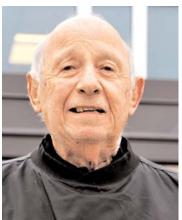


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## Fallsburg Central School District Honors Two Outstanding Coaches



Melvin Feldman.

During the month of March, America becomes riveted on college basketball and catches "March Madness." During the Final Four in both the men's and women's NCAA tournaments, television captures "One Shining Moment," when the victors cut down the nets. The team coach gets the last piece of net. Since the number of high school basketball players that will enjoy such a moment is infinitesimal and the number of head coaches is far less, how can high schools acknowledge these coaches for their great effort.

A t Fallsburg Central School District (FCSD), the administration pondered this question and created a Coach's Wall of Distinction. This year the honors go to Paul Marsden and Melvin Feldman. Spearheading the nomination of Coach Marsden was Fallsburg Central High School graduate from the Class of 1997, Uriah Goldfinger. Current FCSD Staff Member Lisa McAdoo submitted the award application for Coach Feldman. (Contd. Pg. 4)



Paul Marsden

## Aktion Club of Sullivan County Donates Thanksgiving Baskets

During the month of November the Aktion Club of Sullivan County collected non perishable food items from club members,



United Way Chief Professional Officer Julian Dawson (to the right of banner) with Aktion Club members and advisors proudly displaying the Thanksgiving Baskets that were donated to several local schools and organizations.

perishable food items from club members, agency reps and Kiwanis Co-Advisors and had fun decorating and filling five baskets that were distributed to families in need in the Liberty, Monticello and Fallsburg School Districts as well as to the Federation for the Homeless and United Way of Sullivan County. (Contd. Pg. 4)



Decorated Thanksgiving Baskets

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**On the Front Burner:** 

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from old. Psalm 25:6

## **OBITUARY**

#### **Dennis Laurence Greenwald**

A once larger than life, unstoppable force, Dennis Laurence Greenwald, passed on early Wednesday morning, November 16, 2022 at his home in Lake Worth, Florida, surrounded by family and loved ones.

Although he considered himself a native son of Wurtsboro, he was born in Oueens, NY, to Jack and Florence Greenwald, moving with his family to the village when he was 7. Together with his brothers Martin and Gary, he started school in the Wurtsboro School House and went on to graduate from Monticello High School in 1958. Following in his parents' footsteps, he became a Registered Pharmacist, from Long graduating Island University College of Pharmacy in 1962. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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

#### **December 3, 1952**

Nine members of the local F.F.A. were recently initiated as Greenhands. They were: John Bowers, Dennis Eighmy, Robert Grey, James Ward, John Pinser, Harrison Stickle, Leslie Krum, Robert Terwilliger and Nelson Donovan.

Ray Muthig and Robert Mickleson are included in a group of fifteen young men to be inducted into the Army on December 8th. All are twenty years old or older. A pre-induction group will leave for New York for examinations the same day. Local men included are Edward Phelps and Harry Hill.

Excavation on the outlet works at Lows Corners by Booth and Flinn, contractors, will be completed within the next week or ten days. Concreting operations will be resumed in early spring when weather permits.

#### November 28, 1962

Miss Susan Shaut, a senior at Tri Valley Central, has won early admissions to Barnard College in New York City. Miss Shaut has been admitted on the basis of her outstanding scholastic record and wide participation in extracurricular activities. She

plans to major in either music or history upon her entrance to Barnard in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hamilton and children, Douglas and Ellen, of Kings Park, L.I. spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Don Hill and son David.

Mrs. Effie M. Rose, 70, of Woodbourne Road, Grahamsville, died on Sunday, November 25, 1962 at her home. She was born in Palentown on April 5, 1892, the daughter of John and Hannah Barley Feltman. She was married to William H. Rose at Accord on September 23, 1911. She has resided in Grahamsville for 36 years and was a member of the Samsonville Methodist Church. Survivors are her husband; a son, Albert Rose of Grahamsville; a brother, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

#### December 13, 1972

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hill who will celebrate their 29th wedding anniversary on December 14th.

Monty LaHanko has been spending a 14 day leave from the Navy with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al LaHanko. Monty leaves Saturday for his new assignment in San Diego.

(Not a very "newsy" issue; better luck next week!)

#### **December 2, 1982**

Cathy Coombe of Grahamsville participated in the National Junior Olympic Regionals this past weekend in Holmdel, N.J. She placed 6th in a field of over 100 runners, to qualify for the National Championship in Cincinnati, Ohio on December 11th.

The Women's Institute of Northamptonshire, England held a competition in which women were to name the most useless gadget in your kitchen. It was won by a member who submitted a photo of her husband. (Taken from "Tri Valley Topics" -Tom Higgins)

NYSEG crews are still busy restoring power lines and cleaning up following Sunday night's ice storm which glazed roads, making them a skating rink. As many as 1,000 motorists were stranded in the Livingston Manor, Roscoe area. College students and others stranded spent the night sleeping on floors or anywhere available.

## WANTED: Information Regarding the Black & White Goat on Peekamoose Road

Several people have sited a black and white goat near Peekamoose Lake on Peekamoose Road in the Sundown side of the Town of Denning.



If you see this goat, or have any information as to whom he/she belongs to, please call the NYS-DEC Dispatch at: 833-NYS-RANGERS or you may call *The Townsman* at 845-985-3215 and leave a message.

We are hoping to get this beautiful goat back to its owner as soon as possible. Any information can help. Thank you.

## Household Hint:

#### Make your Stemware Sparkle

Soak stemwear in white vinegar for 5 minutes to remove water spots and mineral build up. Then wash as usual and your stemware will ad a special sparkle to you Thanksgiving table.

#### THE TOWNSMAN

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**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.

> There is no better Thanksgiving story of *The Townsman* than the one written years ago by Peggy DeWire. Keeping the tradition, here is Peggy's

## **American Wild Turkey**

"Gobble, gobble," said the wild tom turkey sitting on a limb in a maple tree almost hidden in the leaves. "You caught me resting after my lunch of grasshoppers and seeds.

resting after my lunch of grasshoppers and seeds. I'm called Tom Two Toes and I'll tell you how I got named."

He settled himself more comfortably on the limb fluffing out his beautiful brown plumage, tail hanging down neatly folded and beard tassel on his chest swinging to and fro.

Two years ago when I was a small chick, my Mom moved me and my twelve brothers and sisters away from our nest on the ground hidden in the woods to the edge on an open field.

There we watched how she pecked at ants, bugs and berries (strawberries are my favorite). She showed us things that are good to eat. She



walked along very slowly to keep her brood together and stopped often, spreading her wings so we could rest under their shade.

We came to a pond on our way to the next open meadow and the whole family waded in with Mom cackling at us to stay together and paddle quickly across.

All the splashing caught a snapping turtle's attention and it investigated, managing to bite off two toes of the last chick to struggle up on land, safely across. I limped along at first but I kept right up with my family after that awful experience.

I also remember my first flight one summer day when I was about two weeks old. Mom and all of us were feeding together in a field pecking at ants and grass seeds. My keen eyesight helped me get the smallest bits of food as well as keep a sharp lookout for danger.

Suddenly Mom flew up into a tree and landed on a limb six feet off the ground. From there she called perk, perk encouraging us to join her.

One by one we flapped out little wings to get up there, the smaller chicks landing short on the ground and launching themselves again and again till they succeeded. I made it on my first try and snuggled beside Mom proudly. After that day we never slept on the ground but always in a tree.

By the end of my first summer I was nearly as big as Mom and looked like her in my new brown-bronze plumage. My head and wattle turned red, white and blue, my wing feathers brown with white edging. Half-inch long yellow spurs grew on my legs. A grand five-inch brown bristle beard drooped from my chest.

My brothers and I practiced loud gobbling, dragging wing tips on the ground and spreading our tail feathers into wide showy fans.

All this gobbling commotion was too much for Mom and she drove all her young toms out of the flock with loud yelping cries, and led our sisters off and away.

During the winter it was very hard to find enough food until we joined some deer that scraped snow aside uncovering moss and grass. While they foraged, we turkeys with sharp eyesight watched every alert for danger. And then we ate.

I'm now a full-grown gobbler who controls the clearing you're standing in looking up at me. This spring I fought another tom and beat him in a knock-down fight for this spot.

He grabbed me by the neck but I spurred him hard enough on the chest to draw blood. He let go and fell flat on the ground defeated. I jumped on his back and did a victory march to and fro. Then I let him escape.

Now I gobble to attract hens to my clearing where I'll be the alpha male for the next ten years, barring a hunting accident.

I think it's easier for you to call me Tom Two Toes rather then my full name, Meleagris galloparva.

## Fallsburg Central School District Honors Two Outstanding Coaches

(From Pg. 1) Letters of support for their nomination extolled them for teaching the fundamentals of the sport, and they coached basketball, soccer, baseball, track, wrestling, and even skiing. They thrived as mentors to their student athletes, and they took a strong interest in furthering their education. When speaking with his athletes off the field, Mr. Marsden first asked about their school work and how their grades were. Uriah acknowledges the coach for inspiring him to become a successful athletic coach and teaching youngsters with the lessons learned at FHS. Coach Feldman encouraged and supported Lisa McAdoo to attend Clarion University. He and his wife drove her out to the college for a recruitment tryout. They helped her receive a full scholarship. She recently was inducted into that school's Hall of Fame.

Each former student thanked the two coaches for imbibing in them a sense of humility and fair play on and off the court. There are two specific situations that illustrate their strong belief in sportsmanship. After a heated boys' varsity basketball game with a local rival, six of Coach Marsden's players refused to shake hands with opponents. The coach went into the locker room and informed the players that they were off the team and asked them to hand him their jerseys. Marsden recalls his words, "You represent the school with that uniform. You represent all those who wore that number and will wear it in the future. If you can't show sportsmanship, you don't deserve to wear it." It was a memorable teaching moment for those boys and their teammates.

Coach Feldman recalls a game against the eventual state champion. His Girls' Varsity Basketball team would go to the State Tournament. In this particular game, the team was outmatched. The opposing center was 6"5", and the rest almost as a tall and strong. The Comets' tallest player was 5'8". As Feldman states, "They were cleaning our clock!" Despite the lopsided score, the opposing coach kept his starters in the whole first half and ran a full court press.

