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Fallsburg High School Musicians Delight at Spring Concert



Before an appreciative audience on a pleasant evening of May 16, 2016, the Fallsburg High School Music Department warmed the hearts of all with a beautiful Spring Concert. Led by Chorus Director Mrs. Colleen Barbara and Band Director Ms. Danna Clear, the singers and musicians performed with joy and excellence. (Contd. Pg. 11)

TVCS DARE Graduation



Sullivan The County Sheriff's Office participated in a recent DARE Graduation with 5th Grade students Tri-Valley at Elemen-tary School.

Pictured with Sheriff Mike Schiff, Deputy Sher-iff Kevin R o g e r s , Undersheriff Eric Chaboty and Sergeant Cheryl Crum-ley are the DARE essay winners from each of

the four classes. They are, Grace Deyo, Roy Leach, Grace Tierney, Makayla Hendrickson, Natalie Moore, Logan Weyant, Jordan Dymond, Spoghia Richardson, Andreas Tixi, Savannah Chaboty, Gwenneth Redman and Emma Richardson. Deputy Kevin Rogers, who is the School Resource Officer, served as DARE instructor for all of the 5th grade students.

MHS Academy of Finance Students Visit NYC Article courtesy of AOF senior Abraham Corces



On the Academy of Finance trip, students looked at the other side of the finance world in the financial capital of the world- New York City. An extensive tour of Wall Street, delving into history and structures was given, completely widening the view on just how important this road is on not only the past, but the present and future. (Contd. Pg. 12)

Miles and Miles of Sundown Smiles The Sundown Community celebrated the Memorial Day

Weekend with its 3rd Annual Miles and Miles of Yard Sales.

The center of activity was at the Sundown UMC Hall where the "Sundown Ladies" and a few 'Sundown Gents" prepared an indoor yard sale, an outdoor BBQ serving Hot Dogs and Hamburgers and a Bake Sale



that provided many delicious homemade baked goodies. Each of the individual Yard Sales along Peekamoose, Greenville,

Eve Eden and Yeagerville Roads provided something different. There literally was overall, something for everyone.

Thank you to all who helped us have anoter fun year and for all the smiles that brightend the the weekend.



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May 18, 2019.

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is performance Laurie es a 12-move-Kilgore ment composition by Artist -Four Nancy Wegrzyn and a Seasons set of five oil paintings Work in by visual artist Laurie Progress Kilgore. Realized

through this unique multimedia program, the SCCO and artists Wegrzyn and Kilgore will reflect upon the

"Four Seasons of Sullivan County" ul-beauty of the seasonal landscape of Sullivan County. Also on the pro-gram is Vivaldi's "Four Seasons,"

inspired by the beauty of his home in Mantua. Soloists for the Vivaldi performance are violinists Akiko Hosoi Yun-Ting Lee, Alex Fortes and Brian Bak with harpsichordist



Nancy Wegrzyn Composer

A True Family Engagement Day at Fallsburg High School After many



Dr. Phillips' grandchildren Walker and Rocket intently drawing at the Fallsburg Library table. Exhibitors, staff

comed the multitude of families, children and guests to enjoy a carnival atmosphere in front of the Fallsburg High School and in the Main Lobby. (Contd. Pg. 8)

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THE TOWNSMAN **ON THE FRONT BURNER:**

OBITUARY



Thomas Nash, 68, of Neversink, NY died on May 24, 2019. VIS-ITATION: 4-6pm, May Colonial 31 at Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52 Woodbourne, NY 12788. FIREMATIC SERVICE: 5:30pm. FUNERAL SERVICE: 6pm. 845-434-7363.

COLLEGE NEWS:

Alfred University names Grahamsville Resident, Nathanial C. **Bender to Dean's List**

ALFRED, NY - Nathanial C. Bender, a resident of Grahamsville, NY, was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2019 semester at Alfred University (AU). He is a senior in the Inamori School of Engineering. Students must earn at least a 3.5 grade point average to qualify for Dean's List.

Bender is a Renewable Energy Engineering major at Alfred University. The University has a 97 percent rate of students employed or in graduate school according to their annual destination survey. The top fields of employment for Alfred University graduates include Engineering, Science and Research; Education; Counseling and School Psychology; Accounting and Finance; and the Arts. A graduate of Tri-Valley Central School, Bender is the son of Tim and Catherine Bender of Grahamsville, NY.

Dorothy Monforte Graduates with Honors from Kings College

Dorothy Monforte, daughter of Joy and John Monforte of Grahamsville graduated cum laude from Kings College where she majored in theater with a concentration in both technical and acting/directing. She had a double minor in mass communications and theater administration.

Dorothy was included on the Kings College 2019 Deans List. She is a mass communications member of the National Honor Society and of the Delta Epsilon Sigma, National Honor Society.

Congratulations to Dorothy on her achievements.

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

June 1, 1949

Henry and Drig Seldman of New York City have leased from Carl Meltzer of Middletown the 100 acred children's camp at Grahamsville, formerly known as Camp Betar, through the Morris Ratner Agency of Liberty. Mr. Seldman is a New York City school teacher and was formerly camp director of the Youngs Gap Hotel in Parksville. He is the author of the so-called "Wonder Plan" of camping. The camp will hence forth be called Camp Wonder-trails and will accommodate 100 children.

Mr. Van Furman did some work at the Mulford Place for Charles Rose last week. With his bulldozer he excavated for a cellar and diverted the creek that runs through the property. Mr. Furman has also been engaged by Mr. Brice Moore to dig out the cellar for the new house to be built at Tonger.

June 3, 1959 - not available

May 29, 1969

A poem written my Mrs. Robert Many titled, "Teaching Country School" vintage of 1920, was read over WVOS on the Sullivan County

Historical Program last week.

Tri-Valley Central School announces the 1969 valedictorian and salutatorian awards on Friday. Hans Schick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schick was named valedictorian with a four year average of 93. 1. John Higgins, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Higgins, Sr. won second place honors with a our year average of 92.6.

The Board of Education extended appointments to the following teachers: Mr. Daniel Smith, Wurtsboro, NY – a graduate of State University College of Oswego, teacher of high school social studies; Mr. Myron Kayes, Stone Ridge, NY - a graduate of State University College at New Paltz, elementary; Mr. Eugene Phillips, Pine Bush, NY - a graduate of Northeastern University, teacher of high school science; Mrs. Lorraine Ganz, Divine Corners, NY – a graduate of the State University of New York at Albany, teacher of business education -English.

Radford Moore attended the Sullivan County Postmasters Association luncheon meeting on Thursday, May 15th at the Antrim Lodge in Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert George of Sundown celebrated their golden wedding anniversary day on May 22nd.

The Alchemy Club met on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Barbara Boncek, Grahamsville. There were 12 members present and they heartily welcomed back Mr.s Frances Hasbrouck, Stone Ridge, who was absent for many months due to illness in the family.

May 24, 1979

Joseph Levy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Levy of Grrahamsville has received his Bachelor of Science degree from Mew York State Institute of Technology. He is now studying for his Bachelor of ARchitecture.

Christopher P. Gallagher, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gallagher, Jr. of South Hill Road has been named valedictorian of the Class of 1979 compile an academic average above 97% in four years of high school. In July, Chris will enter the United States Naval Academy, to which he was appointed following nomination by Senator Jacob Javits. Salutatorian of the Class of 1979 is William T. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Halbe Brown of Frost Valley. Bill has compiled an academic average of 95.3 during his high school years. Bill plans to mayor in Biology at St. Lawrence University, CAnton, NY.

Since 1973 when girls' track started, Tri-Valley girls have won ALL league titles except for one year. Quite a record for our girls!

> YARD SALES! -May 29, 2009

They want it for a dollar They want it for a dime They snatch it and they grab it and say "Mind, mine, mine."

If it's low they want it lower It it's cheap they want it free The only note they seem to play is Me, Me, Me!

They want this and they want that They're running in and out the door. Calling all their friends who say "Get more, more, more"

> They whine if it's too high They whine if it's too low, They whine until you feel like yelling "Just go, go, go"

A Round About Tri-Valley - Carol Furman

This year's Tri-Valley sports season has proved to be very successful. The girl's golf team earned their 1st win in school history over Liberty in late April. Kaylee Poppo, an 8th grader, made it to the sectionals...the first Tri-Valley girl to ever attend golf sectionals! The boys varsity baseball team is doing very well, as are the varsity track and field teams. The girls varsity softball team is practicing hard and pulled off some nice wins.

Several local Boy Scouts are working to complete their Eagle Scout projects around town. They are working on projects at the Grahamsville Reformed Church, Tri-Valley School, Frost Valley, Neversink Town Park and the Transfer Station.

I'm sure you probably noticed the work being done at the Grahamsville Reformed Church. Scout, Carsen Terwilliger is erecting a new church sign and will be utilizing the church bell from the Woodbourne Reformed Church, (which has now been sold), as a part of the construction. Please don't forget to leave you cans and bottles either on the porch of the Grahamsville Reformed Church Memorial Hall or at the Transfer Station. The nickels received from the cans or bottles add up and are used to help support Boy Scout activities. The Scouts give back by working at Town clean-ups, participating in flag exchange ceremonies, working at pancake breakfasts and helping at other community events.

