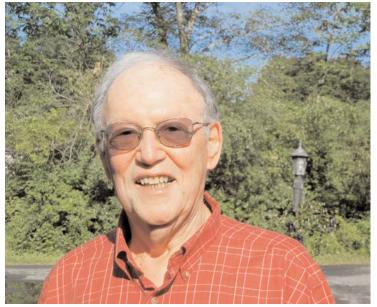


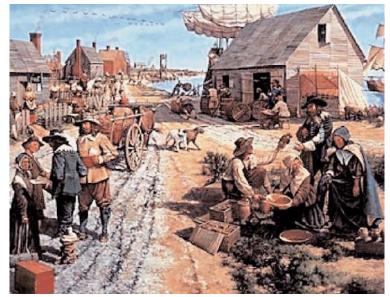
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A Retired Fallsburg History Teacher Reflects on Student Demonstrations



As a retired History teacher, I am so pleased to see young people energized by Juneteenth and the Black Lives Matter movement. (Contd. Pg. 13)

The Story of New Netherland: Dutch Colony 1624 - 1664 A Zoom Talk by the Time and the Valleys Museum



[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Join the Time and the Valleys Museum for a virtual program on ZOOM: The Story of New Netherland: Dutch Colony 1624 - 1664 on Sunday, July 12, at 2 p.m. by historian and former teacher Thomas Riley of New Jersey. (Contd. Pg 4)



Safe Relocation for Wandering Bear

On June 14, ECOs Mike Hameline and Kevin Wamsley received a call reporting a bear in the city of Beacon. The bear was seen wandering the neighborhood during the day and would not leave the highly populated area. Eventually the bear climbed a tree, drawing a crowd. The ECOs secured the area, ensuring people stayed a safe distance away, and a DEC biologist arrived on scene and tranquilized the bear without incident. The biologist darted the bear in the tree with pads set up at the base to cushion its fall.

After ECOs secured the bear, the biologist checked the animal's vitals to ensure it was in good health and tagged it for identification purposes before placing the bear in a trailer for transport. ECOs transported the bear to a less populated area in the county and released it after the effects of the tranquilizer wore off. DEC reminds the public not to interact with bears. (Contd. Pg. 7)

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More than ever, thank you for your support during these difficult times. Wishing everyone well.

ON THE FRONT BURNER: Wealth you get by dishonesty will do you no good, but honesty can save your life. Proverbs 10:2

A message from the **Crowfoot Family**

To our friends and family,

We are gathering together to honor a life well lived. Chris's celebration of life will be on Saturday July 11, 2020 from 2-5 at Dawn and Gina's home:

> 908 Burlingham Rd Pine Bush. NY 12566

We will be observing Social Distancing in their large yard. Our family is looking forward to sharing stories June 29,1960 with you. Chris was full of them! He would love to see us laughing and the 128th Commencement exercises of remember him in this way.

being together at his graveside service in March and we pray it doesn't interfere with our plans now. If it does, we will spread the word asap.

There will be refreshments, however, feel free to bring a dish to share.

For those who are interested, there is a small motel in Pine Bush, clean and pleasant, called Harvest Inn at \$90 a night. 845.744.5700.

There are motels in Middletown and Newburgh, too.

Bring your stories to share! It is time for us to be together and share the love.

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

June 28, 1950

Miss Gladys Tillson, daughter of and Mrs. John Tillson of Ar. Kripplebush, and Mr. Floyd Van Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Van Wagner of Sundown, were united in narriage at the Methodist Parsonage at Napanoch by the Rev. Mr. Baker on Sunday, June 25th.

Charles Klothe and Charles Greenfield are establishing a new business in the village, "Grahamsville Sales and Service Corp." with showroom and offices attached to the present Grahamsville Garage. The new firm will handle electrical and bottled gas equipment in this area.

One of Ehwood Velie's cows got hit by lightning on Tuesday morning.

Mario Costa of South Hill, a senior at Ellenville High School, and a member of the school baseball team the past year, has been ordered to report to Elmira, N.Y. for a try out. Mario will

leave on June 29th for Elmira and will participate in tryouts on the 29th, 30th and July 1st at a Brooklyn Dodger baseball school conducted in that city.

Among the area students graduated from Ellenville High School on June 26th were Frances Furman, Mario Costa, Gerry Christensen, Joan Merigliano and Shirley Schubert. Students graduated from Liberty High School were Virginia Alzman, Jackie Denman, Carol Nielsen and Richard Slater.

Three local men received degrees at New York University on the campus at Covid 19 prevented us from all University Heights in the Bronx. Supervising Principal W. Eugene Ross received the degree of Doctor of Education. Mr. Thomas Arielly of the Tri Valley School faculty received his Masters degree in Education and Mr. Louis Rubenzahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Rubenzahl of Neversink, was awarded a Law degree.

Mr. Richard L. Strangeway, teacher of Vocational Agriculture at Tri Valley Central School, was presented with a ten year service award by the Association of Teachers of Agriculture of New York last night.hn,.

On Sunday morning, three students who recently completed Confirmation Classes were received into the membership of the Grahamsville Reformed Church. They were Merleen Ann Currey, H. Grant Currey and Ralph VanValkenburg, Jr.

Alice Alette Dexheimer, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dexheimer was christened on Sunday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Liberty. A reception was held at their home after the ceremony.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. George Gilles who were married Saturday. Mrs. Gilles is the former Jeanette DePew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude DePew.

July 1, 1970

A heart catheterization procedure, a first for Community General Hospital in Monticello, was performed Friday on a patient who had suffered a severe coronary followed by a complete heart block.

Myrtle Kortright and Sharon Kelly joined the Claryville Dutch Reformed Church on Sunday, June 21st. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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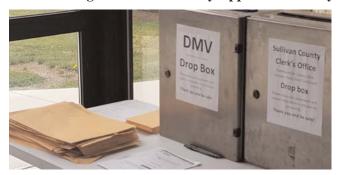
Tri-Valley FFA Marks Year's End Nature Column - Linda Comando Virtually

by Adam Furman, FFA Reporter

With large gatherings still out of the question due to the corona virus, the Tri-Valley FFA held their end- ofthe- year ceremony virtually on June 16th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. During the traditional opening, during which the officers present their roles, the scene switched virtually from officer to officer as they spoke their parts. Speeches and awards were presented and received by club members and 2019-2020 officers were thanked looking into a camera. It was a different and a very unique type of ceremony.

New officers for the 2020-2021 year are: President: Alora Carey, V. President: Jacob Lucek, 2nd V. President: Dylan Poley, Secretary: Gail McAndrrews, Treasurer: Cathy Flores, Reporter: Adam Furman, Web Master: Erin Duffy, Historian: Keara Stroop, and Senteniel: Louis Bilancione.

Sullivan County DMV Drop Box Limited to License Plates and Renewals Office Taking In-Person Visits by Appointment Only



Monticello, NY - As of Tuesday, June 30, the Sullivan County DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles) will restrict drop box business to license and registration renewals and license plate returns.

"Now that we've opened our office to appointments, our phones are ringing constantly, unfortunately leaving our reduced staffed little time to handle material dropped off in our Government Center boxes," said County Clerk Russell Reeves, who oversees the local DMV operations. "Considering too that close to 90% of the dropped-off forms contain errors, my small staff does not have the time to conduct the necessary follow-up and is concentrating on in-person transactions."

All business, whether by drop box or appointment, is being limited to Sullivan County residents only.

The DMV Office is taking in-person visits by appointment only. Customers can call 845-794-3872 to schedule an appointment, but operators are extremely busy and may not be able to answer at that moment. Messages cannot be left at this number - only appointments made with a live operator will be accepted. Walk-ins without an appointment will not be serviced at DMV during this time.

"Please bear in mind that three months of the DMV being closed to the public, as well as, working with a reduced staff, has created a backlog of thousands and thousands of transactions for our county of 75,000-plus residents." Reeves explained. "Appointments are limited, so please advise the office if you need to cancel as a courtesy to fellow residents. We continue to thank you for your patience."

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

Eastern Milksnakes

Snakes are not particularly my favorite subject. However, reading the article from the DEC regarding a Milksnake that decided to move into someone's home, I was tempted to do a little research on this rather large snake. Lampropeltis triangulum, commonly known as a milksnake is a species

of king snake. Milksnakes are medium-sized and are docile. They attain a length of about 3 feet. and have smooth and shiny scales with a typical color pattern of alternating bands of red-black-yellow or white-black-red or occared blotches sionally, instead of bands are seen in some areas. Some milksnakes have a striking resemblance to poisonous coral snakes. This mimicry, known as Batesian mimicry, will scare away



potential predators including fox, raccoons, skunks and coyotes and often, human beings who mistake them for venomous snakes.

Eastern Milksnakes also tend to get mistaken for several other snakes, one in particular, the Massassauga rattlesnake. Juvenile milk snakes, which are more reddish than adults, are often killed because they are mistaken for Copperheads.

Milk snakes are opportunistic eaters. They have been known to consume a variety of animals including rodents, voles, eggs, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and invertebrates. Nevertheless the diet of an adult milksnake primarily consists of rodents.

Milk snakes are solitary species that are only found with other Milksnakes during their winter hibernation. They travel to hibernation sites that will protect them from extreme winter weather. During hibernation their collective mass provides themal moderation that their individual physiology fails to supply.

In the spring, most Milksnakes move away from their rocky outcropping or mammal burrow hibernaculums to farms and grasslands where their is suitable food and cover during the summer.

Milk snakes are oviparous, laying an average of about 10 eggs per clutch. Milksnakes mate from early May to late June. In June and July, the female lays her eggs beneath logs, boards, rocks, and rotting vegetation. The eggs incubate for approximately two months, and hatch around August or September. Several females may lay eggs in the same spot. The mothers do not care for their eggs, but leave them to hatch on their own. The baby snakes use a special "egg tooth" to hatch out of their eggs. The 8 1/2 inch young are colorful with rusty-red blotches.

Milk snakes typically live around 12 years. They are not rare but are secretive, and are rarely seen. They may be found during the day in old barns, under wood or warming themselves on rock walls. If you happen to have a Milksnake move into your yard, remember when you are ready to mow the lawn or use that weedwacker, first disturb the high grasses with a stick to warn the Milksnake so they go back to their safe abode.

Unlike the Milksnakes' poisonous cousins, with their triangle-shaped heads, the Eastern Milksnake is a friend to the farmer and a fine adition to garden ecology.

Household Hints:

For the Best Crust on that Holiday Pie For a great pie crust, add 1 tablespoon vinegar to your

favorite pastry recipe

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

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The Story of New Netherland: Dutch Colony 1624 - 1664

(From Pg. 1) The Story of New Netherland is a powerpoint pres-

The Eagle Court of Honor for Walter Garigliano will be held at the Neversink Fire Hall on Thursday, July 9th. A reception will follow the ceremony.

Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robinson, 3 yrs. the 1st; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Shaver, 15 yrs. the 2nd; Mr. and Mrs. Edward VanDover 20 yrs. the 3rd and Mrs. and Mrs. Kenneth Short, 13 yrs. the 6th.

Senior Patrol Leader Louis Boncek of Troop 187 in Grahamsville has successfully completed his Ordeal Weekend requirements at Beech Mountain and has been accepted as a member of "The Order of the Arrow." Members of the Order are scouts that are chosen by fellow scouts to become members of this honored group.

July 3. 1980

On May 24, 1980, Shirley Mattison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Mattison of Lackawack Hill, graduated from SUNY College at Cortland with a B.A. in Speech Education/Communication.

Joanne Oliver, participating in the Metropolitan AAU Olympic Preliminary Meet, won the 14-15 year old age group race in the 1500 meter run to qualify for the Region I Championship in Greenwich, Conn, on July 19th.

Roy Whipple, 79, of Woodbourne, died Sunday at his home. Mr. Whipple, a longtime area resident, was born August 8, 1900 in West Branch. Denning to Howard and Edith Eckert

Recently, Mrs. Mary McCarthy and Mrs. Barbara Boncek attended the State luncheon of Delta Kappa Gamma International Society, an honorary teaching society for women teachers. Mrs. Boncek received the Marion Masoner scholarship of Comparative Education in England and other European countries. Mrs. Boncek is a teacher of middle school Social Studies at Tri Valley Central School.

News from Catskills Fly Fishing Museum And the Winner is..

Thank you all for your participation in a record speed raffle sale. As announced last Friday, the winner as of this beautiful Hardy bamboo rod is...Douglas Garrity! Congrats Douglas!

To everyone who entered, thank you and we'll be running similar opportunities in the near future!

NEW! Online Book Shop

With so many wonderful titles in our possession we decided to move the online book shop to our main website. You can now browse a visual shop filled with our classic Catskills Fly Fishing literature. Our collection includes first editions, signed by the author, and tributes. We encourage you to visit our site and check out our current selection at our ONLINE BOOK SHOP

Renewing Your Membership for 2020

At the museum we are working hard to become a vital hub for the community of fly fishers, and we need your support. If you are unable to donate and you haven't renewed your membership, we hope you'll consider doing so now. Your membership means a lot to us and will go a long way for our organization now as we continue to build for the future in times of uncertainty. Thank you.



entation which traces the history of the Dutch Colony from the early explorations of Henry Hudson in 1609 to the Village of New Amsterdam (New York City) governed by Peter Stuyvesant, to the spread of settlers



Admission is FREE and Virtual attendance is EASY. Just email the

Museum at info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org to register, and you will receive a reply email invitation with information on how to log in to zoom.us for the talk. Please call 845 985-7700 or

info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org for more information.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum:

Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is currently closed - but hopes to open soon! Ehibitions when reopening:

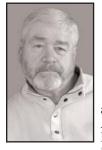
• Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This newly renovated exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.

• Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.

1930s Lost Catskill Farm

• NEW! Once Upon a Time: One Teacher, 8 Grades, One Room School Opening summer, 2020.

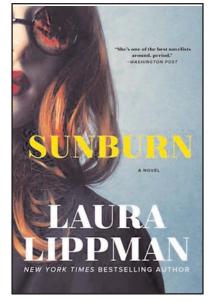
The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. Adults admission is a suggested donation of \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday. As a Blue Star Museum, the Museum offers free admission to active duty military members and up to five family members. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. Groups, camps and schools are always welcome - Guided tours are conducted for groups of 15 to 100 people throughout the year.



Sunburn Mysterious Book Report No. 337 by John Dwaine McKenna

Memorial Day weekend is the traditional start of the warm weather season; a time for vacations, kicking back, relaxing and light summertime reading. And hey, what could be better, we're kicking it off with one of America's most loved, respected and widely-read authors who's always at the top of the *NY Times* bestseller lists.

Sunburn, (William Morrow/Harper Collins, \$26.99, 290 pages, ISBN 978-0-06-238992-3) by Laura Lippman is a psychological suspense novel about a pair of lovers in a relationship based upon lies and secrets. Polly and Adam meet in a bar in the small inland town of Belleville, Delaware. She says she's just passing through on her way out west: headed for Las Vegas. Adam is more ambivalent, but also claims that he's going to be somewhere else when summer ends. That's what they say, but it's not what they do, because they're both holding back elemental details about themselves . . . even as they're inexorably drawn together into a passionate love affair. Polly has a past: seedy, criminal and heartbreaking. She may, or may not, have stolen a fortune from a defenseless child; and she's run away . . . abandoned actually . . . her second husband and three year-old daughter. Adam on the other hand, has a much shorter backstory . . . he's a private investigator who's been hired to find Polly, and the secret cache of stolen money she's suspected of squirreling away. As the summer wears on, the



lovers get more and more involved with each other, until the sudden, violent death of a co-worker. It's officially ruled an accident, but was it? Will the star-crossed pair survive as a couple or will their deceits and personal failings catch up with them in the end . .

The pace is relentless, while the suspense and psychological twists just keep on coming in this thriller from the hand of one of the most esteemed writers working in America today, and a great way to start your summer reading!

Like the review? Let your friends know, You saw it in the Mysterious Book Report, because the greatest compliment you can give is to share our work with others.

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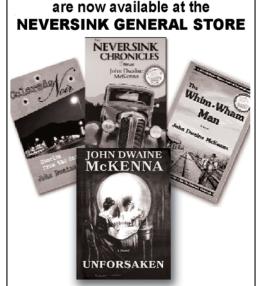
> Johndwainemckenna.com or Mysteriousbookreport.com ***THANK YOU VERY MUCH***

Rattlesnake Relocation

On June 20, ECO Jeff Cox received a call from a concerned homeowner in Copake reporting a large rattlesnake on their front porch. The homeowner sent pictures of the pit viper, confirming it was a timber rattlesnake. Timber rattlesnakes are the largest venomous snake in New York and listed as a threatened species. The rattlesnake appeared to come and go over the weekend before slithering under the house, causing the homeowner to worry it was taking up residence there. Members of DEC's Division of Law Enforcement consulted with wildlife staff and decided to trap and relocate the rattlesnake. After a few unsuccessful attempts, ECO Cox wrangled the rattlesnake

into a container on the morning of June 24. The rattlesnake was transported to a location in the Taconic Mountains, which is a known den site and released unharmed. The homeowner expressed great appreciation that the unwanted guest was removed from their residence.





John Dwaine McKenna's Books

BERVATICE

Wildlife Response Team Rescues Milk Snake

On June 23, ECOs Nathan Doig and Dustin Osborne received a complaint that a milk snake had found its way into a residence in the town of Davenport and was trapped in a live wire electrical box. Officers responded to the residence with snake tongs and hand tools to safely remove it. First, ECOs shut off the main breaker as a safety precaution, eliminating power to the house. Next, ECO Osborne removed the cover to the

electrical service box while ECO Doig used snake tongs to safely remove the snake from inside the electrical panel. The snake appeared to have entered the electrical panel through the conduit feed entering the home from outside power lines. ECOs released the snake back into the wild without any harm.

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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*



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The Olive Jar-By Carol Olsen LaMonda

The Long Haul

June 27, 2020

Today is my wedding anniversary. Fifty-five years have gone by since we said our "I do's." Looking back, the time flew by. Raising kids, working, building a home, traveling, but mostly it was living the day-by-day togetherness. We signed

on for the long haul...the death do us part thing. We may have had hopes and dreams, but marriage is the long haul of daily sharing of what life throws at you. It is that attitude that I have decided to face the unknown future in a world overshadowed by a global pandemic.

Marriage is the daily living, the daily sharing of the delightful or messy minutiae of life...the good, the bad, and the ugly. It is traveling to Greek Isles and the emptying of the cat's litter box; it is kayaking on the lake, and it is mucking out the pig stalls; it is lobster or leftovers; it is easy or downright frustrating.

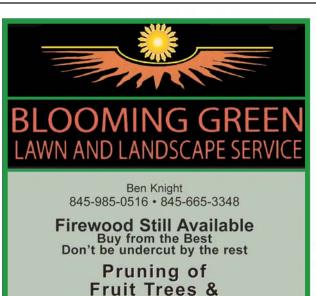
It is a progression of baby showers, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, and it is a series of funerals to bid farewell to family and friends. Marriage is measured in the number of dogs and cats we loved and family that grew from just us two to two sons and daughters-in-law and three grandchildren.

As we face the future of living in constant fear of the Covid-19 Virus, I think I shall take a lesson from my own marriage. As a twenty-one year old, recently graduated from college, I faced some fears along with joyful expectations. The future just unfolded one paycheck and bill at a time, one shopping trip and meal at a time, one step forward at a time sharing a joy or one step back facing an obstacle together.

The pandemic is just one more speed-bump on a journey, a journey I decided fifty-five years ago to walk along side someone one step at a time for the long haul.

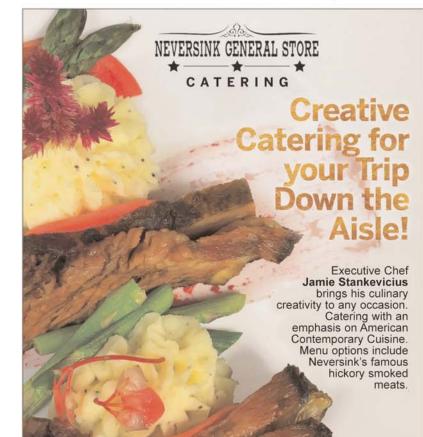






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CWC Board Approved Public Education Grants

Grants totaling nearly \$134,000 were recently awarded by the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) to schools and non-profit organizations planning Watershed Education projects and programs.

Twenty four grants will bring lessons in water quality and the New York City water system and Watershed to more than 64,000 students and teachers, as well as 5,300 people who will participate in programs and projects geared towards general and adult audiences.

Grants will fund a range of projects, from Watershed education initiatives at Hanford Mills Museum in East Meredith to a water sustainability field trip to Frost Valley YMCA Camp in Claryville for Jefferson Central School. Each will teach the importance of clean water, and the connection between New York City and the Catskill-Delaware Region where most of the City's water originates.

Ten new applicants were approved for funding in this 23rd annual grant round. These include Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden for its Wetlands programs; St. John Preparatory School which will institute it's Trout in the Classroom program; Middle School 371 for its project called "From West Harlem to West of Hudson"; Middle School 442 School for Innovation for their Frost Valley Experience; P.S. 62Q Chester Park for NYC Watershed and Trouts; East Village Community School for a 5th grade watershed community project; Brooklyn Urban Garden Charter School for Trout in the Garden Project; Queens Museum for a project called "Bridging the Gap: Science, Art and the NYC Water Supply System"; Edible Schoolyard NYC for a project called "A water study, from Harlem to Ashokan and back again"; and The Red Hook Neighborhood School PS 676 with a program called "Red Hook and Beyond."

Recipients in the upstate Watershed region include Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County, Woodstock Day School, Time and the Valleys Museum, and Olive Free Library.