In the half-time locker room and down by forty points, Fallsburg girls were downcast, and Coach Feldman said, "That coach really wants to run up the score and humiliate us. If they come out in the second half with their starters and full court press, let's help him out and score a couple of layups in their basket!" The girls were surprised to hear the words, but they thought it was a great idea. They did just that in the second half. The other team did not know what was happening, but the fans did and sportswriters would be praising this game for decades to come. When the two teams met again that season, the opponent took an early lead and then the coach removed some starters throughout the game. He went from no sportsmanship to total sportsmanship. Kids on both teams learned that lesson for the rest of their lives.

Both Marsden and Feldman's teams won many awards over the 31 years and 35 years they coached at Fallsburg Central School District. Coach Marsden was the Times-Herald Record Boys Basketball Coach of the Year in 2005; and the Boys Soccer Coach of the Year 1992. Between them, their teams placed more than a dozen championship banners on the walls of the FHS gymnasium. The two men acknowledge their predecessors and fellow coaches that were their mentors-Jack Halchak for Marsden and Ward Young for Feldman.

Join the Fallsburg community on January 18, 2023 in the JSHS Cafeteria at 7 PM to celebrate "One Shining Moment" for Paul Marsden and Mel Feldman when they receive their plaques for 2022-2023 Coach of Distinction Awards.

**OBITUARY - Dennis Laurence Greenwald** (From Pg. 2) While an undergraduate at LIU, Dennis had a chance meeting with the sister of one of his closest friends, remarking to her then that she would one day be his wife. True to his word, he married Elsa Konigsberg after graduation from LIU. Once he completed his service in the Army, he brought her back to Wurtsboro to make a home and spent the next 39 years as partners in marriage, politics and business. Together they raised four daughters, Jodi, Ellen, Julie and Seena.

Dennis took on an active role within the Wurtsboro community. He was a volunteer fireman in the Wurtsboro Volunteer Fire Department, a board member of the Wurtsboro Hebrew Congregation, and a member/supporter of a wide range of community organizations. This desire to support his community led to his choice to run for election and become one of the youngest Democratic supervisors in the town's history.

His indominable spirit and perpetual drive allowed him to grow from a young man with an interest in local politics to becoming a vital presence in the establishment of the Town of Mamakating New Democratic Club. With the support of his wife Elsa, and brother Gary, Dennis ran for election and held the office of Town Supervisor for 20 years. His political acumen and passion for causes that he believed would benefit his constituents, resulted in him becoming an influential voice among New York state legislators.

During his twenty-year tenure, Dennis worked tirelessly to leave his town better for his involvement. He was instrumental in the overhaul and modernization of the Mamakating Town Park which became the home for annual Easter Egg hunts, Senior Citizen Events and free summer day camp for town residents. Dennis also was a primary player in the building of the Mamakating Town offices and State Police barracks. His contributions were not limited to the township, assisting in the development of social service programs offered county wide as well as the expansion of educational programs at Sullivan County Community College.

Upon his retirement from the political arena, together with his wife Elsa, he turned his attention to evolving his family business from a small community pharmacy in to one of the largest privately owned institutional pharmacies in the New York state area. Despite his business success, he never lost his sense of civic duty and need to advocate for those that could not advocate for themselves. This was evident in his participation on the boards of Head Start programs, programs that supported developmentally delayed individuals, substance abuse intervention programs and charitable organizations. He was also the creative mind behind the Hudson River Long Term Pharmacy, an independent pharmacy dedicated to improving the quality of life for those living with developmental, emotional or physical disabilities.

Dennis's last years were spent primarily in his home in Florida with his long time companion Marilyn Faulkner. His days were filled with playing the stock market and spending time with his children and grandchildren, sharing his stories of growing up in Wurtsboro and his adventures that seemed to span across the globe. Although he did not return to his home in Rock Hill as often as he would have liked, his heart never truly left the Catskills.

Dennis was predeceased by his parents Florence and Jacob Greenwald, brothers Gary and Martin Greenwald and wife Elsa Konigsberg Greenwald. He is survived by daughters Jodi Chalmers (Jerry(deceased)), Ellen Greenwald, Julie Greenwald (Lewis Largent) and Seena Greenwald (Anthony Baratta). Grandchildren Jordan and Zachary Chalmers, Tallulah and Eli Largent, Long time companion Marilyn Faulkner, Sister-in-Law Diane Greenwald and Brother-in-Law Hesh Konigsberg as well as a multitude of nieces and nephews.

A funeral service took place on Friday, November 18, 2022, at the Temple Sinai, 75 Highland Avenue, Middletown, NY 10940 with Rabbi Emily Cobert officiating.

Burial will immediately follow in the family plot in the Wurtsboro Hebrew Cemetery, 96 Kingston Avenue, Wurtsboro, NY 12790.

Arrangements were honorably entrusted to the Joseph N. Garlick Funeral Home - 845-794-7474 or www.josephngarlickfuneralhome.com.

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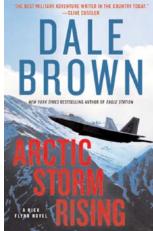
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## Published May 24, 2021 Arctic Storm Rising Mysterious Book Report No. 450

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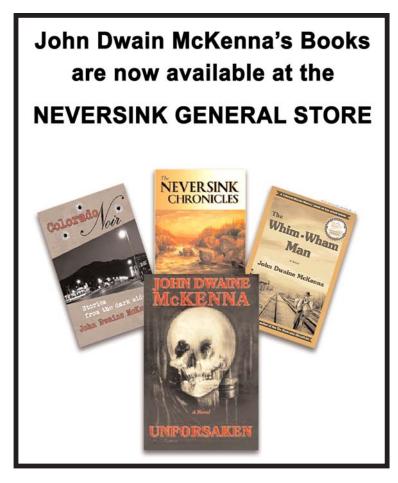
Bestselling author Dale Brown has just launched a new, edge-of-your-seat military thriller that features a brand-new protagonist with a talent for smartassery, a nose for trouble and enough steel in his character to build a battleship. He's a U.S. Air Force Intelligence and Special Operations Officer whose rank is captain. His name is Nick Flynn, and *Arctic Storm Rising*, (Wm Morrow, \$28.99, 400 pages, ISBN 978-0-06-301504-3), is his coming-out party.

Nick runs afoul of a vindictive and less than competent CIA officer during a rescue mission in the Libyan desert, when the CIA man manages to pin the blame for mission failure on the lower ranking Air Force officer, rather than accepting responsibility for it. As a result, Nick is banished to a remote, early-warning radar station in the northernmost reaches of the Alaskan wilderness and put in charge of a rag-tag band of misfits, drawn from different services. They're not exactly the Dirty Dozen, but they're not



exactly Uncle Sam's finest either. Nevertheless, Captain Flynn does his best to turn the lot of them into competent soldiers with the help of the one bright spot amongst his company, an Alaska National Guard First Sergeant who's a native of the state and an expert in cold weather operations.

At the same time, halfway around the world, the Russian Government is preparing for the final test flight of a super-secret, advanced technology stealth bomber, known as the PAK-DA. The bomber, on it's last test flight, and carrying twelve nuclear-tipped and fully operational cruise missiles, is commandeered by the test pilot, Col. Alexi Petrov. He flies it in stealth mode, under the cover of darkness and in the midst of an Arctic super storm, into the Alaskan wilderness . . . where he demands \$2.6 billion in ransom to give up possession of it peacefully. The only ones in position to intervene for the U.S. are Flynn and his group of oddballs, who face overwhelming odds . . . and a traitor in their midst as the novel rockets towards its stunning, unexpected and startling conclusion. With electrifying tension and non-stop action, Brown delivers one of his best techno-military thrillers ever, and leaves us all looking forward to the next installment of the Nick Flynn series!



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## 2022 Winter Coat Drive

MONTICELLO, NY: You can help keep a community member warm this winter with the donation of a new or gently used clean coat.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Iota Alpha Omega Chapter and Action Toward Independence are holding a Winter Coat Drive now through November 30.

Drop off your winter coat donations (all sizes are needed) at Action Toward Independence, 309 E. Broadway, Monticello, NY.

If you have any questions, or, if you are in need yourself, please call 845-794-4228.

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## the Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda

After a two year hiatus, thanks to Covid, our Senior Art Group is resurrected and alive and well at the American Legion Hall each Monday morning from 10-12. The Legion Hall is located on Mountain Road in Shokan and shares a parking lot with the State Police Satellite building. The building, which I believe was once a one room schoolhouse, is owned by the town, and we share it with groups like the Scouts, Senior Citizens, and Legionnaires.

During Covid we tried meeting in different locations, but masks, distancing, and schlepping art supplies turned those meetings into the ART of conversation after our isolation.

We welcome anyone who wants to discover the artist within. Sometimes, people come to knit, crochet, scrapbook, cut fabric for quilts.....whatever! Whether you sketch, paint, or create, what we find in common is a lively conversation.

We do have water-soluble oil paints, a few canvases, some pastels, artist quality watercolors, brushes, and sketch pads. Many bring their own supplies if they have them. There is no cost to join us or use what supplies we have.

We are probably known best as the Senior Art Group, but sometimes we may be stuffing dolls for the MY RAG DOLL project which provides dolls for children in hospitals. Sometimes we may have Mary Ann Shultis lead us in a FIBER ART project sewing a pocketbook or table runner. We often have a guest artist to mentor us. Mira Fink, a watercolor artist, will be there this Monday. Sue DeSanna, a pastel artist, will be another featured tutor. Linda Champanier and Linda Schultz are also invited to aid us on our quest to try new techniques and media.

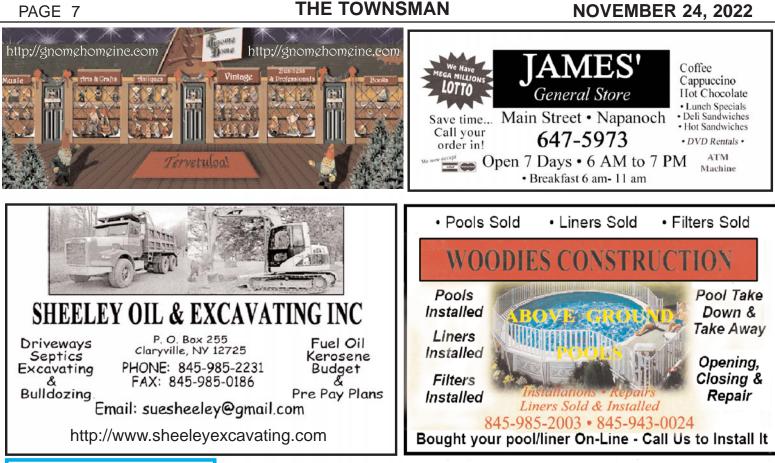
We tried finding a suitable name for our group which I fondly call "my tribe." We are not just artists. We have discovered friendship as well as our artist within. Perhaps Crafty People is more appropriate. Although the group is mainly estrogenic, we do welcome and have daring men in the tribe. A sense of humor is a definite requirement.