The Tri-Valley High School Band will traveling to Quebec City, Canada on May 31st-June 2nd. The students will tour of Canyon Sainte-Anne and will perform at Esplanade Park. They will participate in several other events and will witness the "changing of the guard", tour Basilique Sainte-Anne and will perform again, this time atop a magnificent waterfall.

The Tri-Valley Elementary School will be presenting their annual Spring Music Assembly on Wednesday, June 5th at 8:30 am in the Bernstein Theatre. The program will feature the 4th grade chorus, the 4th grade band and some 4th grade soloists. All are invited. Remember to bring proof of ID. The middle school/high school band and chorus programs held last week were just wonderful! What a bunch of talented students we have at Tri-Valley! Vacation Bible School for children age 3 (potty trained) through grade 6 will be held at the Grahamsville Methodist Church from July 7th - July 11th. This program, sponsored each year by the Grahamsville Reformed Church and the Grahamsville Methodist Church, begins at 5:00 pm with a supper and concludes at 7:30 pm. There is no charge for the program, however, a registration form **<u>must</u>** be completed if your child plans to attend. The form can be obtained from either the Methodist or Reformed Churches, or you can pick one up at the D.P. Library. More info regarding Vacation Bible School will follow shortly

DATES TO REMEMBER: June 5th-Rabies Clinic at the Fairgrounds 5:00 -6:30pm. Bring proof of prior rabies June 15th shot if you want a 3-year shot. Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Beef Dinner from 4:00 - 7:00pm. June 27th - 7:00 pm Tri-Valley High School Baccalaureate Service at the Daniel Pierce Library. All are invited to attend. June 29th - Tri-Valley H.S. Graduation in the Bernstein Theatre.

Words of Wisdom: Let us give thanks....for children who are our second planting, and though they grow like weeds and the wind too soon blows them away, may they forgive us our cultivation and fondly remember where their roots are. (Reverend Max Coots)

57 Runners Participate in 47th Annual Grahamsville Gallop

The 47th Grahamsville Gallop was held Sunday, May 19 at 1:00pm at the Iatauro Sports Complex at Tri-Valley Central School. Fifty-seven youth ran in the age group races. All runners received either a trophy (places 1-3) or a medal. Thank you to the Tri-Valley administration for allowing the Gallop to be held on school grounds. Thank you also, to Van and Julie Furman, Mr. and Mrs. Ehrets and Mr. and Mrs. Closs who helped organize and run the event, and to all parents who brought their children and grandchildren. It is wonderful to see second generation and younger sibling atheletes! The first Grahamsville Gallop was held in 1972, organized by Norton Hyman. It was then run by Joe and Missy Iatauro through 2013. **Results:**

Girls Age 3 and Under (80 Meters)

1 Maddie Sheeley 29.0; 2 Shay Hartman 31.0; 3 Diem Luczynski 51.0;4 Aurelia Coombe 56.0; 5 Kaia Krier 62.0: 6 Eva Pedro 1:20.0

Boys Age 3 and Under (80 Meters) 1 Šamuel Horton 48.7; 2 Jayce Walter 59.3; 3 Emmet Garigliano 1.01.0;

Girls Age 4 (100 Meters)

1 Gwen Illing 32.0; 2 Mia Horton 35.9; 3 Emma Ehrets 1:09.5

Boys Age 4 (100 Meters)

1 Chase Sheeley 21.4; 2 Alex Parlapiano 26.0; 3 Burton Garigliano 28.7; 4 Tyce VanValkenburg 30.7; 5 Noah Pedro 37.4

Girls Age 5 (200 Meters)

1 Amaya Meade 46.9; 2 Makayla Frey 50.2; 3 Aislynn Weyant 53.5; 4 Arianna VanSickle 57.1

Boys Age 5 (200 Meters)

1 James Hartman 42.7; 2 William Conjura 52.6; 3 Odin Geyer 57.5

Girls Age 6 (400 Meters)

1 Tia VanValkenburg 1:44.5; 2 Paityn Closs 1:54.0; 3 Maddy Mingo 1:55.5; 4 Kenzie Krier 2:04.4; 5 Allie Horton 2:05.3; 6 Abigail Kennedy 3:06.5

Boys Age 6 (400 Meters)

1 Bradley Kenney 1:52.0; 2 David Pedro 2:54.7

Girls Age 7 (400 Meters) 1 Brea Sheeley 1:41.6; 2 Sophia Horton 2:00.5

Boys Age 7 (400 Meters) 1 Jack Darder 1:41.1; 2 Wesley Lewkiewicz 1:41.6 3 Liam Weyant 1:51.9; 4 Jacob Parlipiano 1:54.4

Girls Age 8 (400 Meters) No participants

Boys Age 8 (400 Meters) 1 Alex Meade 1:51.9

Girls Age 9 No participants

Boys Age 9 (400 Meters) 1 Johnny Conjura 1:35.4; 2 John Mingo 1:38.0

Girls Age 10 (400 Meters) 1 Anna Furman 1:17.9; 2 Allyson Chevalier 1:27.5; 3 Grace Darder 1:42.3; 4 Emily Poley 2:20.3

Boys Age 10 (400 Meters) 1 Jackson Lowitz 1:24.1; 2 William Richardson 1:28.4

Girls Age 11 (800 Meters) Sophia Richardson 3:51.6; Emma Richardson 4:10.0

Boys Age 11 (800 Meters) 1 Tyler Conjura 2:58.1; 2 Logan Weyant 3:01.2; 3 Cole Shamro 3:34.9

Girls Age 12 (800 Meters) Brynn Poley 3:22.1

Boys Age 12 (800 Meters) 1 Van Furman 3:12.0; 2 Joey Douglass 3:29.2

Boys Age 13 (800 Meters) 1 Vinny Mingo 2:39 2 Tommy Houghtaling 3:10

SLAC Senior Legislative Action Committee of Sullivan County Upcoming Monthly Meeting

SLAC Senior Legislative Action Committee of Sullivan County Monthly Meeting will be held at 10 AM, Friday, May 31, 2019 in the Legislative Hearing Room, at the Sullivan Co. Government Center, Monticello NY.

We will be having the following speakers: William (Bill) H. Cutler, Recycling Coordinator, Sullivan Co. Dept. of Solid Waste & Recycling Topic: How to recycle properly to prevent the contamination of recyclables, and proper disposal of pharmaceuticals in Sullivan County.

Jill Hubert-Simon, Public Health Educator Sullivan County Public Health Services Topic: Ticks, this outdoor season is predicted to be the worst. Learn how to protect self, family and friends from ticks, and the best practices to prevent infections. Get the facts, help stop the myths.

SLAC is affiliated with New York State Alliance for Retired Americans (NYSARA) and StateWide Senior Action Council. SLAC, PO Box 248, Kiamesha, NY 12751. For more information please call Office for the Aging, 845-807-0241.

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

It is Almost Juneand theJunebugs are Emerging



the busy After Memorial Day Miles and Miles of Yard Sales, I began putting away the things that were left outside on the tables that were covered each night with a tarp. I kept hearing a sharp tapping noise coming from under the tarp. I hesitated to take it off - fearing I might see a snake! Then I heard a buzzing

sound - and knew it wasn't a snake, but rather a large

brown beetle - a Junebug!

All 131 species of the genus Phyliophaga (Junebugs) are named from their annual appearance in June. With the warmer weather, the adult bugs have begun emerging from the ground for the first time in their lives to live a few weeks flying, feeding on leaves and flowers, reproducing and then dying.

The life cycle begins when a female Junebug constructs an earthen ball 1-6 inches deep among roots for her 50-100 white eggs that will hatch in a couple of weeks. The small larvae or grubs feed slowly on roots for the next 1-3 years, making this development stage one of the longest in the insect world. They undergo three instars (phase between two periods of molting in the development of an insect larva) and molt twice before pupating.

Throughout the U.S. as in the Catskills, this is the most common grub found when you dig up the ground. It's plump white and C-shaped with a brown head and six short legs at the front end. It cannot bite you.

If you look closely, you can see tiny breathing holes (spiracles) along both sides of the body. Also notice two rows of tiny stubby bristles down the back for burrowing. This arrangement enables a Junebug grub to wiggle along either upside down or right side up from root to root.

Because they eat voraciously, large numbers of grubs can damage lawns and orchards.

By the second summer a grub pupates for several weeks and transforms itself into an adult Junebug that is a little less than one inch in length, dark brown to blackish in color. They have a hard casing and have wings. The top hard wings are made of the same protein as our fingernails. Small platelets overlap like a shingled roof. It is waterproof, frostproof and withstands seven times the radiation found in today's atmosphere. Scientists believe Junebugs have inhabited the Earth for millions of years and have adapted well to the changing environment.

Even after the Junebug has transformed into the adult stage, it will stay underground feeding on roots. Then the next spring, one night usually in June, it will emerge and flies off to feed on leaves and find a mate. At mating time, receptive females produce a chemical called pheromone that males find irresistible and can detect fifty They follow the scent trail straight to the feet away. female. Within a week, the mother Junebug deposits her eggs in the ground to begin the 3-year cycle all over again.

Junebugs usually hide during the day and come out at night. They are attracted to lights. It's fun to watch a Junebug prepare to take off. They do so in a very wellplanned fashion, unfolding its two pairs of wings in correct sequence. The hard cover tops, protecting its body, are lifted into locked horizontal position, then the soft underneath pair of wings are unfolded for flight, move up and down and zoom! They are airborne!

