our infrastructure into the 21st century

create scores of good-paying jobs along the way

I'll keep pushing every day to bring the dollars and jobs from the historic Bipartisan Infrastructure Law home to the Hudson Valley.

#### BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

Maria from my team had a great time helping with passports, Social Security, and more at the C.A.R.E.S. Van's recent visit to the Middletown Farmers' Market.

Thanks to Middletown Director of Economic Development Maria Bruni for joining!

Please also note that the remainder of this week's C.A.R.E.S. Van events have been postponed. My team hopes to bring assistance directly to you in your neighborhood with the C.A.R.E.S. Van again in the coming weeks.

#### DELIVERING DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERANS

Our veterans made huge sacrifices to protect and serve our nation - we owe them a debt that we can never truly repay. That's why this summer I'm launching a series of C.A.R.E.S. Van events to deliver the specialized services that veterans need, directly to them, wherever they are in the Hudson Valley.

As a West Point alum and veteran of two combat tours myself, I'm working every day to deliver the full support and resources our veterans deserve. Whether you need assistance accessing military records, signing up for PACT Act benefits, or just want to come be a part of the Hudson Valley veterans community, hope you'll join my team at one of the events!

## CONGRATULATING OUTSTANDING SENIOR VOLUN-TEERS

I want to give a huge congratulations to Ulster County's James Busby and Roberta Gavner, Dutchess County's Kurt Leuchten and Judyth Petschko, and Orange County's Charles Huber and Marie Orchard who were recently honored at the New York State Office for the Aging's annual Older New Yorkers' Day celebration for their outstanding service to our communities! Your selfless actions inspire us all, thank you for uplifting our neighbors across the Hudson Valley. Read about their amazing work here . https://aging.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2024/04/2024-nysofa-ony-day-book-digital-042924.pdf

HELPING MAKE NY-18 A HUB FOR STEM BUSINESSES I'm proud to have secured \$50,000 for SUNY New Paltz's Hudson Valley Venture Hub to support local businesses in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM.) I'll keep working every day to deliver the resources to help NY-18 thrive as a center for innovation.

#### SUPPORTING WEST POINT CADETS

As the first West Point graduate to represent the Military Academy in Congress, it's always great meeting with current cadets - thank you to the group who recently made the trip to speak with me in my DC office.

West Point also recently marked R-Day, when the newest cadets report for summer training. Welcome to the class of 2028 and our nation's future leaders!

Go Army! Beat Navy!

#### HONORING A HEALTHCARE HERO

Marva Rodney went above and beyond as an emergency room technician in Middletown and was a fierce advocate for her fellow healthcare heroes.

I'm grateful that Maria from my team could join 1199SEIU and Garnet healthcare workers at their picnic to honor Marva's profound legacy of service and compassion.



#### Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

## **1.** Gillibrand joins bills to establish term limits for U.S. Supreme Court, tighten ethics standards

Concerning allegations of misconduct by Supreme Court justices, including lavish gifts, luxury trips, and private jet travel, have intensified the need for more oversight and transparency on the court. Kirsten is committed to holding Supreme Court justices accountable.

This week, she announced her support for the Supreme Court Ethics, Recusal, and Transparency (SCERT) Act and the Supreme Court Biennial Appointments and Term Limits Act, bills that would reform the court by creating better ethics and transparency requirements and setting term limits for Supreme Court justices.

#### 2. Millions for New York

Kirsten is committed to bringing federal dollars home to New York. Just this week, she secured:

\$18.1 million to bring critical upgrades to the Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority's electric bus facility and add three new hydrogen fuel cell electric buses for Rochester-area riders. Read more.

\$8.9 million to bring up to 7 new electric buses to Broome County and create a cleaner commute for millions of riders in the Southern Tier. Read more.

#### 3. Fighting for paid leave

Without universal paid leave, millions of Americans must choose between their livelihood and the health and well-being of themselves and their families. Kirsten is fighting for paid leave for all. This week, she joined advocates and lawmakers to advocate for and highlight the milestones in the fight for national paid leave.

#### 4. Beacon of Hope

This week, Kirsten visited the John Brown Farm State Historic Site in Lake Placid to attend the ribbon cutting of the "Beacon of Hope" sculpture honoring Harriet Tubman's life and legacy.

#### 5. Commemorating Stonewall

On the 55th anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion, Kirsten visited the Stonewall National Monument Visitor Center to announce its grand opening and celebrate its significance.