Join us, but beware, you may just find yourself in a "posse", "tribe", or friendship circle.

The group has two exhibits going at this time. There are paintings hung in the Legion Hall Community Room and in the Community Room in the Olive Free Library. Additionally, four of us are included in the Pandemonium Exhibit at the Library along with other featured local artists. Sue Coccoza, Sue Paroubek, Janette Kahil, and I have paintings on display. The Library will reap 30% of sales as a donation.



See page 17 for details





(From Pg. 1) It was a busy evening, but the Aktion Club members enjoyed helping to make Thanksgiving more special and enjoyable for some families in the community.

The club, which is co-sponsored by the Kiwanis Clubs of Monticello and Woodridge, New York, is comprised of individuals affiliated with ARC the Greater Hudson Valley, New Hope Community and Center for Discovery.

## Aktion Club of Sullivan County Donates Thanksgiving Baskets



Aktion Club members filling baskets

# PAGE 8THE ICSullivan Catskills to unveil<br/>newest addition to the<br/>Sullivan Catskills<br/>Dove Trail<br/>Announces<br/>10 new Doves<br/>on the Dove Trail

November 17, 2022 - The Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association (SCVA) is excited to announce it will add ten new doves to the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail. The Dove Trail was first unveiled in 2019 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the 1969 Woodstock festival and has grown in immense popularity.

The Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail with support from Sullivan Renaissance is a collection of dove sculptures perched in villages, towns, and at several tourism businesses throughout Sullivan County. Each permanently mounted dove is hand-painted by a professional artist and inspired by the legendary Woodstock event held here in 1969.

The newest dove will make its nest at Eagle Valley Realty in Narrowsburg, NY with a ceremony on Tuesday, November 22 at 12 noon. This dove was painted by Narrowsburg artist Brandi Merolla.

"Eagle Valley Realty is proud to join the Dove Trail and bring another wonderful Dove to Narrowsburg!" remarked Eagle Valley Realty Broker/Owner, Dawn Curreri. "Our Dove has landed at Eagle Valley Realty."

"The Eagle Valley Realty dove has joined an eagle with a dove to nest in peace together in Narrowsburg, overlooking Pete's Plaza. Inspired by Woodstock era colorful graphics, the theme is peace and love," said Merolla.



*http://wwwbloominggreenlawnandlandscape.com* "If it grows by day, have it cut & split by Knight"

What started with 50 Doves on the Dove Trail has grown to 60 and will now be 70 with the inclusion of ten new doves this year and heading into 2023. Stay tuned as the SCVA announces the remaining locations and exciting new programming to inspire additional travel along the Dove Trail.

The Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail is a legacy project that honors the history and heritage while embracing the new tourism opportunities in the Sullivan Catskills and is enjoyed by both residents and visitors.

For more information visit www.sullivancatskills.com or call 845-747-4449.

## **Snowflake Festival 2022**

Kingston ushers in the 2022 holiday season with the return of the annual Snowflake Festival on Friday December 2nd. This is a free community event thanks to all the local businesses who are supporting this effort. This year promises to again dazzle guests of all ages with an array of holiday-themed performances, exhibitions, entertainment, and open stores offering treats and warm beverages to all visitors. The Snowflake Festival will run from 6pm thru 8pm with a wide array of holiday themed attractions throughout Uptown's Historic Stockade District

## **Family of Woodstock Thanksgiving Dinner**

Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and for more than 40 years, Family of Woodstock has hosted a Thanksgiving dinner for the entire community.

This year will be a little different. Our most important goal is to keep everyone in the community safe, and healthy. We have a plan to make sure everyone has a special holiday meal, while keeping socially distanced and ensuring physical and emotional safety for everyone.

We will be providing turkeys with all the fixins', or individual, fully prepared meals for people in the Greater Woodstock area, including Woodstock, Bearsville, Shady, Lake Hill, Willow, Mount Tremper, Shokan, and Boiceville.

If you would like to sign up for a Thanksgiving Food Basket, or individual meals with Family of Woodstock, or would like to volunteer to help out, please call us at 845-679-2485.

## Plan Ahead for the Holidays in Sullivan Catskills

Thursday, November 24 is the ultimate gratitude day- Thanksgiving. Plan now for these prix fixe dinners and weekend specials at: Kenoza Hall, Eldred Preserve, BHR, Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center, Kartrite Resort and Indoor Waterpark.

**Peace, Love, and Lights**- the enchanting drive-thru holiday light show at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts is back- and it's better and brighter than ever before. The magic starts November 25 with a partial week, then daily from December 15 - January 1.

**Manor Camerata**- featuring violinist, Jennifer Ahn Misner with Naho Tsatsui, 2nd violin, Joel Lambdin, viola, and Alberto Parrini, cello- returns to perform Antonio Vivaldi's The Four Seasons in the River Gallery at Catskill Art Space overlooking the picturesque Willowemoc Creek. Friday, November 25 at 5:30 pm.

Keith Newman brings in the holiday season at Hectors Inn on November 25 at 7 pm. And the Evolver Band hits the stage on November 26 at 7 pm.

**The 13th Annual Holiday Market at Bethel Woods** returns November 26 & 27 from Noon - 8 pm featuring 75 craft, artisan, and specialty food vendors.

**Saturdays with Santa** photos and more... gets underway at Kartrite Indoor Resort and Waterpark November 26 and runs every Saturday through December 23. Proceeds benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Holiday Photo Sessions with an alpaca - at Buck Brook Alpacas in Roscoe - Saturday, November 26 from 10 am - noon. Book now!

Hector's Inn holds its Holiday Season Market and Bake Sale, Sunday, November 27 at 11 am NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE

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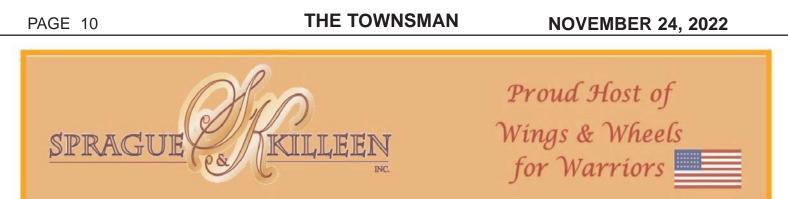
The beloved **Holiday Makers Market by the Farmhouse Project** runs December 3 &4 at from 9 am - 4 pm at The Arnold House in Livingston Manor featuring artisans from studios and workshops throughout the region.

We're a 90-minute drive from Manhattan and the metro NY-NJ area. Come and enjoy some holiday fun in the 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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## December 8 th and 22nd

Pick up is located at the back of the hospital. NEW ROUTE -Please drive past the hospital and ShopRite down to airport road, cars can line up near the employee parking lot behind the hospital. 10 Healthy Way, Ellenville NY 12428

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## The Scene Too By Jane Harrison

Sunday was a glorious day! Way too cold with wind but also one of the few days in the last few weeks I got out of the house. As I passed DiFILLIPI'S BAKERY in Monticello, I saw what I thought was my friend's car so even though I was neither dressed or wearing my standard makeup for seeing music (because I didn't think there would be any), I decided to stop.

For months I had heard that DeFILLIPI'S had been or was about to change hands through a sale, and not from just a few people. I have written many times about DAVID ROSENBERG'S baby, an Open Mic named MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT, being one of the first and by far one of the most successful in the area. And like most musical venues, CoVid put a real crimp in that. So, stopping in, I expected either nothing or a serious trimmed down Open Mic.

Yes, my friend was there. And there were so many other musicians! I couldn't help thinking that it resembled the 'Old Days" which gave me a wonderful feeling of normalcy.

The event started out with a young man, who's first name was RANDALL, on guitar doing



with JAY WILLIS joining on harmonica. JAY WILLIS, I remember seeing at CABERNET FRANK'S at one of CASWYN MOON'S Open Mic. A recent Cancer survivor, he's back out on the circuit a bit.

Another face and talent I saw first at CABERNET FRANK'S and



GREG HATTAN, the last time I saw Greg he was throwing the remembrance for late drummer NICKY REDD. He started out with "Set 'em Up Joe", followed by "Iko Iko" and "On The Bayou"...both of which had the audience singing along.

his own arrangements of BOB DYLAN'S "Baby Blue" and "When the Ship Comes In", both of which were impressive particularly



RAFTERS in CALLI-COON is also one of the few baratones at any Open Mic, SCOTT PALERMO was next. You can't see Scott without hearing some JOHN PRINE done really well!



CARMINE PACE is best known for his covers from the "Great American Song Book" like "Fly Me To The Moon" and show tunes like "Maybe This Time", but then he surprised the audience with a great rendition of ALICE COOPER'S "School's Out (For Summer)" as a tribute to one of his boyhood friends, Anthony, who recently passed away.

It's always a privilege to see BARRY ADLEMAN, founder of



Another duo (JOANA DUTCHER and MICHAEL HENRY) known as THE AVENUE was a surprise. I remember Joana from before the pandemic, but sure don't remember her now strong voice doing truly fun songs like "THESE BOOTS ARE MADE FOR WALKING" and "Can't help falling In Love With You", both of which again had the audience



MUSIC FOR HUMANITY, a non for profit that provides scholarships for young musicians. He did one of his originals that, interestingly enough, had been inspired by "Maybe This Time" that CARMINE had just done.



singing along. And then there was the cover of ELLE KING'S "Exs and Ohs". Very impressive.

The last performer of this was my good friend DEBBIE FISHER with



other dear friend CHERYL ROTH. Cheryl admits she's not really a singer but from the first time I heard her until now, she has progressed quite well. Her genre is Doo Wop, as she and DEBBIE did "One Fine Day" and "In The Still Of The Night" after which DEBBIE sang her impressive original that she performed a few years ago at the Mexican border where she and a group

of missionaries were present for the meeting of families that have been separated, sometimes for twenty years.