New York City recipients include Washington Heights Expeditionary Learning Center; Columbia Secondary School for Science, Math and Engineering; NYC H2O, Inc.; Middle School 324; Genovesi Environmental Study Center, The Horticultural Society of New York and City Parks Foundation.

Trout Unlimited will also receive a grant to conduct workshops for Watershed and NYC teachers participating in its Trout in the Classroom program.

CWC education grants are provided in partnership with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection.

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. www.cwconline.org Teachers, parents and school administrators will find information on Watershed environmental education programs and resources, including some produced with funds from this grant program, at www.watersheducators.org.

Trout in the Classroom Returning in the Fall

We are looking ahead to the fall and waiting for the State Education Department to determine how and when schools will resume. Whatever the situation will be, we are committed to bringing Trout in the Classroom (TIC) back in a form that works for each individual teacher. At this moment we are still scheduled to have our 2020 Fall TIC Teacher Training and trout egg distribution on Thursday, October 8 at the FDR Library and Home in Hyde Park, NY. (Contd. Pg. 9)

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Trout in the Classroom Returning in the Fall

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Typically, our workshops take place from 8:30am to 2:00pm. Depending on restrictions we may shorten the event, host outdoor only workshops, and/or set up a distribution system for the eggs that will minimize the number of attendees and still get trout into schools. Registration for the meeting is now available. Please register with a phone number and email where you can be reached in case of any changes that may arise. For schools that transition to remote learning only, we hope to offer virtual TIC programming via trout-cams, live presentations, and data feeds. More information will be available in the fall and these programs will be available to everyone!

SAVE THE DATES-2020 Virtual Catskills Youth **Climate Summit**

The Catskills Youth Climate Summit advisory committee is planning its fifth youth summit! This year it will be a VIRTUAL workshop series to educate students about taking climate actions in their school and community (flyer attached). The summit will take place over 4 dates and include a choice of 6 workshops, followed by climate action planning breakout sessions for each school team during the last halfhour.

DATES: Thursdays, Oct. 1, 15, 29; Nov. 12,

2020 via Zoom

TIMES: 3:30-5:00 pm

COST: Free for students grades 7-12 + advi-

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PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOUR SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE.

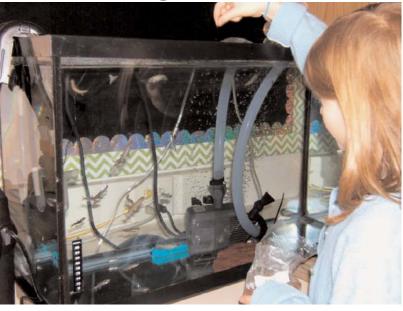
Funding for the Youth Climate Summit is provided by NOAA. Cornell Cooperative Extension is working with funders, The Wild Center and advisory teachers and students to develop this informative and empowering program series.

We look forward to an exciting Youth Summit and welcome your participation in this event! If you have further questions please contact Jeanne Darling (jmd30@cornell.edu) or 607-865-6531.



Here are some learning models that have been made available. Check them out and see if there is something you can incorporate in your lessons.

Hanford Mills Museum has changed their learning that they normally do in a classroom to at home activities that you could do right at home with everyday items. If you are looking participate in any of these activities, contact Samantha Costa at scos-





SAVE THE DATES - FOUR THURSDAYS: 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12 3:30-5:00 pm via Zoom

Learn climate action leadership skills and change the world!

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ta@cwconline.org for the activity guides.

Matt Malina from NYC H2O, Inc has created a portal about the NYC Water system.

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If anyone has any questions on programs at the CWC, please reach out to Samantha Costa for more information scosta@cwcon-

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The Scene Too - Jane Harrison

I don't think I'd be out of line to say that the times are getting stranger. And I'm not ashamed to tell you that I am slowly stocking up again.

Still, I'm gingerly getting out to the Open Mics that seem to be popping up. Thursday night I went to the one out in Parksville at CABERNET FRANK'S hosted this last week by CASWYN MOON. Outside. Tables well socially distanced and the patrons adhering to the guidelines. I can feel as safe as one can feel.

I always go with the expectation of seeing new performers. Meet new interesting people that want to talk to me BEFORE they find out about my columns. And yes, new experiences after being cooped up since early March. Thursday night did not disappoint.

I was able to reconnect with a lovely woman I had met there about two years ago. We have been meaning to have lunch for all that time but our schedules were so hectic. Now is the time.

Open Mics attract amazing musicians. I grabbed this photo while there was still light. (New phone-out of necessity-and not sure how it would photograph in low light). That's British rocker NICK HEATHEN on the keyboard, along with CASWYN MOON on guitar and NICKY REDD on the congas.



SCOTT PALERMO. I've seen him at other open mics, but these things could be a bit noisy in the former life. I finally was able to really HEAR him and his voice that calls to mind Gordon Lightfoot, that beautiful melodic bass-ish tone. All original music too.

Singer EMILY ROSE KEATING was a surprise to everyone. With her voice and professionalism, I just had to ask, "What are you doing HERE?" Turns out, she was scheduled to go on tour when the virus hit. This was the first time she had been out to sing in public since. You can find her originals on Spotify, Apple Music and a host of others.

I also had a chance to chat briefly with KATHY GEARY who hosts the popular JFF radio show NOW AND THEN, since we sort of do the same thing in different medias. She, too, has a magnificent voice as I found out when she took the stage solo.

Another person I had seen at other open mics but never really heard was ALAN SCOTT and I had just missed him. I was able to chat a bit with him about his touring with major names, like BOB DYLAN, but he really wanted to introduce me to BRUCE CONCORS, a documentary film maker whose film LAND OF LITTLE RIVERS made a big 'splash' at the WOOD-STOCK FILM FESTIVAL.

The film is about fly fishing. At last year's TROUT PARADE in Roscoe, I stood mesmerized by the casting demonstration. I watched a true artist tie a fly. And although my idea of fishing is my Dad and I taking our bamboo poles with hooks and red and white bobbers and a can of worms across the road to the river, the artistry of this type of fishing is not lost on me(Contd. Pg. 12) (845) 303-9305 | info@newpaltzeditorial.com



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7 Favorite Foods of the South

Ever heard of the slang term "foodie?" A "foodie" is a person who has a strong interest in food and eats it beyond just sustenance,

but also for a hobby.

That's me. I'm an avid foodie who always searches for the best and most unique food items, especially while exploring new places.

Therefore, while road tripping in the South, I've taken it upon myself to discover the best food available! Without further ado, here are my 7 favorite Southern foods:

1. Gumbo

A soup, thick in both texture and flavor, filled with meat or seafood and various vegetables. This delicacy is popular in New Orleans and you can bet your bottom dollar I got some of that- and enjoyed every bit! **2 Barbecue**



Obviously, the South is popular for its barbecue and it's truly no wonder because they simply do NOT mess around with their meat! I've tried it in

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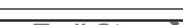
Memphis,

me forever! Rich, soft, flavorful, juicy, fall-off-the-bone. Simply Perfection.

3. Pralines/cookies

In the South, they have exceptional sweets. While in Savannah, Georgia, I inhaled all the pralines and similar sweet treats- and have no regrets! But, was personally blown away by homemade Rice Krispies on popsicle sticks and dark chocolate almond bark! (Contd. Pg 12)







(From Pg. 11) The cast is made up of local guides and professionals of the modern era who continue this art in the birthplace of fly fishing. The film has received accolades from the press not only in the States but worldwide. And, here I am chatting with the producer. More information is available at LANDOFLITTLELAKES. com. (Did I mention that ALAN SCOTT is the stage name for BRUCE CONCORS? Yes, they are on in the same person.) I came home thoroughly exhausted. It felt good.

You just never know who you'll meet at an open mic.

Until next time.....

7 Favorite Foods of the South

(From Pg. 11)

4. Beignets

Yet another fine treat from New Orleans, except this one is for satisfying your sweet tooth! A deepfried, powdered sugar-drenched pillow of deliciousness.

Banana bread pudding

What a surprise this treat was! Originating from the South, this divine and decadent dessert is filled with bananas, custard, and cookies. Basically, in my opinion, the perfect trifecta!

6. Tex Mex

Much like barbecue, this one needs no introduction. The South truly does Mexican cuisine justice and I couldn't help but indulge in it every opportunity I got!

7. Breakfast/brunch

I couldn't end this article without praising all the breakfast and brunch food. Grits and biscuits anyone? On top of those popular Southern dishes, I'm a sucker for all the eggs, waffles, pancakes, hash browns, and so on, but the South truly knows what they're doing with breakfast and brunchin both flavor and portion!

The US has some good grub, but the South has pleasantly surprised this foodie!





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A Retired Fallsburg History Teacher Reflects on Student Demonstrations

(From Pg. 1) During the 1970's when I taught at Fallsburg High Schoo1, I created a course that I called "Minorities: USA" as I felt that minorities were given short shrift in the American History curriculum. The course started with a unit on Native Americans and many of my black students were amazed at the treatment of these original "Americans" and recoiled at the idea that the Spanish tried to enslave natives but that "they didn't make good slaves".

I taught of the genocide practiced in our own country and "The Trail of Tears" ordered by President Andrew Jackson that removed the Cherokees and other Southern tribes to Oklahoma in the 1830s. The next Unit dealt with African-Americans from that fateful day in 1619 to the present. (I retired in the 1990's) The course covered the 13th Amendment added on June 19th 1865 (which was not called Juneteenth in the books then). I taught things that I never learned about when I was in high school.

The promise of Reconstruction was dashed by the assassination of Lincoln and the removal of federal troops from the South that resulted in Jim Crow laws and the rise of the KKK. Students learned of President Wilson's French Directive that forced France to keep Black American troops segregated from white Americans and never honoring black American soldiers in front of white soldiers. Incidentally, a young soldier named Harry Truman witnessed this practice first hand. When he became President, he desegregated the Armed Forces by an Executive Order since the Congress and angry Southern Democrats would not act to do so.

There were units on Mexican-Americans and their treatment in the Southwest and the millions of acres of land that were stolen from them particularly in New Mexico. There were discussions of Cesar Chavez and his "La Huelga" movement. We covered the exclusionary treatment of Chinese and Japanese-Americans. The class watched the internment of the 100,000 Japanese-Americans citizens in the film, "Farewell to Manzanar".

There were units on Catholic and Jewish Americans and how the Protestant majority treated them. Because these groups were mostly white, they were not as terribly oppressed as people of color-Native-Americans, Blacks, Chicanos and Asians. I pointed out that the Irish, in particular, began to discriminate against the Chinese on the railroads and in the mines, a case of "the persecuted becoming the persecutor". I included a unit on Women, a majority that were treated as a minority.

I meet many former students since my retirement. The one thing they never forgot was how much they learned about treating people equally. All people should be treated "on the content of their character" and not on the color of the skin. I am now hopeful that the young people of today will continue with their activism and demonstrations with the hope of changing our society. I would like to see high schools incorporate Minorities: USA into their curriculum. It was such a powerful learning experience for me and for hundreds of my students.

