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# Volunteer Open House at the Time and the Valleys Museum

Volunteer Open House will be held on Sunday, March 26, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum, St. Rt.



55, Grahamsville, NY. The afternoon is a welcome and introduction to the Museum and all that we do for anyone interested in learning about volunteering

The afternoon includes refreshments, door prizes, tours of the Museum's current exhibits and information gathering about the Museum's volunteer needs and the many benefits of volunteering. Attendees will learn about all of the different ways they can help and make a difference with teaching students, greeting visitors, at events, in the Museum shop, office tasks, scanning photos, projects at home, and more!

Benefits to being a Museum volunteer include a 10% discount in the Museum Shop, an invitation to a special yearly recognition event, gaining new skills, and meeting new people and making new friends. By also joining Sullivan County R.S.V.P. (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) they can receive mileage reimbursement, too! (Contd. Pg. 4)

# **Advocates Speak at Fallsburg Central School**

On March 10, 2023, Fallsburg Central School welcomed back speakers Kirby Jones, Eric Kussin, and David Hymowitz to share their positive mental health messages during the Superintendent's Conference Day. This was their second visit to the school this year alone.

Kirby Jones is a Master Instructor for Handle With Care, an advocacy organization that provides behavioral training services for schools, healthcare facilities, juvenile programs, and families. He is also a certified health, safety, and security trainer for the state of New Jersey and a volunteer coach for the Special Olympics. Above all, he is a fierce advocate for the well-being of children. Kirby stressed the importance of addressing the needs of students. Kirby's message focused on the idea that providing nourishment, love, and safety is crucial to building trust and a strong relationship with a child.



Speaker Kirby Jones

Eric Kussin is the founder of We're All A Little Crazy, a 501(c)(3) organization (#SameHere) that advocates for stripping away the stigma associated with mental illness. His main objective is to provide a socially acceptable space for people to share their struggles. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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**On the Front Burner:** This is the covenant that I will make with them after those day, says the Lord; I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.

Hebrews 10:16

### **OBITUARY**

Giles Dexter Harlow III (Chip)



passed away peacefully at home in McLean, VA on March 14. He was a part-time summer resident of Claryville. He was born April 14, 1958 to then

Lt Giles D. Harlow, Jr., USAF and Ann Q. Harlow, in Lubbock, Texas. He was the oldest of four children and spent his childhood moving around the country with his military family. He graduated from Langley High School, McLean, VA in 1976 and received a BS in Finance from Clemson University where he was also a Division 1 swimmer and a member of Sigma Nu. While there, he also received his commission in the U.S. Air Force through the ROTC Program. He followed his father's footsteps by earning his USAF pilot wings in Lubbock, Texas at the same base of his birth. He embarked on a USAF career flying C-130s in the Philippines and Germany. He finished his military career as a Lieutenant Colonel with the Wyoming Air National Guard, where he deployed to the Middle East for Operation Iraqi Freedom. Simultaneously, Ameri-can an Airlines pilot, he spent 34 years travelling the world, enlightening the lives of countless travelers, ensuring their safety, and sharing adventures with his family. As a Boeing-777 Captain, he was set to retire next month.

Chip was well known for his service to country, family and friends. He always sought to do for others in their time of need, providing companionship, assistance and advice. The most accomplished chef of the extended family - a passion of his -Chip was known to be the consummate host and entertainer of friends, family, and welcome guests into his home. He was a thoughtful, nurturing caretaker for people and animals alike. Chip would say his greatest achievement and joy was being a devoted husband and father to his family, making their lives his priority. He is survived by his wife Jennifer and children Hannah, Sarah and Matthew of McLean, Virginia; mother Ann Q. Harlow of McLean, Virginia; brother Douglas Harlow (Julia) of Falls Church, VA; sister Elizabeth Harlow Morley (Frank); sister Sarah Harlow Pooler (Todd) of Fort Collins, Colorado; father-in-law James Zavatchen of Cleveland, Ohio; and his beloved nieces and nephews and extended family. He was preceded in death by his father, Giles D. Harlow, Jr.

A celebration of life will be held on the banks at his beloved Neversink River in Claryville followed by internment at Claryville Reformed Church, Claryville, NY at a later date this summer. Chip will be laid to rest next to his father, Colonel (Ret.) Giles D. Harlow, Jr. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department, 1500 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY 12725.

# Days of Yore... Today's History

#### **April 8, 1953**

Douglas Hasbrouck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Hasbrouck of Grahamsville, also Fred Misner of Kerhonkson and Barry Worth of Montgomery have been accepted as students at R.P.I. These three boys are among the 33 who attended the Central Hudson School at Poughkeepsie last summer.

Mrs. Catherine Chisolm Wright, age 70, died Tuesday, April 7th at Grahamsville where she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Potter. Besides her daughter, she is survived by one brother, John W. Chisolm of Neversink; two sisters and two granddaughters, the Misses Patricia and Barbara Potter.

#### **April 3, 1963**

Mrs. William VanWagner of Sundown has announced the marriage of her daughter, Patricia Elaine to George L. Stubblebine of Lackawack. The ceremony took place at the Grahamsville Methodist Church on Friday evening, March 29. The couple will reside in Kerhonkson. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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

(From Pg. 2) Mr. and Mrs. James Dunlop are the parents of a baby daughter born March 28th at Veterans Memorial Hospital. The baby, Patricia Lillian, weighed 7 lbs. Mrs. Dunlop is the former Pauline King.

Mrs. Imogene Booth, 88, of Curry, died at Middletown on Thursday, March 28th after a long illness. She was born February 15, 1875 at Grahamsville, the daughter of William and Arvilla Benson Grant. She married Stanley Booth on January 23, 1903. Mrs. Booth was member of the Grahamsville Methodist Church. She is survived by several cousins, nieces and nephews.

#### April 4, 1973

Airman First Class Robert L. Murry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Murry of Neversink, NY has graduated at Keesler AFB, Miss., from the Air Training Command's basic course for electronic specialists. Airman Murry is a 1972 graduate of Monticello High School.

The wedding of Christine King to Barry Buley was performed by the Rev. Newton Ford on Saturday, March 31st in the United Methodist Church.

#### **April 7, 1983**

Sarah Morton of Rte. 42, Woodbourne, a lifelong area resident, died Sunday, April 3rd at Ellenville Community Hospital. She was73. The daughter of the late Rufus and Delia Henry Dutcher, she was born April 12, 1909 in Livingston Manor. The widow of John R. Morton, Mrs. Morton was a member of the Reformed Church of Woodbourne, the Woman's Guild of the church, Tri-Valley AARP, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Civil Service Employees Association.

### Burn Ban Now in Effect Statewide

Monticello, NY - With the New York State Burn Ban starting today and running through May 14, Sullivan County Fire Coordinator John Hauschild is emphasizing the fact that open burning isn't just illegal - it's incredibly dangerous.

"The snow cover remains, but vegetation is still dry and easily set aflame by sparks and ash," he explained. "I'm urging everyone to avoid open burning and the consequences that can come with it: callouts of local fire departments, damage to plants and properties, and injuries - even death."

According to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), open burning of debris is the single-largest cause of spring wildfires in the State. For details on the burn ban, visit the DEC's website at <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/32060.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/32060.html</a>

#### **Household Hint:**

#### Get the yellow out of clothing

To restore yellowed clothing, let the garments soak overnight in a solution of 12 parts warm water to 1 part vinegar. Wash them the following morning.

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

#### **Catskill Mountain Wild Cats**

Friday night there was a visitor in Sundown! A huge Bobcat was sizing up the chickens and maybe our pet cats, too.

Our 4 yearold grand daughter excitedly told me how she heard the

cat *scream like a witch* as her father chased it up the hill away from the chicken coop and their house.

The bobcat (Lynx rufus gigas) a/k/a Wildcat, is a North American mammal of the cat family Felidae, first appearing during the Irvingtonian stage – around 1.8 million years ago. Currently they still live in wooded areas of the Catskills.

Bobcats are about two to three times the size of a domestic cat. Their fur is dense, short, and soft and is generally shorter and more reddish in the summer and longer and more gray in the winter. Spotting occurs in some bobcats and is faded in others. The face has notable long hairs along the cheeks and black tufts at the tops of each ear.

Males on the average are one-third larger than females. Both female and males can-

weigh more than 30 pounds. Body length for males is 34 inches and 30 inches for females. They have short tails between five and six inch long - thus the name 'bobcat'.

Bobcats are not often sighted in the Catskills as they are stealthy creatures that are timid and typically avoid human contact. Do not let their relatively small size fool you. They are tremendously strong and can bring down a small deer. They can become ferocious when challenged. It is wise not to approach a bobcat. However, while there is still snow on the ground, you may find their tracks. The average foot print is around 1.75 inches, but can be as large as 3 inches. The prints will have 4 roundish paw prints in front with a "M" shaped paw print in back of the 4 front paw prints. Most prints will not show claws. Like, domestic cats, Bobcats need to use their muscles to extend their claws.

Bobcats are nocturnal and most active from sunset to near sunrise when they are hunting.

Bobcats are carnivores. Their diet consists mostly of rabbits, rats, mice and small wild game. Bobcats easily adapt whatever prey is available. They will stalk their prey and swiftly move in once the prey is within 20 feet. Bobcats can leap up to 12 feet high.

Bobcats live near areas where there are rock ledges and small caves or near swampy areas. They are territorial. They choose an area of a few square miles that has enough prey to feed on, however, they can

travel up to 50 miles a day.

It takes a bobcat about two years to mature to breeding age. They mate between February-and-March and have 2-4 kittens between April and May. On occasion they have a second brood in September. The kittens are born blind and won't see until they are around 10 days old. The female bobcat raises its kittens alone and nurses them for about two months before teaching them how to hunt. They remain with their mothers the first year. After that, they will live in the wild for the next 6 to 8 years. The oldest recorded bobcat in the wild lived to be 16 years old!

Bobcats were very abundant in the Catskills until the 1800's when they were hunted – almost to extinction Today, we are seeing a moderate increase in the population of bobcats.

Bobcats are incredibly beautiful creatures that exist in varied colors from orange to gray with black markings similar to a domestic tabby cat.

Bobcats are often noted as the inspiration of the region's name – the Catskills!

# Volunteer Open House at the Time and the Valleys Museum

(From Pg. 1) Volunteers can help one or two afternoons a month or more, whatever suits their lifestyle, as much or as little as they like. All information and training will be provided. NO previous knowledge of history or museum experience is required, just time

and a willingness to learn.

"We have many volunteer needs including helping in the museum shop, reception desk and offices." according to Volunteer Chairperson, Mary Inghrim. For more information on the volunteer open house, the many different volunteer positions, benefits and training, email info@time-andthevalleysmuseum.org or call the Museum at 985-7700.

#### About the Time and the Valleys Museum:

Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is currently open by appointment only or during special programs. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

#### Museum exhibitions are interactive and both fun and educational for all ages:

o 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 exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.

o 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.

o 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a farmhouse, outhouse, barn, electric plant, milk house and working waterwheel help visitors experience life in the 1930s through displays, videos, games and hands on activities.

New Exhibition opening June 4th: Bittersweet Memories: Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds!

The Time and the Valleys Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, a collaboration between the National Endowment of the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and over 1,500 museums across America to provide free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

For more information or to schedule a school field trip or group tour call 845 985-7700 e-mail info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org.





(From Pg. 1) David Hymowitz also came to speak alongside Eric to further discuss the message of #SameHere. He is currently the director of #SameHere Schools and Programs, but is also an experienced social worker, certified trainer for FEMA's Crisis Counseling Program, and adjunct professor at Hofstra University. The purpose of his program is to partner

with school districts and provide curricula, exercises, and sessions geared toward improving mental health for the students, teachers, and staff.

These speakers were resounding favorites among faculty and staff. So much so, that the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Ivan Katz, in response to multiple requests from staff, brought these popular speakers back for a second set of conference day presentations. Having these gentlemen share their experiences was exactly the kind of motivation staff members in the district were looking for.



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## **Mysterious Book Report No. 26**

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# The Force

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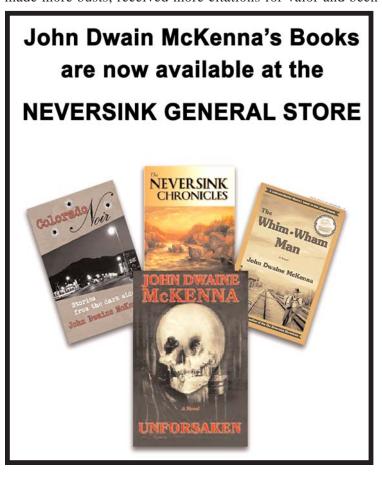
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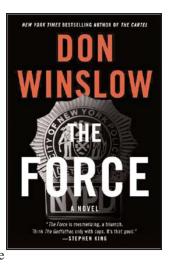
According to Dwight, one of my retired cop buddies, only a few crime fiction writers *Really get it*, when writing about the demands, the stresses and the effect –on marriages, children and personal lives –of being a police officer in America today. It's a career that is rewarding, exciting, sometimes monotonous, and always dangerous enough to take your breath away. Not many outsiders can even begin to understand what it's like to bear the weight of a badge and a gun, much less write about it. But, lucky for us, there are a few who do.

The Force, (Wm Morrow/Harper Collins, \$27.99, 479 pages. ISBN 978-0-06-266441-9) by Don Winslow has been drawing rave reviews from all who've read it, including the

Mysterious Book Report. If ever a novel was destined to become the defining work of its genre and a never-to-be-forgotten classic, this is it.

All Denny Malone ever wanted to be was a good cop. He's an NYPD Detective Sergeant, a highly respected, brave and decorated cop who works a drug, gang and murder infested part of the city as the leader of Da Force, an elite unit with unrestricted authority to go after the gang-bangers, drug slingers and gun-runners in Manhattan North, also know as Harlem. They're handpicked, the best of the best, resourceful, bright, tough and the princes of Manhattan North. They've made more busts, received more citations for valor and been in more gunfights than any other unit in the 26,000 officer





New York City Police Department. Denny Malone and all the members of Da Force are respected and feared, from One Police Plaza at the south end of Manhattan Island, all the way up to the border of the Bronx in the north. Denny Malone's been on the job for eighteen years and he's seen it all . . . the violence, the deaths, the victims, the perpetrators of endless savagery, and the deep-rooted corruption that fuels the city. But the truth is, Denny Malone is dirty. They all are. Money and drugs are missing from the biggest heroin bust in the city's history, and Malone's been caught . . . nailed by the Feds. who're pressing him to confess, turn rat and give up his fellow officers . . . all while still trying to do his job, be a father to his two kids, who live with his estranged wife, and carry on a loving relationship with his heroin-addicted black girlfriend.

Like all of Winslow's novels, *The Force* features compelling, electrifying and captivating characters and a dynamic, action-driven plot. It is, as one A-list author wrote: *Probably the best cop novel ever written*. Read it and see for yourself. Personally, I couldn't put it down because –as my old friend Dwight said, "He just gets it."

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.

And Hey! Check out our combined website that's simple to use and easy as pie to leave your comments! We're looking forward to hearing from all of you.



# Corned Beef and Cabbage

Tonight my husband and I will go to the Boiceville Inn, once again, for a St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage dinner. It has been our tradition for the past five decades. Besides going out to dinner and laughing with friends (Like Cheers, the Inn is a place where



... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who



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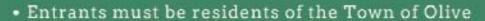
everyone knows your name), here's why I no longer cook corned beef and cabbage at home:

To start with, corned beef becomes expensive around this holiday; however, I one time bought a huge hunk of it around the size of a small loaf of bread. I cooked it all day in a Dutch oven to find out that my expensive roast had shrunk to the size of a meatball. I decided to save a pot to clean so I peeled the carrots and potatoes (no fun) and put them both in the same pot of water to boil. Found out later that potatoes an carrots do not get tender at the same time. Cabbage was the worst. I stuffed a half a cabbage into a pot full knowing that cooked cabbage definitely creates a smell that permeated the kitchen. But what was that awful stink and why are the smoke detectors screaming? Why it is the smell of cabbage sticking to the bottom of the pan turning black and creating some substance similar to anthracite coal.

So, tonight my husband and I will go to the Boiceville Inn for a generous portion of corned beef and cabbage. It will, invariably, be topped off by Barbara Parete's famous Watergate Dessert.