My own 'health stuff' has pretty much kept me home for months and that day reminded me exactly how much I miss 'my job'. So looking forward to getting out more ("with make-up, next time!" she said laughing)

#### Cool things coming up:

Mondays Open Mic at CATSKILL BREWERY, Livingston Manor hosted by CASWYN MOON (until they go on tour again); 5pm-7pm

Saturday, Nov 26: BLUES NIGHT with CHRIS RAABE BAND and THE ELECTRIC CHORDS; The Delaware Valley Opera Center, Lake Huntington; 7pm

Also Saturday, Nov 26: CASWYN MOON and FAITH KELLY at CABERNET FRANK'S, Parksville; 7pm-8pm

Sunday Nov 27: MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT Open Mic, DeFILLIPI'S, Monticello; 11am to 1-ish

Friday, Dec 9 at the SULLIVAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY and MUSEUM in Hurleyville: LITTLE SPARROW with VAN MAN-AKIS and FRIENDS; high noon (12pm)

Happy Thanksgiving!! Until next time.....

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## Sullivan Catskills to Celebrate Past Year and What's to Come at Annual Meeting

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It's time to celebrate! The Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association (SCVA) will hold its Annual Meeting & Cocktail Party on Wednesday, December 7 from 5:30-8:30pm at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, 200 Hurd Road, Bethel, NY. We promise that this will be a night to remember. We will applaud our members' successes, celebrate tourism growth in the Sullivan Catskills and honor those who have made an impact in our hospitality industry.

SCVA Members receive two complimentary tickets. Additional tickets and tickets for non-members are available at \$65 each. We are going digital this year. Therefore, all guests must pre-register then print or download their tickets to their phone to gain entry-tickets will be scanned at the front door.

There will be no onsite registration. **Deadline to** register is by December 1. Call 845-747-4449 or email lmh@scva.net to register.

"We want to thank all our members for being with us this year and contributing to our flourishing Sullivan Catskills community," remarked Roberta Byron-Lockwood, President/CEO of SCVA. "And we are so grateful to Bethel Woods for hosting this event and bringing all of us together this holiday season."

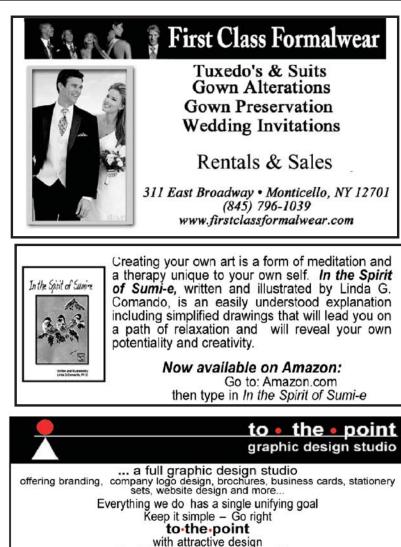
Event-goers will have the chance to experience a private showing of Peace, Love and Lights, a light display filled with hundreds of dazzling holiday winter lights, running from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day, daily from December 15 through January 1.

The evening will also include an award ceremony, honoring local businesses and/or residents with the STAR Award for Individual Achievement, STAR Award for Business Achievement, and TOAST Award for Exceptional Service. Stay tuned as the recipients will be announced soon!

Âdditionally, there will be live music, cash bar, great food, fun experiences, and a silent auction with all proceeds benefiting a local charity. Sponsorship opportunities are available to showcase your brand, as well as advertising specials in the meeting journal.

"This is our chance to showcase what really lights up our Sullivan Catskills," stated Byron-Lockwood. "We hope everyone will join us and have a magical evening."

For more information on this event and sponsorship opportunities, visit www.sullivancatskills.com or call 845-747-4449.





For information send an email to:

tvtownsman@yahoo.com

or call 845-985-0501

## "Trivia" at The Tango Cafe

Esta Jacob

On Thursday, November 17th, several of us local folks enjoyed a fun-filled night of "Trivia" at The Tango Cafe in Hurleyville, NY. If you've not been to Tango, you are missing out on wonderful food and the warm ambience of a lovely restaurant.



Trivia Nights are held the 3rd Thursday of the month and start about 6:30 pm. The emcee for the Trivia Night is Arthur Aulisi, an actor and very personable fellow who is a master of Trivia and just an amazingly talented and engaging guy. You can fol-Ărthur low at arthur.aulisi@gmail.com and request to be added to his mailing list so you can see what plays he is appearing in and see when and where he is appearing for additional trivia events.

The attached photo shows us enjoying the November 17 Trivia Night and includes Frank Comando, Maryann Cosentino, Linda Comando, Arthur Aulisi (standing), Esta Jacob, Carmen Salvemini, and Tom Cosentino.

The Tango Cafe is packed for the Trivia Night events, so it is highly recommended that you call ahead for reservations at 845-520-5453.

UP NEXT: Third Thursdays Trivia at the Tango 7:00 at the Tango Cafe at Hurleyville Performing Arts Center, Hurleyville, NY

Second Wednesday Character Trivia at the Sullivan House Bar and Grill 7:00 at 544 Wurtsboro Mountain Rd.

## Sing in the Season!

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is thrilled to be hosting the 2022 Holiday Cabaret Karaoke to usher in the jolly season! MC'd by our popular "Clown Daddy" and starring local singers and YOU, the stage at Forage & Gather, 81 Main Street in Mountaindale will be shaking and swaying with the rhythms of the season's favorite melodies. The date is Saturday, December 3. Festivities from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Suggested donation is \$10. The Forage & Gather Kitchen will be open along with their fabulous beer and wine menu. Don't miss this opportunity to support the SCDW, to enjoy the entertainment at Forage & Gather and to buoy the season's spirit. For more information: ekalter@hvc.rr.com.

## **Nutcracker Free Performance December 10th**

(Hurleyville, NY) Celebrate the holidays with the Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra (SCCO). You are invited to SCCO's Nutcracker Party at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre. SCCO will perform a chamber orchestra arrangement of Tchaikovsky's iconic "Nutcracker" conducted by the arranger himself, Yoon Jae Lee. The Nutcracker Party will take place Saturday, December 10th at 2pm and 7pm. The snow date is Sunday, December 11th at 2pm and 7pm. This is a free event. Reservations are required as seating is limited. Contact marina@nesinculturalarts.org or 845-798-9006 to reserve your tickets.

The entire music of the ballet will be performed by SCCO. Joining them will be select Nesin Cultural Arts (NCA) students from the Fine and Performing Arts Programs and Aspiring Young Musicians Orchestra. The students will enhance the holiday tale with original narration, choreography, and music. Students will invite the audience to participate in some scenes.

Guests are encouraged to arrive early to visit "The Nutcracker Boutique" which will be selling Nutcracker items and "The Land of the Sweets" which will be selling refreshments and drinks. The shops will also be open throughout the show.

NCA and SCCO are supported in part by funding from: The New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Kathleen Courtney Hochul, Governor and the NY State Legislature; Sullivan County Plans and Progress Division of Planning and Community

## Happenings in our Gneighborhood –Gnorman the Roamin' Catskill Gnome



You will have plenty of time to recover from Thanksgiving Dinner and enjoy the **Covered Dish Supper at the Sundown Church Hall** that will start at **5:30 pm** on **Saturday, December 3.** You can still find a nice selection of "**Yard Sale**" treasures including Christmas decorations and items along with items that will continue to be on display to browse and buy during the **Covered Dish Suppers.** 

Mark you calendars for the **Grahamsville UMC Holiday Craft Fair** that will be held on **Saturday, December 3 from 10 am - 3 pm.** See page 25 for details.

It looks like the cold weather is here to stay and that means its time for a hot bowl of Chef Medi's homemade soup at **Grahamsville Deli**. The **Grahamsville Deli** also has a great selections of 'staples' (bread, milk, soda, ice cream ... and more. Don't forget to ask about their special "**The Sundown**"!

The official word is in...**Santa** and **Mrs. Claus** will be stopping by the **Annual Tree Lighting Festivities** at **Bicentennial Park on Sunday, December 4.** See Page 20 for details. As part of the tree lighting festivities, they will announce the winners of the **Town of Neversink house decorating contest.** See Page 21 for form and details for the Town of Neversink House Decorating Contest.

Need gas for you car, lawn mower or gas for your BBQ grill? Head up to Neversink and the**Neversink Geneal Store.** They also have a great selection of groceries, and don't pass by the deli. If you don't feel like cooking, check out the **Neversink General Store** great menu and daily specials on their Facebook page. If you are health conscious, this is the place for you. They have a great selection of wholesome home made food. Speaking of good food, if you are planning an event, call them at 845.985.2076 and ask them about catering your event. **Pilates Classes** will be held on **Wednesdays at 5 pm.** If you can't make it during the week, **Pilates Classes** will also be held on **Sundays**. Interested? Register inside the **Neversink General Store.** The classes are held in the "pop up gallery" where you may get the opportunity see great masterpieces by local world-known artist, **Joerg Madelaner.** Speaking of artists, there are also creations of several local artisans on display and for sale at the **Neversink General Store.** They make great gifts for the upcoming holidays!

• In Claryville, **Russian Mule Brewery & Tasting Room** is open Thursdays 3-8 PM; Fridays 3-8 PM; Saturdays 12-8 PM; and Sundays 12-6 PM. Most Saturdays they have live music. Check their Facebook page to see who will be entertaining each week. They offer their special crafted beers with a menu that serves to suit all of your taste buds. You may eat in, eat outside and enjoy the beautiful gardens or take your food to go. While in Claryville, make an appointment at the newly opened **Savannah's Beauty Bar** and be pampered. **Savannah's Beauty Bar** is located at 1471 Denning Road, Claryville, NY.

• Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 20th for the All you can Eat Pancake Breakfast served from 8am-Noon at the Claryville Firehouse and on November 26th - enjoy their Spaghetti Dinner.