The SNMVC officially opened on Friday, June 28, and entry for the public is free of charge. For more information on hours and the visitor experience, visit stonewallvisitorcenter.org.

#### 6. Helping constituents with Social Security benefits

A Western New Yorker contacted Kirsten's office for help after he applied for Social Security retirement benefits but could not get substantive updates from his local SSA office. Kirsten's team contacted SSA on the constituent's behalf and verified that he will receive monthly benefit payments of \$2,300 starting in July.

### Gillibrand, A Champion of Government Accountability and Transparency, Announcs Legislation to Reform the Supreme Court

Gillibrand, A Champion of Government Accountability and Transparency, Announces Legislation to Reform the Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Following extensive allegations of misconduct by Supreme Court justices - including secretly accepting lavish gifts and luxury trips, failing to disclose conflicts of interest, and failing to recuse themselves from cases in which they have a vested stake - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand announced her support for the Supreme Court Ethics, Recusal, and Transparency (SCERT) Act and the Supreme Court Biennial Appointments and Term Limits Act, bills that would reform the court by mandating more robust ethics and transparency requirements and imposing term limits for Supreme Court justices.

"The Supreme Court is facing a legitimacy crisis," said Senator Gillibrand. "Justices have secretly accepted private jet travel, lavish hunting retreats, yacht vacations, and more from groups with cases before the court or a vested interest in their outcome. They operate with little to no oversight and rule on cases in which they face a conflict of interest. It's unacceptable and it cannot continue. Today, I am announcing the SCERT Act, commonsense legislation to hold justices on our nation's highest court to the same high standards as other public officials.

"I also support legislation to establish term limits for SCO-TUS justices. This bill will depoliticize an increasingly partisan appointment process by allowing each president to nominate two justices per term. Regular appointments of justices will help ensure that the court reflects the will of American people. These reforms are long overdue and I look forward to fighting to get them passed."

Specifically, the Supreme Court Ethics, Recusal, and Transparency Act would:

o Require the Supreme Court to develop and make public all of its ethics rules and procedures, including its code of conduct

o Require judges to recuse themselves from cases in which they have a clear conflict of interest or put the question of recusal up to a panel of impartial judges

o Mandate public, written explanations for all recusal decisions

o Establish a process for the public to submit ethics complaints against Supreme Court justices and establish an investigatory panel to evaluate complaints

o Require Supreme Court justices to disclose the same information about gifts, travel, and reimbursements as members of Congress

o Address conflicts of interest between judges and parties submitting amicus briefs by requiring those parties to disclose any gifts, lobbying, or spending related to the judge

The Supreme Court Biennial Appointments and Term Limits Act would:

o Require the appointment of a new Supreme Court justice every two years and regulate appellate jurisdiction cases so that only the nine most recently appointed justices hear those cases, effectively establishing an 18-year term limit

o Preserve life tenure for Supreme Court justices by ensuring

that, after 18 years, justices who do not choose to retire can still hear constitutionally required original jurisdiction cases, step in for a recused justice, and exercise any other powers of the office

Gillibrand has been a champion for government accountability and transparency throughout her career. She authored the bipartisan STOCK Act, which banned insider trading by members of Congress, and she now leads the bipartisan Ban Stock Trading for Government Officials Act, which would ban stock ownership and trading by members of Congress, senior executive branch officials, and their families. She was also the first member of Congress to post a daily report listing her official meetings, personal financial disclosures, earmark requests, and taxes online.



#### **Molinaro Memo**

Welcome to the Molinaro Memo: catching you up on my latest moves and work for Upstate New York!

#### Statement On The Trump Assassination Attempt

In the United States, our elections are decided by voters, not violence. I'm thankful that President Trump is safe and join the nation in praying for the injured and mourning the loss of life. Clearly, there was a security failure, and we will seek answers on what happened to allow a near assassination and what steps are being taken to provide protection to President Trump and all candidates moving forward. An independent investigation is required to provide transparency and deliver accountability.

#### **Combatting High Grocery Prices**

As you stocked up on groceries for July 4th, I'm sure you noticed the skyrocketing prices. That's because this year marked the most expensive Fourth of July in history. I'm fighting to bring costs down with my bipartisan Lower Grocery Prices Act. My bill addresses skyrocketing grocery prices by requiring the U.S. Government Accountability Office to analyze the price of groceries over the last 20 years and provide effective solutions on how to lower costs. Putting a national plan in place will combat the high prices and ease the affordability crisis for Upstate NY families.