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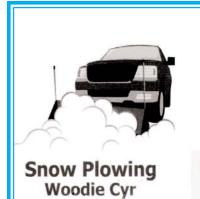
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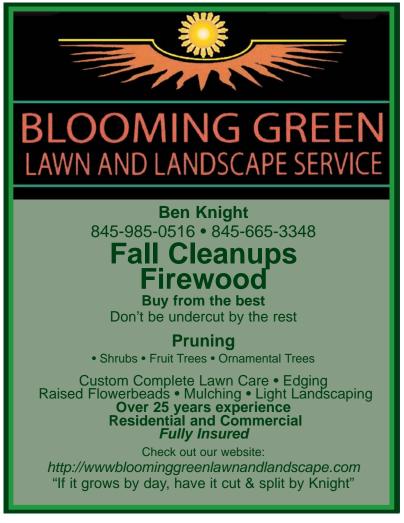


# Frost Valley Announces Expanded Financial Assistance for Children Registering for Day Camp A Summer at Frost Valley is now more accessible than ever!

CLARYVILLE — In addition to its tiered pricing, Frost Valley YMCA has expanded its Financial Assistance for all families registering their children for Day Camp. The Administration of Frost Valley YMCA has implemented this expansion for the Financial Assistance program to further assist families that have been negatively impacted by the current economic climate, namely the inflation crisis. Frost Valley YMCA wants to ensure that children from all socio-economic backgrounds have the opportunity to spend their summer attending Day Camp, building lifelon skills, abilities, and friendships, and discovering their full potential.



The old rubric was reevaluated and revised to reflect the current needs of the families looking for financial assistance. Frost Valley YMCA updated its rubric for all families based on several factors, including average income for families from



New York State, as well as what is currently defined as a living wage, and the poverty line for the geographic region.

Frost Valley YMCA, believes every child deserves a summer camp experience. That is why they offer financial aid – or "camperships" to families who apply. The generous support of donors provides financial assistance to individuals who otherwise would not have this life-enhancing opportunity. Without this loyal commitment to their mission, thousands would miss out on the joy of exploring the wilderness, laughing with friends in a cabin, or making memories around a campfire.

Anyone interested in applying for Financial Assistance is encouraged to contact Frost Valley's Registrar's Office as soon as possible since spaces fill up quickly. For more information visit frostvalley.org/for-all, call 845-985-2291 ext. 203 or email campregistration@frostvalley.org.

Frost Valley YMCA is a values-driven organization that fosters youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility through outdoor educational and recreational programs for all.

Located in the heart of the Catskill Mountains, Frost Valley provides year-round access to nature and fun through programs such as summer camp, adventure trips, farm camp,

equestrian programs, group and family retreats, family weekends, school trips, team building and more. Frost Valley, a not-for-profit organization chartered through the YMCA of the USA, i guided in this pursuit by its core values which serve as pathways for guests as they bond with

# Spring has Arrived in the Catskills

Winter had one last gasp last week, and now our minds are on spring, more daylight, Restaurant Week (March 20 - April 2), and Catskill Cuisine (May 13). In the meantime, come visit and get in on the good times. Start by booking a place to stay at a full-service resort, boutique inn, or quaint B&B. Of course, if you bring family and friends, you can book a vacation rental.

Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre kicked off a series of cool things to do here on Thursday when they begin a four-week series called Step Into Ballroom Dance featuring classic ballroom dance films, tapas and wine or beer by the Tango Café, and an exhilarating ballroom dance class led by Edgar Osorio of Osorio Dancesport.

Hungry? Have some Catskill-icious food and drink. Our talented chefs and bakers will feed your soul. We call it Catskill-icious. Thirsty? The Good Taste Craft Beverage Trail features award-winning, hand-crafted wine, beer, spirits, and cider. If you want to shake off winter and get your body moving, get out on our trails. We have over two dozen hiking trails, and the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail - our tribute to the 1969 Woodstock Music and Art Fair. It's a great way to explore. If you never miss an opportunity to shop, go on a spree in our hip, vibrant Main Streets for home goods, fishing gear, food provisions, games, pottery, pet apparel, and more.

Plan Ahead

March 20 - April 2 is Restaurant Week in our Sullivan Catskills. Enjoy the Catskill-icious food, drink, and warm hospitality at our 17 participating restaurants.

Women's History Month continues at DVAA's in the Salon Series on Sunday, March 26, at 2 PM with Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra (SCCO) and a performance highlighting the work

of four monumental female composers: Reena Esmail, Amy Beach, Lili Boulanger, and Clara Schuman. The program, "Everlasting Impressions," features Akiko Hosoi on violin, Kirsten Jermé on cello, and Matthew Graybill on piano.

For the first time in decades, a new music festival will debut on the historic field of Woodstock '69! Catbird will feature two days of live music from *The Lumineers, Tyler Childers, Trey Anastasio* and more in Bethel, NY. Tickets are on sale now.

We're a 90-minute drive from Manhattan and the metro NY-NJ area. Come plan your trip... girls, guys... everyone and celebrate Women's History Month with us in the Sullivan Catskills.

# Welcome to the Catskills

The Welcome to the Catskills webpage is the place to go if you are interested in learning more about the Catskills. It provides information about the Forest Preserve and conservation easement lands, outdoor recreation opportunities, and Leave No Trace. Be sure to check out the links to additional information and tips for recreating safely and minimizing your impacts on natural resources, recreational infrastructure, and other backcountry users in the Catskill Mountains. Go to webpage for more information:

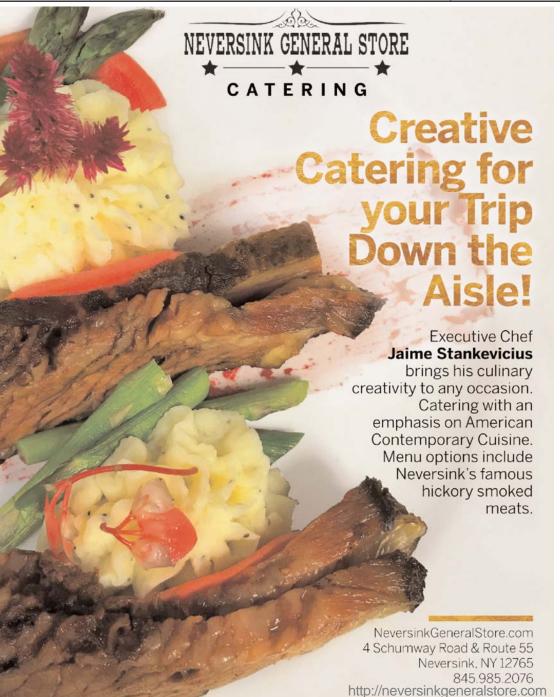
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For Sundown Wild Forest go to: https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/75346.html

Hike Smart NY https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/28708.html

National Weather Service https://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=42.0842&lon=-74.3166#.YrXXCm4pAWq

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# The Scene Too By Jane Harrison

Saint Patty's day always conjures up my years in New York City in the 80's, when every bus, every subway car, every street is filled with revelers...most extremely drunk and it doesn't matter the time



of day. I can't help thinking that here, everyone is driving cars and I rarely venture out. I broke that tradition this year.

If you've not been to the TANGO CAFÉ in Hurleyville, it was the first 'Manhattan vibe' café to open in this area. Lots of glass, chrome and a comparable

menu. As you come in, you are greeted as if

you are an old friend. And they have music from time to time, which is how I became acquainted. Saint Patty's evening was POI-

SON LOVE, the trio turned duo for the night of J O A N N E WASSERMAN BRINKERHOFF and her husband DAN BRINKER-HOFF, which was fitting because what's better to celebrate with than a guitar and a fiddle!



Missing was percussionist SAMMY ALEXANDER. This is a band I do not see enough of, usually because they perform a lot in the western part of the county close to where they live. There is something so 'feel good' about their music! Their sets are comprised almost completely of original music and these originals are great 'story' songs, which, if you truly listen, you will invariably find something that resonates and be as hooked as I am. If I see them three times during the summer, I'll hear three completely new sets of songs. JOANNE is the prolific songwriter, putting observation of the life around her into a song. Last time I saw them, she was also the principal vocalist. That too has shifted. It was DAN who did most of the singing, his voice very reminiscent of an early NEIL YOUNG (ala Harvest Moon). AND he is also a marvelous artist, his chosen medium is wood.

From 'feel good" music to "feel good" music.

The first time I encountered THE OTHER BAND was at DAVE and TERESA TRESTYN'S venue THE HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL OF GRAHAMSVILLE. I had approached sax man GREG

FISKE as he was setting up and asked him the name of the band. When he told me, I thought he was kidding. In fact I thought they were a 'pick up' band. Maybe they were. Maybe I should ask (duh).



The one thing they are is great fun! They have great fun with each other on stage and

good.' This, however, takes nothing away from their musicianship. When I first saw them back in December, it was JESSIE NORMAN who did most of the singing while playing the

with their audience which automatically make everyone 'feel

most of the singing while playing the bass, which I know from my late husband, who also did this, is not an easy thing to do. The bass guitar and drums set up the





rhythm of the song whereas the vocals are the other end of the scale. Two completely different things. JESSIE took lead the vocals on several songs as did drummer DAVE MUCCI. As did keyboardist D A N A

GABRIELSEE. Guit-arist JAMES RATNER, who one can say IS the lead vocalist has a unique timber to his voice that I haven't quite figured out yet, which makes it intriguing. And GREG FISKE on sax (saxophone). Well, there is none better.

Classic rock never sounded so good. THE OTHER BAND is a band you need to get out to see!

And I saw them at the 17 WEST BREWERY on Sullivan Street in Liberty. This was the first time I had been there though my musician friends have been telling me about it since

it opened in November of last year. Why? Live music is a big part of what they serve there! There's even a 'fluttery' banner out front proclaiming this to be fact! I am all for any inclusion of music into a business! The entrance is in the back, so keep that in mind.



The interior is cozy and the band was set up in an area enclosed by some sort of special plastic just off the main area. I have to say I had my doubts, having 'lizard blood' (which means I'm perpetually cold) but what a surprise. I was totally comfortable. And owners MICHAEL and TINA are two very gracious people, allowed me to take a picture of their drinks menu (which includes a nice white wine for people like myself who don't drink beer). I will be returning here, for the music yes, and to find out more about this unique place.

Stay safe, stay well and I refuse to say the magic word (spring) in case it makes that storm we didn't get angry and it turns around and comes back.

Until next time.....

## Find Your Adventure -Take the 2023 I Bird NY Challenge

The 2023 IBIRDNY Challenge is back and better than ever! Birders of all ages and abilities are encouraged to see or hear and record any 10 bird species of their choosing, with opportunities for both youth and adult participants to win great birding prizes. New this year, the challenge will run from March 1 - November 1, observation logs may be submitted via an online form, and all participants will receive a commemorative challenge patch! For more information, including ideas on species to observe and places to go, visit the I Bird NY webpage.

#### **Make Your Camping Reservation Today**

Did you know you are able to make camping reservations on ReserveAmerica up to 9 months in advance? And now for the 2023 season, you can make a same-day reservation for any DEC Campground until 5 p.m. The whole summer is open for booking.

DEC operates over 50 campgrounds in the Adirondack and Catskill Parks that provide a wide variety of experiences, including island camping, tent and trailer camping, boat launching facilities, hiking trails, beaches, and day use areas with picnic tables and grills. Find the perfect campground by checking out the camping guide. Get other camping tips, watch YouTube videos, and more by checking out the #AdventureAtHome camping series.

Starting with the Winter 2023 "Rocks Rock!" issue of Conservationist for Kids, a Spanish version (PDF) is available as a PDF download on DEC's website. Since 2008, Conservationist for Kids has been mailed free of charge in classroom packets to all 4th grade classes in New York State, reaching more than 275,000 students each issue.

Published three times per year, Conservationist for Kids is also included as an insert in Conservationist magazine in the February, April, and October issues. To date, over 40 issues have been produced, covering everything from birds to trees and climate change to electric vehicles.

All past issues are available as PDF downloads on DEC's website, and Spanish versions of future issues will be made available online as well.

#### **Experience Winter Outdoors this Season**

If you are looking for a way to enjoy the last bits of winter this season, why not try out a winter outdoor recreation activity? Cross-country skiing and snow-shoeing are great ways to see some of the most beautiful scenery found in New York State.

Thousands of miles of trails in New York are perfect for winter adventures. Many trails are easier to navigate in winter as the rocks, roots, and mud are covered over with nothing but smooth, deep snow.



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If you are looking for more information, visit #AdventureAtHome's series on snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Find places to get outdoors on DEC's website.



# Robert Alan Agency

188 Lake Street, Liberty NY 12754 (P) 845-292-8570, (F) 845-422-8125 liberty@robertalanagency.com

It is with great pleasure and excitement that we announce that the Robert Alan Agency has merged with Denman Insurance!!!

We are currently located at 188 Lake Street, Liberty NY 12754 next to Thalmann's Garage. Our customer service representatives Jill Knox and Jessica Onorevole will be happy and able to help you with any questions or concerns you may have; you can reach them at 845-292-8570, or 845-985-2285.

The Robert Alan Agency is an independent insurance agency that has been in business for over 35 years. We will now be able to offer you access to many additional insurance companies offering a wider range of insurance products and greater potential for increased savings. We have locations in Sullivan, Orange, Ulster & Rockland counties

Please know that we want this to be a smooth transition for all of the Denman Agency customers and we are here to assist you in any and all of your insurance needs!

Please feel free to stop by our office and see Jill or Jessica today!

Check out our website www.robertalanagency.com

# How Can Sullivan County Be More Resilient? Two Interactive Tools Invite Public to Participate

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County is developing a Countywide plan that will identify and improve what drives the County's resiliency, through the perspectives of economy, community, and environment.

"Resiliency" describes a community's ability to withstand and recover from damaging economic, environmental and climate events, and to learn from these challenges and build on strengths in preparation for future challenges. To achieve this, Metropolitan Urban Design (MUD) Workshop, a multidisciplinary team based in Brooklyn, is helping the County identify local threats and challenges; analyze the current state of the County's physical, economic, social and institutional infrastructure; and develop key actions to make the County stronger and more resilient.

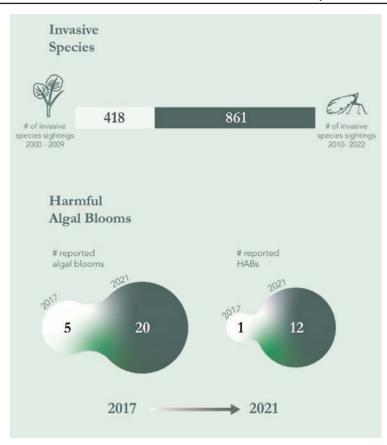
"We hope to draw upon residents' vast and unique knowledge of Sullivan County and our existing community networks, institutions and organizations," explains Interim Planning Commissioner Heather Brown. "For example, how might future events such as extreme weather, economic dis-

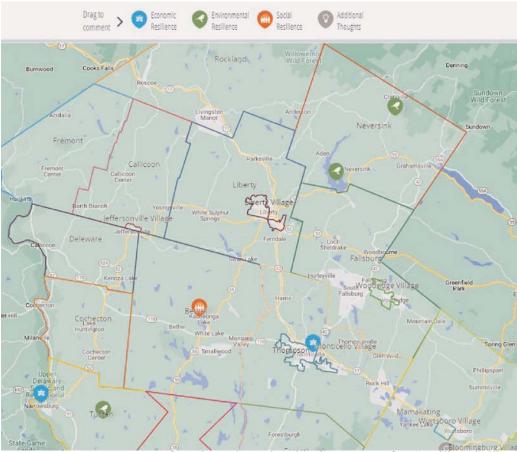
ruptions, flooding or changes in the growing season put stress on us? How might our schools, farms and businesses be affected? What do we need in terms of housing, energy and water resources? How do we help our most vulnerable neighbors? That local knowledge is vital."

MUD Workshop has set up two interactive online tools to collect these insights. At the project website (www.resilientsullivan.com) is an overview of resiliency issues and a set of town and village fact sheets (click the "Engage" tab) that provide baseline information about our communities. The "Connect" tab offers residents the opportunity to provide feedback or steer project leaders toward additional important information.

At https://mudworkshop.mysocialpinpoint.com/sullivanresiliency is a mapping tool that allows users to pinpoint a location in any of the County's 15 towns and six villages right down to a specific property or street intersection - and provide a note about economic, environmental or social resiliency relevant to that location.

"Please take the time to help us plan for our own future," urges District 8 Legislator Ira Steingart, chair of the Legislature's Planning Committee. "Visit both sites and share your special knowledge of Sullivan County and your own community - you know it better than most!"