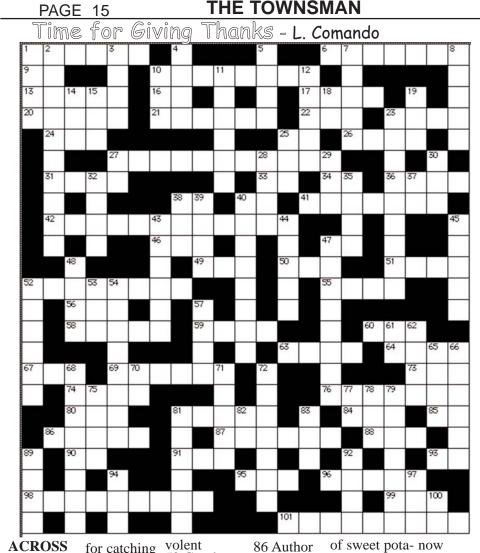
Watch the *Townsman* for special events at the **Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville.** For **maps** of local tours provided by the Time in the Valleys Museum go: to: https://www.timeinthevalleysmuseum.org/Driving-tours/

You can always download and print out your own copy of the **Neversink Barn Quilt Tour** brochure at: *https://townofneversink.org/barn\_quilts\_brochure.pdf* Take the whole tour in an afternoon –or enjoy part of the tour. Use the guide to mark off the quilts you have visited.

And don't forget one of the one of the most enjoyable of all places in town, the **Daniel Pierce Library**. Gloss through the pages of *The Townsman* and you will see some of the opportunities they are offering.

Remember, you don't have to burn a tank of gas –all this is in our in our own backyards!

Enjoy all that you can and have a great week!



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#### **Pauline Begendorf's Pumpkin Bread**

1 2/3 c sugar	2 c. pumpkin
4 eggs	2/3 c. oil
2/3 c. water	2/3 c. nuts, chopped
3 1/3 c flour	2/3 c. raisins
1/2 tsp. baking powder	2 tsp. baking soda
1 3/4 tsp. salt	1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. ground cloves	-

Beat eggs lightly. Combine with the sugar, pumpkin, water and oil. Add flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt and spices. Mix well. Add nuts and raisins. Bake in 350° oven for 45-60 minutes. This recipe makes 2 loaves.

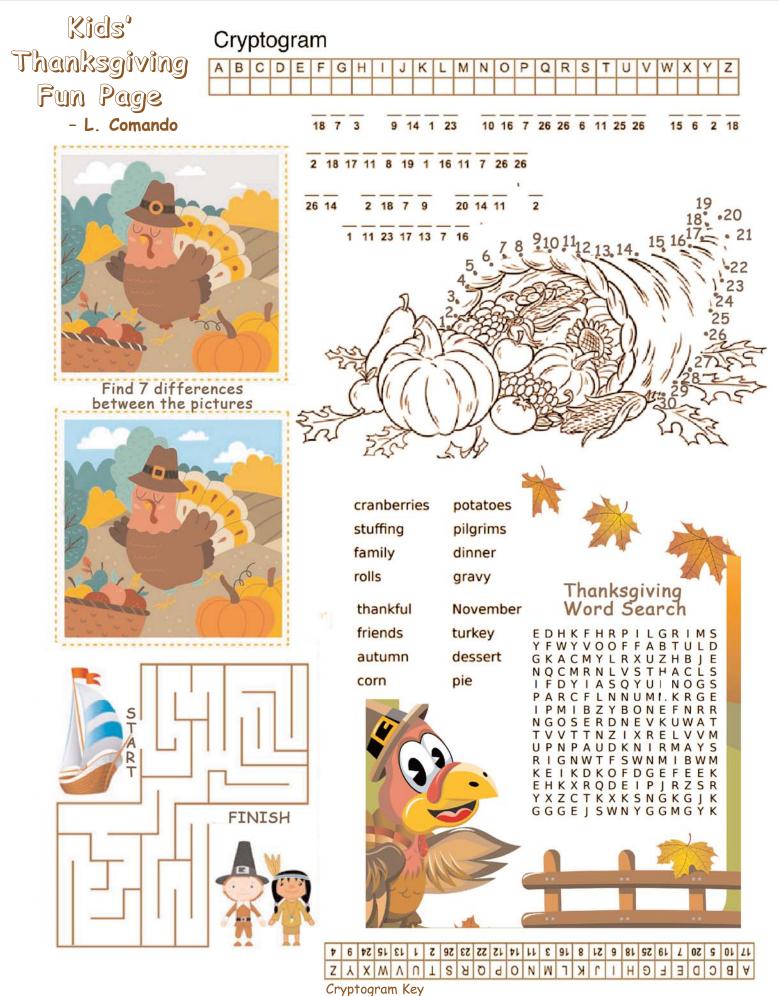
#### **Perfect from Scratch Pie Crust**

4 c. unsifted flour	1 3/4 c shortening
1 Tbsp. sugar	2 tsp. salt
1 large egg	1 Tbsp. white vineger
1/2 c water	

Mix flour, sugar and salt in a large bowl. Add shortening and continue mixing until creamy. In a small bowl, beat the water, egg and vineger with a fork or whisk. Add to flour mixture and cut in with a knife. Dough will be moist. Refrigerate for 1/2 hour. This recipe will make 5 single crusts. Can refrigerate up to 3 days or freeze portions until ready to use. Bake according to your recipe's directions.

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## fifth annual small works show & art fundraiser

# November 19, 2022 – January 7, 2023 Opening: Saturday, November 19, 3 – 5 pm



## ARTISTS in the show:

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## Neversink Fox Tests Positive for Rabies

Grahamsville, NY - Sullivan County Public Health is advising the public to stay away from wild animals and be vigilant of your surroundings while camping, hiking or playing in area parks near wooded areas.

"A grey fox that was acting aggressively in the Town of Neversink was captured by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, sent to the NYS Department of Health laboratory, and tested positive for rabies," said Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "There were no known exposures to humans or domestic animals, although it was found wandering near a residential home."

Rabies continues to be a concern and risk in Sullivan County. Hunting season and hiking or snowshoeing/skiing brings people outdoors and into wooded areas this time of year, so there is the potential for an increase for encounters with wild animals that can carry rabies.

"With a few basic safeguards," noted McGraw, "you can help protect your family and pets from being exposed to the rabies virus."

#### What is rabies?

Rabies is a deadly disease that attacks the brain and spinal cord, and can be transmitted from infected mammals to humans and other mammals. Rabies is most commonly found in raccoons, bats, skunks and foxes. Pets can get rabies if they are not vaccinated to protect them from the disease.

How do I protect my pets and family?

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

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

o Don't feed, touch, or adopt wild animals, stray dogs or cats. This includes racoons, no matter how cute they may look.

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

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

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

o Feed pets indoors.

o Tightly cap or put away garbage cans.

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

o If nuisance wild animals are living in your home, consult with a nuisance wildlife control expert about having them removed.

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

o Teach children not to touch any animal they do not know

and to tell an adult immediately if they are bitten by any animal.

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

o Report all animal bites or contact with wild animals to Public Health at 845-292-5910, ext. 0. If possible, do not let an animal escape that has possibly exposed anyone to rabies.

A rabies vaccination clinic for dogs, cats and ferrets is being planned for the Town of Neversink in early December due to this recent detection. A date and location will soon be widely announced.

For questions or more information, call Sullivan County Public Health Services at (845) 292-5910, or visit the New York State Department of Health at https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonose s/rabies.

## Tri-Valley Central School District School Board

The Board has scheduled a Board Policy Committee Meeting for Tuesday, November 29, 2022, 5:30 p.m., Conference Room 50.

> 1) Regular Meeting #9 -Thursday, December 8, 2022 Meeting Opening Call to Order -6:00 p.m. Secondary School Library Lower Level Anticipated Proposed Executive Session - 6:00 p.m. Secondary School Library Upper Level Meeting Resumes - 7:00 p.m. Secondary School Library Lower Level

2) Regular Meeting #10 -Thursday, January 5, 2023 Meeting Opening Call to Order - 7:00 p.m. Secondary School Library Lower Level

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## COME JOIN YOUR TOWN OF NEVERSINK AT ITS ANNUAL HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING FESTIVITIES ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th STARTING AT 5 PM. AT BICENTENNIAL PARK (across from Town Hall)



Visit with Family and Friends as you enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, cocoa, cookies, toasted marshmallows and popcorn ALL FOR FREE!

Listen to your favorite Holiday carols performed by your Tri-Valley School Band

We will have a special visit from <u>Santa & Mrs. Claus</u> escorted by our Town of Neversink Fire Departments and Emergency Medical Teams. (We are hoping to have some special Tri-Valley School members join our escort!)

This year we are starting a new Town Tradition by asking families to bring an ornament (or more) for the tree. Each ornament needs to have your name and the year on it and will be used for years to come to decorate our tree!

Come Join the Fun and Help your Town ring in the Holiday Season





## 2022 HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

## The Town of Neversink Parks & Rec is once again sponsoring the ANNUAL HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

The rules are simple:

Any residence in the Town of Neversink is eligible for entry

And

Use as many lights and decorations as you want! Light up the skies with your house! Judging will occur on Friday Dec 2<sup>rd</sup>.

Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Winners will be announced at our Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Festivities will start at 5 pm at Bicentennial Park

TOWN OF NEVERSINK Parks and Recreation	Please submit your entry on this form to Parks & Rec dept. at Town Hall no later than Wednesday, November 30. Address of entry:
	Family: Phone #





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"In collaboration with the State, we have sufficient funding to keep this

warming center available throughout the winter to anyone who needs it, and we're working on doing the same at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center in Monticello, though that location is not yet in operation," said Sullivan County Health & Human Services Commissioner John Liddle. "In addition to the benefit to the public, staying open seven nights a week makes it easier for our valued partners, who run these shelters, to ensure adequate staffing and supplies." During the daytime hours, various public buildings (like the Government Center in Monticello), stores and libraries are available as places to get warm, and Sullivan County's Department of Social Services can assist in more chal-

In addition, the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) - which can provide funds for fuel and heating system repair/replacement - is currently taking

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lenging circumstances (845-292-0100).

applications. For more information, call 845-807-0142.

mentation required) from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. every Friday, as well.

#### LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 11/24/22 Town of Neversink Holiday THANKSGIVING
- 11/25/22 Town of Neversink Holiday THANKSGIVING
- 11/26/22 Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Spaghetti & Meatball Supper 4 8 pm
- 12/3/22 Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
- 12/6/22 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 12/7/22 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 12/13/22 Denning Town Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
- 12/1422 Neversink Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 12/15/22 Town of Denning Planning Board 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
- 12/15/22 Neversink Fire District Monthly meeting 7:30 PM
- 12/20/22 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Appeals Meeting 7:30 pm

#### Save the Date!

February 4, 2023 **2nd Annual Town of Neversink Winterfest** (Blizzard date Feb. 11, 2023)-Watch for details. May 6, 2023 f **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</u> <u>preceding the second</u> <u>Tuesday.</u>

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

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

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week of November 21 - November 25, 2022

#### Monday, November 21

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

#### Tuesday, November 22

**o 5:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Ethics**, at the Ulster County Human Services Complex, 100 Development Court, Bldg #2, Veterans Agency Entrance, Kingston

#### Wednesday, November 23

o 12 Noon - Resolution Deadline
o 5:15 PM - Commission on Reapportionment, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
o 7:30 PM - Fire Advisory Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Thursday, November 24

o Thanksgiving Day - All County Offices Closed

Friday, November 25

o Office Closed

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## Supplemental Food Benefits Expected to Continue Through February

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that all New Yorkers enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program will receive the maximum allowable level of food benefits for November. All households participating in SNAP including those already at the maximum level of benefits will receive a supplemental allotment this month, resulting in a roughly \$234 million infusion of federal funding into the New York State economy.

"SNAP is one of our greatest tools in addressing food insecurity among New Yorkers, especially those who are still suffering from the economic fallout caused by the pandemic," Governor Hochul said. "These funds will help New Yorkers purchase healthy, nutritious food for themselves and their families, while freeing up resources for other household needs."

The emergency assistance supplement will be provided to all households, including those that ordinarily receive the maximum allowable benefit per month, receiving SNAP, a federally funded program overseen by the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA). Households already near or at the maximum benefit level -\$939 for a household of four - will receive a supplemental payment of at least \$95.

SNAP households in all counties outside of New York City should see these extra benefits post by Wednesday, November 23. Those SNAP households in the five-county New York City region should see their benefits post by Monday, November 28.

OTDA began issuing the emergency supplemental benefits in April 2020 to those SNAP households receiving less than the maximum monthly benefit amount. When New York State's emergency declaration expired in June 2021, the agency successfully worked with the federal government to secure the maximum allotment for all SNAP households until the expiration of the federal declaration of a public health emergency, which was extended until January and will enable OTDA to continue issuing these benefits through February.

New Yorkers continue to rely heavily on SNAP, with more than 1.6 million households, including more than 2.8 million New Yorkers, throughout the state enrolled in the program in September. While SNAP recipients statewide were down slightly compared to August, they were up 2.5 percent over September 2021, highlighting the continuing demand for these critical benefits.

New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance Commissioner Daniel W. Tietz said, "We are pleased to continue working with our federal partners to maximize monthly benefits for all SNAP recipients in New York State. This will help hundreds of thousands of hard-working New Yorkers struggling to put food on the table to keep their families healthy and well-fed."

Representative Joe Morelle said, "We have a duty to ensure families are able to provide for their children and put food on their tables. I appreciate Governor Hochul's efforts to interrupt the cycle of poverty by extending emergency supplemental SNAP benefits to New Yorkers. I look forward to our continued work together to increase access to healthy meal options and strengthen the future of our community."

SNAP plays an important role in New York's ongoing economic recovery and has injected more than \$2 billion into the State's economy since January. Every federal dollar invested by SNAP generates up to \$1.54 in economic activity, according to a federal study quantifying the impact of SNAP on the U.S. economy.

These supplemental benefits are also a critical lifeline for New Yorkers in need, as about 14 percent of the state's population relied on SNAP benefits last year, according to a recent study. More than half of recipient households were families with children and about 48 percent included an adult over the age of 55 or a person with a disability.

As with the prior months, the payments will be delivered directly to recipients' existing Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) accounts and can be accessed with their existing EBT cards. Like regular SNAP benefits, the supplemental benefits can be used to purchase food at authorized retail food stores. Any unused SNAP benefits will automatically carry over to the following month.

Find more information on the emergency supplemental SNAP benefits, including answers to frequently asked questions, here. New Yorkers interested in enrolling can check their SNAP eligibility, as well as apply online, by visiting mybenefits.ny.gov.



# Claryville Fire Dept.

## 1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

# All You Can Eat Spaghetti and Meatball Supper



# Saturday, November 26th Serving 4:00 until 8pm

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### DEC Announces 2021 Was Safest-Ever Season For New York Hunters Lowest Number of Hunting-Related Shooting Incidents Since DEC's Hunter Education Program was Established in 1949

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced today that the 2021 hunting seasons in New York were the safest ever, with the lowest number of hunting-related shooting incidents since record-keeping began. DEC Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECO) investigated nine hunting-related shooting incidents (HRSIs) in 2021, including one fatality.

"Hunting is an enjoyable and safe form of outdoor recreation with a long and storied history in New York State," Commissioner Seggos said. "This past year was the safest-ever on record in New York, with the lowest number of hunting-related shooting incidents since DEC's Hunter Education Program began in 1949. I'm proud of our Hunter Education Program, and our educators and volunteer instructors, working to ensure licensed hunters experience a safe hunting season. Every hunting fatality is preventable when New Yorkers hunt safely and responsibly."

Seven of the nine HRSIs that occurred in 2021 were two-party firearm incidents; two incidents were selfinflicted. All identified shooters were experienced hunters with an average of 40 years of hunting experience, emphasizing the need for all hunters to remain vigilant when heading afield. All incidents could have been prevented if those involved followed hunting safety rules.

A new hunting regulation that took effect in 2021 extended legal shooting hours for big game to 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset. None of the deer hunting incidents last year took place during the new extended hours. The four incidents involving deer hunters occurred between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Another new regulation change effective last year requires all persons hunting deer or bear with a firearm, or anyone accompanying these hunters, to wear a solid or patterned fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink hat, vest, or jacket, visible from all directions. Unfortunately, the single fatality that occurred in 2021 involved a deer hunter not wearing fluorescent orange or pink. The hunter was mistaken for game and shot by a hunting partner.

Also new in 2021, 52 upstate counties passed local laws allowing 12- and 13-year-old licensed hunters to hunt deer with a firearm or crossbow while under the supervision of an experienced, licensed, adult hunter. None of the nine HRSIs investigated in 2021 involved a 12- or 13-year-old hunter.

All first-time hunters, bowhunters, and trappers must successfully complete a hunter, bowhunter, or trapper education safety course before being eligible to purchase a hunting or trapping license or bowhunting privilege in New York State. DEC-trained and -certified



volunteer instructors have taught hunters and trappers to be safe, responsible, and ethical since 1949. Learn more about DEC's Hunter Education Program.

DEC encourages hunters to remember the primary rules of hunter safety:

- Treat every firearm as if it were loaded;
- o Control the muzzle, keep it pointed in a safe direction;
- o Identify your target and what lies beyond;
- o Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to fire; and
- o Wear hunter orange or pink.

For the past several years, DEC has also tracked and investigated Elevated Hunting Incidents (EHI), previously referred to as tree stand incidents. EHIs are underreported and DEC is not always notified when these falls occur. In 2021, 10 EHIs were reported; one was fatal. Only one of the 10 hunters involved was wearing a safety harness. However, the harness was not connected to the tree when the fall occurred. Tree stand safety is integrated into DEC's hunter education course because these incidents have become a major cause of hunting-related injuries. The proper use of tree stands, and tree stand safety equipment, will help prevent these injuries and fatalities. Used correctly, a full body harness and a lifeline keep hunters connected from the time they leave the ground to the moment they get back down.

Most tree stand incidents are preventable when hunters follow the "ABCs" of tree stand safety:

- o Always inspect the tree stand before every use;
- o Buckle full body harness securely every time; and
- o Connect to the tree before your feet leave the ground.

A video showing the proper way to climb into and out of a tree stand (leaves DEC's website) can be viewed on DEC's YouTube channel at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wPcVgVT7jeQ&list=PLnBbY ubhbH1Wo2JiygfewtzDJ057SFTvf&index=82

More information, including the 2021 Hunting Safety Statistics (PDF) at:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife\_pdf/hrsisummary2021.pdf and 2021 Tree Stand Safety Statistics (PDF) at: https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife\_pdf/ehisummary2021.pdf

## DEC Announces 'Operation Safe Harvest' Enforcement Initiative During Big Game Hunting Season ECOs to Patrol Southern Zone to Ensure Hunters Follow Hunting Laws and Safety Guidelines

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) are advancing 'Operation Safe Harvest' this big game hunting season as part of a statewide initiative to ensure all hunters are following the State's hunting laws and safety guidelines while afield. ECOs will be patrolling and conducting a variety of field operations to help ensure a safe and enjoyable big game hunting season.

"New York is fortunate to have a large population of hunters and trappers who abide by the State's hunting laws and respect their fellow hunters and others enjoying the outdoors," Commissioner Seggos said. "DEC's ECOs will be out in force this season to ensure compliance, engage with new and experienced hunters, and continue their important work promoting public safety in our communities and protecting our natural resources."

DEC's Director of the Division of Law Enforcement Karen Przyklek said, "Many of our ECOs are avid hunters themselves and participate in New York's cherished big game hunting seasons. Unfortunately, not everyone respects the laws and safety guidelines that come with this storied tradition. In response, I've directed my Officers to be on the lookout this season for the night hunters, poachers, and baiters who blatantly disregard the State's stringent hunting laws."

This statewide enforcement initiative began on Oct. 22 when the regular deer and bear season opened in the Northern Zone. So far, ECOs have written nearly 150 tickets, including 50 misdemeanor level charges. The upcoming regular firearms season for deer and bear in the Southern Zone, which draws hundreds of thousands of hunters to New York each year, gets underway on Nov. 19.

In addition to statewide enforcement, Officers educate hunters on New York's hunting laws and safety guidelines, both in the field and as instructors for the New York State Hunter Education Program. New York State continues to prioritize hunter safety year-round and the 2021 hunting seasons in New York were the safest ever, with the lowest number of incidents since record-keeping began.

DEC Law Enforcement is also reminding hunters they are key partners in protecting New York deer from Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD). Chronic Wasting Disease continues to spread in other states, and hunters are key to preventing CWD introduction to New York. CWD is always fatal to deer. If introduced, it could spread rapidly and be practically impossible to eliminate once established. Hunters can help protect New York's deer herd from CWD by following these tips:

If hunting any type of deer, elk, moose, or caribou outside of New York, it must be deboned before bringing it back. See CWD Regulations for Hunters. DEC will confiscate and destroy illegally imported carcasses and parts, including whole deer and deer heads;

Do not use deer urine-based lures or attractant scents, as these could contain infectious material;

Dispose of carcass waste in a landfill, not just on the landscape;

Report any deer that appears sick or is acting abnormally; and Hunt only wild deer and support fair chase hunting principles.