Forestburgh Under the Stars

We at The Forestburgh Playhouse and the Forestburgh Tavern are proud to present the 2020 Summer Season Re-Booted!

We have re-imagined the summer season and have created a series of exciting and safe, outdoor events, including dining, live-music, comedy and more! All events will take place outdoors in our award-winning gardens. Tent seating and lawn seating will be available. Picnic baskets packed to the brim with tasty food and refreshing cocktails will be available to pre-order and an outdoor bar will be open during the events. Every event this summer is part of the Forestburgh Playhouse 75 and Thrive Fundraising Campaign and proceeds will go to help the Playhouse march onwards towards its 75th Anniversary in 2021. Socially Distant and Closer than Ever

Our audiences in the garden will be comfortable seated in socially distanced locations under the tent or in lawn seating. All attendees will be able to relax and enjoy the magic of live entertainment and share the experience of a lifetime responsibly and safely.

The Forestburgh Under the Stars Season includes:

The 75 and Thrive Broadway Concert Series-get ready to welcome the best of Broadway to the Catskills! We have assembled a lineup of incredible Broadway performers, Tony nominees and winners, to dazzle you with their incredible talents! You will not want to miss these incredible cabarets and concertsall benefitting the Forestburgh Playhouse! Performers include Tony winners and nominees, renowned singer-songwriters, jazz and cabaret stars and more!

The Sullivan Catskills Summer Series: featuring Tavern and Playhouse Favorites from our own backyard! -Favorites from our Fall Series at the Tavern and some new exciting talent will grace our outdoor stage this summer! Fan favorites include Slam Allen, Jonathan Charles Fox, Far Beyond Gone, and yet another fabulous drag show from NYC-Paige Turner! Stay tuned for more additions!

All events will start at 7:30PM and will last one hour, without intermission. Restrooms will be available for usage during the performance. A restroom attendant will be present to ensure adherence to safety protocols.

All ticketholders will receive guidelines and protocols prior to arrival and will be seated in comfortable, socially distanced locations.

For more information and to purchase tickets to these outdoor delights-go to www.fbplayhouse.org or check out the events posted on our Forestburgh Playhouse Facebook Page!

Transportation and Town Leaders to Speak at Upcoming Town Halls

Monticello, NY - Legislature Chairman Robert Doherty announces that Rolling V Bus Company President Phil Vallone will join Legislature Vice Chair Mike Brooks, County Manager Josh Potosek and Public Health Director Nancy McGraw at the next Live Town Hall this Monday, June 29 at 1 p.m.

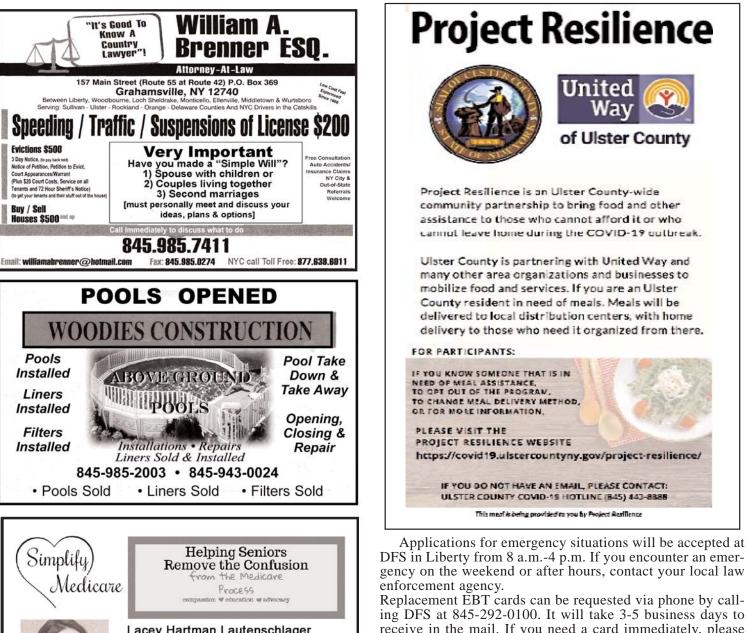
The following Thursday, July 2, Bethel Town Supervisor Dan Sturm and Tusten Town Supervisor Ben Johnson will be the featured guest presenters.

"Phil and his crew operate a local landmark in business and a regional leader in transportation, so his thoughts on the impacts of coronavirus - past, present and future - will be very much worth hearing," Doherty stated. "Dan and Ben will follow later in the week with a look at how our local townships are struggling and succeeding in the wake of COVID-19."

Questions for any of the presenters can be submitted via either email at sctownhall@co.sullivan.ny.us or private message to www.facebook.com/sullivancountygov and are due by 7 a.m. the day of the respective Town Hall. They should be related to COVID-19 (2019 Novel Coronavirus) concerns and issues, phrased respectfully and apolitically.

Each Town Hall will begin at 1 p.m. at:

www.facebook.com/sullivancountygov. The videos will also be made available to view afterwards on the Coronavirus info page on the County's website, www.sullivanny.us.



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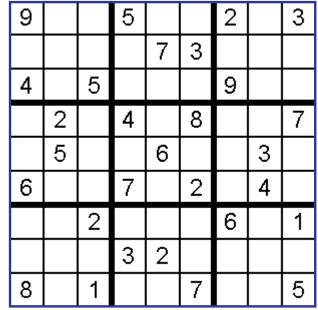
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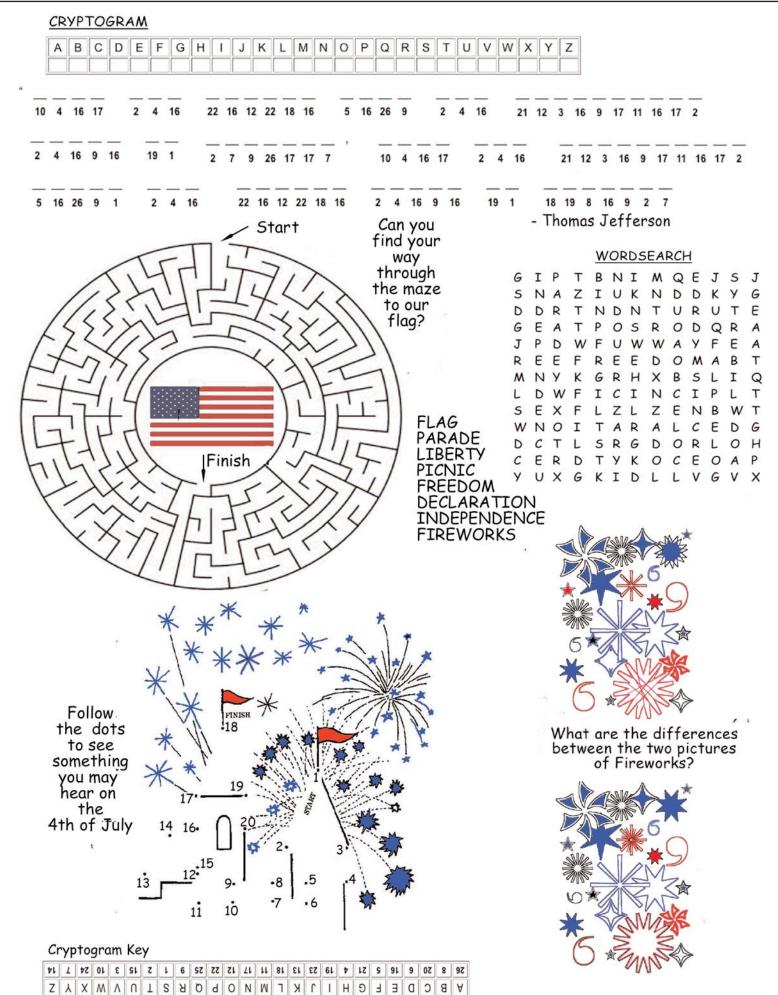
1/4 teaspoon salt • 2 cups flour 1/2 cup sugar • 2 teaspoons cream of tartar 1 teaspoon baking soda • 1/3 cup cold butter 1/2 cup Sour Cream • 1 large egg 3/4 cup blueberries

Mix the salt, flour, sugar, cream of tartar, and baking soda together in a large bowl. Cut in the butter, until the mixture resembles coarse gravel. Mix the sour cream and egg together in a small bowl. Make a well in the flour mixture and pour the sour cream mixture. Mi until most of the mixture is moistened. Gently fold in the blueberries. Turn the mixture out onto a floured work surface and gently incorporat berries. Take care not to over mix. Make 2 balls of dough, and flatten each into 6 inch circles on lightly sprayed cookie sheet, about 3 inches apart. Cut each circle into 4 wedges; do not separate. Bake the scones at 375 degrees for 10-15 minutes or until the scones are lightly golden brown. Cu the wedges apart. Serve warm with red raspberry jam for a Happy July 4th breakfast!

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LEGALS/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Notice of Completion of Assessment Roll

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned, the Assessor for the Town of Denning, County of Ulster, New York has completed the Assessment Roll for SAID Town, for the year 2020. A certified copy thereof has been filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Denning on the 1st day of July, 2020.

Michael B. Sommer Sole Assessor jam June 23th, 2020

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SC Phase 3 Reopening Will Still Require Appointments

Monticello, NY - With the region's entrance into Phase 3 tomorrow, Sullivan County government offices will reopen to walk-ins by appointment only.

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, County facilities have mostly been closed to the public, with phone calls, online transactions and drop boxes taking the place of in-person visits.

"This is a step toward a full reopening, but it will not be business as usual, and the public is encouraged to continue using the above-mentioned alternative methods," said County Manager Josh Potosek. "We will be limiting both the staff on hand and public access so as to maintain safe, COVID-free operations."

The walk-in protocol will be different for various County office buildings:

o Government Center, Sullivan County Courthouse, Public Health Services in Liberty - Buildings open, but walk-ins must have an appointment to visit a specific office.

o Department of Family Services (Travis Building) - Walkins will be limited to safe capacity in the waiting room. Appointments highly preferred.

o Department of Community Services, District Attorney's Office - Buildings closed, prior appointment required.

o Transfer Stations (Countywide), Airport - Open as usual.

o Care Center at Sunset Lake in Liberty, Career Center in Monticello - Closed to in-person visitation at this time.

Proper facial coverings and social distancing will be required at ALL facilities.

Kitten Tests Positive for Rabies in Town of Delaware

Liberty, NY - Sullivan County Public Health Services is advising the public to stay away from stray cats as well as wild animals and to be vigilant of your surroundings, especially if you live or work near a wooded area or neighborhood with feral cats.

A kitten tested positive for rabies and had recently scratched two people in the Town of Delaware. The individuals are being treated for rabies exposure.