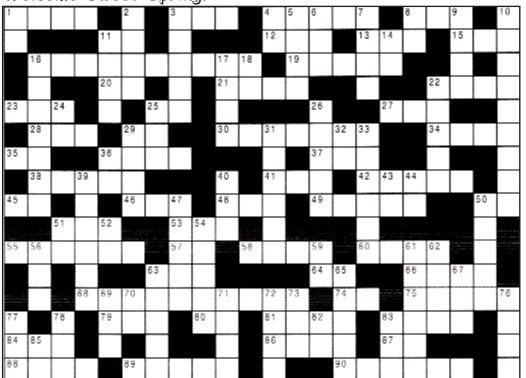




Questions about the planning process for "Resilient Sullivan" can be directed to the Division of Planning and Community Development at 845-807-0527 or via e-mail at planning@sullivanny.us.

The above representative images from the website <a href="https://mudworkshop.mysocialpinpoint.com/sullivanresiliency">https://mudworkshop.mysocialpinpoint.com/sullivanresiliency</a>





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#### SPRING SUNSHINE CAKE

1 (18.25 ounce) package moist yellow cake mix 4 eggs

1/2 cup vegetable oil 1 (11 ounce) can mandarin oranges, juice reserved

1 (16 ounce) package frozen whipped topping, thawed
1 (5 ounce) package instant vanilla

pudding mix

1 (20 ounce) can crushed pineapple with juice

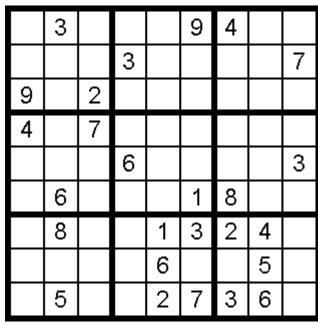
Beat the eggs, and add them to the boxed cake mix. Add the oil and the mandarine oranges to the batter; remember to add the juice as well as the fruit. Pour the batter into a greased

and floured 9 x 13 inch pan.

Bake the cake for 40 minutes in a preheated oven at 325 degrees F (165) degrees C). Cool on wire rack.

While cake is baking, prepare the frosting by mixing together the whipped dessert topping, the package of instant pudding, and the crushed pineapple with its juices. Set frosting in refrigerator to set. Frost when cake has thoroughly cooled.

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To play SUDOKO online: Answer on page 23 https://sudoko.com

#### Cryptogram

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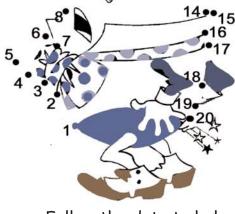
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Hey, diddle diddle, this cat is not playing a fiddle. Can you find

four things that are wrong with the Cat and the Fiddle'



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Follow the dots to help put Humpty Dumpty together again.

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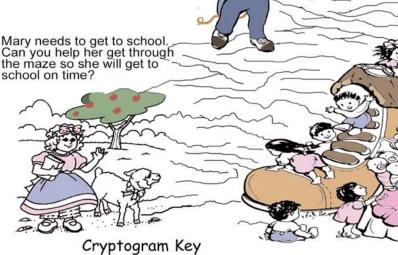


Kids' 60036 Fun Page - L. Comando

Mary needs to get to school. the maze so she will get to school on time?



How many words can you make from the words MOTHER GOOSE?



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All bids should be **delivered** price only, **except** for **FOB** black top type 6 & 7, together with Non-Collusive Bidding Certification.

Upon acceptance of bid price, bidder shall in turn notify the Town of Denning Highway Superintendent when he has at least 100 tons of material stockpiled for the Town of Denning in order that the testing may be done by the Highway Department or by a designated agent for final approval.

Bid Forms and Non-collusive Bidding Certifications are available from the Town Clerks Office or the Town Highway Superintendent. Forms and Certifications must be in a sealed envelope with the company name clearly visible and marked **BID**. Bids may be **mailed** to: Town of Denning, P.O. Box 277, Claryville, N.Y. 12725

All sealed bids must be received by Tuesday, April 11th, 2023 prior to the commencement of the Town of Denning Town Board Meeting; to begin at 6:00 P.M. during SAID meeting All Bids will be publicly opened and read. The meeting is to be held at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725.

The Highway Superintendent must be informed upon ordering of any and all fuel charges to be added to any material delivery, followed by a fax to serve as written notice.

All material must be delivered to the Town, within the confines of the Town of Denning.

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

The Highway Superintendent reserves the right to reject any material deemed unacceptable.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD Nancy Parrow Town Clerk / Tax Collector / RMO March 16th, 2023

3/23/22

# Tri-Valley Central School District Board of Education Meeting

Thursday, March 30, 2023

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# **Fallsburg School District** PETITIONS FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION

FALLSBURG, NY- Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education of the Fallsburg School District will be available in the Central Office beginning on March 17, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Petitions must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the district. They must be returned to the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM on April 17, 2023.

The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education:

Mr. Joe Collura- 3 year term Ms. Renee Kates - 3 year term Ms. Colleen Picciotti- 3 year term

Each vacancy is a separate office and separate petition is required to nominate a candidate to each separate office.

If you have any questions, please call Sarah Satz, District Clerk at 434-6800, ext. 1215.

# EPA, DEC and Tuscarora Nation Team Up to Combat Illegal Tire Dumping on Indigenous Lands Public Awareness, Heightened -Enforcement Will Highlight Campaign to Protect Indigenous Lands From Illegal Tire Dumping

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), and the Tuscarora Nation announced today a partnership aimed at combatting illegal tire dumping on sovereign Nation lands. Documented recurrences of tires and other waste dumped illegally on Tuscarora Nation lands spurred action to prevent ongoing illegal behavior and prompted this joint federal, state, and Nation government-to-government partnership that will help protect the public health and natural resources.

"The partnership between the Tuscarora Nation, EPA, and DEC is considerable progress in the right direction as we collectively move toward the goal of protecting our land and the health of our community," said Rene Rickard-Printup, the Tuscarora Nation's environment director for the Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force. "For many years, illegal dumping activities have been a burden on the Tuscarora Nation but now we have the support of EPA and DEC to address this issue with businesses and individuals outside our Nation. We are grateful to the EPA for providing some financial support to curb the amount of roadside dumping through barriers to stop illegal dumping, signs to prevent illegal dumping, and cameras to catch illegal dumping. We are also grateful for the support of DEC. Businesses and individuals need to know that, while the Tuscarora Nation is a sovereign, the Nation can and will authorize DEC to take legal action against illegal dumping on the Nation territory."

"Illegal tire dumping is a violation of the law and a threat to public health," said EPA Regional Administrator Lisa F. Garcia. "Together, EPA, DEC and the Tuscarora Nation will increase enforcement on these sovereign lands to the fullest extent of the law and educate the public on the importance of proper tire disposal, safeguarding public health and the environment."

"Illegal tire dumping is hazardous to the environment because waste tires can leach toxins into land and water, threaten public health by creating breeding grounds for mosquitoes and other pests, and are aesthetically displeasing," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "Dumping tires on the sovereign lands of Indigenous peoples, already disproportionally affected by environmental pollution, is particularly disturbing. DEC law enforcement officers are strictly enforcing illegal tire dumping-including on Nation land where authorized to enter-and violators will be held accountable to the full extent of the law to ensure public health and the environment are protected."

The Tuscarora Reservation is located in Niagara County, approximately 10 minutes outside of Niagara Falls and 20 minutes from Buffalo, and is home to more than 1,000 Tuscarora Nation citizens and their Iroquois relatives and guests. The Tuscarora Nation is neighbor to several Western New York communities and through the Tuscarora Environment Program works to ensure the territory is free from contamination from off-site sources, in accordance with their own laws and traditions.

This Nation-federal-state partnership includes increased enforcement by DEC Environmental Conservation Police Officers of illegal tire dumping, in addition to a public outreach and education campaign aimed at waste tire generators, including area automotive repair facilities, to reinforce the importance of properly disposing of waste tires and reporting improper dumping.

Waste tires are regulated wastes and, by law, must be managed by an authorized facility. Dumping waste tires, or arranging for an improper disposal, are crimes under the New York State Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) that could result in jail time

Anyone with information about those responsible for the illegal disposal of tires is encouraged to immediately report the incident and location to DEC Environmental Conservation Police at 1-844-DEC-ECOs.

A listing of waste transporters, or authorized tire disposal options, is available by contacting DEC's Division of Materials Management at (518) 402-8652 or by email at dmm@dec.ny.gov. DEC tip sheet to help prevent illegal tire dumping (PDF)

https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/administration\_pdf/wastetirediposalcardfinal.pdf

# Count-down to Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk & TAG DAY - May 6, 2023



Lion Esta Jacobs making a donation

The Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023. Registration will be at 8:30am at the Grahamsville First Aid Squad Building, with The Journey For Sight Walk starting at 9am around the Fairgrounds. The Walk is variable length, so whether you walk one loop around the fairgrounds or multiple, you are a Winner. We ask that all volunteers, Walkers, and Tri-Valley Lions members meet in front of the First Aid Squad Building for a Group Photo at 8:50am. This is our first walk since

Covid hit, but we hope to have a good turnout this year. Coffee, water, juice boxes for the kids, snacks and pastries will be available to all Walkers and Volunteers starting at 8am at the First Aid Squad Building.

As you will see by the photos of the 2015, 2016, and 2017 Journey For Sight Walks, (watch next week's Townsman for the 2016 Journey For Sight participants) all our friends and neighbors are encouraged to join the Tri-Valley Lions for the May 6th Walk. We encourage all Walkers to collect pledges and bring the pledges and completed pledge sheets to the First Aid Squad Building at 8:30am on May 6, 2023. I've attached Pledge Sheets, and a Journey For Sight Poster in this week's Townsman. Pledge sheets will also be available on the morning of the Walk. Your pledges for the Walk and donations to our Tag Day enables the Tri-Valley Lions to continue our support donations to 5 local food pantries, the Heart-A-Thon, Leukemia and Lymphoma contributions to The Rhulen Walk and Trevor Loughlin Fund, perform eye screenings for local youth at our neighborhood Schools, Juvenile Diabetes, The Guiding Eyes for the Blind and so many more worthy organizations.

I will be contacting many of the past walkers to see if they will join us once again this year and to help make our 2023 Journey For Sight Walk a success. Bring the kids. Bring the family. You can reach me at 845-866-1579 or ejacob4848@gmail.com if you have any questions, would like to walk with us, or volunteer at this event. Thank you in advance and stay well and safe. Esta Jacob

(Pledge Sheet Page 21)

#### WALK RULES

- Anyone under 18 years of age must have the signature of parent or guardian on the form.
- Each participant should encourage as many sponsors as possible. Sponsors may pledge as much as they wish.
- The Sponsor Pledge Form must be returned by 8:30 am on the day of the event.
- Pledges must be collected from your Sponsors and turned in at Registration or no later than June 1 to any Lion.
- The Journey For Sight will begin at 9:00 am. Participants must sign in between 8:30 am and 9:00 am at the GRAHAMSVILLE FIRST AID BUILDING (where the walk will begin and end). Refreshments will be available during this time.
- The event will be held rain or shine.
- All food and drinks given before, during, and after the event are free.
- Neither Tri-Valley Lions, nor Lions International will be responsible for injuries incurred during the event.
- It is suggested that Participants without pledges offer a donation of \$20.00.

# LIONS JOURNEY FOR SIGHT May 6, 2023 Sponsor Sheet TRI-VALLEY LIONS in memory of our beloved departed Lions

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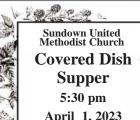
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> Sundown United Methodist Church Hall



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For information contact:

The Reverend Diana Southwick Scheide

Canon Missioner of the Delaware Catskill **Episcopal Ministry** 

PO Box 296 Callicoon, NY vicardcem@gmail.com

845-887-3201 • 717-870-7874 cell

#### Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Thrift Sale **April 1, 2023** 

9 am to 12 noon



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Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740
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The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.

If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the Pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

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Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday Mass at 8:30AM.

Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm

Rev. Ignas Dhas MMI, Administrator (845) 434-7643

#### Grahamsville Reformes Church a friendly welcome Pastor Kenneth Ronk

Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am P O Box 238 - Route 55 Grahamsville, NY 12740 845-985-7480

#### Clarpville Reformed Church

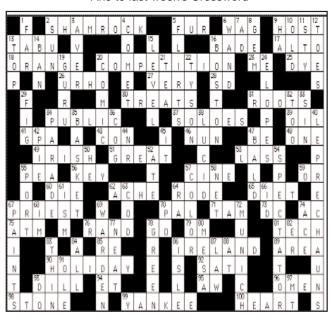
Claryville Road Claryville, NY 12725 845-985-2041



Worship Services @ 10:00 am Rev. Ken Tenckinck, Pastor Church Hall available for rent Call - 845-985-2041 for information

#### St . Augustine's Chapel

Watson Hollow Rd . West Shokan, NY Sunday Mass - 9:30 am Holy Days 5:30 pm Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, **Pastor**  Ans to last week's Crossword





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# GRAHAMSVILLE UMC THRIFT MINISTRY



Donations accepted in the Thrift Building on Tuesdays, starting March 14, from 9:30 to 11:30 am or by appointment.

Call Ruth at 845-985-7222

The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team

https://grahamsvilleUMC.org

GrahamsvilleUMC@gmail.com-Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

# Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper Saturday, April 1, 2023 5:30 pm at the Church Hall

Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale (Covered Dish Suppers will be held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)

### Life After Loss: a Five-Week Bereavement Series

Mondays starting April 24, 7 pm, at **St. Mary's St. Andrew's Church Hall** 137 South Main St. Ellenville Open to all adults, no cost to attend. Please pre-register by contacting **Jennifer** at **Colonial Memorial Funeral Home** 845-434-7363

or register online at <a href="http://www.smsaparish.org/events">http://www.smsaparish.org/events</a>

Bingo at the Monticello Elks Lodge Every Tuesday at 7 PM 46 North Street in Monticello

For information,

contact Past Exalted Ruler Ronni Scannell at (845) 701-0695

\$17.5 BILLION in Lost Money

Every day New York State returns \$1.5 million to those who file claims here. Is any yours? To find out, go to:

https://osc.state.ny.us/ouf or https://ouf.osc.state.ny.us/ouf

Many have checked, and sure enough after following the directions and filing a claim, have received a check from the NYS Comptroller's Office. It only takes a few minutes to find

**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.

#### LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4/1/23	Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
4/1/23	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon
4/4/23	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
4/5/23	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
4/11/23	Denning Town Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
4/12/23	Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
4/16/23	Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 8 am - 12 noon
4/18/23	Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
4/20/23	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
4/20/23	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm

#### Save the Date!

May 6, 2023 **Tri-Valley Lions' Journey For Sight Walk** at 8:30 am at Grahamsville First Aid Squad Bldg and Fairgrounds. Call Lion Esta Jacob for more information at 845-866-1579.

#### **TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS** ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

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

# Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week of

March 20 - March 24, 2023 Monday, March 20

**6:00 PM - Ulster County Trail Advisory Committee,** in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston

Tuesday, March 21

**3:30 PM - Ulster County Workforce Development Board**, in The Office of Employment & Training, 535 Boices Lane, Kingston

**5:00 PM - Ways & Means Committee,** in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB and via Zoom videoconferencing using Meeting ID: 880 6361 9916, dial in number: (646) 558-8656 6:00 PM (Or Immediately Following Ways & Means) - Caucuses: Democrats, in Legislative Chambers; Republicans, in the KL Binder Library

7:10 PM - Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2023: To Allow Volunteer Firefighters & Volunteer Ambulance Workers To Be Eligible For A Real Property Tax Exemption Under Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) § 466-a, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB and via Zoom videoconferencing using Meeting ID: 831 8403 3102, dial in number: (646) 558-8656 7:15 PM - Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2023: Designating Affordable Housing As An Ulster County Public Purpose, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB and via Zoom videoconferencing using Meeting ID: 831 8403 3102, dial in number: (646) 558-8656 7:20 PM (Or Immediately Following Public Hearings) - Legislative Session, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB and via Zoom videoconferencing using Meeting ID: 831 8403 3102, dial in number: (646) 558-8656

Wednesday, March 22

**3:00 PM - Ulster County Electrical Licensing Board**, in the Rondout Municipal Center, 1915 Lucas Avenue, Cottekill

**6:30 PM - Ulster County Environmental Management Council**, in the Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center, and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 974 4254 9615

7:30 PM - Ulster County Fire Advisory Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB

#### Thursday, March 23

1:00 PM - Ulster County Advisory Committee on Non-Toxic Pest Management, in the Department of the Environment, 17 Pearl Street, Kingston

**4:30 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Audit Committee,** 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston

5:30 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board Meeting, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston

#### Friday, March 24

12:00 PM - Resolution Deadline

# Help your local business grow Advertise locally in *The Townsman!*

Classified ads - \$5.00 for the first 20 words/ 20 cents each additional word

1" Boxed ad (1"x3")\$6.00 per week

Business card ad (2" x 3")
- \$12.00 per week
(3" x 4") - \$24.00 per week
(3" x 6") - \$36.00 per week
1/4 pg (4" x 5") -\$40.00 per

week

1/2 pg (4"x8") -\$64.00 per week (6" x 8") - \$96.00 per week Full Page - 8" x 10" -\$100.00 per week

Digital Flyer Insert - 8"x10 - \$100.00/week

•• Full Page Flyer for Local Municipalities and Organizations one time fee- \$20.00 (once the flyer is inserted we will publish it each week through the week of the event)

As in the past, there is no fee for advertising for our local churches

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## **Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

350 Main St. PO Box 86, Grahamsville, NY 12740

#### Thrift Sale Schedule 2023

All sales are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

April - 1st and 15th

Sept. - 9th and 23rd

May - 6th and 20th

Oct. - 14th and 28th

June - 3rd and 17th

Nov. - 4th and 18th

July - 1st and 15th

Dec. - 2<sup>nd</sup> Holiday Craft Fair

August - 5th and 19th

Donations accepted in the thrift building on Tuesdays, starting March 14, 2023, from 9:30 to 11:30 or by appointment. Call Ruth at 845-985-7222.