#### **Bipartisan Bill To Address Violent Crimes In New York**

In response to recent tragedies in which one innocent 15year-old girl in the Capital Region was sexually assault by an illegal immigrant and another 21-year-old girl in Central New York was brutally murder by an illegal immigrant, I introduced the Illegal Offender Registry Act. My bill creates a database within the Department of Homeland Security to include all illegal immigrants who are convicted of a felony so law enforcement and ICE can do their jobs and prevent more crimes. Due to New York's absurd sanctuary city polices, the hands of law enforcement have been tied and my bill ensures they can do their job.

#### **Investments In Upstate New York**

I secured \$2 million for the Leeds Main Street Improvement Project! I fought to deliver these funds for critical improvements to the roads and water infrastructure in Greene County. I'm proud to work alongside local officials who will help see this vital project through.

## TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS AND FALL PREVENTION

### Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3:00 to 4:00 PM Starting July 23, 2024 TWICE a week for eight weeks

Ellenville Senior Housing

15 Healthy Way

We ask that you be willing to make the commitment to be at this class twice a week for all eight weeks. This is a program that builds on each class.

## MUST RSVP

Space is limited! Call 845-340-3456 What is tai chi? Tai chi is a slow, rhythmic, and graceful exercise that promotes good health & overall wellbeing.

## What are the benefits?

- Increase strength, flexibility, and mobility
- Improve posture and balance
- Reduction of pain and stress
- An alert, serene mind
- Harmony of body, mind, and spirit

Sponsored by U.C. Office for the Aging in partnership with Ellenville Regional Hospital. Contributions are welcome and help keep programs available. Thank you. Funding for this program is made possible through NYSOFA and your contributions and is offered as part of the NYS Department of Health and Older Adult Fall Prevention Program.



## Save the date

Catholic Charities 2024 Golf for **Charity Outing** 

## Monday, September 16 est Hills Country Club Middletown, NY

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

For foursomes, sponsorships, and tee signs, contact: Kristin.Jensen@cccsos.org

# HIRING!

Join our team!

#### **Daniel Pierce Library**

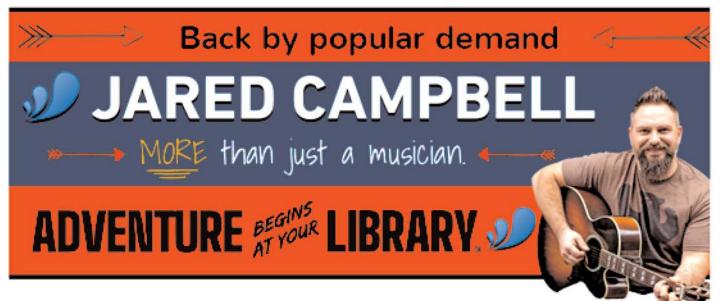
## Part Time Buildings & **Grounds Crew Member**

Candidate will be is responsible for day-to-day general maintenance of the library.

Applicants may drop off or email an application and resume to Beth Wolpert at bwolpert@rcls.org.

# **Daniel Pierce Library**

Entertainment Night 2024



Come to the fairgrounds rain or shine for an enjoyable evening of music and fun!

Thursday, July 25, 2024



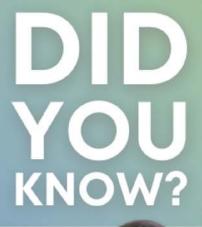
## 6:00 p.m. Grahamsville Fairgrounds Under the Pavilion For children of ALL ages and their families

Jared Campbell is an award winning singer/songwriter from upstate New York. His songs are said to be uplifting, thought provoking and emotionally heartfelt. Jared mixes humor, stories of life on road and personal experience to relate to the audience set before him. He reaches his audience through the power of music! His message focuses on having an amazing outlook on life.

There will be a free book for every child who attends. For your comfort, please bring chairs or blankets. We look forward to seeing you at the fairgrounds!