"Rabies continues to be a health concern in Sullivan County. Summer and warmer weather mean more time spent outdoors as well as an increase in the wild animal population," said Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "With a few basic safeguards, you can help protect your family and pets from being exposed to the rabies virus. Rabies is a deadly disease that attacks the brain and spinal cord, and can be transmitted from infected mammals to humans and other mammals. Rabies is most commonly found in raccoons, bats, skunks and foxes. Pets can get rabies if they are not vaccinated to protect them from the disease."

The public should be aware that if you feed a feral (wild) cat, it becomes your legal responsibility to care for and vaccinate it for rabies. Kittens that are too young to be vaccinated should be kept indoors until they can be vaccinated, normally at 12 weeks, and annually after that, or a three year vaccine.

The best way to keep pets safe from rabies is to get them vaccinated and keep their shots up to date. If your pet is injured by a rabid animal, contact your veterinarian to get medical attention. Even if your pet has been vaccinated, a booster dose of rabies vaccine may be needed within five days of the incident. Pets that are too young to be vaccinated should be kept indoors and allowed outside only under direct supervision. Contact your local health department to determine what follow-up may be needed.

People can also help protect themselves from rabies by observing the following guidelines:

• Don't feed, touch, or adopt wild animals, stray dogs or cats.

• Be sure your pets and livestock are up to date on their rabies vaccinations.

• Keep family pets indoors at night. Don't leave them outside unattended or let them roam free.

• Don't attract wild animals to your home or yard. Keep your property free of stored bird seed or other foods that may attract wild animals.

• Feed pets indoors.

• Tightly cap or put away garbage cans.

• Board up any openings to your attic, basement, porch, or garage. Cap your chimneys with screens.

• If nuisance wild animals are living in your home, consult with a nuisance wildlife control expert about having them removed. You can find wildlife control experts in the phone book under pest control.

• DO NOT discard a bat found in your sleeping area upon waking, or one you may have come into contact with, try to trap or capture it if you can do it safely, so that it can be tested.

• Teach children not to touch any animal they do not know and to tell an adult immediately if they are bitten by any animal.

• If a wild animal is on your property, let it wander away. Bring children and pets indoors and alert neighbors who are outside.

• Report all animal bites or contact with wild animals to your county health department. If possible, do not let any animal escape that has possibly exposed someone to rabies.

For questions or more information, call Sullivan County Public Health Services at (845) 292-5910; after hours, ask for the on-call Communicable Disease Control nurse.

DEC Announces Additional Campgrounds Opened July 1 to Existing Reservations

Campers Encouraged to Follow Guidelines to Help Prevent Spread of COVID-19 While Enjoying Beauty of Catskills

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced that additional DEC campgrounds in the Adirondack and Catskill parks will open on July 1 to existing reservation holders for the 2020 season. To maintain social distancing and reduce the density of facilities and protect visitors, DEC is not accepting additional reservations or walk-in camping for the 2020 season at this time. Only existing reservations for all DEC campgrounds will be honored. Please visit DEC's website for the latest updates on DEC campgrounds and information about each facility. DEC Campgrounds to Open July 1:

Catskill Park Campgrounds and Day Use Areas

- Beaverkill Campground & Day Use Area
- Devils Tombstone Campground & Day Use Area
- Kenneth L Wilson Campground & Day Use Area
- Mongaup Pond Campground & Day Use Area
- Reopening Fire Towers and DEC Lands to Camping

In addition, State Lands that were temporarily closed to camping will allow overnight camping beginning Friday, June 26, with the exception of Evergreen Pond (Ossian State Forest, town of Ossian, Livingston County), Peekamoose Valley in the Catskills, Otter Creek Horse Trail (Independence River State Forest, town of Glenfield, Lewis County), and Sugar Hill Recreation Area (Sugar Hill State Forest, town of Orange, Schuyler County). Day use is allowed at Sugar Hill State Forest, but the fire tower, gate off Tower Hill Road, and facilities (bathroom, water, campsites) at the fire tower area remain closed. Peekamoose Valley will allow camping starting July 1. Otter Creek and Sugar Hill are expected to open to camping later this summer. Please check DEC's website for the most up-to-date information.

DEC has temporarily stopped issuing permits for backcountry camping for groups of 10 or more. As of June 11, DEC resumed issuing permits for groups of fewer than 10 people who would like to stay for more than three nights at one location on state lands. DEC is also temporarily restricting lean-to use to members of a single household at a time.

DEC-controlled fire towers (with the exception of Sugar Hill) are also reopened to visitors.

For more information on open facilities, visit DEC's camping page. For information about campgrounds operated by the State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation visit the NYS Parks camping webpage.

Campground Safety

According to the NYForward guidance for the reopening of New York State, campgrounds must take precautions to ensure campers maintain appropriate social distancing and adhere to proper cleaning and disinfecting protocols, including but not limited to maintaining six feet of distance between campers, unless wearing an acceptable face covering, and excluding persons from the same household who are camping together. Visit Reserve America for details.

Prospect Mountain Veterans Memorial Highway Day Use Area Prospect Mountain Veterans Memorial Highway will open July 1, and remain open seven days a week between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, DEC is taking the following precautions:

• The shuttle will not operate;

• Picnicking will be prohibited, and the picnic pavilions will not be available to rent;

· Restrooms will remain closed; and

• View scopes at the pull-offs and on the summit have been dismantled.

Visiting New York State's Public Lands during the COVID-19 Response New York State is encouraging people to engage in responsible recreation during the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis. New York State DEC and State Parks recommendations for getting outside safely incorporate guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the New York State Department of Health for reducing the spread of infectious diseases.

While enjoying outdoor spaces, please continue to follow the CDC/NYSDOH's guidelines for preventing the spread of colds, flu, and COVID-19:

• Stay home if you are sick, or showing or feeling any COVID-19 symptoms, such as fever, coughing, and/or troubled breathing;

• Practice social distancing. Keep at least six (6) feet of distance between you and others even when outdoors;

• Wear a mask when you cannot maintain social distancing;

• Avoid close contact, such as shaking hands, hugging, and high-fives;

• Wash hands often or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol when soap and water are not available; and

• Avoid unnecessary contact with surfaces that are often touched, such as doorknobs and handrails.

DEC and State Parks also encourage visitors to state parks and state lands, and other parks to:

• Use common sense when visiting the outdoors. Stay local within your region because some amenities like public restrooms and restaurants may not be open.

• Visit in small groups limited to family members and members of your own household. Maintain a distance from others while in places where people tend to congregate, such as parking lots, trailheads, and scenic overlooks.

• Know before you go. Plan ahead and make a list of alternate destinations. Beaches and trailheads will be busy. Many state beaches and parks will quickly reach capacity limits on nice weather days. Check parks.ny.gov, and 511.org for park capacity closure alerts.

• Choose a time to visit when beaches, trails, and parks are likely to be less crowded, such as a weekday or earlier in the day.

• Park responsibly in designated areas only.

• Avoid games and activities that require close contact, such as basketball, football, or soccer.

• Do not share equipment, such as bicycles, helmets, binoculars, balls, or Frisbees.

• If parking lots are full, please do not park along roadsides or other undesignated areas. To protect your safety and that of others, please choose a different area to visit, or return another time or day when parking is available.

• Practice 'Leave No Trace.' Respect parks and state lands and take out whatever you bring in, including disposable gloves, wipes, masks, and toilet paper.

• Stay home if you're sick or if part of a vulnerable population.

• Be patient. Accept that this summer, you may have to adjust how you enjoy the outdoors to help keep yourself and others healthy and safe, even if it means changing your plans to visit a public space.

• New Yorkers over 70 years old or with a compromised immune system should not visit public spaces, including those outdoors. These New Yorkers should remain indoors or spend time in the backyard or other personal outdoor space, pre-screen visitors by taking their temperature, and require visitors to wear masks.

• Visitors to the Adirondack and Catskill Parks are reminded to always follow the Hiker Responsibility Code and avoid busy trailheads. Find trails less traveled and visit when trails may not be as busy during daylight hours. DEC also encourages New Yorkers to be safe and sustainable when recreating outdoors. Learn more about how you can protect natural spaces when exploring outdoors by following the seven principles of Leave No Trace. Additional information is available on the DEC website.

DEC Is Hiring Campground Staff

DEC is seeking seasonal campground staff with all levels of experience and skill sets, including supervisors, security, maintenance, and cleaning staff, and booth workers. If interested, please send an email to campinfo@dec.ny.gov.



FOR UPDATES PLEASE VISIT: www.facebook.com/WingsnWheelsforWarriors

The participant cost for this event is \$10 in advance or \$15 on the day of the show. If you wish to pre-register please fill in the form below and mail it to our office along with a check or money order written to Disabled American Veterans Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you there!

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As New York begins to open allowing churches to once again open, we encourage our readers to contact their individual church or parish for updated information.



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

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

Ans to last week's Crossword



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Sullivan 180's Coach to 5K

We are excited to announce Sullivan 180's Coach to 5K, a virtual walk/run race and 8-week training program, open to all Sullivan County residents. Our Coach to 5K program provides all participants with their very own coach and an 8-week 5K training plan for both runners and walkers.

All are welcome to participate, whether you are a beginner, a veteran runner, or a family that would like to walk their first 5K together, this event is for you. This is a great time to get our county moving! After the 8-week training period ends you will have a full week (August 30 - September 5) to complete your 5K - whenever, wherever you'd like, and share your achievements with us on social media.

There is a suggested donation/registration fee, and we are accepting additional donations to help feed local families impacted by COVID-19. One hundred percent of the funds raised will go to *Sullivan Allies Leading Together (SALT) to feed Sullivan County families in need. Every \$6 raised funds the purchase of a meal for a Sullivan County resident in need, so please consider making an additional donation, if you can. If you cannot afford the suggested donation/registration fee, there is a free option you can choose and still participate.

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How It Works

- Choose your donation/registration level to support SALT's food distribution efforts.
- Choose a coach, create your own team, or participate solo.
- Invite friends and family to participate.
- Begin your 8-week training on July 6th.

• Tag us using the hashtag #\$180Coachto5K in your photos and training updates on Facebook (@sullivan180inc) and Instagram (@sullivan_180).

- Map your race route with the help of your coach.
- Complete your 5K walk/run the week of August 30th September 5th.
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https://raceroster.com/events/2020/32333/sullivan-180s-coach-to-5k

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Let's get Sullivan County moving!

DEC Announces Extension of Online Hunter Education Course Through August - Offerings Now Include Online Bowhunter

Course

24,000 Hunters Have Completed Online Course since April; New York State Sporting License Sales Up Nearly 10 Percent

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that DEC's online hunter education course will continue to be available through Aug. 31, 2020. All hunters must complete a mandatory hunter education course before purchasing a hunting license. In addition, DEC is making an online bowhunter education course option available beginning July 15. Since mid-April, more than 24,000 hunters have successfully completed the online hunter education course, about 20 percent more than typically take it. Of those completing the online course about 40 percent were women, compared to 27 percent female participants in the traditional in-person course. In addition, almost half of the people taking the online course were 30 years of age or older, compared to 30 percent for the in-person course.