GrahamsvilleUMC.org - GrahamsvilleUMC@gmail.com - Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

# Ten Mile River Scout Museum to host live local history and nature webinars

Museum Chairman Mitchell Slepian will moderate. Museum Co-Director Glenn Pontier will host. A question and answer session will be held. Recordings will be available on the Museum's YouTube channel.

Presenter Glenn Pontier is co-director of TMR Scout Museum and a frequent presenter of museum webinars. A long-time Sullivan County resident who lives along the Delaware River, he is former editor of "The River Reporter" based in Narrowsburg. Previously he was executive director of Sullivan Renaissance and the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum, as well as the former public information officer for Sullivan County.

Join him for these educational talks.

#### THE WORLD OF NARROWSBURG

Home to Ten Mile River Scout Reservation, Narrowsburg was once called Big Eddy, which was not even its first name. Learn the unique history of this tiny hamlet (population 379 in the 2020 census) and areas that surround it - from the iconic river bridge and Fort Delaware to the National Park Service and the Riverfest. This webinar begins at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19. Preregistration on Zoom is required.

Register here: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwrc-6gqTsjHtF0AwE5pA17GY4I6uSCaOcF

#### MONARCH BUTTERFLIES

Monarchs are the masters of migration, traveling up to 3000 miles every year from North America to Mexico and back. Some of these colorful and amazing insects can be found on the milkweed plants around TMR. Learn about these endangered butterflies - and the new museum exhibit describing their journey - at the museum webinar on Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. Pre-registration on Zoom is required.

Register here: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0pd-GuqToiG9w3TxQxNgo7jE1jd9c1yXdo

#### **About the TMR Scout Camps Museum**

The Ten Mile River Scout Museum exists to preserve and promote the spirit and heritage of New York City Scouting at the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and selected venues through the creation of historical archives, displays, exhibits of photos, memorabilia, documents and tangible items in both indoor and outdoor settings. We also recognize the local history in the vicinity of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps.

# Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger and Municipal Leaders Demand Federal Action to Improve Rail Safety

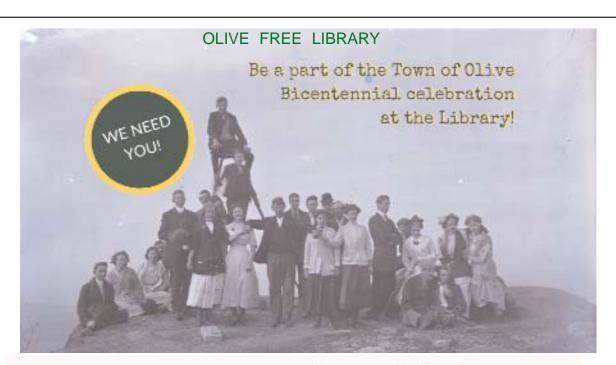
KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger sent a letter today to the Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Pete Buttigieg and Federal Rail Administration (FRA) Administrator Amit Bose demanding stronger regulations of the freight rail-road industry that would improve safety for communities that host rail corridors like Ulster County. County Executive Metzger was joined by 13 Mayors and Supervisors who signed on to the letter, including leaders of the seven municipalities in Ulster County that host railroad lines.

In the letter, County Executive Metzger wrote "rail infrastructure is inadequately maintained and presents unacceptable risks and hazards. Over the years, our communities have documented many concerning conditions, including unsafe bridges, dilapidated crossings, and dangerous track conditions." Metzger goes on to write that "At a time when railroad companies are reporting record earnings, the lack of investment to protect public health and safety is unacceptable."

The letter seeks comprehensive action on many fronts, urging the FRA and DOT to strengthen safety standards on tank cars, require electronic braking systems, implement derailment detectors, enact minimum safe staffing levels, increase minimum fines on bad actors, improve the safety of at-grade crossings, increase funding for equipment and training for local first responders, and pro-

viding advance notice when hazardous materials are being shipped through the county.

Thirty-eight miles of West Shore Rail Line run through seven municipalities in Ulster County, including through the most densely developed urban cores, and 13 miles of track are located on the shores of the Hudson River. On an annual basis, more than 25 million tons of freight, including crude petroleum, waste, industrial chemicals, motor vehicles, and other goods and materials are transported through these communities. Nearly 200 trains pass over 30 at-grade rail crossings every week in the county.



#### COMING SUMMER 2023: TOWN OF OLIVE BICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT:

Help us create a complete history of the Town of Olive

Contact Melissa at museum@olivefreelibrary.org about the items you have available to loan for this exhibit

#### Items are due by May 1

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#### We are looking for:

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- · small memorabilia
- letters
- · manuscripts
- · interviews/voice recordings
- video recordings of town events
- brochures
- · flyers
- momentos
- · old school books
- books about people who lived in Olive

cover photo from the digital archives of Olive Free Library; myherdage.org/organizations/olive/free library

# New Child Support Debit Card Coming by March 31, 2023

#### Important Dates

#### New Card Benefits

#### Today

Continue using the money on your card

#### March 23, 2023 - March 30, 2023

New Way2Go™ Mastercard® debit card mailed; Activate your card immediately

#### March 30, 2023

Deposits to old card STOP

#### March 31, 2023

Deposits to the new Way2Go™ card BEGIN

- Use your card anywhere Mastercard® debit cards are accepted.
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- Use Allpoint and MoneyPass ATMs across the country without a fee.
- Access your cash without a fee from a teller at any financial institution that accepts Mastercard<sup>®</sup>.
- Never pay a fee for balance inquiries.







**NEW CARD** 

#### Old Card Reminders

- Continue to use your old card until the balance is \$0.
- Old card balance cannot be transferred to your new Way2Go™ debit card.

Be sure we have your current address so you receive your new Way2Go<sup>™</sup> debit card. Call the New York Child Support Helpline at 888.208.4485, TTY 866.875.9975, Relay Service (fcc.gov/general/internet-based-trs-providers).

If you want to change to direct deposit for your child support, go to https://childsupport.ny.gov/dcse/dd\_exp.html

### Sullivan Promises Scholarship Covers SUNY Sullivan Tuition

A 2022 Tri-Valley High School graduate, Shelmandine is one of 64 students who has taken advantage of the Sullivan Promise Scholarship, which offers free tuition to eligible Sullivan County high school graduates and GED recipients. Shelmandine, who wants to be an environmental conservation officer, said the Sullivan Promise Scholarship convinced him to attend SUNY Sullivan. The decision, he said, has not only allowed him to save for his bachelor's degree, but also enabled him to pursue other interests in science and helped reinforce his career plans.

"I've always felt like I've had a duty in life, but I never was able to find it. Coming here really helped reinforce the idea of becoming an EnCon officer for me," Shelmandine told Spectrum Reporter Brooke Reilly. "I've always wanted to learn as much as I can about as much as I can; and, from this experience, I've been able to learn so much more about biology and microbiology, and all these other scientific fields that I've always been interested in."

You can watch the Spectrum News story at: https://spectrum-localnews.com/nys/hudson-valley/CTV/2023/02/15/suny-sullivan-tuition-promise-scholarship

# Sullivan Generals Named Region XV Champions

SUNY Sullivan's Men's Basketball team upset thenranked #1 Orange County Community College on the road 73-70 to win the Region XV Champion title. The Generals were led by Jair Currie (23pts), Jay Alvarez (17pts), and Kipplyn Richvine (12pts). This was their fourth consecutive Region XV Championship since moving to the NJCAA DII level.

Congratulations, Generals!

# Sullivan 180 – We Have a New Website!

VISIT US AT http://www.sullivan180.org for programs,

initiatives, grants and events. Special Thanks to Danielle, Jen and the team at Superfine Social for their incredible partnership in bringing this site to life.

DON'T MISS IT!

## The New 988 Mental Health Hotline is Live

Starting July 16, people in mental health crisis will have a new three-digit number, 988, through which to reach trained counselors. People experiencing a mental health crisis have a new way to reach out for help



Please call for availability first

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in the U.S. Starting Saturday, they can simply call or text the numbers 9-8-8.

Modeled after 911, the new three-digit 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is designed to be a memorable and quick number that connects people who are suicidal or in any other mental health crisis to a trained mental health professional.

"If you are willing to turn to someone in your moment of crisis, 988 will be there," said Xavier Becerra, the secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services, at a recent press briefing. "988 won't be a busy signal, and 988 won't put you on hold. You will get help."

The primary goal of the new number is to make it easier for people to call for help. Lawmakers and mental health advocates also see this launch as an opportunity to transform the mental health care system and make care easily accessible everywhere in the United States. The Biden administration has invested more than \$400 million in beefing up crisis centers and other mental health services to support the 988 system.



Contact: Eric Akerley 845-707-1483

# Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger to Donate Pay Raise to SUNY Ulster Scholarship Fund

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger has signed a Local Law passed by the County Legislature to provide salary increases to County elected officials including the County Legislators, Clerk, Sheriff, Comptroller, and Executive. County Executive Metzger announced today that she will donate the increase in the Executive's salary to the SUNY Ulster President's Challenge Scholarship fund, which assists at-risk college-bound high school students with a two-year, tuition-free, community college education upon their graduation from high school and enrollment at SUNY Ulster.

"I'm not in public service for the money," said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. "I do this work because I want Ulster County to become a sustainable, resilient, thriving community that leaves no one behind, and donating my raise to support

a good community college education for our high school students contributes to this broader goal."

County Executive Metzger will be required by law to collect the additional portion of the Executive's salary and pay taxes on that income. County Executive Metzger has committed to donating the after-tax value of the raise to sponsor a student through the President's Challenge Scholarship (PCS) fund at a level of \$7,200. Any remaining funds will be donated to the PCS General Fund, which helps create additional educational and experiential programming for all students enrolled in the PCS program.

Like County Executive Metzger, SUNY Ulster President Dr. Alison Buckley is serving in her first year leading the college. Dr. Buckley is a lifelong advocate for removing barriers to college education and is also a personal donor to the PCS,

sponsoring a student in the program with her husband Dr. Mark Evans.

"We are honored and grateful for County Executive Metzger's support of student scholarships and the President's Challenge Scholarship program at SUNY Ulster," said Alison Buckley, Ed.D., 7th President, SUNY Ulster. "Her gift will remove obstacles to make the dream of college a reality for families here in Ulster County, including having a long-lasting impact for generations to come. Thank you to County Executive Metzger for all she is doing to serve the residents of Ulster County and to all of our Ulster Community College Foundation donors who comprise our amazing community supporting the power of public higher education. We cannot allow a price tag to be the barrier to a college degree."

**Lorraine Salmon, Executive Director of the Ulster Community College Foundation** said, "Thank you to County Executive Metzger for changing a life through our President's Challenge Scholarship program. Her gifts to this program are intended to support a scholarship for a student and student experiences for some of the nearly 300 high school students who, as of June 2023, will have been awarded scholarships for this program since its inception."

The PCS program has set a goal of providing scholarships to 50 students in 2023. Director Salmon said that County Executive Metzger's pledge marks the 45th sponsorship this year, and she is hopeful that this donation will spur other local leaders to become donors and help the fund reach, and even exceed, its goal. Anyone interested in becoming a donor can contact Director Salmon at 845-687-5093 or SalmonL@sunyulster.edu.

The Ulster County Legislature passed Local Law Number 13 (LL13) of 2022 at the body's February 14, 2023 meeting. The law was prompted by the work of the Ulster County Periodic Compensation Review Committee, a committee required and established by the Ulster County Charter, which reviews the salaries of all elected officials of the County of Ulster at least every other year.

According to the language of LL13, "the most recent Periodic Compensation Review Committee was constituted, as the Charter requires, by multiple appointing authorities, and met several times to conduct a thorough review. In furtherance of its duties, the Committee held a public hearing on March 14, 2022. At the close of the Committee's review process, the Committee filed a Recommendation Report on March 24, 2022." The new salary levels are reflective of the recommendations made by the Periodic Compensation Review Committee in their 2022 report.

Local Law 13 will be effective for 2023, and will increase salaries as follows:

Title	Current Annual Salary	New Annual Salary
Members of the County Legislature	\$ 14,000	\$ 16,000
Chairman of the County Legislature	\$ 23,500	\$ 26,000
Majority Leader of the County Legislatu	re \$ 16,000	\$ 18,000
Minority Leader of the County Legislatu	are \$ 16,000	\$ 18,000
County Executive	\$133,570	\$148,572
County Comptroller	\$101,720	\$116,709
County Clerk	\$101,720	\$116,709
County Sheriff	\$101,712	\$116,709

County Executive Metzger supports the pay raises for other county officials, who in some cases have not received increases in salary for more than a decade.

"I understand that some of our County officials have not received pay raises in over a decade, including our incredibly hardworking County Clerk, Nina Postupack, who hasn't received a raise since 2009," said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger."

# Governor Hochul Promotes NYS Maple Industry During Maple Month

- New York Maple Syrup Production Reached Record High 845,000 Gallons in 2022; Ranks Second in the Nation
- New Yorkers Encouraged to Support Local Producers by Participating in Maple Weekends, March 18-19 and 25-26,

with Special Promotions Throughout March

Governor Kathy Hochul encouraged New Yorkers to support their local maple producers. The Governor highlighted New York's upcoming Maple Weekends events and activities, which will take place March 18-19 and 25-26, along with other special events and promotions throughout the month. New York maple producers experienced a record-breaking year in 2022, producing 845,000 gallons of maple syrup. New York State continues to rank second in the nation in maple production.

"Maple production in New York is thriving as the industry continues to set records and ranks second in the nation in this sweet crop," Governor Hochul said. "I thank our producers who work hard to make the delicious, innovative, and unique maple products we all enjoy, and encourage all New Yorkers to take part in Maple Weekends this month to sample some of the world-

class items that local vendors have to offer."

In addition to its ranking for maple production, New York is also home to the largest resource of tappable maple trees within the United States and more than 2,000 maple sugar makers. In 2022, New York's maple industry used 2.9 million taps, tying 2021's record for the largest number of taps used in a single year. The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets supports the maple industry through the New York State Budgetwhich includes funding for promotion and educational programsas well as through investments in research projects, such as Cornell University's Maple Program's Arnot Teaching Forest, and through its NYS Grown & Certified and Taste NY marketing programs.

#### Maple Weekends

Throughout the month of March each year, and, in particular, during the weekends of March 18-19 and 25-26, maple farms across the state open their doors to the public to provide a chance to taste pure maple syrup, right from the source, and experience the unique family tradition of making maple syrup in New York State. Producers, including many of those that are NYS Grown & Certified, offer tours and pancake breakfasts, sell maple products, and demonstrate the syrup-making process, which includes the traditional system of hanging buckets on trees or more modern methods of production using vacuum systems to increase the yield of sap per tree. Maple Weekends in 2023 will take place at nearly 150 maple sugarmakers' farms, boosting agri-tourism across New York State. A searchable list of Maple Weekend events is available at https://mapleweekend.nysmaple.com/.

More than 80 maple producers participate in NYS Grown & Certified, which verifies New York's agricultural producers and growers who adhere to food safety and environmental sustainability standards. Find a current list of maple producers who are a part of the NYS Grown & Certified program at https://certified.ny.gov/wheretobuy.



Join the Neversink General Store community for Pilates Mat Classes, taught by Audra Lang.