Open to Tri-Valley Residents. Please register online @ www.danielpiercelibrary.org

https://danielpiercelibrary.org/Pages/Index/229314/entertainment-night-with-jared-campbell



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NEXT MEDICATION TAKE BACK EVENT JULY 26TH 12-4 AT ELLENVILLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL





# ELEMENTARY SOCIAL SKILLS

#### Registration is open for Grades K-5.

Action Toward Independence offers fun and interactive Social Skills groups for children with Autism and other developmental, learning, emotional, and behavioral disabilities. These informative sessions cover topics that promote positive behavior, improve interactions with others and build confidence.

- Manners
- Listening
- Hygiene
- Emotions

Social skills classes will be held in person at ATI Main Office at 309 E Broadway in Monticello, NY. Parents may be required to attend some sessions with their child to offer guidance and support.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Family Peer Advocate (845) 794-4228 info@atitoday.org

Funding is provided by OPWDD. There is no cost to the student or family of students on the Autism Spectrum who receive or are eligible to receive OPWDD services.

Visit our website at atitoday.org



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#### Call for Voices of Survivors

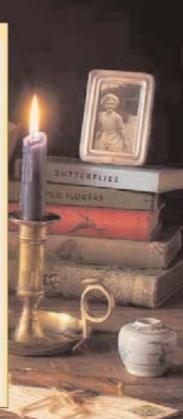
~Be a beacon of Inspiration--

Join our immersive experience with themes of survival, hope and humanity, by sharing your voice as survivors from the Holocaust to present day.

Share your story, your family's story at our host locations: The Liberty Museum and Arts Center, Liberty NY, and the Sullivan County Historical Society Museum, Hurleyville, NY.

Dates for LMAC are May 17-June 9th and At SCHSM are Sept. 12-15th, Sept. 26-29th.

> For more information, contact hope@hopescompass.org

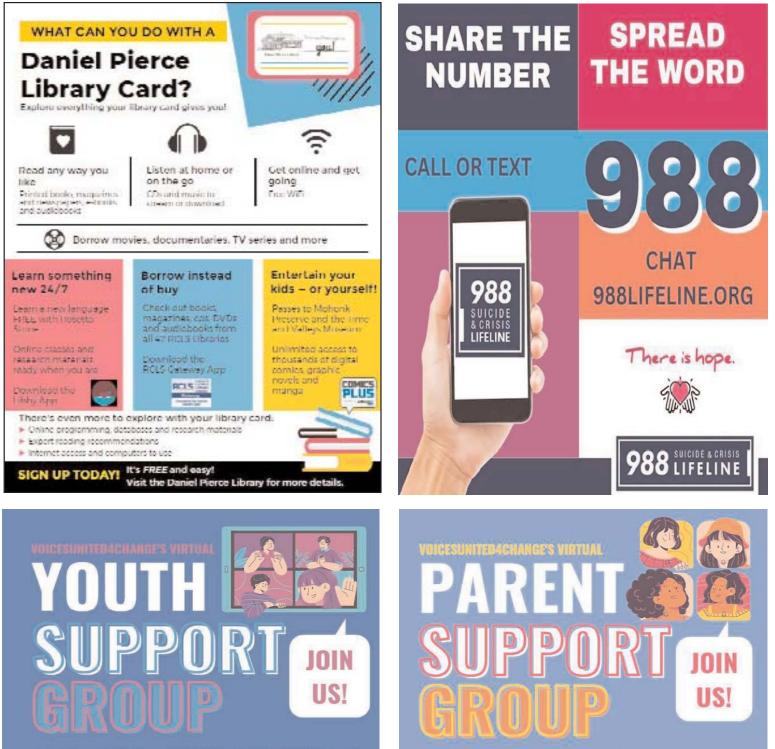




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Join us for a peer led, mental health, lesson based virtual support group for teens ages 13-17. Together we learn about our mental health and do an activity together. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be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

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

EVERY 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM Join us for a peer led virtual support group for parents of children with mental health challenges. Together we have time for conversation and an activity. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

Contact Anne-Marie at afreitas@asfl.org for more information.





## This series is tailored for 16 to 25-year-olds with developmental, learning, emotional, and behavioral disabilities. It helps prepare individuals for the workforce by developing skills such as appropriate workplace behavior, social etiquette, time management, and interview techniques. Other topics include wearing proper clothing and using social cues, such as a good handshake.

## Every Friday from 5:00pm to 6:15pm 309 East Broadway Monticello, NY 12701

FOR MORE INFORMATION: (845) 794-4228 info@atitoday.org



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# Middle School Social Skills



Action Toward Independence offers interactive and fun Social Skills groups for children with developmental, learning, emotional, and behavioral disabilities grades 5 - 8.