This cumbersome arrangement makes landing somewhat uncontrolled and a bit more clumsy. Junebugs sort of crash land on their target.

To some people Junebugs can become a nuisance especially at night, when they gather around a porch light . But, by summer all the Junebugs will be gone. As Shakespeare said, "The shard-borne chafer (Junebug) sound is heard no more.'

Household Hints

Clean grease stains from rugs

Did someone knock their greasy nachos onto your nice white carpet? Before you get too upset, mix up 1 part salt to 4 parts rubbing alcohol and rub it hard on the grease stain, being careful to rub in the direction of the rug's natural nap. That should do the trick.

Seven Ways to Get Rid of Harry Mysterious Book Report No. 375

by John Dwaine McKenna



Don't let the title fool ya, Seven Ways to Get Rid of Harry, (Down & Out Books, PB, \$15.95, 230 pages, ISBN 978-1-948235-93-8) by Jen Conley is real crime fiction. It's also YA, Young Adult, fiction which can be enjoyed by all of us Boomers and Gen Xer's who've forgotten what it was like to be in our early teens. It's written in the first person perspective of a thirteen year-old kid named Danny Zelko, who's almost fourteen, and he's got a problem. A big problem named Harry, his mother's boyfriend. He's a creep who torments the kid by locking him out of his mother's house, calls him Danielle and stays drunk most of the time. He's mean to Danny's mom when he drinks and causes her to forget all about her kids. Danny's getting in trouble at school too . . . fight-ing and acting out, even being disrespectful, which he never was before. And it's all Harry's fault as far as Danny is concerned. His mom always acted like a proper mother before Danny's father died. So, when his sister Lisa tells Danny that Harry and their mother are planning on getting married, it's too much. Danny decides

he's gotta do something about it. He can't let that happen to his mother, sister and him. And so, Danny – while sitting in the prin-cipal's office, serving an in-school suspension for fighting – decides to take matters into his own hands by making written plans for ways to get rid of Harry. He comes up with seven in all, some are funny, some are pathetic, and some are criminal. It's only when he tries to put his plans into action that things upend and Danny's tough life becomes downright grim.

But you'll have to read it for yourself to find out if the smart, plucky and determined kid succeeds in his Quixotic quest to save them all. Ms. Conley drew the MBR's interest with her first effort entitled Cannibals: Stories from the edge of the Pine Barrens, and her sophomore publication proves that she's got the chops to make a dramatic impact on the literary world. Stay tuned to see what she comes up with next

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Interview With The Author: Jen Conley by John Dwaine McKenna



We're chatting with Jen Conley, whose latest novel Seven Ways to Get Rid Of Harry is reviewed in Mysterious Book Report No. 375. Thanks, Jen, for speaking with us today. Our readers and fans are eager to hear your thoughts, writing tips and opinions, so let's jump right in. Here's our first question:

Why do you write?

I was writing as a kid, so I'm not completely sure why I write. I wrote in high school and college but I stopped in my 20s and didn't return to it until my 30s. In my 20s I was very busy and I also thought I wasn't smart enough to write, even though characters and stories kept popping into my head. I still don't think I'm smart enough but I truly enjoy writing. I guess in a nutshell, I honestly lovemaking up stuff.

What do you write about?

I write about New Jersey, more specifically, Ocean County, New Jersey, where I grew up and live now. Ocean County is mostly blue collar and middle class and I like to write about everyday people who struggle to survive. I also think Ocean County is a very interesting place to write about. We're a big tourist area because of the Jersey Shore, but if you go inland, you'll hit the Pine Barrens, which is a huge swath of scrub pine forest. It's a great place to set a crime story.

As any fan of Boardwalk Empire will attest to. Are any of your characters autobiographical?

Not completely. But I use a lot of myself in all my characters-male or female, older person or kid. I'm a big fan of authenticity and the easiest way to get that sometimes is to rip it from your own experience.

Do you plot-outline or wing it?

I don't do a traditional outline but I have notebooks and papers and sticky notes where I scribble things down before I sit down to write. I don't start anything until I have an idea, a feel for my character, and then a basic story line. I find that when I sit in front of a blank page with not much direction, I end up abandoning it. So I need direction, definitely. I wish I were neater about it but I'm your typical messy creative person who i more organized in the brain then it looks on the desk.

Does a MFA Degree play into success?

Good question. I think that if you go to an Ivy League or an esteemed college for a MFA in creative writing, your chances of getting published increase ten-fold. I never got my MFA in creative writing, despite really wanting to. It's just too much money and I could never justify those loans. However, there are ways to be successful without an MFA-you have to read a lot and work hard. For me, because I write about everyday people who struggle with money, like myself, my writing feels more authentic to what I write about. So it's sort of like a loop, in a sense. Had I gotten my MFA, maybe my style would've changed, disrupting what I'm trying to do. I think if you can't afford an MFA, then don't get it. Get into a writing group, go to good workshops, read and read, and you can do well without it.

As far as luck, yes. Luck is the wild card in any situation in life no matter what you're trying to achieve. But I also think if you work hard, are professional and positive, try to do readings as much as you can and do them well, you can get your name out there and that will increase your chances of getting noticed I think being professional and good sport is really important. You can't win everything.

Do you use humor in your work?

Yes, yes, yes. In my earlier work, I wasn't confident using humor. I wanted to be taken seriously and I wasn't sure my brand of humor would translate into my writing. But humor gives the reader a break and everyone loves to laugh. I have a dry, sometimes demented, sense of humor. I like to write characters who are angry and ornery, and tha sometimes makes for some funny lines. Archie Bunker was one of the funniest characters on television and it was mostly because he was pissed off at something.

Are you more comfortable writing in the first, or third person POV?

When I write men, I almost always feel more comfortable using third person. When I write women, I tend to use first person. I've been using first person more and more lately. I can't really put my finger on it other than I feel like I can really dig into someone's head. Most times, when I'm in my brain and a story idea starts to form, the voice of the narration will form too. Sometimes it shows up in third and sometimes in first. Sometimes I'll write something in third and then if I feel like it's not popping, I'll flip it the first and see if that helps. That happened with Danny Zelko, who is the main character in SEVEN WAYS TO GET RID OF HARRY. Originally the novel was a short

story, written in third person and written for adults. Yet when I sat down to turn it into a novel for kids, third person didn't work at all. I felt like Danny Zelko was too much of a fun character to stand outside of. He has many ideas and thought and his own unique way of looking at the world-I just wanted to be in his brain for a couple hundred pages.

Thanks again, for your insights and expertise Jen, and for taking time to speak with us today. Please keep us in your contacts list and let the MBR know about your next literary project.

JEN CONLEY has published many short stories in various crime fiction anthologies, magazines and ezines. Her short story collection, Cannibals: Stories from the Edge of the Pine Barrens, was nominated for an Anthony Award in 2017. She lives in Brick, NJ.

The Down & Out Bookstore page has purchase links for her book ...

https://downandoutbooks.com/bookstore/conley-sevenwavs-harrv/

Sullivan County Tax Foreclosure Auction Is June 12 Rock Hill, NY - The 2019 Sullivan County Real Estate Tax Foreclosure Auction will be held Wednesday, June 12 at the Sullivan Ramada Rock Hill at 283 Rock Hill Drive

in Rock Hill. Sullivan County Treasurer Nancy Buck urges potential bidders - especially first-time bidders - to attend a Bidder's Seminar on Monday, June 10 at 7 p.m. at the same location. The terms and conditions of the auction will be explained, as will the foreclosure process and associated liens. Questions about specific properties can be answered at that time, as well.

Most properties up for auction can be viewed from public roadways, but selected structures will be personally shown to potential bidders on June 10 and 11. The schedule of showings will be posted onnysauctions.com and in the County Treasurer's Office by Friday, June 7. (Work shoes and flashlights are highly recommended, while pets and small children are not allowed.)

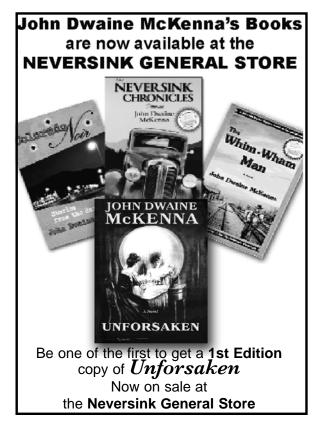


Potential bidders who complete the online registration form must submit it by Monday, June 10 at 4 p.m. Those wishing to register in person can do so at the Ramada that same day at 6 p.m. (prior to the Bidder's Seminar) or the day of the auction, starting at 8 a.m.

The auction itself begins at 9:30 a.m. on June 12. All sales are subject to final approval by the Sullivan County Legislature.

"Interested bidders should ensure they've done their homework: personally viewed the property or properties, checked for outstanding liens and assessments like water and sewer, and are familiar with the auction terms and conditions, particularly the taxes and fees for which they will be immediately responsible upon placement of a successful bid or bids," Buck reminded.

More information can be obtained at nysauctions.com. The County Treasurer's Office also welcomes inquiries at 845-807-0200.