"Many new hunters went afield for this year's turkey season and we look forward to continuing to welcome new hunters with this online safety course," Commissioner Seggos said. "Hunter safety is our top priority, and expanding the availability of these online courses will help us engage more New Yorkers who are ready to be a part of our state's proud hunting tradition."

All hunters who wish to hunt big game with a bow must complete a mandatory bowhunter education course in addition to the required hunter education course. The online hunter education course was first made available in April after in-person hunter education courses were cancelled to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The online course provided an opportunity for first-time hunters who wanted to go afield during New York's spring turkey season to receive their hunter education certificate before the season started in May. Extending the availability of the online course and adding the bowhunter course option will allow first-time hunters and new archery hunters the opportunity to get their required hunter education and bowhunter education certificates prior to the start of the fall hunting seasons.

DEC's Hunter Education Program (HEP) is partnering with Kalkomey Enterprises, a company that specializes in hunter education, to offer the online courses that can be completed in six to eight hours. The online courses cover all the topics of traditional in-person courses including firearm and bow safety, tree stand safety, hunting ethics, wildlife conservation, and New York State hunting laws and regulations.

Students who successfully complete the online courses and pass the final exam will receive their hunter education certificate or bowhunter education certificate. The courses are available to individuals 11 and older, but only those 12 or older may purchase a hunting license. Students can complete the courses from a computer, tablet, or smart phone at any time. Visit DEC's Hunter Education Program page to learn more or to sign up.

To take and receive a hunter education certificate or bowhunter education certificate through the online course, participants must be New York State residents. The cost of the hunter education course is \$19.95 and the cost for the bowhunter education course is \$30. Both courses can be accessed at DEC's website. The online courses will be available through Aug. 31, 2020.

Sporting License Sales Increase Nearly 10 Percent in 2020

As New Yorkers continue to recreate locally to prevent the spread of COVID-19, DEC has seen a nearly 10 percent increase in sporting license sales overall. For the period that roughly coincides with New York State on PAUSE, resident turkey permits increased 49 percent, junior hunting licenses increased by 60 percent or more,

and resident hunting licenses increased by 130 percent. Certain types of lifetime licenses also increased by as much as 146 percent. A combination of factors, including the availability of online hunter education for new hunters and time available to participate in the spring turkey season, likely contributed to the increase.

Tens of thousands of additional resident fishing licenses were also sold compared to the same time last year, with increases of 30 percent for annual and one-day fishing licenses. Non-resident and senior fishing license sales decreased as anticipated following the COVID-19related guidance issued by New York and other states.

For more information on recreational opportunities available in New York State visit DEC's website. New Yorkers are encouraged to engage in responsible recreation close to home during the State's ongoing response to COVID-19. DEC recommendations incorporate guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the New York State Department of Health for reducing the spread of infectious diseases and encourage New Yorkers to recreate locally, practice physical distancing, show respect, and use common sense to protect themselves and others. For more information, go to DEC's website.

Senator Metzger on the Joint Proposal of the Parties to the Rate Case of New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSEG)

"It is outrageous that the parties to this rate case have agreed to impose a nearly 25 percent increase in electric rates over three years, in total and utter disregard for the pandemic and the economic toll it has taken on residents and small businesses in our region. The Department of Labor's latest jobs report, released yesterday, shows unemployment rates between 10 and 12 percent in counties I represent, and in this context, such an exorbitant increase is inexcusable. Meanwhile, the agreement gives utility shareholders a higher guaranteed rate of profit than necessary or warranted during this pandemic.

"I also remain very concerned about continued problems with poor service reliability in areas of my district. NYSEG has consistently under-invested in preventative maintenance for reliability, which worsened the severity of impacts of the March 2018 winter storms and has also contributed to a high frequency of power outages in my Senate district more generally. The increase in funding for vegetation management proposed in this Joint Proposal is a welcome start, but additional investment is likely needed given the catch-up necessary because of years of neglect. The Joint Proposal would have the utility spend nearly \$490 million on advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) when many customers in my district still lack the broadband access to realize benefits from it. Funding would be better spent on additional investment in preventive maintenance and on replacing antiquated circuits to improve power quality and better support renewable energy on the distribution system."

The portions of NYSEG territory in the district that Senator Metzger represents includes nearly all of Sullivan County, the towns of Delhi, Walton, and Colchester in Delaware County, and the town of Shawangunk in Ulster County. Senator Metzger submitted a letter to the Public Service Commission in December providing detailed comments on NYSEG's rate plan proposal..

Relatedly, the State Legislature recently passed the Parker/Mosley moratorium bill (8113A) to protect New Yorkers during this pandemic who are struggling to pay their utility bills. The legislation, which was signed into law, prohibits utilities from terminating electricity, gas, water, and phone (landline) services for a period extending 180 days beyond the state of emergency, and gives customers the right to enter into a deferred payment plan without utility penalties or late fees.

The Joint Proposal and other documents related to the NYSEG rate case can be found at dps.ny.gov (Case 19-E-0378).

PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION TO MAKE CERTAIN OF CHANGES AND **CANCELLATIONS DUE TO COVID-19**

Many organization and municipalities are now using the internet to conduct meetings and to communicate with members and the community. We welcome all organizations and municipalities who will be utilizing the internet to to do so and to submit their contact information (URL) and we will post the information on our Calendar of Events. Send your information to: tvtownsman@yahoo.com

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/15/2020 Neverink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm 8/16/2020 Claryville Fire Department ** All You can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7am -12 noon 8/29/2020 Claryville Fire Department **Annual Craft and Vendor Fair 10 am- 4 pm ** We will be following the CDC guidelines for Covid-19! Please remember that we will be doing everything possible to

keep all of our members and customers safe and healthy

Save the Date!

Due to the COVID 19 restrictions and concerns we had to make the difficult decision to postpone Matthew Bertholf's Memorial Horseshoe Tournament until next year. It has been rescheduled for Sunday, July 11, 2021 and will be held at the Neversink Fire Department's Pavilion. Next year will the 10th anniversary of this tournament. Looking forward to seeing you then!!! Our 2020 scholarship recipients are Logan Cossack and Michael Babcock.

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 preced-</u> ing the second Tuesday.

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

COVID-19 ONLINE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

This on-line support group is new and is for those who have lost a loved one to Covid-19.

The link below goes to our page with all information.

Go to:

https://hospiceoforange.com/grief-symptoms-can-be-heightened-during-this-current-community-health-crisis/

Tri-Valley Elementary School

WANTED:

Local establishments to display student KINDNESS artwork

Contact Penny Hennessey in the Main Office at 985-2296 ext. 5306 or pennyhennessey @trivalleycsd.org.

All artwork and frames will be provided by the District

and refreshed bi-annually.

Time and the Valleys Museum Searching for a Picture

The Time and the Valleys Museum exhibit committee is searching for a photo of Helen Aldrich. If anyone has one please contact Phyllis Coombe at: phyllisncoombe@hvc.rr.com or 845-985-7530 and she will help to arrange to get the pictures.

Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Seeking Help to Celebrate 65th Anniversary

Claryville Volunteer Fire Department will be celebrating its 65th Anniversary. They are asking anyone who may have pictures of the Fire Department if they could borrow them to make copies for this celebration.

Please contact Jean Keesler at jkeesler1@yahoo.com or 845-985-7879.

Time and the Valleys One Room School Project

Ouestion??

Does anyone in the community have info about a possible Beaver Dam or Curry school? If so would you please share with our researchers? 845-985-7012

The Staff is also looking forward to hearing from community families whose ancestors might have experienced schooling at one room schools. We are specifically looking for the following pre 1920 items: lunch pails or boxes; children's clothing and toys; two 48 star flags; ice skates; bikes; pictures or other memorabilia of former schools.

2020 Fall BOW Canceled

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to ensure the safety of Becoming an Outdoors-Woman workshop participants, DEC is canceling the 2020 Fall BOW Workshop. This year's workshop was originally scheduled to take place Sept 11th -13th at Greek Peak Ski Resort in Cortland.

Please stay tuned for upcoming educational outreach to help keep our BOW community connected, such as online classes, video tutorials, and small Beyond BOW events!

We look forward to seeing you again in person when we resume workshops.

If you would like to obtain your hunter education certificate, you can take a New York State online course. Please note that this class costs \$19.99

From everyone at BOW, please stay safe and healthy. We're all in this together!

Contact BOW with any questions or commen

Senator Metzger Applauds Appointment of Cary Institute Disease Ecologist to State Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases Working Group

Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...New York State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart Cousins has appointed a local scientist from the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies to an important state body, based on the recommendations of Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42). Dr. Richard S. Ostfeld, a Distinguished Senior Scientist at the Institute and former professor of biology and ecology at several universities, has been appointed to the state's Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases Working Group.

"Dr. Ostfeld is one of New York's foremost authorities on tickborne illnesses and has been leading cutting-edge research on prevention at the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies," said Senator Metzger. "He has a unique and important contribution to make to state policy, and I am thrilled that he has been appointed by the Majority Leader to this working group. While COVID-19 has been at the forefront of public health concerns, Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses continue to take a toll on our communities, and preventive strategies remain crucial to protecting public health."

Over the course of his 30-year career, Dr. Ostfeld has worked with colleagues at the New York State Department of Health, federal representatives, state legislators, and officials at the county and local level on the science of tick-borne disease, and has also collaborated with scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on those issues. At the Cary Institute in Millbrook, Dr. Ostfeld, a disease ecologist, directs the research organization's Lyme disease prevention study, The Tick Project, and works with his team to advance understanding of tick ecology, mitigate disease risk, and predict when and where exposure to tick-borne diseases will be high. Drawing on his nearly three decades of experience in the space, Dr. Ostfeld will certainly be an asset to the state-level Working Group, whose responsibilities include reviewing current best practices for the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of Lyme and tick-borne diseases for New York State.

In 2019, Senator Metzger announced \$100,000 in state funding to support The Tick Project. The first-term Senator worked to secure this state funding as part of a 2019-2020 budget appropriation, which came through the New York State Department of Health budget. The funding for this work was part of a larger \$250,000 appropriation that Metzger secured in the last weeks of the 2019 legislative session to fight tick-borne diseases.

Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins said, "I thank and commend Senator Jen Metzger for her recommendations to ensure that her communities are well represented. Senator Metzger put forth a great amount of effort to identify and advocate for the best voices to represent the region on these important councils. I look forward to the positive impact that Dr. Richard Ostfeld will have on the Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases Working Group." (Contd. Pg.

During the 2019 legislative session, Metzger, who chairs the State Senate Committee on Agriculture, introduced legislation to promote understanding and awareness of Lyme and other tick-borne diseases among farmers and farmworkers, who are in a high risk occupation when it comes to these diseases. She also introduced a bill with Assemblymember Didi Barrett to address the threat of the long-horned tick, which was signed into law last year.