Sundays @ 10AM Wednesdays @ 5PM Details:

- Drop-in, no RSVP required.
- Mats and props are provided (students may bring their own if they prefer).
  - All classes are 50 minutes long.
  - \$15 per class. Payable via cash or Venmo.

#### **Maple Promotions**

New York's Taste NY Markets across the state are highlighting unique local maple products and producers during the month of March. Several markets are offering specials, including 10% off all maple items at the Finger Lakes Welcome Center, special product sampling at the Capital Region Welcome Center and Western New York Welcome Center, and more. Find a list of markets near you at taste.ny.gov. New Yorkers can also shop for New York State maple from the comfort of home on ShopTasteNY.com, which will be offering specials and free shipping on maple products throughout the month. Additionally, Taste NY Markets will be celebrating 'Maple Madness' during the weekend of March 25-26. Stay tuned on social media for more information about special sampling and giveaway promotions that weekend.

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball said, "Thanks to our dedicated maple producers, including those who are in our NYS Grown & Certified program, New York continues to be a top maple producer in the country, with record syrup production figures and number of taps in recent years. I encourage all New Yorkers to visit a farm near them during Maple Weekends to taste some delicious products and enjoy this first crop of the season that our producers are so good at making."

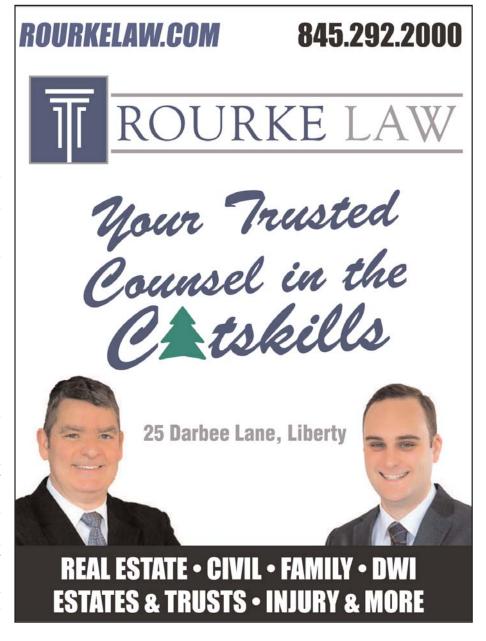
Maple Producer's Association Executive Director Helen Thomas said, "Maple Weekend 2023 is quickly approaching! This year, Mother Nature has given us an early start to the maple season so many farms already have plenty of maple products on hand for you to sample. During Maple Weekends 150 maple sugarhouses across the state welcome visitors to experience firsthand how pure maple syrup and other maple products are made. Visitors can enjoy family-friendly activities and taste New York's new crop of directly at the source. If the weather is above freezing the day you visit, expect to see sap coming from the maple tree and follow it all the way to syrup coming from the final step of cooking! Visit maple-weekend.com to plan your visits!"

### Part Two of Agricultural Training Series for Municipal Officials, CEOs, and Realtors

FERNDALE, NY - Many communities in Sullivan County are experiencing a loss of farms, farmland and open space due to increased residential development, solar facilities, retirement of farmers, and other factors. To tackle this challenge, Principal Planner/Founder of Community Planning & Environmental Associates, Nan Stolzenburg, and Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) will teach municipal officials, code enforcement officers and realtors about implementing farm-friendly land use and zoning tools in part two of the three-part Agricultural training workshop series on April 26th at 5:30 PM.

Topics to be covered at this workshop include addressing barriers in zoning farm laws, conservation subdivision, density instead of lot size, average lot sizes for small subdivisions, Transfer and Purchase of Development Rights, agrivoltaic practices, and more. The third workshop, which will take place later this year, will cover more about agricultural tourism, zoning, and a farm visit for all attendees.

There is no fee, but preregistration is required to participate in this series. To register, participants can visit http://sullivancce.org/events and select the "Tools and Techniques to Help Your Zoning be Farm-friendly" event to register. More information on the workshops can be found at http://sullivancce.org/events. Those with related questions can email sullivan@cornell.edu or call 845-292-6180.



This is a workshop co-sponsored by CCESC, Sullivan County Division of Planning and Community Development, and the Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board. CCESC provides equal program and employment opportunities. The public can contact the office to request accommodations.

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# **DEC Announces 2022** Bear Harvest Totals Overall Harvest Declined Slightly; Harvest Density Greatest in Catskills

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that New York bear hunters harvested an estimated 1,318 black bears during the 2022 hunting season. As in past years, the Catskill region

recorded the greatest bear harvest densities.

"New York's black bear populations remain robust, particularly in the Catskill and Adirondack regions," Commissioner Seggos said. "Regulated bear hunting is a necessary tool for population management, especially with numbers increasing in recent years. I'm pleased to see hunters across the state logged another successful and safe bear hunting season."

Hunters harvested an estimated 458 bears in the Northern Zone and an estimated 860 bears in the Southern Zone, an increase of about 14 percent in the north compared to the previous year and a decrease of approximately nine percent in the south. The total bear harvest was approximately 10 percent fewer than the five-year average. As in past years, the Catskill region produced the greatest bear densities. In Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) 3C, 3H, 3K, 3M, and 4R, hunters took more than 10 bears per 100 square miles, with hunters taking more than 15 bears per 100 miles in WMU 4R.

Estimated Bear Harvest Totals

	2022 Total	2021 Total	Recent	5-year	Average	(2016-
2020)				•	C	`
Northern Zone	458	403	4	149		
Bow	15	12		30		
Muzzleloader	8	12	32			
Regular	434	376	2	263		
Youth	1	3		1		
Southern Zone	860	943	9	988		
Early	234	100	213			
Bow	348	322	347			
Muzzleloader	4	23		13		
Regular	274	490	4	108		
Youth	0	8		7		
Statewide	1,318	1,346	1,4	38	JIM	YORK

**Notable Numbers** 

13 and 93: the ages of the youngest and oldest hunters who successfully harvested a bear in 2022.

15.5: the number of bears harvested per 100 square miles in WMU 4R (western Greene County and portions of Schoharie, Delaware, and Ulster Counties), which had the greatest bear harvest density of any WMU.

11.8: the number of bears harvested per 10 square miles in the town of Port Jervis, Orange County, which had the greatest bear harvest density of any town.

520 pounds: the heaviest dressed-weight bear reported to DEC in 2022, taken in the town of Windsor, Broome County, WMU 7S. Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 26 percent of bears taken in 2022.

612: the number of hunter-harvested bears in 2022 from which DEC collected teeth to determine the bear's age.

Black bear harvest data are gathered from two main sources: harvest reports required of all successful bear hunters; and the physical examination of bears by DEC staff and cooperating taxidermists. Harvest estimates are made by cross-referencing these two data sources and determining the rate at which hunters report bear harvests in each zone. In 2022, 80 percent of successful bear hunters in the Northern Zone and 89 percent of successful bear hunters in the Southern Zone reported their harvest. In the fall of 2023, DEC will send a 2022 Black Bear Management Coordinator Patch and a letter confirming each bear's age to all hunters who reported their bear harvest and submitted a tooth for age analysis.

2022 DEC's Bear Harvest Summary report provides tables, charts, and maps detailing the bear harvest around the state. Past harvest summaries are also available on DEC's website. DEC's Black Bear Management Plan (PDF) provides information on how DEC determines black bear population objectives throughout the state.

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### Gillibrand, Capito Announce Bipartisan, Bicameral Legislation to Support Families of Individuals Struggling with Substance Use Disorder

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senators Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) announced their bipartisan, bicameral legislation to provide families with the tools they need to support their loved ones living with addiction. The Family Support Services for Addiction Act would provide \$25 million in grant funding to help nonprofits and community organizations provide support services to families with loved ones seeking addiction treatment. The House version of this bill is led by Representatives David Trone (D-MD-6) and Daniel Meuser (R-PA-9).

"Equipping families with the resources they need to support loved ones battling addiction and substance use disorder is essential for recovery. Unfortunately, getting support can be difficult as people face stigma, a lack of insurance coverage, racial disparities, and an inability to pay for support services," said Senator Gillibrand. "My Family Support Services for Addiction Act would deliver \$25 million in vital funding for financially strained mental health care and substance use disorder support programs and ensure resources are available to families helping people recover from substance use."

"The past few years have been tough on all of us, but especially for those in addiction treatment and recovery, as well as their families," Senator Capito said. "This bipartisan legislation will hopefully provide family members with the support, resources, and information they need to assist both their loved ones struggling with substance use disorders and all within their family who are impacted by it."

"My nephew, Ian, died of a fentanyl overdose after struggling for years with mental health and substance use disorders. I know full well how difficult it is for families to find accessible, affordable care - all while trying to get through the day," said Congressman Trone, co-chair of the Bipartisan Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Task Force. "The Family Support Services for Addiction Act recognizes the toll substance use disorder takes on families and equips them with the knowledge, guidance, and support to best help their loved ones suffering from this disease. We must never forget that we're all in this fight together."

"Obtaining services for those struggling with addiction and their loved ones shouldn't compound an already difficult situation," said Congressman Meuser. "The Family Support Services for Addiction Act will offer relief to families by providing federal aid to community organizations that assist in navigating insurance coverage, exploring treatment options and understanding how to get an individual on the path to recovery. After passing the House last Congress, I am eager to join Congressman Trone to introduce this important legislation again in the 118th Congress."

"Addiction is a disease that affects the entire family and when family members are involved in their loved one's care and recovery, outcomes are better. The Family Support Services for Addiction Act will create a grant program to support local organizations that provide services and supports to families impacted by addiction. In the midst of an unrelenting addiction crisis, it is critical to invest in families who are supporting a loved one struggling with addiction." - Creighton Drury, CEO, Partnership to End Addiction

"Faces & Voices of Recovery fully supports the Family Support Services for Addiction Act. This legislation will provide much needed guidance and resources for families to navigate systems that are often confusing and challenging. To be as effective as possible, recovery from addiction requires a network of support. Families play a crucial role and by engaging families with recovery community networks we will build a stronger foundation for all our recovery efforts." -Patty McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer, Faces & Voices of Recovery

Health care providers and hospitals across New York are still dealing with the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the number of patients needing treatment for substance use disorders continues to rise. According to the CDC, there were an estimated 107,622 drug overdose deaths in the United States during 2021, an increase of nearly 15% from the 93,655 estimated deaths in 2020. Even before the pandemic, families with individuals who have a substance use disorder often struggled to access basic support services. Even when services are offered, they often come at an additional cost.

Fortunately, research shows that outcomes can improve when family members are involved in a loved one's treatment. The Family Support Services for Addiction Act would establish a federal grant program to help nonprofits and community organizations offer support to families of individuals struggling with substance use disorder. This bill would also bolster national and local community programs that offer family support services by delivering \$25 million in grants through the Department of Health and Human Services over five years. Family support services include caregiver peer support, education and training, systems navigation for families trying to access treatment and other resources, counseling services, support groups for those in crisis and for those who have lost loved ones, and skill-building.



# Claryville Vol. Fire Department Craft and Vendor Fair, Community Yard Sale, and Open House





# All Vendors are wanted!

New, Used, and Handmade items -- Something for Everyone!!

When: Saturday, August 26th, 2023 Rain or Shine

Where: Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Rd Claryville, NY 12725

Time: 10 AM - 3 PM

Setup start time: 8 AM Break Down by 3 PM - \*vendors must stay until

3pm\*

#### Regulations for Sellers:

- Open to all sellers, artisans, antique dealers, and crafts on a first come first serve basis.
- Food will be available for sale throughout the day
- FEE \$15 per table. Tables are 8ft long or 8ft picnic table (If you require the
  use of an outlet \$20 per table)- tables are provided.
- \*\*Claryville Fire Dept is not responsible for any lost, damaged, or stolen merchandise\*\*

For more information or to register, please contact Jennifer at 845-807-6563; email at <a href="mailto:claryvillefd@gmail.com">claryvillefd@gmail.com</a>.

Payment and registration must be submitted by July 1st to reserve your spot. Payment will no longer be accepted on the day of the event!



#### CLARYVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION 65

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# Claryville Craft and Vendor Fair and Community Yard Sale Registration Form Saturday, August 26th, 2023

#### Rain or Shine

Vendors Name:		
Mailing Address:	City:	State: Zip:
Telephone number:	Emai	l:
Description of Merchan	ndise:	
# of tables needed:	Electricity needed (inside th	ne building only): Yes No
Choose type of table:	8ft table or 8	ft picnic table (outside)
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Event t	ime: is 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM	Set Up is 8:00 AM
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Vendors are responsible for leaving their area in the same condition as they found it.

Registration forms and payment must be submitted by July 1st or reserve your spot!

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# **Tri-Valley Elementary School**

# **UPK REGISTRATION**

If you have a child that will be 4 years old by December 1, 2023 please call us at

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Or send an email to:

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and leave your name, your child's name and phone number where you can be reached.

# The Daniel Pierce Library

# Spring Children's Programs 2023

The library is a wonderful place to ignite your child's love of reading.

The following children's programs are open to caregivers and their children ages 12 months to five years who are residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District. The spring eight-week long session begins the week of April 10, 2023. These programs are free and are made possible through the generosity of our community. Registration is required.

Mother Goose Time (12-23 months) Beginning Wednesday, April 12th This program is specially designed for very young children. It includes "read together" time (each child has his or her own board book), nursery rhymes, felt stories, playtime, and music for our tiniest patrons ages 12-23 months. Two programs will be held each Wednesday: one from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. and one from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Must be 12 months by 12/1/22.

Toddler Time (24-35 months) Beginning Thursday, April 13th Stories, felt stories, crafts, music, and friendship-building geared for wee ones ages 24-35 months. Two programs will be held each Thursday: one from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and one from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Must be 24 months by 12/1/22.

Story Hour (3, 4, and 5 year-olds) Beginning Friday, April 14th Our classic, beloved program for three, four, and five year-old children, featuring the "Magic Bag," a read-aloud, felt stories, craft projects, homework, and music. Two programs will be held each Friday: one from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and one from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Must be 3 years or older by 12/1/22.

Universal Pre-Kindergarten Story Hour Our "Story Hour on the Road" program visits the three UPK classes at Tri-Valley Central School. (Children will be registered at school.)

Give your child a head start by enrolling in one of these valuable programs this spring. Registration is open to Tri-Valley residents. Please register online at www.danielpiercelibrary.org by April 1st. If you have any questions, please email:

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### Senator Gillibrand Visits the Monticello VA Clinic to Highlight Implementation of Pact Act and Help Veterans Exposed to Burn Pits Access

New Benefits It Is Estimated That 3.5 Million Individuals May Be Eligible To Claim New Health Care Benefits

SULLIVAN COUNTY - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Congressman Marc Molinaro (NY-19), Assemblymember Aileen Gunther, Sullivan County Manager Joshua Potosek, and Sullivan County Legislator Luis Alvarez visited the Monticello VA Clinic to highlight the implementation of the recently passed Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act of 2022. Passed in 2022, the PACT Act included Gillibrand's signature legislation to establish a presumptive service connection to certain illnesses for service members and veterans exposed to burn pits and other toxins, eliminating many obstacles they have to go through to receive crucial health care and benefits. It is estimated that roughly 3.5 million military personnel could have been exposed to burn pits and are eligible to receive benefits.

During her visit, Gillibrand and staff members helped veterans exposed to burn pits learn how they can access and apply for these new benefits.

"When the PACT Act was signed into law, it created one of the most significant benefits expansions in VA history," said Senator Gillibrand. "Today, I'm visiting the Monticello VA Clinic to ensure our vets across Sullivan County have the information and assistance needed to take full advantage of these new health care and disability benefits. I fought tooth and nail to secure these benefits and now my office is here to help make the implementation process of the PACT Act as smooth as possible."