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てhe ©five Jar- By Carol Olsen LaMonda My Favorite Things

I am typing on an iPad since I am away from my computer, so I am not going to ramble on too much. I was challenged by a friend on FaceBook to name my top ten favorite things. I am challenging readers to do the same. It is an uplifting experience to realize that most of these are free or within anyone's budget:

A newly bathed baby nuzzling your neck.

The smell of bacon and coffee in the morning.

Holding hands with someone you love.

A fountain pen and a new bound book of unwrinkled pages.

Catskill Center Celebrates 50th Anniversary

May 20, 2019 ARKVILLE, NY - On Saturday, May 25, the Catskill Center marked its 50th Anniversary with a day-long celebration and a host of fun-filled family-focused events at the Catskills Visitor Center on Route 28 in Mt. Tremper, NY.

From 10:00 AM to 4pm, the celebration featured a chock-o-block schedule of free activities and amusements for all ages including: musical performance by Ira McIntosh; Arm of the Sea Theater puppet theater; Chris Wells of The Secret City, creating art objects with people of all ages; Two by Two Zoo animal fun and petting zoo; face-painting with Karina Marvelina, and hands-on tye-dying for children.

Formal presentations began the Catskill Center's 50th Annual Meeting, when Executive Director Jeff Senterman presented the State of the Catskills Report, the Ginsberg Award was accepted by Armand B. Erpf in honor of the Erpf Family, and the Volunteer Recognition Award was given to Michael Kudish. The Catskill Center's 50th anniversary celebration

The Catskill Center's 50th anniversary celebration also included the publication of a book, Natural Resources: 50 Stewards of the Catskills, which celebrates 50 individuals in the region for their contributions to the Catskills' environment, economy and culture. The book was released at the Annual meeting and the book's subjects will be celebrated.

Featuring photo portraits by Heather Phelps-Lipton and writing and interviews by Jessie Koester, the publication shines a spotlight on local residents who share "a singular commitment to the Catskills region of New York State, where they all live." According to the book, they include "...a hiker and a birder, a historian and some farmers, authors and musicians, policy advocates and civic leaders, retired school teachers and a minister."

The book's honorees also include Sherret S. Chase, founding president of the Catskill Center. The 101-year-old Chase will be present at the meeting.

"The Catskill Center could not do the work we do without people like this," said Markey Boyer, chair of the Catskill Center's board, in announcing the publication. "Our communities are our strength, and the dedicated work of these individuals and their passion for the region are inspirations for all of us that love these mountains."

State Senator Jen Metzger Applauds Opioid Addiction Treatment Funding for Ellenville Regional Hospital

Ellenville, NY....Last week, the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) announced that Ellenville Regional Hospital will be receiving \$350,000 as part of a program to expand the availability of buprenorphine to treat addiction in emergency departments. Emergency departments will partner with an OASAS-certified outpatient program to train emergency department staff on administering medication assisted treatment for addiction, on how to screen for and respond to instances of opioid misuse, and on how to link patients in need of recovery services with peers and community-based treatment providers.

"I am very pleased to see these funds coming to Ellenville Regional Hospital to ensure that staff have the training and the resources they need to respond to the opioid and addiction crisis which has hit rural areas particularly hard," said State Senator Jen Metzger. "It will build on the hospital's existing work to reduce opioid use through their model Medicaid Accelerated eXchange program that focuses on managing chronic pain without opioids. We cannot jail our way out of the opioid crisis, we must focus on prevention and recovery."

Ellenville Regional Hospital's Medicaid Accelerated eXchange (M.A.X.) Series Program uses new ideas and strategies to reduce the need for opioids and pain medications, as well as avoidable hospital visits for those with chronic pain. In just one year, Ellenville Regional has seen a 84.4% reduction in the administration of opioids to the 64 patients they tracked, and a 72.8% reduction in emergency room visits.

Ellenville Regional was the only hospital in the Hudson Valley and one of only five hospitals statewide that received an award in this round of funding. Priority for awards was given to programs in areas of high unmet need. According to the state Health Department, in 2016 the Mid-Hudson Valley region saw higher death rates from heroin and opioids than elsewhere in the state.

Senator Metzger just introduced a bill that will track opioid pescriptions in order to crack down on over-prescribers. Senator Metzger's Albany staff members also recently attended a training on the safe and proper use of Narcan to treat opioid overdoses.

Jen Metzger represents the 42nd Senate District, which includes all of Sullivan County and parts of Delaware, Orange, and Ulster Counties. Senator Metzger serves as Chair of the Agriculture Committee and sits on the Environmental Conservation, Education, Health, Energy and Telecommunications, Local Government, Women's Issues, Domestic Animal Welfare, and Legislative Commission on Rural Resources Committees.

Nina Postupack, UC Clerk Announces Kingston Parks and Recreation Day at the Matthewis Persen House Museum

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to announce that the Kingston Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting an informational meet and greet on Saturday, June 1 at the Matthewis Persen House located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets.

On Saturday, June 1 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, join Lisa Bruck from the City of Kingston's Parks & Recreation Department. Lisa will have an information table with Parks & Recreation schedules of all special events and programs planned for the rest of the year. Lisa will talk about the programs currently offered and assist with any questions visitors may have about the Stockade and Kingston history. Admission is free and

A present, card or letter that comes in the mail.

Homemade macaroni and cheese.

A cold glass of milk to wash down a chocolate chip cookie fresh from the oven.

After a long winter, noticing the first flowering plant like Snow Drops or Forsythia.

A blue sky with clouds dancing by in a warm breeze.

Dog kisses and tail wags to greet you as you walk in the door.

Sunrises and sunsets.

Yes, I can count, but what a joyful feeling of abundance when the list can go on and on.

I challenge you. What are your ten favorite things?

all are welcome.

For further information about this and other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please call County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040 or visit us on Facebook.

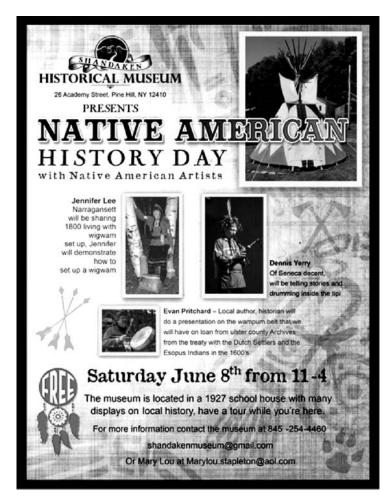
Ulster County Clerk to Host Passport Night at the Esopus Town Clerk's Office

Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack, Esopus Town Clerk Holly A. Netter, and Esopus Town Supervisor Shannon E. Harris are hosting a special passport event at the Esopus Town Clerk's Office located at 284 Broadway, Port Ewen, New York on Thursday, June 6th from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The public will be able to obtain passport information and submit their passport applications for processing.

U.S. citizens must present a valid passport book when entering or re-entering the United States by air. U.S. citizens entering the United States from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda at land borders and sea ports of entry must present a passport book, passport card, or other travel documents approved by the U.S. government.

All first-time applicants must appear in person. Anyone under age 16 must also have both parents present (unless the appearing parent has a completed DS-3053) while ages 16-17 require only one parent present. First time applicants will also need their original birth certificate (or a certified copy) and their driver's license or non-driver ID. There are two separate payments which must be made and at least one of those payments must be in the form of a check or money order. Pictures can be taken on site for \$10.00.

For a comprehensive list of requirements or for any questions pertaining to the fees or procedures for obtaining a passport, please visit ulstercountyny.gov/countyclerk. Passport information can also be obtained by calling the Ulster County Clerk's Office at (845) 340-3270.



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numerous hits & TV & Radio appearances (including Prairie Home Companion) in his 41-year career, and his songs have been recorded by Peter Paul & Mary, The Clancy Brothers, and Nanci Griffith. Staines

On stage, Staines is an intimate, compelling performer, encouraging audiences to sing along. His humorous tales of life on the road provide endless entertaining stories and songs. You can visit his website at: https://www.acousticmusic.com/staines/

The concert is a benefit for WJFF 90.5FM, Jeffersonville, NY www.wjffradio.org Our concert host, the Eddie Adams Barn, is located at 247 North Branch Road, Jeffersonville, New York. The concert date is Saturday evening, June 8th, 2019. Doors open at 6:30, music at 7:30. Suggested Donation \$15, no one turned away. For more info call 845 482-4141.

reviewer wrote, "He has a sense of timing to match the best standup comic

Tired but happy travelers returning from last year's bus trip to New York City

will charter a bus from Monticello to New York City, where participants can spend the day on their own. Cost for this trip will be \$30 per person.

All are welcome, but space is limited and the buses fill quickly, so early reservations are recommended.

For information and reservations, call Paula 845-794-2314 or Sue 845-796-3777. On the morning of the trip, buses will leave at 8:00 am from the Temple Sholom parking lot, 5 East Dillon Rd., Monticello.

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A True Family Engagement Day at Fallsburg High School

(From Pg. 1) With five huge bouncy houses at the lawn adjacent to the parking lot, young and older children immediately darted to this area engaging in Wrecking Ball, basketball and just jumping for joy in the different inflatable structures.



Robotics Team member Oliver Norminton showing fifth grader Steve Snihura how to control a robot

At the complete opposite end of the building was a huge grill and a full salad bar of healthy pasta and veggie delights. It was special to have a Grill Master Chef on hand to delicately flip the hamburgers and hot dogs. He bore a striking resemblance to Dr. Sean Wall-Carty, one of the Board of Education Members and organizers of the event!