Gillibrand Calls For Immediate Release Of CARES Act Reconnect Program Funding To Communities Facing A Broadband Gap

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand urged the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to immediately release \$100 million in rural broadband funding, as millions of families continue to adjust to a new normal of online learning, work, and health care due to the COVID-19 crisis. Before the coronavirus pandemic, rural and native communities already faced a substantial broadband gap. According to a recent FCC report, over 25% of rural Americans are without access to quality broadband, compared to only 1.7% of Americans living in urban areas. Now, the pandemic has exacerbated this divide, as Americans are forced to stay, learn and work from home. Gillibrand called on the Trump administration to quickly spend the \$100 million in funding for federal grants administered through the USDA ReConnect program under the CARES Act, in order to prioritize and expand rural communities' essential access to broadband. The ReConnect program is desperately needed to provide loans and grants for the costs of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment required to provide broadband service in eligible rural areas.

"It's disappointing, and frankly unacceptable, that the administration has yet to invest hard-won funding for rural broadband infrastructure that Congress guaranteed in the CARES Act," said Senator Gillibrand. "Because of the administration's inaction, New Yorkers have been trying to do the impossible and get by in the era of COVID without access to broadband in their homes, relying instead on free public Wi-Fi or limited satellite internet. We must fight to close the pervasive digital divide in our country and ensure that every American has access to vital technological resources, no matter their zip code or socioeconomic status. Rural and native families cannot wait any longer, and I'm going to fight to get this funding to the communities that need it the most."

Since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic, millions of Americans who have been forced to stay home have become more reliant on internet access to participate in daily life. Work, school, health care, communicating with loved ones, and more, now take place online. Unfortunately, more than 338,000 families in New York State lack broadband, which makes connecting to the internet far too difficult, especially in rural and native communities. While Congress fought to include an additional \$100 million to the USDA ReConnect Broadband program for grants in the CARES Act, months later the Trump administration has spent only a small fraction of that money. Tens of millions of dollars allocated for broadband infrastructure have been left unused as families struggle. In a letter, Senator Gillibrand, alongside Senator Tina Smith (D-MN), urged the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to expedite spending of crucial ReConnect program funding.

UC Executive Ryan Announces Changes to COVID-19 Testing Sites

Nuvance transitions from mobile testing to on-site testing

The site has conducted over 7,500 tests since it opened on March 23rd

Ulster County has tested over 33,000 residents to date

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that Nuvance/Health Quest will be transitioning their mobile testing sites to on-site testing. As Nuvance opens five other locations for testing at their facilities, they will be closing their testing site at TechCity on June 30th. Since the site opened on March 23rd, it has conducted over 7,500 tests, in total Ulster County has tested over 33,000 residents. Nuvance has added testing at multiple Health Quest Medical Practice locations in Ulster County for existing patients including: 9W in Ulster; Kingston Plaza, Route 299 in Lloyd, Route 32 in Modena; Zena Road in Woodstock, and Route 28 in Boiceville. Non-HQMP patients can seek testing at Vassar Diagnostic Lab at the Hudson Valley Mall in Kingston.

"Adding a mobile testing site just two weeks after our first confirmed case of COVID-19 undoubtedly saved countless lives," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "I want to thank Nuvance Health for their critical efforts and I want to remind residents that while the public health situation has greatly improved, we must continue to remain vigilant and adhere to social distancing protocols and wear masks in order to avoid a second wave."

The mobile testing sites at Grand Street in Kingston operated by HealthAlliance and Ellenville Hospital will continue to operate. Other testing providers include Caremount, Emergency One, Rite Aid, and CVS. Individuals seeking more information about these testing sites and testing options including diagnostic and antibody testing in Ulster County can visit: https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/mobile-testing/

As of last Friday there have been 1,797 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 86 fatalities in Ulster County.

For additional information about COVID-19 and the testing process, please visit: https://ulstercountyny.gov/coronavirus

Ulster County COVID-19 Hotline: 845-443-8888 NYS Coronavirus Information Hotline: 888-364-3065.

UC Executive Ryan Announces Independence Weekend Salute to Essential Workers Announces July 4th Community Fireworks Show at TechCity and July 5th Motorcade to Honor Essential Workers

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that Ulster County will be presenting an Independence Weekend Salute to essential workers. Sponsored by the law firm of Mainetti & Mainetti, the County will be hosting a July 4th Community Fireworks Show located at the TechCity parking lot at 300 Enterprise Drive, Kingston. The lots will open at 7:30 p.m. and the fireworks presentation will begin at dusk. To abide by social distancing precautions, all attendees will be required to stay near their vehicles and no alcohol will be allowed on the site. This event is free for all residents. Additionally, on July 5th, communities throughout Ulster County will recognize essen-

SIDEWALK CHALK POETRY CHALLENGE

I will write poetry on a sidewalk, on a wall, on a stoop, I will write it everywhere! I will write it in blue, in green, in yellow, in red, in rainbow colors.

This is a unique time and we wanted to challenge all adults and children tool

I will write it everywhere!

Please join the Daniel Pierce Library and Lisa Caloro, the Sullivan County Poet Laureate, to express yourself through poetry. Write a poem or a few lines of poetry in sidewalk chalk on your driveway, walkway, wherever, but be creative (give credit to the author at the bottom). Then take a picture and share it with us. So set your creativity free!

Submit your pictures to caddysound@gmail.com by June 30th 2020. Check out The Sullivan County Poet Laureate Facebook Page where this challenge will be highlighted.

tial workers at a motorcade starting at Dietz Stadium at 4:00 p.m. in Kingston. The motorcade will feature and recognize individuals who have gone above and beyond during the pandemic.

P. M. L. Martin States

"I am so proud that we are able to not only provide a safe outlet for our residents to celebrate our nation's independence but to also recognize the hard work of all of those who have stepped up over the last few months," County Executive Ryan said. "I would like to thank the law firm of Mainetti & Mainetti for sponsoring our fireworks celebration and I hope that residents will join us to recognize the works of those who selflessly put their own health and safety on the line for our community."

"At Mainetti & Mainetti we believe in the importance of coming together to celebrate our nation's history of perseverance and overcoming adversity," Alexander Mainetti said. "In keeping with that tradition during these difficult times, we are proud to partner with County Executive Ryan to provide our Ulster County Community with a 4th of July fireworks celebration. From all of us at Mainetti & Mainetti have a happy and safe Fourth of July."

"The Town of Ulster is very happy to host this year's Fourth of July fireworks celebration," Ulster Town Supervisor Jim Quigley said. "After these difficult months, it will be a wonderful and welcome celebration. The selection of the TechCity property for the event is another indication of County Executive Ryan's commitment the repurposing the property, and we look forward to continuing to work with him to find even greater uses for the site."

"I would like to commend County Executive Ryan and his team for selecting the County-owned property on Enterprise Dr. in the Town of Ulster as the site for one of this year's July 4th celebrations," Ulster County Legislator Brian Cahill said. "As we move to re-imagine this site together, utilizing the grounds for safe, familyfriendly events like this makes perfect sense. I am looking forward to a wonderful evening on the 4th."

Ulster County Executive Ryan Announces Opening of Ulster County Pool Complex COVID-19 precautions will be taken

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that the Ulster County Pool Complex will be open starting on July 4th and will remain open until Labor Day on September 7th. The pool's operating hours will be from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Due to COVID-19 precautions, the occupancy will be reduced to 325 patrons at any one time and will only open to County residents and guests. One swim lane will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. There will be no swimming lessons or swim meets and practice.

After a tough couple of months, I am proud that we are able to open our pool to the community in a safe and responsible way," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "For many families, the opening of the pool is the official start of summer and residents can be assured that we have taken all necessary precautions."

CDC COVID-19 guidelines for pools must be followed at all times including:

• Everyone must wear a mask

• Everyone will have their temperature taken before entering the complex

• Social distance guidelines will be followed on the grounds and in the pool

• No mask is to be worn in the pool

The New Paltz Pool Complex offers summer enjoyment for all ages. The complex features an Olympic size swimming pool and two large Kiddie pools. All three pools have lifeguards on duty at all times. The facility is equipped with locker rooms and showers and there is a large pavilion with picnic tables and a snack bar. The pool complex also has a spacious lawn area for additional lounging and sunbathing and a newly added playground area for children ages 8 and under. The Ulster County Pool Complex is located at 241 Libertyville Road, New Paltz, N.Y.

DEC Issues Fire Danger Warning Abnormally Dry Conditions through Most of Eastern New York

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos urges New Yorkers to practice the utmost safety when burning wood and brush outdoors during recent dry conditions. Although the State's prohibition on residential brush burning ended in May, fire danger still exists.

"Dry weather and warming temperatures have elevated the risk of fires statewide, particularly across eastern New York," Commissioner Seggos said. "The last widespread rainfall we saw was more than a full week ago and over the last month, some parts of the state are 90 percent below normal rainfall levels. I encourage New Yorkers to use safety precautions to help prevent wildfire outbreaks."

DEC updates the fire danger map and forecast during fire season on its website and on the NY Fishing, Hunting & Wildlife App (also available on DEC's website). The majority of the state remains at moderate risk, which means outdoor fires can burn briskly and spread rapidly on windy days. Precipitation in eastern New York and western New England over the last 30 days ranged from 0.50 to 3.50 inches, which is 15 to 90 percent below normal.

Debris burning and campfires are among the top five causes of wildfires. While fireworks are not a significant cause of wildfires, they are a potential hazard. In most cases, fireworks are also illegal. Campfires with family are great fun, when done safely.

Fire safety tips for burning wood or brush:

- Never burn on a windy day;
- Check and obey all local laws and ordinances;

• Burn early in the morning when humidity is high and winds are low;

• Clear all flammable material for a distance of 10 to 15 feet around the fire;

• Keep piles to be burned small, adding small quantities of material as burning progresses;

• Always have a garden hose, shovel, water bucket, or other means to extinguish the fire close at hand; and

• When done, drown the fire with water, making sure all materials, embers, and coals are wet.

While camping in the backcountry, New Yorkers are advised to:Use existing campfire rings where possible;

• Build campfires away from overhanging branches, steep slopes, rotten stumps, logs, dry grass, and leaves. Pile extra wood away from the fire;

• Clear the area around the ring of leaves, twigs, and other flammables materials;

• Never leave a campfire unattended. Even a small breeze could cause the fire to spread quickly; and

• Drown the fire with water. Make sure all embers, coals, and sticks are wet. Move rocks as there may be burning embers underneath.

Do Not Burn Household Trash

• Burning trash is prohibited statewide in all cases. Incinerator rules prohibit burning household trash in wood stoves, fireplaces, and outdoor wood boilers;

• DEC recommends recycling all appropriate materials (such as newspaper, paper, glass and plastic) and composting organic kitchen and garden waste;

• Burning leaves also is banned in New York State. DEC encourages composting of leaves; and

• Disposal of flags or religious items in a small-sized fire is allowed if it not otherwise prohibited by law or regulation.

For information on open burning and campfire safety in New York, go to DEC's Open Burning in New York webpage and DEC's Fire Safety When Camping webpage.