"As a grateful nation, we have a solemn duty to care for our veterans and provide them with the support they need to lead healthy, fulfilling lives. That's why, I applaud the enactment of the Honoring our PACT Act, which expands VA healthcare and benefits for veterans who have been exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances during their service. These brave men and women put their lives on the line to defend our freedom, and it's our responsibility to ensure they receive the care and assistance they need to cope with the long-term effects of their service." -Congressman Marc Molinaro (CD 19)

"The PACT Act has had an immediate and profound impact on our local veterans, with our Veterans Service Agency having already assisted in the filing of 47 claims to date," affirmed Sullivan County District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, chair of the County Legislature's Veterans Committee. "Additionally, interest in this benefit has brought younger veterans to our offices, allowing us to make them aware of the other services we offer. I thank Senator Gillibrand and her colleagues for their unwavering and active support of our veterans, their families and the people who serve them." -Sullivan County Legislator Luis Alvarez

"I want to thank Senator Gillibrand for coming today to discuss the PACT Act with our local Veterans and community leaders. I have been a tireless advocate for veterans throughout my time in the Assembly, and believe we need to ensure that we provide them the healthcare they deserve. Our veterans put their lives on the line to protect us, and it is only fair that we as a nation take care of them when they return home. I am proud to see the Pact Act is doing just that, and I look forward to helping our local veterans access this care." - Assemblymember Aileen Gunther

### **Applying for Benefits FAQ**

- 1. How can I submit a claim?: Eligible veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances can submit a claim at VA.gov/PACT.
- 2. What if I was previously denied?: The PACT Act expanded eligibility for VA health care and benefits, so even if you were previously denied coverage, you may now be eligible. Submit a supplemental claim to get the health care and benefits you deserve at VA.gov/PACT.
- 3. Who is covered under the new law?:
- 1. Veterans who served in Bahrain, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, or the UAE on or after Aug. 2, 1990
- 2. Veterans who served in Afghanistan, Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Yemen, or Uzbekistan on or after Sept. 11, 2001
- 4. What illnesses are covered?: A wide range of cancers and respiratory illnesses are covered, including: asthma diagnosed after service, head cancer of any type, neck cancer of any type, respiratory cancer of any type, gastrointestinal cancer of any type, reproductive cancer of any type, lymphoma cancer of any type, lymphomatic cancer of any type, kidney cancer, brain cancer, melanoma, chronic bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, constrictive bronchiolitis or obliterative bronchiolitis, emphysema, granulomatous disease, interstitial lung disease, pleuritis, pulmonary fibrosis, sarcoidosis, pancreatic cancer, chronic sinusitis, chronic rhinitis, and glioblastoma.
- 5. What benefits can I expect to be covered?: Just like the Vietnam veterans who fell ill from their exposure to Agent Orange, under this law, anyone deployed to one of the 16 identified countries during the Gulf War and Global War on Terror (listed above) who falls ill with one of the listed conditions will be able to go to the VA and get a disability rating. Depending on the rating, the veteran may be eligible for disability compensation. They are also entitled to free VA health care for their illness.
- 6. What if I have additional questions?:
- 1. Schedule an appointment with a VA benefits specialist: vets.force.com/VAVERA
- 2. Speak to a VA benefits specialist by calling: 1-800-MyVA411 (1-800-698-2411)
- 3. New Yorkers who need assistance securing their health care and benefits can contact:

https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/help-for-new-yorkers/

Senator Gillibrand first introduced her bill, the Presumptive Benefits for War Fighters Exposed to Burn Pits and Other Toxins Act, in September 2020, alongside a bicameral group that included Representative Raul Ruiz (D-CA), comedian Jon Stewart, activist John Feal, and a strong coalition of veterans service organizations. The group introduced an updated, bipartisan version in the spring of 2021 with Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Representative Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA). In May 2022, Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee Chairman Jon Tester and Ranking Member Jerry Moran announced a bipartisan deal on toxic exposure legislation, the Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring Our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act. Gillibrand's Presumptive Benefits bill formed the cornerstone of the presumptive care section of the final package. The final bill passed the Senate by a vote of 86-11 and was signed into law by President Biden on August 10th, 2022.

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# RESOURCE DAY

The Town of Fallsburg in partnership with Action Toward Independence (ATI). Presents day where you can learn about free income based resources.

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### **NYS Office for the Aging and** the Association on Aging in **New York Seeks Input for** Master Plan for Aging

If you are 60 years of age or over please complete the survey by March 30

The NYS Office for the Aging and the Association on Aging in New York are working with the research firm Polco on the state's first-ever community assessment survey of older adults. They initiated the survey in preparation for their Four-Year Plan. But the survey results will also make an enormous contribution to the state's Master Plan for Aging (MPA).

In the first phase of this process based on a randomized sample, select households in Sullivan County (among others) were mailed a printed survey or a post card to fill out the survey elec-

Recently, the survey was made available online for anyone age 60 and over to complete by March 30. The survey is at https://polco.us/ny23op

# A Union, New Jersey man has been arrested in connection with a wide ranging credit card fraud scheme

On January 18, 2023, a Parksville resident contacted the Sheriff's Office to report that a fraudulent \$296 charge for fuel was made to his credit card at a Mirabito gas station in Norwich, NY. Working with the Chenango County Sheriff, the



Madison Sheriff and the New York State Police, deputies were able to identify a subject driving a red Volvo tractor trailer with a disguised tank mounted in the bed of the semi-trailer. investigation revealed that the complainant's credit card number had been copied in the Liberty, NY area and then rewritten to a gift card which was used by the The suspect would go to gas stations that did not yet have chip readers on

their pumps and swipe the counterfeit cards containing the stolen credit card numbers using the card's magnetic stripe. The suspect reportedly pumped thousands of gallons of diesel fuel which was then transported to the state of New Jersey where it was apparently sold on the black market. In February, Sheriff's Detectives identified the suspect as Yosiel R. Linares, 30, of Union, NJ and obtained a warrant for his arrest. Soon after, the suspect was arrested by Union Township Police as a

fugitive from justice. On March 2, 2023, Linares was extradited from New Jersey to Sullivan County and arraigned in the Town of Liberty Court. Under the New York bail reform laws, Yosiel Linares was released on his own recognizance pending a future court date. The Sheriff's Office is working with the other law enforcement agencies to identify other suspects that may be involved in this case. The investigation is continuing.

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### Wrapping up Another Week in Washington – Congressman Pat Ryan

As we wrap up another productive week, I wanted to give you an update on all that I've been doing on behalf of the Hudson Valley!

### FIGHTING FOR WORKERS' RIGHTS

This week, I came together with union representatives and labor groups from throughout NY-18 to discuss delivering for Hudson Valley workers and how the PRO Act that I co-sponsored will ensure that everyone can negotiate for high wages, better benefits, and safer working conditions.

A special thank you to IUOE for giving me a tour of your new training facility!

I'm looking forward to continuing our conversations and remaining a staunch fighter for workers across NY-18.

### **EQUAL PAY DAY**

Equal work must mean equal pay. Tuesday marked Equal Pay Day, highlighting that the gender pay gap in our country has remained unchanged for the past two decades - that is unacceptable.

I co-sponsored the Paycheck Fairness Act to finally make gender based wage discrimination a relic of the past.

#### IMPROVING WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law signed by President Biden created new funding opportunities for improving our nation's waterways - and I'm committed to making sure that funding comes back here to the Hudson Valley.

The EPA and New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation are hosting a webinar on how municipalities can access these funding opportunities on Thursday, March 30 at 12:00pm ET.

Click here to learn more and join! Go to: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/us-epa-nys-efc-water-infra-structure-webinar-for-municipalities-tickets-591725977327

### LOWERING THE COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

For too long, the out-of-control costs of prescriptions have crushed American families and seniors. Last August, the Inflation Reduction Act made progress by finally capping the cost of insulin at \$35 for seniors on Medicare.

Since then, three leading insulin producers have responded by reducing their prices to a \$35 per month cap for all Americans, not just those on Medicare.

We will continue to press for affordable healthcare and deliver relief for American families.

#### SUPPORTING OUR FIREFIGHTERS

Always great to see my friends from IAFF Local 2393 and the West Point Professional Firefighters!

I'm looking forward to how our work together will continue to support everyone who puts on a uniform and protects this country, whether it be overseas or at home in our communities.

### **CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK'S DAY**



Nobody does St. Patrick's Day better than NY-18! A big thank you to all of the organizers and attendees who made these events such successes.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WEST POINT



This past Thursday marked the anniversary of the U.S. Military Academy's founding.

For 221 years, West Point has stood as a beacon of American values - of duty, honor, and country.

I am proud to represent West Point in Congress to continue to serve our country with those values and am committed to deliver for everyone who puts their life on the line for this country.

### MAKING GOVERNMENT WORK FOR YOU THIS TAX SEASON

The Inflation Reduction Act created new credits and resources to guide you through your tax filing. As new expansions of the Energy Efficiency Home Improvement Tax Credits and Incentives roll out, you can stay updated on them here: https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2023-03/MapleWeekends2023.pdf

With these new resources, it's now easier than ever for hard-working Americans to receive the credit they are due. Check here to see if you are eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit and other credits go to: https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions-for-individuals

Read more about your options this tax season. https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-kicks-off-2023-tax-filing-season-with-returns-due-april-18

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### Wrapping up Another Week in Washington - Congressman Pat Ryan

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**GRANTS CORNER** 

**REMINDER!** Applications are open for:

The Department of Justice opened the applications for numerous grants for its Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program to hire community police, develop and test innovative policing strategies, and provide training and technical assistance to community members, local government leaders, and all levels of law enforcement.

The Industrial Demonstrations Program opened grants funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to accelerate decarbonization projects in energy-intensive industries and provide American manufacturers a competitive advantage in the emerg-

ing global clean energy economy.

Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking program is funded by the Biden Administration's Inflation Reduction Act and will invest in America and expedite investments to reduce pollution in disadvantaged communities. EPA plans to award cooperative agreement(s) to pass-through entities (referred to as Grantmakers by the program) who will collaborate with EPA to design and build their own processes to receive and evaluate competitive community project applications from communities for EJ Thriving Communities Subgrant activities. These activities consist of assessment, planning, and/or project development activities addressing local environmental and/or public health issues. Grantmakers will provide EJ Thriving Communities Subgrants (i.e., subawards) to Eligible Subrecipients. Due May 31.

The Preparing for Active Shooter Situations (PASS) Program is designed to meet the goal of the 2016 Protecting Our Lives by Initiating COPS Expansion (POLICE) Act in offering "scenario-based, integrated response courses designed to counter active shooter threats or acts of terrorism against

individuals or facilities."

The program will fund a provider who can provide nation-wide training to at least 20,000 first responders over the course of the award through scenario-based, multidisciplinary training classes. The training should be available to any jurisdiction in the U.S. and delivered in the desired location of the requesting agency, to include law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services (EMS).

Local Agriculture Market Program (LAMP) grants with USDA support the development, coordination, and expansion of direct producer-to-consumer marketing; local and regional food markets and enterprises; and value-added agricultural products. Due May 2.

Rural Energy for America Program Renewable Energy Systems & Energy Efficiency Improvement Guaranteed Loans & Grants provides guaranteed loan financing and grant funding to agricultural producers and rural small businesses for renewable energy systems or to make energy efficiency improvements. Due March 31.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production (UAIP) Competitive Grants Program will support the development of urban agriculture and innovative production. Due March 27.

Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program provides grants up to \$125,000 per year for five years to community coalitions to strengthen the infrastructure among local partners to create and sustain a reduction in local youth substance use.

Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations.

The Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving (EJCPS) Program will provide \$30 million in funding directly to community-based nonprofit organizations. Due April 10.

The Environmental Justice Government-to-Government (EJG2G) Program will provide \$70 million in funding to state and local governments to partner with community-based nonprofit organizations. Due April 10.

Contact our district office for assistance applying for these grants and learning more about other funding opportunities.

If you want to stay up-to-date on all of that my office is doing, I encourage you to follow along on our social media channels: Facebook and Twitter.

Please remember that my office is always here to help if you have a question or need assistance. You can reach us using the contact information above and below and we will do everything we can to connect you with the resources you need.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely, Patrick K. Ryan Member of Congress New York's 18th District https://patryan.house.gov/

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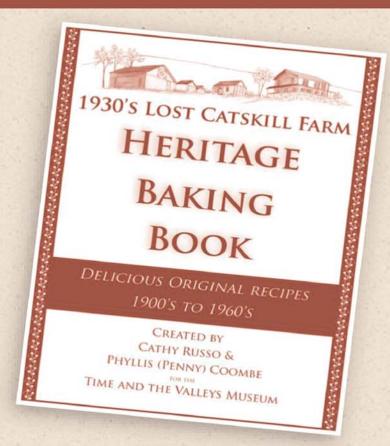
The new 68-page

### Heritage Baking Book

has tried-and-true old time treasured recipes for cakes, muffins, pies, cookies and much more, all from local bakers of the past.

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# WE ARE BUILDING A PLAYGROUND!!! WHERE? At the Route 42 Community Park in Grahamsville

TV Bears PTO, Tri-Valley Little League and Community have joined together along with Town support to place a play structure at the Town park. Fund raisers are ongoing.

DONATIONS Can be made out to: TV Bears PTO PO Box 43 Grahamsville, NY 12740

Check out our Facebook page Route 42
Community Playground Project for more information.

# LIFE AFTER LOSS A 5-Week Bereavement Series

Mondays, starting April 24, 2023 7:00-8:15 pm

Facilitated by Jennifer Perito

St. Mary's St. Andrew's Catholic Church Hall

137 South Main Street, Ellenville

It has been said that grief does not change you, it only reveals you. The truth is, you never really "get over" the loss of someone you love, but there are ways to understand the powerful and sometimes confusing feelings that come with grief. This 5-week series is open to adults who have suffered the loss of a loved one, regardless of how recently or long ago the loss occurred. There is no cost to attend, but pre-registration is encouraged.

For information or to register, contact Jennifer at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home at 845-434-7363.



### Fallsburg CSD 2023-2024 Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration



- Pre-K students must be 4 years old on or before December 1, 2023.
- Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2023.

Registration packets can be picked up in the Central Office in the JSHS or completed online.

Please visit <a href="http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration">http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration</a> for instructions and to reach our online registration form.

### \*\*PLEASE NOTE:

ALL incoming Kindergarteners <u>MUST</u> register, even if registered for Pre-K last year.\*\*

Registration will take place for incoming:
Pre-K students: April 10th - April 28th.
Kindergarten students: May 9th - May 19th

### For Pre-K:

COMPLETE Registration
Packets (including ALL
required documentation)
will be accepted until April
28th. At that time, a lottery
may be held if more
register than available
seats. Once all seats are
filled, students will be
added to a Waiting List.
Registration will be
processed, by date of
receipt, for COMPLETE
registration packets only.



### Fallsburg CSD 2023-2024 Registro de Pre-K y Kindergarten



- Los estudiantes de Pre-K deben tener 4 años cumplidos el 1 de diciembre de 2023 o antes.
- Los estudiantes de kindergarten deben tener 5 años cumplidos el 1 de diciembre de 2023 o antes

Los paquetes de inscripción se pueden recoger en la Oficina Central en el JSHS.

Visite http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration para obtener instrucciones y acceder a nuestro formulario de registro en línea.

### \*\*TENGA EN CUENTA:

TODOS los estudiantes que ingresan a kindergarten DEBEN registrarse, incluso si se registraron para Pre-K el año pasado.\*\*

El registro se llevará a cabo para los entrantes:

Estudiantes de Pre-K: 10 de Abril - 28 de Abril Estudiantes de Kindergarten: 9 de Mayo - 19 de Mayo

### Para Pre-K:

COMPLETE Los paquetes de registro (que incluyen TODA la documentación requerida) se aceptarán hasta el 28 de abril. Una vez que se llenen todos los asientos, los estudiantes se agregarán a una lista de espera. El registro se procesará, por fecha de recepción, solo para paquetes de registro COMPLETOS.

# Time and the Valleys Museum

Grahamsville, NY

### Are you interested in local history?

Did you know that Museum membership is only \$25 a YEAR? Members receive:

- Free admission to all diverse in-person and virtual programs
- · Free admission to the Museum and expanding Catskill Farm
- Invitations to exhibit openings and special events (there are TWO exhibit openings in 2023!)
- Around the Reservoirs Newsletter
- Monthly historical and informative emails
- 10% discount in the Museum Shop





## Join now & get 10% off!

Join at the \$100 (Patron) level for FREE admission to thousands of museums all across North America! You can use the form below, or go to <a href="https://www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org">www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org</a> to join with paypal.

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Thank you for supporting local history and the Museum.



BONUS - Free Art Catalogue!

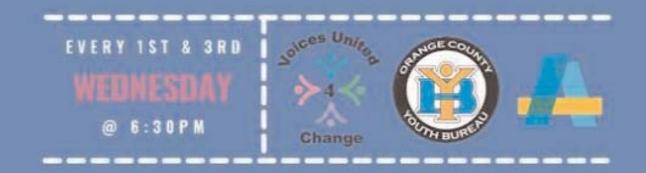
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Join us for a peer led, mental health, lesson based virtual support group for teens ages 13-17. Together we learn about our mental health and do an activity together. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be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

Space is limited for each group!

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





Join us for a peer led virtual support group for parents of children with mental health challenges. Together we have time for conversation and an activity. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

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





NEW CLASSES STARTING SOON! CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO ENROLL

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Would you like to be part of a FREE fun day promoting health and wellness in Sullivan County?

Liberty, NY

Do you have a health and wellness service or activity that you would like to promote?