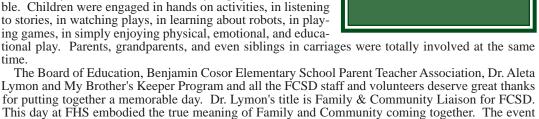
Nearby the food concession was a make-shift theater where Dr. Stephanie Phillips, also a BOE Member and organizer, read popular Fairy Tales to children and parents, while costumed characters from the school Drama Club acted out the parts. With their Director and teacher Tobi Magnetico, the all-girl ensemble was scary, funny and genuinely delightful (as trolls,

pigs, etc.) to the ever-changing audiences. Tables with different organizations lined the driveway from the food area to the bouncy house location. Valuable information regarding good health, well-being and essential community services was distributed while families engaged in conversation with the service agencies. Migrant Education, Home Depot with tool kits for hands-on activities, Safe Housing, Catholic Charities with anti-drug information, Boys & Girls Club, and twenty plus agencies were available. Implicit Bias Training was one of the activities offered.

One of the most exciting events of the noon to 4 PM schedule was a demonstration of the International Award-winning Robotics Team in the School Lobby. Thanks to the families of the team members for their great support in helping set up the competition. It was especially gratifying to watch the team members standing or kneeling next to younger children showing them how to operate the robots. Soon these kids will be the team members!

On every level, the theme of family engagement was visible. Children were engaged in hands on activities, in listening to stories, in watching plays, in learning about robots, in playing games, in simply enjoying physical, emotional, and educa-

tional play. Parents, grandparents, and even siblings in carriages were totally involved at the same time.



Four members of the Drama Club that presented several Fairy Tales read by BOE member Dr. Stephanie Phillips to the delight of children and families



Come See the Return of Fort Delaware's Stocks

sponsors were Stewart's Shop and the My Brother's Keeper Program.



Narrowsburg, NY - Strange as it may sound, a replica of a device once used as a form of public humiliation and punishment was for many decades one of the more popular photo spots at Sullivan County's Fort Delaware Museum of Colonial History. And this past weekend, it did return.

Volunteers will be sawing and hammering a new version of the Fort's famous (or infamous) stocks more formally known as a pillory this Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26, when the Fort reopens to the public for the summer season. Such hinged wooden struc-

tures were long employed to punish

and humiliate criminals, or anyone local authorities wished, locking their arms and neck in an uncomfortable position where they would be jeered at and spat upon. These devices disappeared from use in the 19th century, but the Fort re-creates life in the 17th century, so a pillory is accurate to the time period.

The original pillory is long gone, but a nostalgic public's demand for the return of their favorite photo op led volunteers to begin reconstruction this weekend. Of course, the Fort's version will not lock, and rather than being a spot for humiliation, it will welcome those willing to have their picture taken in a spirit of family fun and silliness.

Located along Route 97, the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway, in Narrowsburg, Fort Delaware is an authentic depiction of the life of the Delaware Company Pioneers who settled in the Upper Delaware Valley in 1754. A tour of the multi-level colonial structure includes demonstrations of early settlers' lifestyles and craft-making. A gift shop and picnicking facility are located on the grounds. The Fort is owned, operated and maintained by Sullivan County through its Department of Parks, Recreation and Beautification. (Contd. Pg. 11)

<u>MAY 30, 2019</u>

Frost Valley YMCA Unveils Solar Array at its "Flip the Switch" Ceremony on May 18th



: Frost Valley YMCA officially unveils its new solar array at the "Flip the Switch" Ceremony on May 18, 2019 with Tom Holsapple, Frost Valley's Chief Operations Officer, cutting the ceremonial ribbon. The array, consisting of 672 bifacial solar panels, is expected to generate 280,000 kWh of energy

CLARYVILLE - As a hub for environmental education, Frost Valley YMCA is honored with the incredible responsibility of setting the standard for environmental stewardship. In that light, Frost Valley gathered community members and stakeholders for the official unveiling of its solar array on Saturday, May 18, 2019.

Attendees were invited to learn about Frost Valley's new solar array and the importance of sustainability in the Catskills. Speakers included Jim Vaughan, President of Frost Valley's Board of Trustees; Kathy Nolan, Ulster County Legislator for District 22; Leslie Berliant, Chief of Staff for Senator Jen Metzger; and Jerry Huncosky, Frost Valley CEO.

Frost Valley Board President Jim Vaughan spoke about Frost Valley's plans to use the solar array to teach its campers and guests about solar energy and environmental stewardship. Ulster County Legislator Kathy Nolan discussed how Frost Valley's sustainability initiatives including the solar array are good for the environment and serve as a model for other organizations. Senator Jen Metzger's Chief of Staff Leslie Berliant presented Frost Valley with a proclamation on behalf of Senator Metzger in honor of its commitment to sustainability and investment in a green future. Frost Valley CEO Jerry Huncosky thanked the many people who helped make the solar array a reality and discussed the financial savings for Frost Valley as well as the environmental savings of 200,000 pounds of carbon dioxide that will no longer be emitted into the atmosphere each year.

Following the ceremonial ribbon cutting, attendees were invited to tour several locations around Frost Valley's main camp including the solar array, the Resource Management Center where the camp's composting is processed, the Jim Marion Maple Sugar Shack, and Leadership Lodge's solar thermal array

Installed by Solar Liberty, Frost Valley's solar array consists of 672 bifacial solar panels. Providing 280,000 kWh of energy, which equates to the consumption used in 50 residential homes, Frost Valley expects to generate up to 35% of its electrical use from these special bifacial solar panels, which cap-ture direct energy from the top of the panel as well as indirect solar energy reflected off the ground into the back of the panel.

"As an environmental education facility, as well as an outdoor recreational facility, we believe it is our responsibility to be model stewards of our natural resources," says Jerry Huncosky, Frost Valley CEO. "Today marks an important day in Frost Valley's history! With the completion of our 672-panel solar array, Frost Valley moves another large step closer to achieving its five-year strategic goal of reducing its overall carbon footprint by 25%. The array is expected to generate 280,000 kWh of energy, which equates to the consumption used in 50 residential homes. The money Frost Valley expects to save annually on its electric bill through the use of the panels will be reinvested into future energy efficiency initiatives throughout our 5,500 acre camp.

'Frost Valley is continuing its longstanding leadership in environmental stewardship with this amazing project," said Ulster County Legislator Kathy Nolan. "Now that this much solar electricity is being generated onsite, Frost Valley, with its existing solar-

WOW! Water on Water New Exhibit at the Time and the Valleys Museum



[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - An exciting new exhibit, WOW! Water on Water, opened for a special Museum member and artist reception on May 19th to rave reviews! "Rivals anything seen in New York City.", stated Shaune Bornholdt, of New York City and part-time Sullivan County resident. Showcasing watercolor paintings of the Delaware and Catskill watershed areas, the exhibition opened to the public this past weekend, May 26 and 27, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville Sullivan County.

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color artists share their favorite views. why the scenes are important to them and how, as artists, they interpret what they see. The exhibit will be more than artwork, and will appeal to all ages and include a matching game, puzzles and a painting area for kids. It also include a presentation of Catskill residents' interviews about water by Keiko Sono, of Catskill Waters and poetry on water from The Alchemy Club.



About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is open

Memorial Day to Labor Day, Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. and weekends in September. The Catskill Farm is open WEEKEND ONLY. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is a suggested donation of \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday.

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

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 WOW! Water on Water, watercolor paintings of the Catskill and Delaware watersheds, and more!

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.

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 mem-bers of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700.

Fallsburg High School Musicians Delight at Spring Concert (From Pg. 1)

Leon Hilfstein was piano accompanist.

Two songs stood out because of the incredible voices of many soloists when the Junior Senior Chorus performed "Can You Hear" and "We Can Dream." After this last song, younger chorus members presented individual roses to graduating seniors and shared with each what memory they will keep with them as they wished their



friends well in the future.

The Senior Band would reprise this rose ceremony at the end of their performance. The bands rendition of the classic American piece, "Shenandoah", brought new life to a cherished traditional song.

Throughout the evening, Mrs. Barber and Ms. Clear acknowledged individual performers for achievements earned from the State of New York and the School. One traditional Band Award named after two former Band Directors, Hertz-LaRuffa Scholarships, went to Michael DiCarlo IV, Joseph Dimesa, Bayleigh Dinkel, Natalie Pazona, Samantha Perna, and Jake Scanna.

Sullivan Chamber Orchestra: "Four Seasons of Sullivan County"

(From Pg. 1) Tickets are: adults \$20, seniors \$18 and students with ID are free. Purchase online via Facebook, at the door or by phone 845-798-9006. Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 2pm presented by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance at the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Tickets are: \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, 12 & under are free. Visit www.delawarevalleyartsalliance.org or phone 845-252-7272.

The Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra is a Nesin Cultural Arts sponsored project. New Work "Four Seasons of Sullivan County" is supported by New Music USA, made possible by annual program support and/or endowment gifts from the Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust, Helen F. Whitaker Fund, Aaron Copland Fund for Music and the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature. We are proud to have Catskill Regional Medical Center as a sponsor of "Four Seasons of Sullivan County". Their generous support improves the quality of life in our community. This project is made possible in part with funding from a Sullivan County Arts & Heritage Grant, funded by the Sullivan County Legislature and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

Come See the Return of Fort Delaware's Stocks

(From Pg. 8) From Memorial Day weekend through all of June, the Fort will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Starting July 1, the Fort will be open for visits and tours from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Labor Day. (Last tours are given at 4 p.m.) Adult tickets are \$7 apiece, while kids under 5 are free

Adult tickets are \$7 apiece, while kids under 5 are free (must be accompanied by an adult). Children 5-14 are \$4 apiece, and seniors aged 62 and over are \$5 apiece. A \$20 Family Pass admits up to two adults and three children, while veterans who present a valid ID issued through the County's FAVOR Program are admitted free. Special rates available for camps, student groups and adult groups.

For more info, visit www.sullivanny.us/Departments /ParksRecreation/FortDelaware or call 845-252-6660.

A Night of Contemporary Dance at the Tusten Theatre

DVAA continues our Spring Cultural Series with "A Night of Contemporary Dance" featuring original choreography by NYC Choreographers Ron Todorowski and Andy Pellick...and friends on Saturday, June 8 at 8pm at the Tusten Theatre on 210 Bridge St. in Narrowsburg, NY.

Featuring musical styles of classical, pop, and jazz, this eclectic evening of contemporary dance aims to tap into all of the senses. Childhood friends Ron and Andy, along with friends from the Broadway community, will take you on a journey of love, loss & acceptance. Ryan Silverman (Sideshow- Broadway), Colin Cunliffe (PippinBroadway), Amy Ruggiero (Carousel-Broadway), Emma Pfaeffle (Netflix-Fosse/Verdon) are just a few from this stellar cast.



Ron Todorowski has had a diverse career in musical theatre, concert, and commercial dance. Broadway credits include Angels in America, Cats, Finding Never-land (original cast), Wicked, Come Fly Away, Guys and Dolls, Movin Out (Eddie) and Foot-

loose. He received a Helen Hayes Award for Best Actor in a Musical in London's West End

Ron Todorowski

production of Movin' Out (Eddie). Ron has toured internationally with numerous professional companies including Twyla Tharp Dance. He recently choreographed Celestia currently playing in Las Vegas & was the associate choreographer for Celine Dion's, A New Day.

Andy has performed in the original productions of Tarzan, Wicked, La Cage aux Folles, and Dance of the Vampires and Off-Broadway in De Le Guarda and Fuerzabruta. As a choreographer, Andy has had the opportunity to present works at the Joyce Theater and NYU's Skirball Center for the Arts. He is a faculty member of the New York City Dance Alliance where he choreographs and teaches.

Tickets are \$20 advance, \$25 at the door for adults, and free for kids 12 and under. Call 845-252-7272 or visitwww.delawarevalleyartsalliance.org. Tusten Theatre is located at 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY. DVAA's season concludes with Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra's "Four Seasons of Sullivan County" on Sunday, June 9 at 2 pm. The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance

The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are supported in part by public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

Greg Castro and The Electric Chords Continue Museum's Popular Music Series

Hurleyville, NY - The Sullivan County Historical Society proudly presents Greg Castro, guitarist, singer, songwriter and producer, on Sunday, June 2 at 2 p.m.

Part of the First Sunday Music and History Program at the Sullivan County Museum in Hurleyville, this outing will feature Greg and his band The Electric Chords. Greg is a 27-year-old Liberty native who has been performing in the region for over a decade. His most recent band, The Electric Chords, is about to release their debut CD.

Carol Smith, who along with her husband Aldo Troiani produces the Music and History series, had this to say about the record: "Brilliant songwriting; warm, soulful vocals; and danceable rhythm...the CD has been on repeat in my car ever since Greg shared it with me. And he happens to be one of the finest guitar players we have ever heard - truly a generational type of talent."

The Electric Chords is a trio that includes Simon Efrein and Nick Sherman. Simon lives in Loch Sheldrake and is also a volunteer DJ at WJFF Radio. Nick plays bass, and together this power trio delivers a groovy twist on rock and roll, mixed with heavy blues and jazz influences. The band's website iswww.theelectricchords.com.

Greg is an RRFC graduate (Recording Radio Film Connection), and he provides audio services for venues like the Tusten Theatre, WJFF, and the Hurleyville Arts Centre. He also works as a sound engineer at Sullivan County's newest recording studio, The Outlier Inn.

Little Sparrow, Carol and Aldo's band, will host the Sunday afternoon gathering at the Sullivan County Museum, located at 265 Main Street in Hurleyville. The program is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program of the New York State



Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

The event is free, but donations will be gratefully accepted. Call 845-434-8044 for more info, or visit the Sullivan County Historical Society's website at www.scnyhistory.com.

Today's Students Tomorrow's Teachers Program Honors Graduating Seniors at Recognition Ceremony

Liberty: The Mid-Hudson Valley Region's Today's Students Tomorrow's Teachers (TSTT) Program honored fourteen graduating seniors, program mentors, and participating school districts at its 3rd Annual Recognition Ceremony last week.

These fourteen individuals are on their journey to become the next generation of teachers and community leaders. Jessica Martinez Cadena, Fallsburg CSD; Wendy Campos Barrera, Fallsburg CSD; Charlee Henley, Liberty CSD; Robert Bonnaci, Monticello CSD; Michelle Bryant, Monticello CSD; Zanaya Cooper, Monticello CSD; Steven Stanford, Monticello CSD; Hadassah Graham, Ellenville CSD; Vanelys Malve, Ellenville CSD; Allawr McQueen, Ellenville CSD; Jonathan Oquendo, Ellenville CSD; Natalie Parada, Ellenville CSD; Cristina Torres, Ellenville CSD; and Erma-Lee Williams, Ellenville CSD.

Erma-Lee Williams, Ellenville CSD, During the ceremony, students, mentor teachers, and administrators from Ellenville, Fallsburg, Liberty and Monticello school districts listened to a reflective speech from TSTT graduate and now English as a Second Language (ESL) Teacher at Fallsburg CSD, Isabel Mejia. According to Mejia, the TSTT program gave her the confidence, motivation, and opportunity that would allow her to become a teacher. "I knew that I wanted to be a teacher in the 7th grade, but I never thought I could reach my dream until TSTT helped me make it a possible," said Mejia. Dr. Anael Alston 'Dr. A.', New York State Education Department's Assistant Commissioner for the Office of

Dr. Anael Alston 'Dr. A.', New York State Education Department's Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Access, Equity and Community Engagement ended the ceremony with an inspirational lesson to all the students on selfimage, being a leader, and achieving your goals. Dr. A started by expressing how happy he was that TSTT gives students the support to reach their dreams of becoming a teacher. When he was in high school, he never thought he would accomplish anything in life. "We all have a story that has brought us to where we are today. You are going someplace big in life," said Dr. A. He also spoke about being a leader and that each person needs to look into a mirror, to determine how they see themselves-not their physical self, but their true self. He stressed to the students that, "You need to articulate how you see yourself as someone, who will accomplish no matter what-you will accomplish no matter what. You are growing, you are beautiful, you are bright, and you get to design where you are going and your greatness," ended Dr. A.

Today's Students Tomorrow's Teachers (TSTT), founded by Chief Executive Officer Dr. Bettye H. Perkins in 1994, is an 8-year, full circle, collaborative model to reverse the growing shortage of highly qualified teachers, particularly teachers of color. The program serves students by encouraging and preparing them while in high school and college through partnerships with local school districts, colleges, and businesses, all of which share the concern for the educational and career aspirations of all children. This collaboration has helped TSTT establish a successful record of improving student academic achievement, high school and college graduation rates, and developing certified teachers. TSTT overall has produced over 150 graduates who are now teachers and has a 100% placement rate. Zanaya Cooper, a senior at Monticello CSD, has been in

Zanaya Cooper, a senior at Monticello CSD, has been in the program for three years. She plans to attend Albany University to continue her studies in education. Zanaya hopes to bring her future students the instructional diversity that is needed in the educational field.

For Jessica Martinez Cadena, a senior at Fallsburg CSD and student of the Career & Technical Education's Early Childhood Education (ECE) Program at Sullivan BOCES, being part of TSTT in conjunction with her career & tech program has re-enforced that she wants to become a teacher. "I have learned that we all need to teach with passion and we should never let that go. We also need to remember that the needs of our students come first" said Martinez Cadena

should never let that go. We also need to remember that we should never let that go. We also need to remember that the needs of our students come first," said Martinez Cadena. According to Susan Schmidt, Deputy Superintendent of Sullivan BOCES and TSTT Regional Advisory Council Chair, the Mid-Hudson Region is the fast-growing division in the State, supporting 130 secondary students and 50 college students.

Schmidt closed the ceremony with this statement to the graduates, "We hope that when you finish your education journey, you come home to work in one of our school districts. We all look to hire great teachers, and we know that your experiences in the TSTT program will inspire the next generation of teachers."

Program managers, Mary and Barry Greynolds, run the Mid-Hudson Valley Region's Today's Students Tomorrow's Teachers program.

MHS Academy of Finance Students Visit NYC

(From Pg. 1) From observing the New York Stock Exchange, to the first restaurant in America (Delmonico), to symbolic statues like the Fearless Girl and the Charging Bull, students truly got a wider picture of the Financial District of Manhattan.