The regular firearms season for deer and bear in the Southern Zone runs through Sunday, Dec. 11, and includes participation from approximately 85 percent of New York's 550,000 licensed hunters. For a breakdown of New York's hunting seasons visit DEC's website.

**NOTE:** Video on Operation Safe Harvest and CWD can be found on DEC's YouTube page.

## Governor Hochul Announces Indoor Food Production System to Advance Urban Farming in Harlem

• NY Power Authority Joins Harlem Grown and EPRI in Collaborative Demonstration to Educate Local Youth about Urban Farming, Sustainability and Nutrition

- Food Container Harvest to Make Vegetables Available Year-Round to Local Community Members
  - Project Research Study to Inform Climate Actions, Evaluate Energy and Environmental Impacts, and Measure Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced an indoor farming pilot project in Harlem that will increase the year-round availability of fresh fruits and vegetables for local underserved families and further national research about optimal indoor growing conditions and crop production. Part of a multi-state demonstration funded by the New York Power Authority and led by energy R&D institute EPRI, the large shipping container outside a New York City Housing Authority building will help communities grow produce throughout the year, develop healthy habits and learn about sustainability and environmental issues.



Harlem Grown, a local nonprofit, will manage the food production and support distribution to the community. (Contd. Pg. 30)

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(From Pg. 29) The project will also investigate how to increase yields and manage resources, while reducing associated greenhouse gas emissions and water consumption. The project helps advance the goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, which requires New York to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions by 40 percent before 2030 and by no less than 85 percent by 2050.

"With year-round indoor farming, our communities will have the opportunity to grow fresh, healthy produce locally to help build a more sustainable New York," Governor Hochul said. "I'm proud to announce this hydroponic garden in Harlem, which will provide healthy food to local families and help educate the next generation of urban farmers. As we learn more about the environmental and energy impacts of urban crop production, New York is taking another nation-leading step in advancing our clean energy and greenhouse gas reduction goals."

The New York Power Authority and project organizers celebrated the project's launch today and viewed the new system in Harlem - a hydroponic greenhouse that grows produce in a soil-less environment. As part of a national collaborative research effort headed by the non-profit EPRI, the Harlem farming project will help increase learnings about the environmental, energy, and community impacts of indoor agriculture. These learnings will help inform a broader understanding of the sustainability of local, indoor crop production, including energy and water consumption. Findings will also help increase community engagement, provide educational opportunities on technology and agriculture, stimulate local job creation and expand local crop availability.

New York Power Authority's Environmental Justice team, which is funding the \$250,000 program with New York Power Authority's Research, Technology Development and Innovation program, managed placement of the 40-foot shipping container branded "Planting fruits and vegetables. Growing healthy communities." The outdoor weatherproof container is in an open lot off 140th Street next to the P.S. 139 Senior Center, which is currently being converted to an outdoor garden and meeting place.

The Harlem project will operate a modified and heavily insulated shipping container as a controlled environment space that uses electric technologies to grow fresh, local vegetables year-round. In addition to improving local access to fresh produce, indoor agriculture has shown to reduce shipping costs and reduce or eliminate the use of fossil fuels within crop production. Indoor agriculture may also reduce or eliminate the need for pesticides, and greatly reduce water consumption for certain crops.

Produce will be grown and distributed by Harlem Grown, a natural partner in this project, as it operates four central farms, two hydroponic greenhouses and six partner gardens that provide more than 5,000 pounds of food distributed free to the Harlem community each year. In addition, the organization seeks to impact the entire community through mentorship and partnerships. It offers free nutrition education programming on its farms for children and adults, where community members learn to plant, nurture, and harvest all of the fruits and vegetables. It also runs a mobile teaching kitchen to bring food education and cooking classes to nearby Harlem schools, housing developments, and community organizations.

Beyond examining farming practices, this project will also evaluate how indoor food production could impact the state's

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electrical and utility grid. Monitoring the use of electricity and water, technology innovations, and sustainability considerations will help determine how indoor food production facilities and energy providers can best work together.

Harlem joins the more than a dozen controlled environment farms that EPRI is studying nationwide, including a similar pilot project launched in 2020 to serve the metro Buffalo area. To date, the Buffalo farm has provided more than 1,200 pounds of kale which has been distributed to local families as part of FeedMore WNY's nutrition programming.

The New York Power Authority's Environmental Justice team offers educational programs about clean, renewable energy and sustainability, and provides resources to meet the needs of underserved and under-resourced communities located near NYPA's power assets. NYPA operates small clean power plants at six sites in New York City. The team will conduct science, technology, engineering and math, or STEM, programming and organize community events with Harlem Grown youth.

#### New York State's Nation-Leading Climate Plan

New York State's nation-leading climate agenda is the most aggressive climate and clean energy initiative in the nation, calling for an orderly and just transition to clean energy that creates jobs and continues fostering a green economy as New York State recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic. Enshrined into law through the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, New York is on a path to achieve its mandated goal of a zero-emission electricity sector by 2040, including 70 percent renewable energy generation by 2030, and to reach economy wide carbon neutrality. It builds on New York's unprecedented investments to ramp-up clean energy including over \$35 billion in 120 large-scale renewable and transmission projects across the state, \$6.8 billion to reduce buildings emissions, \$1.8 billion to scale up solar, more than \$1 billion for clean transportation initiatives, and over \$1.6 billion in NY Green Bank commitments. Combined, these investments are supporting nearly 158,000 jobs in New York's clean energy sector in 2020, a 2,100 percent growth in the distributed solar sector since 2011 and a commitment to develop 9,000 megawatts of offshore wind by 2035. Under the Climate Act, New York will build on this progress and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 85 percent from 1990 levels by 2050, while ensuring that at least 35 percent with a goal of 40 percent of the benefits of clean energy investments are directed to disadvantaged communities, and advance progress towards the state's 2025 energy efficiency target of reducing on-site energy consumption by 185 trillion BTUs of end-use energy savings.

## **UC Takes Critical Step** towards Constructing a State-of-the-Art **Emergency Management** and Government **Operations Center**

• The Ulster County Legislature overwhelmingly approved a resolution to acquire property in New Paltz for the purpose of constructing a Government Operations Center

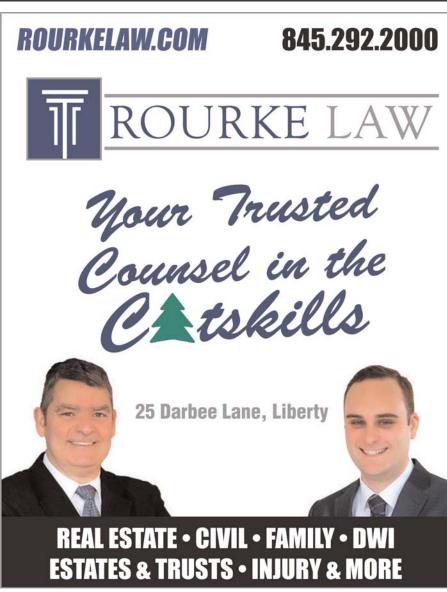
• The state-of-the-art emergency management and government operations facility will centralize functions from across County government and expand the Ulster County 911 Center to better serve residents during emergency events and ongoing operations

KINGSTON, N.Y. - The Office of the Ulster County Executive announced today that the Ulster County Legislature overwhelmingly approved a resolution to acquire property in New Paltz for the purpose of constructing a Government Operations Center. The Ulster County Legislature approved \$3 million for the purchase of 57.3 acres on Paradies Lane in the Town of New Paltz, 6 acres of which will be used for siting the facility. The state-of-the-art emergency management and government operations center will expand the County's E-911 (PSAP) Center and centralize functions across County government while better serving residents during disaster events and ongoing emergency operations.

"After extensive assessment and consideration of financial and environmental impacts, the Legislature took a critical step forward by approving a site to house our proposed state-of-the-art Government Operations Center," Acting Ulster County Executive Johanna high-quality emergency services to Ulster County residents at their moments of greatest need. It is centrally located within Ulster County and will allow us to better serve the Southern parts of our County. We are proud to look forward to making continued progress on this essential initiative."

"The Legislature took an active role in the site selection process for the Government Operations Center saving taxpayers nearly \$1.5 million dollars, ensuring our first responders have the resources to ensure greater public safety. This critical investment in our County's future will ensure that our communities remain resilient to natu-Chair of the Legislature Tracey Bartels (District 16, Gardiner, Shawangunk).

"Ensuring public safety is one of the most critical functions that county government provides. When a residay of their life, our incredible team of 911 operators and itors of our County." first-responders answer the call," said Ulster County



Contreras said. "This facility will enable our tireless first us to modernize and harden the infrastructure that keeps our community safe as responders and emergency management team to provide our county responds to the new generation of life-threatening challenges that surely lie ahead."

"I am happy that Ulster County will now be able to provide a state-of-the-art Government Operations Center that both benefits our residents and supports our emergency management team, which does their critical, life-saving work tirelesshave the overwhelming support of the Legislature and ly and professionally," said Ulster County Legislator Gina Hansut, Deputy Chair of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (District 10, Highland, Marlborough). "I am proud to have co-sponsored this resolution, and proud of how our body worked together to pass it. I feel that this will be one of the most important resolutions that many of us in the Legislature will pass during our tenure."

'The Ulster County Emergency Communications Center (911) answers over 130,000 emergency and non-emergency calls a year - some of these include individuals experiencing what several have referred to as 'the worst moments of their ral and manmade crises for generations to come," said life," Ulster County's Director of Emergency Services Everett Erichsen said. "With the critical technology changes of Next Generation 911 right around the corner, making the necessary upgrades now to our County Public Safety Answering Point and bringing all the divisions within the Department of Emergency Services under one roof is essential to ensuring that we continue to dent of Ulster County comes face-to-face with the worst provide the highest level of excellence in critical services to the residents and vis-

A state-of-the-art emergency management and government operations center Legislature Deputy Majority Leader Abe Uchitelle was first proposed in November 2021 by Congressman Pat Ryan, the former (District 5, City of Kingston). "As recent ice storms and Ulster County Executive. The first phase included site selection, community tornadoes have shown us, our climate is changing and our engagement and space programming in 2022, with a second phase to include public safety infrastructure must evolve. I am excited for architectural engineering, design and construction of the facility in 2023.