UC Exective Ryan Signs Executive Order Establishing the Ulster County Justice and Reform Commission

The commission will be focused on advancing criminal justice and police reform and will review existing County policies in order to develop a plan outlining needed changes

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today signed an Executive Order establishing a commission to reform policing practices and promote criminal justice in Ulster County. The Ulster County Justice and Reform Commission will convene by the end of June and will focus on critical issues to ensure justice for all residents of Ulster County, including ending mass incarceration, police oversight and accountability, addressing systemic racial bias, and healing divisions between law enforcement and the communities they serve.

"Now is the time to enact real change to address systemic racism and ensure we are providing equal justice for all of our residents," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "Working alongside stakeholders representing key communities including community activists, religious leaders, young people, law enforcement, and public officials, the Ulster County Justice and Reform Commission will actively listen to the community to create a meaningful plan for implementing needed criminal justice reforms." (Contd. Pg. 27)

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(From Pg. 26) The mission of the group will be to lay out a specific set of policy and legislative changes in Ulster County that will ensure justice for every resident and drive needed reforms in the criminal justice system. The commission will meet regularly over the coming weeks and months, and include a series of public forums to ensure all voices are heard in a transparent fashion. The group will consist of relevant stakeholders including religious leaders, elected officials, law enforcement, community group leaders, and others.

The Ulster County Justice and Reform Commission is made up of the following members: just, and impactful, as called for by the executive orders of the Governor and our County Executive," Clinton Johnson, Ulster County Attorney, said.

"I'm grateful for the invitation to participate in Ulster County's Justice and Reform Commission," Lester Strong, Executive Director, The Peaceful Guardians Project said. "At this pivotal moment in history, we have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to fully embed in America the creed of equal justice for all Her citizens. This opportunity must be seized."

"Issues like mass incarceration and systemic racial bias must be addressed on every level of government," Jackson Speller, youth member of the commission, said. "I am honored and thrilled to be working with Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan and all others on the Justice and Reform commission. I am excited to

be working with the youth in Ulster County on these issues and will proudly represent the voices of the young people in this community."

"I am honored to join the Justice and Reform Commission for Ulster County. I look forward to working with the other members to bring reform where needed," Ray Younger, Ellenville Village Trustee and Community School Liaison for Ellenville Central Schools said.

"I am pleased to be a part of the Ulster County Justice and Reform Commission. It is time to act," District Attorney Dave Clegg said. "We can and must address the disproportionality and racial bias that exists in our criminal justice system. From policing to prosecution we need to root out the effects of implicit bias and employ restorative justice practices and community based outreach to foster more community trust and engagement."

"I am eager to work with

 Kyle Berardi, County Attorney Clint Johnson, Sheriff Juan Figueroa, and Youth Member Jackson Speller

 County Attorney Clint Johnson - Chair

 President of the Ulster County Police Chiefs Association Kyle

 County Executive

Berardi President of the Ellenville Chapter of the NAACP Maude Bruce Kingston City School Board and Pastor of Pointe of Praise Church Rev. James Childs District Attorney Dave Clegg Sheriff Juan Figueroa Ulster County Legislator Heidi Haynes First Assistant County Attorney Lauren Sheeley Youth Member Jackson Speller Executive Director of the Peaceful Guardians Project Lester Strong Ulster County Legislator Eve Walter

Human Rights Commissioner Tyrone Wilson

Kingston Alderwoman Rita Worthington

Ellenville Village Trustee Ray Younger

Citizen Action Representative

"A diverse, equal and inclusive approach with community engagement will aim to assist law enforcement in creating conditions that enhance communications with the public it serves," Sheriff Juan Figueroa said. "I look forward to working with the commission members in creating innovative ideas for policing."

"I look forward to being a member of the commission, and working with the other members of the commission and other stakeholders to come up with solutions that will be collaborative,

County Executive Ryan as a member of the Ulster County Justice and Reform Commission and look forward to seeing the change that will come through this process," Maude Bruce, President, Ellenville NAACP said.

Senator Metzger on Allowing Summer Camps to Hire Mental Health Professionals

"As summer day camps continue to weigh reopening, we have to recognize that some children need additional support, especially after what has been a difficult and trying time for so many," said Senator Metzger (SD-42). "My bill (S3834) permitting children's summer camps to hire licensed social workers, physical therapists, mental health care professionals, occupational therapists, and other licensed professionals would ensure that children with physical and mental health needs can access the care they need to thrive and enjoy camp to the fullest.

"This legislation would also provide peace of mind to parents, knowing that their children are in the capable hands of licensed practitioners at summer camps, and I urge the Assembly to pass this important piece of legislation so we can see it signed into law," added Metzger.

From left to right: Ellenville Village Trustee Ray Younger, Human Rights Commissioner

Tyrone Wilson, District Attorney Dave Clegg, First Assistant County Attorney Lauren Sheeley,

Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan, President of the Ulster County Police Chiefs Association

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Knarf's Classic Movie & Trivia ON TCM STARTING AT 12:00 PM WEDNESDAY JULY 4, 2020 **HISTORY & PATRIOTISM** JOHN PAUL JONES, WHILE FIGHTING AND FACING DEFEAT, SCREAMED, "DON'T GIVE UP THE SHIP," "I HAVE NOT YET BEGUN TO FIGHT," 2:00 PM WEDNESDAY JULY 4, 2020 "JOHN PAUL JONES" (Adventure, 1959) John Paul Jones clashes with Congress to create the Unites States Navy. The film is a some

what fictionalized version of John Paul Jones's life, however, his personal bravery is unsurpassed. The film, written and directed by John Farrow, stars Robert Stack. Marisa Pavan and Charles Coburn. If you grew up in the nineteenfifties you would know of John Paul Jones and his exploits from your



American history teacher. These famous words of John Paul Jones,"DON'T GIVE UP THE SHIP," "I HAVE NOT YET BEGUN TO FIGHT," rang down through the centuries, through civil and two world wars, police actions, illegal wars, and now will arise as new battle cry defending the union. **RESPECT ALL HUMANITY, WITHOUT PREJ**-UDICE, OR WE ALL WILL PERISH IN ARMAGEDDON. American History, John Paul Jones was the United State's first well-



known naval commander during the American Revolutionary War. He is credited with creating the Unites **States** Navy. He had made many friends and enemies who accused him of piracy among America's political and elite his actions in British waters during the

Revolution. It earned him an international reputation which persists to this day. John Paul Jones lived from Jul 06, 1747 - Jul 18, 1792 (age 45) He is Buried at the United States Naval Academy, Chapel. (Contd. Pg. 29)



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2:30 PM "**1776**" WEDNESDAY JULY 4, 2020 (Musical, 1972) The founding fathers never had so much fun, as shown



by the musicand the merriment, creating the freest country in the world. The obnoxious exuberance of John Adams makes this a rollicking journey creating the United States,

While Ben Franklin, whose money, men and ships were from the French Aristocracies and Tom Jefferson, the silent genius of the Declaration of Independence, lends a slight romantic turn to this era,. Directed by Peter H. Hunt. Starring William Daniels, Howard De Silva and Ken Howard. Academy Awards, USA 1973 Nominee Oscar Best Cinematography.



Harry Stradling Jr., Golden Globes, USA 1973 Nominee, Golden Globe Best Motion Picture - Comedy or Musical, National Board of Review, USA 1972 **WINNER** NBR Award Top Ten Films.

5:30 PM WEDNESDAY JULY 4, 2020 "YANKEE DOODLE DANDY" (Musical, 1942) The magnicent talent of James (Jimmy) Cagney at his best. Directed by Michael Curtiz. Writers: Robert Buckner (screen play), Edmund Joseph (screen play). Stars: James Cagney, Joan Leslie, Walter Huston.



PATRIOTISM AT IT'S BEST!

QUIZ: In "YANKEE DOODLE DANDY" 1. Who played Jerry Cohan? 2. Who played "Dietz"?

NOW ON AMAZON PRIME



"KNIVES OUT" is a 2019 American mystery film written and directed by Rian Johnson and produced by Johnson and Ram Bergman. A modern *whodunit*, the film follows a family gathering gone awry after the patriarch's death leads a master detective to investigate. The film features an ensemble cast including Daniel Craig, Chris Evans, Ana de Armas, Jamie Lee Curtis, Michael Shannon, Don Johnson, Toni Collette, Lakeith Stanfield, Katherine Langford, Jaeden Martell, and Christopher Plummer,

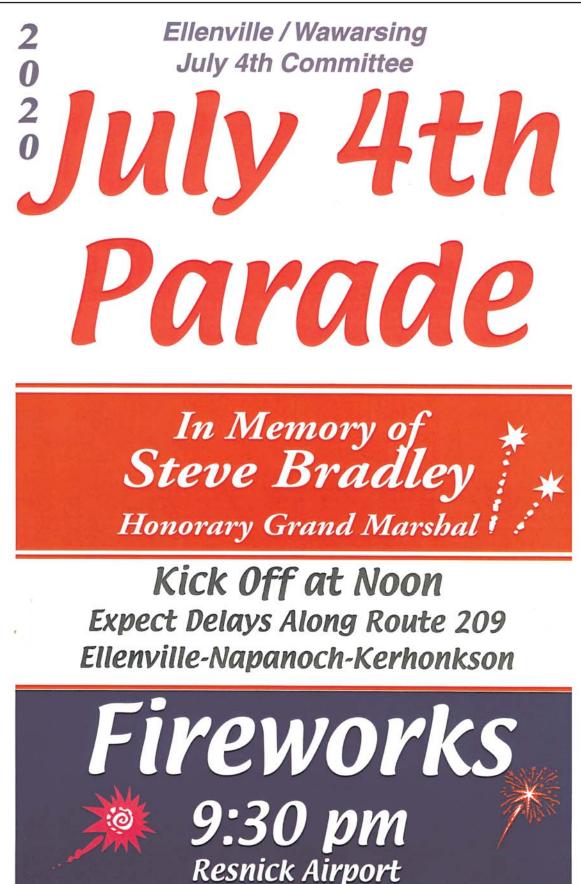
"1917" - On 6 April **1917** (2019 War, Drama) aerial reconnaissance has observed that the German army, which hadpulled back from a sector of the Western Front in northern France, was not in retreat but had made a strategic withdrawal to the new Hindenburg Line, where they are waiting to over-



whelm the British with artillery. In the British trenches, with field telephone lines cut, two young British soldiers, Lance Corporals William Schofield, a veteran of the Somme, and Tom Blake, are ordered by General Erinmore to carry a message of relief to save 1600 lives.



Have a safe and Happy 4th of July! Knarf Odnamoc Gnome



We promote social distancing. Masks are encouraged. We have an expanded parade route this year which goes through Ellenville Napanoch and Kerhonskon! The parade route can be found on the Discover Ellenville website and the Ellenville Wawarsing 4th of July Committee facebook page.

https://discoverellenville.com/2020-4th-of-july-parade/ https://www.facebook.com/EllenvilleWawarsing-4th-of-July-Committee-267531546742714/