Then we want you! Sullivan County Public Health and Action Toward Independence invite you to participate in our first annual HealthFest!

We are planning a fun filled day of information, refreshments and fun activities for all ages to encourage county residents and visitors to discover all the services and activities available in Sullivan County.

For more information, or to register your organization or group to be part of the fun, contact:

Shawn Comfort

ATI

scomfort@atitoday.org

845-794-4228

or

Jill Hubert-Simon

SC Public Health

Jill.hubert-simon@sullivanny.us

845-513-2243





### **Ending Zuckerbucks & Securing our Elections**

As co-chair of the Election Integrity Caucus, I reintroduced the "End Zuckerbucks Act" in the 118th Congress this week. In the 2020 election, Mark Zuckerberg, under the guise of the Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL)-a liberal non-profit group-flooded left-leaning county governments in Texas, Ohio, Nevada, Minnesota, Georgia, Florida, Arizona, and Pennsylvania with opaque private funding to influence election administration for their own purposes.

CTCL funneled Mark Zuckerberg's personal wealth to election agencies of his choosing without a shred of transparency or accountability. This kind of influence operation by a third party in America's elections undermines public confidence in the democratic process. It puts private donors in charge of dictating to government agencies what should and should not be done. We cannot allow organizations like this to flout the law or continue their partisan, private funding of our elections. The Election Integrity Caucus and I will continue to lead the charge to safeguard our nation's elections and restore transparency and accountability.

READ MORE: 'End Zuckerbucks': GOP bill aims to ban Mark Zuckerberg-style election funding at: https://www.foxnews.com/politics/end-zuckerbucks-gop-bill-aims-to-ban-mark-zuckerberg-style-election-funding

### Awarded for supporting life, the American family, and religious freedom in Congress



As a strong advocate for protecting the sanctity of life and the American family, I thank the Family Research Council for this recognition. I am committed to continuing my compassionate advocacy for family-centered policies as I fight for pro-life, pro-family, and pro-freedom legislation in Congress. The rights of American citizens to speak their minds, raise their families and worship their faiths are among the cornerstones of our great nation, but they are under assault today in this country. I will always defend our First Amendment and protect our vitally important religious liberties.

"In the first Congress to see a post-Roe nation, there is much to celebrate, especially for Members, like Rep. Claudia Tenney, who have consistently -and repeatedly -stood for life in the face of a pro-abortion mob bent on intimidating Americans into their way of thinking. She also courageously stood strong against dangerous, freedom-eroding laws like the Equality Act and (Dis)Respect for Marriage Act. Members of the House voted to protect women and girls from being forcibly drafted into combat military roles. We thank her for defending faith, family, and freedom with her votes and her voice of leadership. She has voted to reject the overhaul of our federal civil rights framework with radical gender ideology. In post-Roe America, she voted to protect the sanctity of human life for unborn babies in all 50 states. She also voted to expand protections for conscience rights, reject legislation legitimizing recreational marijuana use, and fought the Department of Justice's view of concerned parents as 'terrorists.' Americans should be encouraged to know that they have so many members of Congress who, despite relentless attacks from the Left and the media, are standing strong for faith, family, and freedom," concluded Tony Perkins, Family Research Council President.

#### It's Time to Defund and Leave the WHO

Since the beginning of the pandemic, the WHO has proven that it does not have America's best interest at heart. Through the disguise of the WHO, millions of taxpayer dollars have bankrolled the Chinese Communist Party's propaganda and have covered up the pandemic's origins. The WHO is not reformable.

I recently co-sponsored three pieces of legislation to defund and leave the WHO:

First, H.R.79, the "WHO Withdrawal Act," led by Rep. Andy Biggs (AZ-5), requires the President of the United States to remove the U.S. from the WHO and prevents taxpayer dollars from being used to fund the organization. This legislation would codify President Trump's decision in 2020 to leave the WHO, which was reversed by President Biden.

Second, **H.R.343**, the "No Taxpayer Funding for the World Health Organization Act," led by Rep. Chip Roy (TX-21), would avert any assessed or voluntary contributions from the United States to the WHO.

Finally, S.444, the "No WHO Pandemic Preparedness Treaty Without Senate Approval Act," introduced in the House by Rep. Tom Tiffany (WI-7), deems any final agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response to be a treaty. Under Article II, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution, treaties require the consent of two-thirds of the U.S. Senate. This bill will prevent the Biden Administration from circumventing the Senate and arbitrarily deeming any final treaty an "executive agreement" which does not require Senate approval.

It is a privilege to join these three pieces of legislation to ensure the United States leaves this CCP-puppet agency.

# CONGRESSMAN MARC MOLINARO

SERVING NY-19



Congressman Marc Molinaro joins the fun at the St. Patrick's Celebration in Jeffersonville

### Amid Nationwide Workforce Shortage, Molinaro Introduces Bipartisan Bill to Help Local Small Businesses Fill Job Openings

U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (R, NY-19) today announced the introduction of the Small Business Workforce Pipeline Act. This bipartisan bill will relieve the workforce shortage for local small businesses by assisting them in offering apprenticeships and onthe-job training opportunities for their workers. Rep. Molinaro introduced the bill alongside U.S. Reps. Jason Crow (D, CO-06), Maria Salazar (R, FL-27), and Shri Thanedar (D, MI-13).

At the end of 2022, there were over 11 million unfilled jobs in the United States. The Small Business Administration's Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) currently provide a suite of counseling and training services to support small businesses in Upstate New York and across the county. To help small businesses fill open positions with qualified workers amid the workforce shortage, Rep. Molinaro's bipartisan bill directs SBDCs to establish and improve apprenticeship and training programs.

Rep. Molinaro said, "Small businesses in Upstate New York have open jobs, but are having difficulty filling these positions. We need to tackle the workforce shortage by connecting workers to the open jobs we have. That's why I'm introducing the Small Business Workforce Pipeline Act. This bipartisan bill directs the Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) to inform small businesses about apprenticeship and work-based learning programs."

Rep. Crow said, "I introduced the Small Business Workforce Pipeline Act to ensure Colorado remains a strong small business state by investing in apprenticeships and on-the-job learning opportunities for our workers. This bipartisan legislation would bring more opportunities for our workers to reskill and upskill and combat the labor shortage that holds our small businesses back."

### Statement from Rep. Molinaro on the Collapse of Silicon Valley Bank & Signature Bank

U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement on the collapse of Silicon Valley Bank & Signature Bank:

"Last night I received a bipartisan, bicameral briefing from federal regulators, and this morning, joined a call with Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York Congressional Delegation to discuss the collapse of Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank. My main focus is ensuring the issues facing these banks do not spread to Main Street.

"I'm in communication with the leadership at banks in New York's 19th Congressional District. It's critical we protect the deposits of local families, farmers, and small businesses."

### Rep. Molinaro Invites NY-19 High School Students to Participate in 2023 Congressional Art Competition

U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) announced his office is accepting entries from high school students in New York's 19th Congressional District for the annual Artistic Discovery Congressional Art Competition.

This nationwide competition is sponsored by Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and gives young artists the opportunity to showcase their talent. Winning pieces from each Congressional District are displayed in the U.S. Capitol for one year.

Rep. Molinaro said, "Upstate New York is home to so many talented and creative young artists. The Congressional Art Competition is an incredible opportunity for local students to showcase their abilities on a national stage. I invite interested high school students in New York's 19th Congressional District to participate and I look forward to seeing their works of art."

### Guidelines for artwork can be found below:

o Artwork may be up to 26 inches wide by 26 inches tall by four inches thick, must be two dimensional, be original in concept, design, and execution, must not weigh more than 15 pounds. It may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.

o Accepted artwork includes paintings (including oil, acrylics and watercolor), drawings (including pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, and markers), collage (must be two dimensional), prints (including lithographs, silkscreen, and block prints), mixed media, computer generated art, and photography.

o Artwork must be submitted with a completed copy of the competition release form to one of Rep. Molinaro's district offices no later than Monday, April 10, 2023.

Additional information on the Artistic Discovery Congressional Art Competition can be found here. https://www.house.gov/educators-and-students/congressional-art-competition

# Statement from NYS Senator Oberacker

ALBANY, 03/16/23 -- State Senator Peter Oberacker (R/C - Schenevus) commented on his NO vote on the Senate Majority's one-house budget resolution for fiscal year 2023-24:

"The record spending in the governor's budget proposal was not enough for Senate Democrats so they tacked on another \$9 billion to reach a bloated \$236 billion. This level of spending is unsustainable and the lack of fiscal restraint is driving businesses and families from our state. Additionally, there is nothing to improve public safety even the governor's watered down bail reform changes have been erased and more criminal-friendly policies added.

"April 1st is the deadline for a final budget and I will continue to advocate for affordability, improved public safety, and funding to meet the needs of those who live and work in 51st Senate District - we have a great deal of work ahead."

# DEC Announces 2023 DEC Camping Reservation Changes New Features Include Same-Day Reservations, Among Others

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced changes to reservations at DEC campgrounds for the upcoming season, including new same-day reservations to help add flexibility and ease to last-minute bookings.

"DEC is excited to make some changes and updates to this year's reservation window for DEC campgrounds," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "While many campers book weeks or months in advance, there continues to be a high demand for last-minute bookings. Adding same-day reservations will allow our customers to check availability and book a reservation on their way to a campground. An additional 17 hours to book a camping stay will ensure sites are available before arriving and prevent anyone from arriving to a full campground."

The change will afford last-minute campers the security of a reserved campsite at any of DEC's 52 campgrounds and aligns the Forest Preserve-based campgrounds with the reservation window currently employed by the facilities operated by the State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. All New York State campgrounds will now accept reservations as late as the same day.

Reservations will be required, and patrons can now book a camping reservation as late as 5 p.m. on the desired day of arrival. The public will also be able to book a one-night stay for the 2023 season at any DEC campground beginning April 7, 2023. This will mean that gaps between reservations will be able to be filled earlier than in the past.

For more information on DEC-operated campgrounds, including a list of campgrounds and schedules, visit DEC's website or call DEC's Bureau of Recreation at 518-457-2500. To make reservations at any of DEC's camping facilities, call ReserveAmerica at 1-800-456-CAMP (2267) or visit the ReserveAmerica website.

### **Environmental Conservation Police on Patrol**

### **Duck, Duck, Ticket - Ulster County**

On Feb. 25, ECO Johnson received a Snapchat video from a colleague showing an individual on film sneaking up on two ducks swimming in a pond and firing four shots from a gun, killing the ducks. With waterfowl seasons for the region closed, Officer Johnson went to the subject's residence, which is also the location of the shooting, to conduct an interview. The subject admitted to shooting the ducks while a friend videotaped the incident. ECO Johnson ticketed the subject for taking waterfowl out of season, hunting without a license, taking a migratory game bird without a federal duck stamp, taking waterfowl with an unplugged shotgun, and taking waterfowl with lead shot.

#### **K9 Handler Locates Handgun - Sullivan County**

On Feb. 28, ECO Wood responded to a crime scene in Kiamesha Lake to assist Sullivan County Sherriff's Office in finding a firearm tossed by a fleeing felon during a foot chase. Veteran K9 Officer Wood deployed K9 CJ to find the gun. Due to conditions at the location, K9 CJ could not find the weapon. Officer Wood decided to give it another try using his metal detector after determining the most likely location the felon would have discarded the weapon. The ECO zeroed in on a nearby ditch and his metal detector alerted him to an object under the snow. ECO Wood and a Deputy Sheriff carefully uncovered the loaded .45

caliber handgun. The subject is facing several charges in Sullivan County.

### **Keep Your Distance**

ECOs in Suffolk County spent a few days providing security for seals. On March 1, Officers Dickson, Anderson, and Perkins responded to a call from Suffolk County Central Dispatch of a potentially injured seal on a boat ramp in Babylon Village. The ECOs arrived at the location and contacted the New York Marine Rescue Center to report the seal's condition and behavior. Experts at the rescue center, who determined it was likely a male harp seal visiting from arctic waters, advised that these types of seals stress easily. When stressed, the seals tend to consume sand and rocks that can damage their digestive systems. ECOs and Village of Babylon Code Enforcement set up a perimeter 150 feet around the

boat launch to protect the seal from curious bystanders who had gathered to take pictures. On March 3, the arctic seal was transferred to the rescue facility and treated for dehydration.



ECOs set up perimeter around arctic harp seal

### **Sunbathing Seal**

On March 5, ECO Dickson received reports from the New York Marine Rescue Center of an incident involving a seal sunbathing at Gilgo Beach. According to the complaint, a bystander had attempted to put a dog collar on the seal and drag it back to the ocean. Officer Dickson arrived and canvased the beach for the subject with the dog collar but could not find the offender. The



Small seal sunbathing on the sandy beach, ECO vehicle in the background

ECO established a security perimeter around the seal, allowing it to sunbathe in peace, without disturbance. The Officer also documented the condition of the seal and sent his findings back to the rescue center. To protect seals or other wildlife spotted on the beach, a minimum of 150-feet is the recommended distance for safe viewing. For more information on

avoiding close encounters with marine mammals visit DEC's website.

### **ECO Safely Removes Elderly Couple from Car Fire**

On March 7, while patrolling State Route 206 in the hamlet of Downsville, ECO Doig encountered a vehicle pulled over on the side of the road. As the Officer approached, he noticed flames shooting out near the exhaust and gas tank of the vehicle. ECO Doig quickly notified Delaware County 911 and immediately approached the vehicle to safely remove two elderly individuals from the car. Officer Doig then retreated to his patrol vehicle, grabbed his fire extinguisher, and put out the fire. The Downsville Fire Department arrived a short time later and determined the vehicle had a leaking gas tank and could have become engulfed in flames at any moment. The couple, unaware the car caught fire, were appreciative of ECO Doig's quick response.

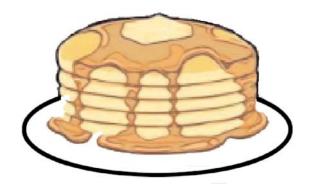
To contact an ECO to report an environmental crime or to report an incident, call 1-844-DEC-ECOS for 24-hour dispatch or email central.dispatch@dec.ny.gov (for non-urgent violations).



# Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725

# All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, April 16th Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$11 Children Ages 5-11: \$5 Under 5 Yrs. Free

Take-outs are available (845) 985-7270

### Delaware Valley Arts Alliance 2023 Gallery Exhibition Schedule

Apr 1st - May 7th

Joni Wehrli, Livingston Manor, NY, Sculpture/painting Desmond Beach, New York, NY, Fiber arts/mixed media May 13th - Jun 25th

Heather Rubinstein, Milanville, PA, Fiber arts/installation Melissa Zexter, Brooklyn, NY, Photography & embroidery Jul 1st - Aug 6th

Geoffrey Hutchinson, Barryville, NY, Photography Johan Sellenraad, Milanville, PA, Oil painting

Aug 12th - Sept 17th

Mary Sweeney, Roscoe, NY, Ceramics/sculpture/drawing Traci Johnson, Brooklyn, NY, Fiber arts

Sept 23rd - Oct 29th

Chris Heim, Cuddebackville, NY, Photography

Dani Case, Narrowsburg, NY, Photography

Nov 18th - Dec 23rd

"19th Annual Art in Sixes"

Small Works Group Show

#### ABOUT DVAA

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Walk-ins are welcome. DVAA's galleries are ADA-accessible. Gallery & shop hours are Thursday - Sunday, 11 AM - 4 PM, and by appointment.

For more information, visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org or call (845) 252-7576. Please see our website for artist talks and opening reception details.

DVAA serves as a home in the Upper Delaware Valley and Sullivan Catskills Region, giving artists platforms to share their voices in our galleries, on our stages, or at our festivals, including Riverfest in July and the Big Eddy Film Festival held every September. DVAA funds Sullivan County creatives and cultural organizations through our role as the county's Arts Council.

### **SUPPORT**

DVAA's programs are made possible thanks in part to the New York State Council on the Arts, a State Agency with support from the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature; the Nancy Stevenson Memorial Fund; the Heartland Embers Fund, our Business Sponsors; DVAA members; and individuals like you.

### **Olive Free Library**

### PIANO PLUS!

CONCERT SERIES

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

April 22 Pelia String Quartet with

Hiroko Sakurazawa, piano

May 13 John Halle, piano



Cornell Cooperative Extension | Sullivan County

### 4-H Alpaca Program



### For Sullivan County Youth interested in alpacas!

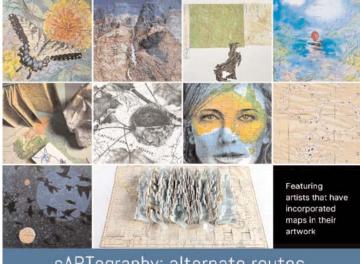
- Youth will develop basic skills in alpaca knowledge through handson learning!
- Learn alpaca history, specifics on the species and breed, temperament, and their use!
- No alpaca ownership is required to be involved!