While finances are an obvious focus of AOF, other important stops were made on the trip. The 9/11 Memorial Museum was visited for both students and chaperones alike to take in the tragic events that occurred almost 18 years ago. Although a depressing event, it was seen how one should take in tragedy, by not only moving on from it, but remembering it as well. With the thousands of names engraved on the memorial on the symbolic fountain, to significant pieces of history like the, "The Final Column", the sole surviving support structure in the World Trade Center rubble, significance and remembrance are the two words that stuck with me the most.

Lastly, students also took a first time visit to the very headquarters of their organization, NAF. Here, students indulged in local sandwiches, received goodie bags provided by NAF, and had the opportunity to discuss their experiences and future hopes in the Academy. Students were allowed to discuss their time in the Academy, college plans, and the future benefits they will be able to reap once becoming NAFTrack Certified. At the end of the day, students got a taste for many aspects provided by the city. From learning more about 9/11, Wall Street, and visiting NAF, eventful would be an understatement.

County's Parks, Lake Superior Beach Opened to the Public This Past Weekend

Monticello, NY - The Beach at Lake Superior State Park and Sullivan County's five parks opened to the public this past Memorial Day weekend.

Lake Superior's lifeguard-supervised beach will continue to operate every weekend through the end of June, when it will commence daily operations through Labor Day, announced District 4 Legislator Catherine Owens, chair of the Legislature's Agriculture and Sustainability Policy Committee, which oversees the County's park system.

Located on Dr. Duggan Road in Bethel, the Beach's hours of operation are 9 a.m.-7 p.m., subject to weather conditions. Admission fees are \$5 per person; children under 3 years old are free. Lake Superior does participate in the Golden Park Program, which grants New York State senior citizens free admission to the park on weekdays only. Sullivan County veterans may also enter the park for free if they present their Sullivan County FAVOR Card.

Lake Superior State Park Season Passes are available for sale to Sullivan County residents and property owners at the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Office, 100 North St., Monticello. Each pass is \$15 per person. To purchase a pass, bring proof of residency or property ownership to the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Office (second floor of the Government Center) Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. 2018 Season Pass-holders may download the renewal form from the County website (www.sullivanny.us/Departments/ParksRecreation) and apply for their 2019 season pass by mail.

Boat rentals, vending machines, the playground, and the bathhouse will all be open during regular beach operating hours. Several picnic pavilions are available for rent; please contact the Parks, Recreation & Beautification Office at 845-807-0287 for more information.

Lake Superior State Park is operated and maintained by the Sullivan County Parks, Recreation and Beautification Department and the Sullivan County Division of Public Works through a 20-year license agreement with the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.

Sullivan County also operates five County-owned parks: Fort Delaware in Narrowsburg, Stone Arch Bridge in Kenoza Lake, D&H Canal Linear Park in Summitville, Minisink Battleground in Barryville and the Livingston Manor Covered Bridge. For more info on all of these, plus the County Museum in Hurleyville, visit www.sullivanny.us/Departments/ParksRecreation.



Wall of Barriers

Bricks are tough to break, but paper is easy to tear. That's why the newly-erected "Wall of Barriers" at Monticello High School is made out of index cards rather than rocks. The brainchild of the Monticello High School (MHS) No Place for Hate committee (NPFH), the "Wall of Barriers," located just outside of the main office at the high school, is a collection of index cards - each one containing a goal and a self-

identified barrier to that goal of an anonymous MHS student.

The "Wall of Barriers" project kicked off in February of 2019 with a presentation from nationally acclaimed motivational speaker Robert Jackson. Mr. Jackson spoke to the students about the challenges he faced as a child and young man, and the tools and strategies that he used to overcome those challenges and achieve his goals. After the presentation, students returned to their classrooms for a period of self-reflection, where they considered their short and long-term goals and what barriers are preventing them from succeeding in their quest to



achieve their goals. Each student then anonymously wrote his or her goal on one side of an index card, and the self-identified barrier on the other.

NPFH members collected the cards and over the next few months worked to create a display with each index card serving as a "brick" in the "Wall of Barriers." In May, the "wall" was erected in one of the high school's hallways, with the barrier side of the card visible. Many barriers appear multiple times. Some barriers are lighter ("X-Box) than others ("My Home Life"). None of the barriers are unbreakable. As students meet their goals and break their personal barriers, they are invited to remove a

As students meet their goals and break their personal barriers, they are invited to remove a card from the wall that bears the same, or a similar challenge. The NPFH committee hopes that students will be reassured to learn that they are not alone in their struggles and inspired by the goals of their classmates, as well as the sight of the rapidly disappearing "bricks" from the wall. Video:

https://www.facebook.com/MonticelloCentralSchoolDistrict/videos/381169609161850/ Web: https://www.monticelloschools.net/monticello-students-breaking-barriers-to-success/



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Vietnam Veterans Memorial Traveling Wall Coming to Sullivan County September 12-14

The Sullivan County Veterans Coalition is sponsoring the Traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, the Wall that heals, coming to Sullivan County in September. The Wall was created and staffed by the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund. The three-quarter scale Wall replica is 375 feet long and 7.5 feet high at its tallest point. The Wall is erected in a chevron shape and visitors may take rubbings of names on the Wall.

The Wall replica is constructed of Avonite, a synthetic granite, and its 140 numbered panels are supported by an aluminum frame. Machine engraving of the 58,318 names along with LED lighting provide readability of the Wall day and night. A truck with a 53- foot trailer that carries the Wall

A truck with a 53- foot trailer that carries the Wall transforms to become a mobile Education Center. The exterior of the trailer features a timeline of the Vietnam War and the Wall along with additional information about the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC.

The names on the panels are arranged in the order in which they died by date and within each date the names are listed alphabetized. The most casualty deaths for a single day was on January 31, 1968 when 245 were killed on the first day of the TET Offensive. The high-



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est death rate for one month was 2,415 during May, 1968. There are three sets of fathers and sons on the wall. 39,996 on the Wall were 22 or younger. The largest age groups were 18 and 19 with 8,283 and 33,103 respectively. 997 soldiers were killed on their first day in Vietnam and 1,448 soldiers were killed on their last day in Vietnam. There are eight women on the wall and there are 1,500 service members unaccounted for.

Everyone listed on the Wall had a mother, father, sister or brother, wife or girlfriend, friend and comrades in arms. The sorrow and pain of this war and all wars is unimaginable and survivors will carry it to their graves.

The Wall will arrive in Rock Hill escorted by motorcycle groups and will open for display on the Firemens Field at 2:00 PM, Thursday, September 12 and will be open 24 hours a day on September 13 and 14. This is a very expensive project as there are transportation costs and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund staff have to be fed and have their hotel expenses paid for. The Sullivan County Veterans Coalition is asking for support with a donation of any amount. Checks can be made out to and mailed to: SCVC Wall Fund, PO Box 1527, Monticello, NY 12701-1527.

Monticello HS Yearbook Club offers Old Yearbooks for Sale

The Monticello High School Yearbook Club has completed inventory of yearbooks and would like to sell the following years to alumni:

1968; 1972; 1977; 1986; 1989; 1990; 1992; 1993; 1997; 1999; 2002; 2003;2004; 2005; 2006 2007 2008; 2009; 2010; 2011; 2012; 2013; 2014; 2015; 2016; and 2017

Yearbooks from 1968-2013 will be \$10.

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Yearbooks from 2014-2018 will be \$25.

Please email Amy Ross at aross@k12mcsd.net with any questions.

Pickup for a yearbook will be Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at the High School main office from 2:30pm-3:30 p.m. from June 11 -June 21.

The first 6 purchases will give a free yearbook to one lucky senior!





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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

The Town of Denning Republican Caucus Notice Notice is hereby given that a Republican Caucus will be held in and for the:

TOWN OF: DENNING

Tim/ Date: 9:30 am - June 8th, 2019 Place: Denning Town Hall

For the purpose of nominating Republican Candicates for Town Offices for said Town to be fobed for at the November 5, 2019 GENERAL ELECTION Dated: May 24, 2019 Signed: Gregory Vurckio 5/30: 6/6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of Walter & Barbara Garigliano for the purpose of a 2 lot Subdivision to be located on Glade Hill Rd. Grahamsville NY (SBL# 11.-1-18.1). Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard. BY ORDER OF PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF NEVERSINK JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

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TOWN OF NEVERSINK EMPLOYMENT OPPOR-TUNITY - PART-TIME PROPERTY CODE ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANT

This part-time position involving the performance of a variety of skilled tasks involved the performance of clerical and bookkeeping duties including making visual inspections of properties to detect violations of municipal codes relating to property conditions including snow and ice removal, accumulation of rubbish, and parking of unregistered automotive vehicles; Assesses and documents violations and issues order to remedy and/or appearance tickets as deemed necessary; appears in court to present testi-mony on behalf of the municipality; as well as other related activities not described.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either:

Possession of an associates degree; or Α. В. Two year of clerical experience including the

performance of typing duties; or An equivalent combination of training and experience and described in A and B above.

The salary will be a minimum \$20.00 per hour based on experience not to exceed 17.5 hours per week, paid bi-weekly.

Applications must be received by June 6, 2019. Applications are available at the Town Hall or on the Town of Neversink website. Please send applications to Chris Mathews, Supervisor, Town of Neversink, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop it off at the Town Hall. Please address any questions to Chris Mathews, Supervisor at (845)985-2262, ext. 301.