The informative sessions cover age-appropriate topics for pre-teens and teens that promote positive behavior, respectful communication, and building confidence.

Social skills classes will be held in person at ATI Main Office at 309 E Broadway in Monticello, NY

## For more information:

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# WEEKLY WARRIOR WALK

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## VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE WELCOMED

ALL ANIMALS ARE ENCOURAGED, BUT MUST BE ON A LEASH. For more information, or to register, please call 845-794-4228 or email smurphy@atitoday.org

CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK OR ONLINE @ WWW.ATITODAY.ORD Action Toward Independence

# **Veteran Peer Support**

Vet 2 Vet offers Veteran Peer Support. Call to speak with our Veteran Peer Advocates. We didn't fight alone while we served, we don't need to fight alone at home.



Call or email us to register! 845-794-4228 vet2vet@atitoday.org 309 E Broadway Suite A Monticello, NY 12701 PAGE 72

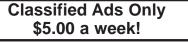
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The time – 1918 post WWI. The place –an Army mental hospital in England. A "Shell Shocked" (PTSD) Lieutenant, a man with no memory of his past or who he is, sits awaiting help.



Seeing a chance to escape he leaves, and is taken in by a a female singer, a beautiful human being (Greer Garson) both spiritually, and physically. They fall madly in love. They have a child. After three years he is beginning to achieve success as a newspaper columnist. Then an accident happens. He is hit by a car and loses his new memories, and all memory of his wife and child. His wife Greer Garson searches relentlessly to find him. She is the Goddess so much in love, that her love won't allow her to give up no matter the task.

Directed by Mervyn LeRoy Screenplay by Arthur Wimperis, George Froeschel, Claudine West. Based on the 1941 best seller Random Harvest, by James Hilton, Produced by Sidney Franklin, Starring Ronald Colman, Greer Garson, Philip Dorn, Susan Peters Cinematography

The film was an instant commercial success and was nominated for seven Academy Awards, including **Best Actor for Colman, Best Supporting Actress for Susan Peters, Best Director for Mervyn LeRoy and Best Picture.** Garson, whose performance was well-received, was ineligible for the Academy Award for Best Actress, as she had already been nominated that year for her role in Mrs. Miniver. I think this is outrageous. Greer Garson did the part, and let me tell you, she did the part. She should have had at the very least the chance to be considered. (Contd. Pg. 73)

Answer to last week's Trivia Question: Little Rascals

This weeks' Trivia question:

*The Aviator* is a biopic, depicting the early years of what legendary aviator?

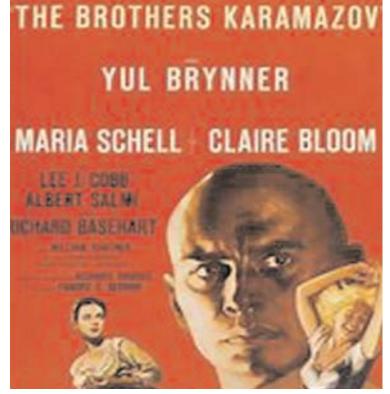
#### (From Pg. 72)

KNÅRF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S WATCH AT YOUR CONVENIENCE STREAMING ON AMAZON.COM

## **Brothers Karamazov**

(1958 / NR / CC / 4.3 out of 5 stars \$1.99 to rent / \$5.99 to buy Prime Video)

Directed by: Richard Brooks Starring: Yul Brynner, Maria Schell, Claire Bloom and Lee J. Cobb.



This is the story based on Fyodor Dostoevsky's 1880 novel of "mans inhumanity to man" in 1870's Russia, and the compassion that we all need to exhibit today. The film marks the frailties of the human condi-





tion concerning Love, Passion, Jealousy, Hate, Greed, Betrayals, Murder, Religions, Money, No Money, God, No God, Good, Evil, Propaganda for Murder of Innocents.



It takes place during the Russian monarchy of Tsar Alexander the II. The propaganda was in need of having an excuse for putting epileptics to death. It was believed by many that epileptics were possessed by demons. **However, aside from this point, the film is a masterpiece of writing, acting, and filming.** 

Marilyn Monroe was rumored to be in negotiations to play the role of Grushenka, but several conflicting accounts arose around the time the film entered production.

> Stay safe, and stay well Knarf Odnamoc Gnome