Program will take place at the Extension Education building.

Registration is required in advance.

sullivancce.org • sullivan@cornell.edu • 845-292-6180

Any Sullivan County youth age 5-18 can enroll in 4-H for FREE.



cARTography: alternate routes

March 18 - May 6, 2023

🕨 Opening: Saturday, March 18, 3 – 5 pm 🧃

Artists in the show: rhea BANKER daniel BAXTER donna DAVID robin FACTOR

andrea GELLER

carole KUNSTADT hedi KYLE patrice LORENZ amy SILBERKLEIT joy TAYLOR

OLIVE FREE LIBRARY

West Shokan, NY olivefreelibrary.org 845.657.2482

Curated by Jan Sosnowitz

# Neversink – Rondout Antique Machinery Association P.O. Box 393 – Grahamsville – New York 12740

Sullivan County High Schools Guidance Directors, please see attached \$500 Scholarship Application provided by the Neversink – Rondout Antique Machinery Association for your dissemination. Of Particular note is the submission deadline date of June 2, 2023. If I have sent this notice to the wrong department I request your assistance in directing it correctly.

- Eldred Central School District.
- Fallsburg Central School District.
- Liberty Central School District.
- Livingston Manor Central School District.
- Monticello Central School District.
- Roscoe Central School District.
- Sullivan West Central School District.
- Tri-Valley Central School District.
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Tri Valley -

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Liberty High School - Sheila Wormuth
Livingston Manor Shirlee Davis
Monticello Matthew T. Evans
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Sullivan West Maureen Casey Bryant

Kristy Closs

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(See next page for application)

### NEVERSINK RONDOUT ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION P.O. Box 393, Grahamsville, NY 12740

The purpose of the NRAMA Scholarship is to encourage graduating high school seniors from Sullivan County to pursue secondary education opportunities in any field related to either heavy equipment, automotive mechanics or agriculture at any accredited academic or vocation school. The scholarship will be awarded annually to one individual selected by the NRAMA Scholarship Committee. The Value of the scholarship is \$500.00, and is non-renewable. Scholarship proceeds will be utilized for tuition, fees or books. In addition, the winner will also receive a one (1) year membership to the NRAMA.

The scholarship monies will be distributed after proof of obtaining a 2.0 or higher GPA and completion of first semester. Facility must send proof of GPA and semester completion.

The Applicant may use the scholarship to study any field related to heavy equipment, automotive mechanics or agriculture at any accredited academic or vocational school.

To be eligible, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in your Sullivan county home school and career and technical education during Junior and Senior years.
- Illustrate a commitment to the fields of heavy equipment, automotive mechanics or agriculture by either graduation from a related program at Sullivan County BOCES or related work efforts outside of school.
- · Be accepted as a full time student at an accredited academic or vocation institution

Submit a completed application to the NRAMA by June 2nd, 2023

Name:	
Home Address:	
City/State:	Phone:
High School:	GPA:
What school(s) have you applied to?	
What school(s) have you been accepted at?	
What is the course of study?	NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY OF THE PA
Signature:	Date:

On a separate sheet of paper, please write a brief essay describing your career goals and what you hope to gain by furthering your education and what you may bring to our club in the future. Also include with this application one letter of recommendation from a teacher, educatior or employer.

Please mail completed application to: NRAMA Scholarship Application P.O. Box 393

Grahamsville, NY 12740



ITS THAT TIME AGAIN!

OUR COMMUNITY ICE RINK

IS CLOSING FOR THE

SEASON.

# WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS YEAR SUCH A SUCCESS!

### COME JOIN US ON

SUNDAY, MARCH 26TH FROM 1PM-5PM

### FOR OUR

"THANK YOU EVERYONE CELEBRATION"

### AND FINAL SKATE SESSION OF THE SEASON

(We will have cookies and cocoa to help us celebrate!)

UNTIL CLOSING the RINK IS OPEN on

Thursdays (3/16 & 3/23) 7pm-9pm Saturdays (3/18 & 3/25) 1pm-3pm

Sundays (3/19 & closing day 3/26) 1pm-5pm

The rink is CLOSED Tuesday and Saturday nites!

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# SPRING INTO VOLUNTEERING





Sunday, March 26, 1 to 3 p.m. Treats, Talk, Prizes and More

All volunteers receive 10% shop discount FREE admission to programs Recognition event and gift

Join R.S.V.P. for liability coverage and mileage reimbursement, too! Help is needed teaching students greeting visitors, at events, office tasks, scanning photos, projects at home, and more!

Have a little free time?
Explore all we do and how you can help!



Time and the Valleys Museum
St. Rt. 55 Grahamsville NY
info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org 845 985-7700

Call to find out more or make an appointment to visit!

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# 4-H ALL ABOUT DOGS





AT THE DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY!

## Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Snow Date: Wednesday, March 29, 2023

3:00 to 4:30 p.m Grades 3 - 6

Are you interested in learning more about dogs? Join 4-H Youth Development Animal Science Coordinator, Barbara Moran for this hands-on program! Activities include demonstrations in handling and dog training, activities geared toward dog lovers, and a mock dog skill-a-thon.

You do not have to own a dog to be a part of this program!



Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Love dogs? You'll love this program and will gain more canine knowledge!

PLEASE NOTE: More the merrier for this program, BUT we have a limit of 20 seats on the bus. If the bus fills up, parents will need to provide transportation to this program. If you wish for your child to take the bus from school, please send a note to the elementary office no later than Monday, March 20th.

Registration is open to Tri-Valley residents.

# CHILD + BABYSITTING SAFETY COURSE

at the Daniel Pierce Library

For Tri-Valley Students 11 - 15 years of age



# SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Looking for a job this summer? This 5 hour course will provide the necessary skills needed to care for infants and children. Learn CPR and Child and Babysitting Safety (CABS). Brought to you by ClassRooms to You, instructed and owned by Michael Conglelosi, NYS FF/EMT. An approved training center for American Safety & Health Institute. Space is limited, \$65 per registrant, due day of event

- \*Become a babysitter
- \*Safety instruction
- How to take care of Children
- \* What to do when things go wrong
- \*Learn basic first ald
- \*Gain contidence
- \*This is an outside event, weather permitting
- \*Additional course information to follow upon registration

BRING YOUR LUNCH!

Advance registration only. Register online @ www.danielpiercelibrary.org



### Daniel Pierce Library

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Grahamsville, New York 12740-0268 | 845-985-7233

To register: baby sitting course register now:

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### Presented by: James Farnham, MBA, MS Licensed Agent

### Will you be turning 65 soon? Are you eligible for Medicare?

Please join us for this live webinar as we learn about Medicare basics including.
Prescription Drug Plans, Medicare Supplement Plans, and Medicare
Advantage Plans (HMOs and PPOs). This program will simplify the choices
you need to make, help you make well-informed decisions and explain
what Medicare means to you!

Advanced online registration at danielpiercelibrary.org is required. Those who register will receive an email prior to the event with a link and instructions on how to join.

Register now: https://danielpiercelibrary.org/Pages/Index/226538/medicare-101

# Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Annual Walk Saturday, May 6, 2023

In memory of our fellow Lions lost over the past years. All proceeds go into our Charity Account to help support the missions of The Tri-Valley Lions, which include Sight, Hearing, Diabetes, and support to Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Local Food Pantries, Service Awards for local high school graduates, Sight Screenings, and so much more

# Register at 8:30 am on Saturday, May 6, 2023

at the Grahamsville First Aid Squad Building

Please be available no later than 8:50 am for a group photo before the start of the Walk. Walk starts promptly at 9 am from the First Aid Squad Building and consists of as many loops around the Fairgrounds that each walker feels comfortable doing.

# **COME WALK WITH US!**

Refreshments will be served before and after the walk.
For additional pledge sheets or questions about the Journey For Sight Walk, please call **Esta Jacob 845-985-2927** or **Stephen Miller at 845-798-1981.** 

# Thank you!

### Shadowland Stages is Proud to **Announce Season 2023**

JUST ANOTHER DAY written by and starring Dan Lauria a worldpremiere co-production with Great Barrington Public Theatre June 2 - 18 on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES SHADOWLAND is honored to kick off the 2023 Season with the world premiere production of Dan Lauria's thoughtful new play, JUST ANOTHER DAY on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND **STAGES** 

A heart-stirring new drama by stage and screen star Dan Lauria ('The Wonder Years'). A comedy writer and a sophisticated poet in their seventies meet daily on a park bench to exchange wits and barbs, and wax nostalgic about old moves, all the while trying to figure out how they know - and love - each other. At least for that day.

**THE 39 STEPS** -Adapted by Patrick Barlow; From the novel by John Buchan; From the movie by Alfred Hitchcock Licensed by ITV Global Entertainment Limited And an original concept by Simon Corble and Nobby Dimon June 23 - July 9 in The Studio at SHADOWLAND STAGES This June, SHADOWLAND is thrilled to share the hilarious and Hitchcokian classic THE 39 STEPS in The Studio at SHADOW-LAND STAGES, our new intimate black box theatre.

Mix a Hitchcock masterpiece with a juicy spy novel, add a dash of Monty Python and you get this face-paced whodunit for anyone who loves the magic of theatre! This two-time Tony Award-winning treat is packed with nonstop laughs and over 150 characters, resulting in a riotous evening of pure pleasure.

"Theatre at its finest... Absurdly enjoyable! This gleefully theatrical riff on Hitchcock's film is fast and frothy, performed by a cast of four that seems like a cast of thousands." - The New York Times

"Ingenious! A dizzy delight!" - Daily News

#### ALWAYS ... PATSY CLINE

Created and originally directed by Ted Swindley. Based on a true story

June 14 - August 6 on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES After two decades, SHADOWLAND will bring back the popular and full-hearted musical, ALWAYS... PATSY CLINE.

This heartfelt review tells the true story of the country music legend's unlikely friendship with a fan, Louise Seger, cemented by years of letter-writing. Accompanied by the beloved hits 'Walkin' After Midnight', 'I Fall to Pieces', 'Crazy', and many more, the housewife and the star share the letters and homespun stories of laughter and tears that brought them together.

"A song-filled valentine!" - Los Angeles Times

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET -Book by Colin Escott and Floyd Mutrux; Original Concept and Direction by Floyd Mutrux

Inspired by Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl **Perkins** 

August 11 - September 10 on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND

The centerpiece of SHADOWLAND's season will have you dancing in the aisles as you listen to hit after hit from the greatest Rock n' Rollers of all time.

On December 4, 1956, a twist of fate brought together Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley at Sun Records in Memphis. What followed would be the one of the greatest jam sessions ever. Million Dollar Quartet captures the contagious spirit, freewheeling excitement, and thrilling sounds of the once-in-a-life-time event where four of music's best talents came together, featuring hits like 'Blue Suede Shoes', 'Fever', 'Great Balls of Fire', 'Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On', and more!

"Bone-shaking, soul-stirring, good-time classics with a surprising

amount of grit and soul!" - Chicago Tribune

"Keeps the joint jumping with great balls of fire!" - Variety

### **OFF PEAK** by Brenda Withers

September 15 - October 1 in The Studio at SHADOWLAND **STAGES** 

In September, enjoy OFF PEAK, an intimate, brand-new play in the Studio at SHADOWLAND STAGES.

When two old flames run into each other on the evening commute, different views of the same past threaten to derail their connection. A new play about forgiving, forgetting, and the healing power of a good delay.

"Sly, smart, often very funny...an abundance of emotional and intellectual twists and turns." - The New Yorker

"Crowd-pleasing...sharply realized entertainment!" Broadway World

### **SKELETON CREW** By Dominique Morriseau

October 6 - 22 on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES This Fall, SHADOWLAND is proud to bring SKELETON CREW to the Hudson Valley, the third play in Dominique Morriseau's acclaimed Detroit Trilogy.

It's Detroit 2008, and a small automotive factory is on the brink of foreclosure. The

futures of a makeshift family of workers hang in the balance, as they stand trapped in a collapsing economy. With uncertainty everywhere, the line between blue collar and white collar becomes blurred and this working family must reckon with their personal loyalties, their instincts for survival and how best to drive

"A very fine new play...warm-blooded, astute, deeply moral, and deeply American." - New York Times

"A prime example of how theatre imitates life...intense, touching and funny." - *The Amsterdam News* 

### MISS BENNETT: CHRISTMAS AT PEMBERLEY By Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon

December 1 - 17 on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES

To close the 2023 Season, SHADOWLAND is proud to offer MISS BENNETT: CHRISTMAS AT PEMBERLEY, a delightful holiday comedy for the whole family.

One of the most popularly produced plays in the country since its premiere, this hilarious sequel to Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice is set two years after the novel ends. Bookish Mary has grown tired of her role as the dutiful middle sister in the face of her siblings' romantic endeavors. But things change when an unexpected guest shows up for the family's Christmas gathering at Pemberley, sparking Mary's hope for independence, an intellectual equal, and maybe even love. This energetic and witty romantic comedy is a new holiday classic!

"An unstuffy, highly entertaining and warm-spirited work, the kind of thing multiple

generations can enjoy together..." - Chicago Tribune
"This show is a holiday gift!" - Houston Chronicle

All of us at SHADOWLAND STAGES want to take a moment as we celebrate the launch of our 2023 season to say thank you! Thank you, for prioritizing SHADOWLAND with your kind words, donations, coming out to see our first full season "back" in 2022, and doing what you have to help us continue doing what we do best - producing, presenting, classes and community!

YOU are why we are able to CELEBRATE our 2023 Season together. THANK YOU!

### **RENTALS**

Store for Rent in Grahamsville (845) 985-7411

### **FOR SALE**

## Sundown Camp and Bait Shop! Firewood for sale

### **HELP WANTED**

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KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADS WITH

A LITTLE LAUGHTER WITH

AMERICAN PIE

SERIES



American Pie is a film series consisting of four hilarious iconic sex comedy films. American Pie, the first film in the series, was released by Universal Pictures in 1999.



The film became a worldwide pop culture phenomenon and gained a cult following among young people. Following *American Pie*, the second and third films in the series *American Pie 2* (2001) and *American Wedding* (2003) were released; the fourth, *American Reunion*, was released in 2012. A spin-off film series entitled *American Pie Presents* consists of five direct-to-video films that were released from 2005 to 2020.

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KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S
TIME OF SHOW? VIEW AT YOUR CONVENIENCE
STREAMING ON

# AMAZON.COM KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S THIS WEEK IT'S SPRING VACATION WITH ALL OF THE "AMERICAN PIE" FILMS ENJOY A SPRING BREAK LAUGH OR TWO!

Throughout the first film of the original series, Jim Levenstein (Jason Biggs) tries to develop a relationship with his school classmate Nadia (Shannon Elizabeth). Jim and three of his best friends; Kevin Myers (Thomas Ian Nicholas), Paul Finch (Eddie Kaye Thomas), and Chris Ostreicher (Chris Klein) make a pact to lose their virginity before their high school graduation.



Steve Stifler (Seann William Scott), the obnoxious jock of the group, provides them with unorthodox advice while he is hosting wild parties. In the second film, the five boys host a summer party and Jim becomes interested in his friend, Michelle Flaherty (Alyson Hannigan).

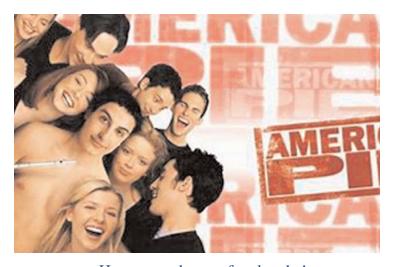


In the third film, Jim and Michelle plan to marry, although the forced invitation of Stifler could ruin everything. In the fourth film, the gang gets back together in anticipation of their thirteenth high school reunion.



The spin-off series revolves around relatives of Stifler, including his brother Matt (Tad Hilgenbrink); his cousins Erik (John White), Dwight (Steve Talley), Scott (John Patrick Jordan), Stephanie (Lizze Broadway); and their respective friends.

The original series, produced on a total budget of US\$145 million, has grossed over \$800 million worldwide. The spin-off films were released direct-to-video. The original series has received mixed reviews from critics, while the spin-off series has received negative reviews.



Hope you have a few laughs!

When your eyes meet a stranger's eyes, offer a look of kindness and friendship.

Let's start creating peace in the world in our every day lives!

Stay safe, and stay well Knarf Odnamoc Gnome