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The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is seeking a qualified contractor for removal of a fuel oil underground storage tank at a residence in the Town of Hunter, Greene County to be purchased pursuant to a town approved flood buyout. Bids must be received at CWC by 4pm, June 20, 2019. For bid documents please contact John Timothy Cox at 845-586-1400. EOE Mathiesen or

5/26/19; 6/6/19; 6/13/19

ROAD CLOSURE

Wurtsboro, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Haven Road, in the Town of Mamakating, to replace County Bridge 183. County Bridge 36 is located approximately half a mile southeast of the intersection of Haven Road and State Route 209 in Wurtsboro.

This section of Haven Road is scheduled to be closed to all traffic starting at 8 a.m., Monday, July 15, and will remain closed for approximately five months.

Please Be Advised:

Effective July 1st, 2019, ALL garbage cans must be labelled with the property owner's name or address on it. If it is a multiple dwelling (apartment), each can must have the apartment number on it with the Landlord's name.

Any residence that is not in compliance effective July 1st, 2019 will result in a \$100.00 fine. If possible, please make sure that each can has a lid. Thank You,

Mayor Gary Sommers

Delgado to Open 4th Office in **19th Congressional District**

KINGSTON, NY-During the District Work Period following Memorial Day, Rep. Antonio Delgado (NY-19) will continue to hold events in the district to speak with residents, hear about their thoughts and concerns, and make himself accessible to New York's 19th Congressional District. On Tuesday, May 28, Rep. Delgado will open a fourth District office in Sullivan County, and later that day hold his thirteenth town hall since taking office in the town of Saugerties.

> Tuesday, May 28 Sullivan County Office Opening 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. 59 N. Main Street Liberty, NY

DEC Reminds Campers to Use Local Firewood While Enjoying the Outdoors

State's Firewood Regulation Remains in Effect to Protect New York Forests

With the start of camping season underway, Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today reminded campers that the New York State firewood transportation regulation is still in effect. Untreated firewood may contain invasive pests that kill trees, and to protect New York's forests, untreated firewood should not be moved more than 50 miles from its source of origin.

"Using local firewood is a simple act that everyone can do to help protect our forests from invasive insects and diseases," said Commissioner Seggos. "Moving untreated firewood that could be contaminated is one of the main ways that invasive pests are spread to new areas. To help stop the spread, I urge all campers to leave untreated firewood at home and use firewood from local sources.

Homeowners should not move firewood from trees that died on their property for use while camping. By moving untreated firewood, invasive pests are able to hitch rides to new areas, spreading faster and farther than pests could have on their own. A variety of invasive species can be transported on firewood, from wood boring beetles and defoliators to fungi and diseases.

The New York State firewood regulation:

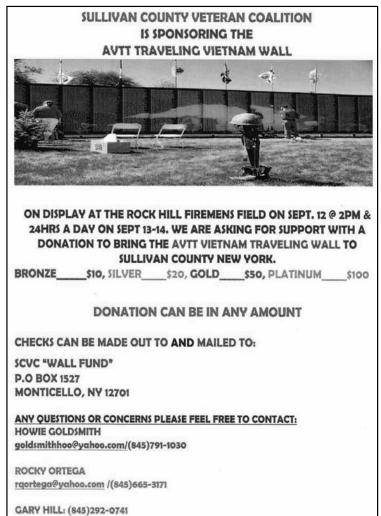
o Prohibits untreated firewood from being brought into New York from other areas;

o Prohibits untreated firewood grown in the state from being transported more than 50 miles from its source of origin; and

When transporting firewood, documentation of the source, origin, or treatment is required.

The origin of the wood is where it was grown. Anyone that cuts firewood for personal use is required to fill out a Self-Issued Certificate of Origin (PDF), available on DEC's website. Producers of untreated firewood for sale must obtain wood grown within 50 miles of their business but may then declare the business as the source of the firewood. Examples of the source docu-mentation are also available on DEC's website. Consumers purchasing untreated firewood should make sure the source is clearly labeled to know how far the wood may be transported.

Firewood that meets the state's heat treatment standard (160 degrees F core temperature for 75 minutes) and is labeled "New York-Approved Heat Treated/Pest Free," can be moved without restriction. Heat-treating to this standard has been proven to kill insects and diseases that may be in firewood. Kiln-dried only means the wood was heated to dry it out so it will burn well, but it may not have reached 160 degrees F for 75 minutes. Purchasers of heat-treated firewood are encouraged to look for the appropriate label indicating the wood meets the standard.



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Quarantines for individual invasive species, such as oak wilt and the Asian longhorned beetle, may further restrict the transport of firewood in specific areas. As quarantines are lifted, expanded or tightened, the firewood regulation will continue to remain in place. For more information on Firewood and Invasive Insects, visit DEC's web-DEC's Forest Health Division contact at foresthealth@dec.ny.gov.

Reminder: Weekend and Holiday Visitors to the Blue Hole Need Permits between May 15 and Oct 15

A permit will be required to visit the Blue Hole on Weekends and Holidays between May 15th and October 15th of each year. Permits can be acquired from Reserve America at: https://newyorkstateparks.reserveamerica.com/.

Permits are free of charge, and must be acquired at least 24 hours in advance, but no more than a week in advance. Only advance registrations will be accepted. No walk-in registrations are available. Visitors will be required to list the names of all members of their party when making the reservation, but can change the names up to one day in advance. Each permit will be limited to 6 individuals. Visitors must have a permit with them at all times.

Special Regulations

DEC has issued special regulations for the Blue Hole and Peekamoose Valley because of the huge increase in visitors. The purpose of these regulations is to increase public safety and reduce impacts to the environmental resources.

Except for the nearby designated camping area, the Blue Hole is only open to the public from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.

Users are required to use portable restroom facilities for human waste disposal and the dumpster for all other waste.

The following are prohibited at the Blue Hole (limited use will be allowed at the nearby designated camping area only):

Camping

All fires (including charcoal fires, wood fires, gas grills, propane stoves or other portable stoves)

- Use of portable generators
- Glass containers
- Radios and other audio devices

Parking is limited to designated parking areas only. Parking along the shoulder of the road is prohibited by the Town and is a Tow Away Zone.

Practice Leave No Trace Principles when recreating in the Catskills to enjoy the outdoors responsibly; minimize impact on the natural resources and avoid conflicts with other backcountry users.

All users of the Peekamoose Blue Hole must follow all State Land Use Regulations and should follow all Outdoor Safety Practices for the safety of the user and protection of the resource.

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Knarf's Classic Movie TCM COMEDY AND ROMANCE STARTING AT 7:15 AM MONDAY, JUNE 3,

2019, HOUSEWIFE (comedy, 1934) D: Alfred E. Green. Bette Davis, George Brent, Ann Dvorak, John Halliday, Ruth Donnelly. Little punch in story of struggling convuritor Brant descripting wife

story of struggling copywriter Brent deserting wife Dvorak for old-flame Davis (playing unsubtle vamp) 11:00 AM AGE OF INDISCRETION (drama, 1935) :A moralistic publisher discovers his wife is cheating on him. Dir: Edward Ludwig Cast: Paul Lukas, Madge Evans, Helen Vinson. 2:15 PM WEDNESDAY'S CHILD (drama, 1934) After testifying at his parents' divorce trial, a young boy is shipped off to military school when neither parent wants him around. Dir: John Robertson Cast: Karen Morley, Edward Arnold, Frankie Thomas. 8:00 PM PANDORA'S BOX (silent, 1928) 12:15 AM REBEL PANDORA'S BOX (silent, 1928) 12:15 AM REBEL WITHOUT A CAUSE (drama, 1955) D: Nicholas Ray. James Dean, Natalie Wood, Sal Mineo, Jim Backus, Ann Doran, William Hopper, Rochelle Hudson, Corey Allen, Edward Platt, Dennis Hopper, Nick Adams. This portrait of youthful alienation spoke to a whole generation and remains wrenchingly powerful, despite some dated elements. The yearning for self-esteem, the barrier to communication with parents, the comfort found in friendships, all beautifully realized by director Ray, screenwriter Stewart Stern, and a fine cast (far too many of whom met early ends). This was Dean's seminal performance and an equally impressive showcase for young Mineo. CinemaScope. 2:15 AM GILDA (suspense, 1946) A gambler discovers an old flame in South America, but she's married to his new boss. D: Charles Vidor. Rita Hayworth, Glenn Ford, George Macready, Joseph Calleia, Steven Geray. Highly charged story of emotional triangle -- mysterious South American casino owner Macready, his new man-Friday Ford, and Macready's alluring wife (Hayworth)--unfortunately cops out with silly resolutions. Rita has never been sexier, especially when singing "Put the Blame on Mame."

Quiz: In the film "**REBEL WITHOUT A CAUSE**" 1. Who played Judy? 2.Who played John "Plato" Crawford?

> What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhoodtm

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June 1 Covered Dish Supper Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

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June 4 – Grahamsville UMC **Thrift Sale** (9am-12noon) & **Luncheon** 11 am-12:30 pm

June 5 - 5- 6:30 pm Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic

CLARYVILLE

June 16 – Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Father's Day Pancake Breakfast 7 - 12 Noon

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