## Federal Funding to Help Providers Better Serve Youth Dually Diagnosed with Mental Illness and Developmental Disabilities or Substance Use Disorder Grants Awarded to 80 Community-Based

#### Organizations; NYU Langone Health and SUNY Stony Brook

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced more than \$3.3 million to community-based healthcare providers that will increase access to mental health services for children and families across the state. Administered through the state Office of Mental Health, the federal funding is aimed at helping community-based service providers better serve children and youth who are dually diagnosed with mental illness and a developmental disability or substance use disorder.

"Access to mental health programs is a critical component of our efforts to ensure New Yorkers receive the care they need for themselves and their loved ones," Governor Hochul said. "Too often, vulnerable populations face barriers in their ability to access mental health services, and these grants will help expand access to statewide programs, helping support more young New Yorkers to properly address their mental health needs."

The grants are funded through the American Rescue Plan Act and time-limited expansion of the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage share of funds for Medicaid programs. Communitybased healthcare providers were invited to propose innovative projects to meet the needs of the children and families they serve.

Office of Mental Health Commissioner Dr. Ann Sullivan said, "These grants will allow our healthcare providers in communities across the state to enhance and expand the servicesthey provide to vulnerable youth living with mental health challenges, as well as substance use disorders or developmental disabilities. By increasing access, engagement and coordination of treatment and services, our community-based partners will be able to effectively serve many more youth and families."

Office of Addiction Services and Supports Commissioner Chinazo Cunningham said, "A comprehensive approach to treating both mental health and substance use conditions is an important part of the care provided to people across New York State. These are important initiatives that will serve a vital need, and thanks to this funding, more young people will have opportunities to access these critical services in their own community to support their long-term health.

The awards include more than \$1 million that was divided among 35 not-for-profit community-based programs that operate under contracts with the Office of Mental Health or are funded by the agency or county mental health departments with local funds or state aid. These awards will support expanding suicide prevention initiatives, respite programs, family and youth peer support services and children's non-Medicaid managed care programs.

Another \$760,000 was divided among 19 community-based providers to support efforts to establish mechanisms to increase engagement and reduce the reliance on emergency services for transportation. Funded projects include the purchase of metro cards to help remove transportation barriers for people receiving services, and expansion and enhancement of High-Risk Outpatient Mental Health Services.

The awards also include \$760,000 that was split among 19 programs to establish or enhance service coordination and multi-

disciplinary teams. Funded projects include implementation of an electronic data collection system and the creation of a Multi-Disciplinary Team meeting coordinator and facilitator for a provider's Children's Mental Health Rehabilitative Services Program.

Another \$280,000 was split between seven programs aimed at expanding services for co-occurring treatment, for patients who are living with mental illness as well as a developmental disability or substance use disorder. Funded projects include addition of a clinician for dually diagnosed adolescents, providing staff training in medication-assisted treatment and trauma-based cognitive behavior therapy and implementation of an evidence-based treatment model for adolescents and young adults designed to decrease harmful substance use and improve mental health.

Additionally, NYU Langone Health and the State University of New York at Stony Brook were each awarded \$250,000 to provide training that will help mental health care providers better serve dually diagnosed people who are living with mental illness and a developmental disability. Training will include increasing awareness of evidence-based approaches and skills to better engage and treat dually diagnosed youth and families.

Representative Paul Tonko said, "The COVID pandemic had devastating effects on Americans' mental health, and few suffered more than our children. I was proud to take action to address this crisis with funding for mental health services in our American Rescue Plan, and I continue to press for further action through legislation including my COVID-19 Mental Health Research Act. I'm grateful that families across New York State will now receive the services they need and deserve." (Contd. Pg.



## Federal Funding to Help Providers Better Serve Youth Dually Diagnosed with Mental Illness and Developmental Disabilities or Substance Use Disorder

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Representative Joe Morelle said, "These are challenging times, and it's critical that we prioritize our collective mental health-especially for young people who may be struggling. I'm proud to have delivered this federal funding and help break down barriers preventing families from accessing critical mental health services. I'm grateful for Governor Hochul's commitment to meeting the healthcare needs of our community, and I look forward to our continued work together uplifting families."

State Senator Samra Brouk said, "The need for mental health services for our children has never been higher, which is why I am glad that Governor Kathy Hochul has released \$3.3 million in federal funding to help community-based providers serve our youth and their families. As Chair of the Senate Mental Health Committee I have seen how the pandemic has exacerbated the mental health challenges facing young people, and I look forward to continuing to work with the governor and other partners to increase the capacity of our workforce and address the needs of our families through treatment instead of through the criminal justice system."

State University of New York Interim Chancellor Deborah F. Stanley said, "The long-term impact of the COVID crisis on our mental health will be significant, especially for young people who encountered significant challenges of fear, isolation, anxiety, and depression throughout the pandemic. It's imperative that we provide sufficient resources to address this shadow epidemic in order for the next generation to truly thrive and succeed. We applaud Stony Brook University for not only helping students, but also providing these critical services to the broader community at a time when it is needed most. Thank you to Governor Kathy Hochul for her leadership in directing mental health services, and to the Office of Mental Health for their partnership."

Principal Investigator Dr. Lauren Donnelly, Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Hassenfeld Children's Hospital at NYU Langone, said, "This grant will allow us to take the training and consultation model we've implemented throughout New York City and offer indepth, evidence-based trainings to providers across New York State. We thank Governor Hochul and the state Office of Mental Health for the support to increase provider confidence and skills in working with this population, and meet this vital need."

Stony Brook University President Maurie McInnis said, "Governor Hochul's allocation of mental health funding to support provider training is a critical and greatly needed step forward in ensuring those diagnosed with mental illness and a developmental disability have access to the care they deserve. People with disabilities may often encounter challenges when seeking out effective and accessible mental health care, but with increased training that allows clinicians to partner closely with patients and family members, it brings specialized, effective treatment options to those who need it."

Awards to community-based organizations by OMH in Hudson Valley

o MHA of Westchester

- o Orange Co Dept of Mental Health
- o ANDRUS
- o Cove Care Center
- o Westchester Jewish Community Services
  - o Family Services of Westchester
  - o Rehabilitation Support Services
  - o St. Catherine's Center for Children
- o Cove Care Center
- o MHA of Columbia-Greene Counties
- o Family Services of Westchester
- o Family Ties of Westchester
- o Westchester Jewish Community Services

## Gore and Belleayre Mountain Ski Areas to Opened; Other World-Class Venues Set to Open This Month

#### Follows New York State Investment in Upgrades, Renovations, Snowmaking to Support New York's \$16 Billion Winter Tourism Industry

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the start of the 2022-23 Alpine and Nordic skiing seasons with the opening of several Olympic Regional Development Authority-operated ski venues. The venues - which include Gore Mountain in North Creek, Belleayre Mount in Highmount, Whiteface Mountain in Wilmington, and Mt. Van Hoevenberg in Lake Placid - will open this month following investments in upgrades, renovations, and snowmaking infrastructure ahead of the winter season. In addition to supporting New York's \$16 billion winter tourism industry, these improvements will support the upcoming Lake Placid 2023 FISU Winter World University Games, which will take place from January 12 to 22, 2023.

"With the opening of these world-class ski areas, New York is entering into peak season for its \$16 billion winter tourism industry," Governor Hochul said. "We have invested more than \$550 million in our winter sports facilities, upgrading our infrastructure, preparing them for ski season, and giving them the lift they need ahead of the World University Games. I am thrilled to welcome visitors back to the slopes and encourage everyone to join us next year in Lake Placid for one of the largest winter sporting events in New York State history."

The investments and improvements to ORDA's ski facilities will support the continued recovery of New York State's tourism industry. New York State has invested a total of \$552 million in ORDA facilities over the past six years. Last winter, New York welcomed 68.5 million visitors, generating more than \$16.1 billion in direct visitor spending. ORDA's economic impact for New York State was last measured at \$273.6 million for 2019-2020, a 75 percent increase over the previous 2016-2017 measurement of \$156 million.

ORDA has been steadily improving the snowmaking infrastructure throughout its ski areas, particularly over the last ten years. These upgrades have increased the efficiency of snowmaking operations, allowing for the mountains to open terrain faster, and earlier in the season when temperatures allow. The modernized systems, which utilize energy more effectively, are a key part of ORDA's award-winning sustainability initiatives.

New York State Ölympic Regional Development Authority President and CEO Mike Pratt said, "We are excited to open for another great winter season in the Adirondacks and Catskills. Our team has made terrific progress since snowmaking began, and we are ready to welcome our skiers and snowboarders." (Contd. Pg. 35)

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(From Pg. 34) Empire State Development Vice President and Executive Director of Tourism Ross D. Levi said, "Winter is always an amazing time to travel in New York, which has more ski areas than any other state in the nation. ORDA's world class ski facilities, along with scores of private ski areas across the state, make for an unparalleled ski experience. When paired with activities from snowmobiling and winter carnivals to ice wine tastings and spa getaways to the upcoming FISU World University Games, visitors can come be a part of the ultimate winter wonderland and find what they love in New York State."

The following venues are scheduled to open this month: o Friday, November 18 - Gore Mountain and Belleayre Mountain

- o Saturday, November 19 Whiteface Mountain
- o Wednesday, November 23 Mt. Van Hoevenberg

Gore, Whiteface, and Belleayre will be open through Sunday, November 20, close mid-week for further preparation, and then reopen Friday, November 25 for the season.

#### Gore Mountain New this seaso

New this season is Backwoods (opening in January), an intermediate trail that begins at the top of Burnt Ridge Mountain and parallels the Barkeater Glades. The trail ends uphill of Roaring Brook Bridge and provides faster and more direct access to Little Gore Mountain and the North Creek Ski Bowl. Over 230 new high-efficiency snow guns have been installed on Backwoods, Showcase, Uncas, Paradox, Peaceful Valley, and Chatiemac.

Gore Mountain will host the freestyle, freeski, big air, and snowboard slalom competitions for the FISU Games. The mountain will be open to the public for skiing, riding, and spectating, with modifications for this world-class event. Crews have developed the sanctioned slopestyle and boardercross courses, enhancing snowmaking and widening the terrain. The FIS-certified race trail, Echo, was also bolstered with increased snowmaking capacity to accommodate the venue's busy calendar of alpine events and recreational skiers and riders throughout the season. For more information, visit the Gore Mountain Snow Report.

#### Whiteface Mountain

New this season is the Ausable Run, a beginner trail off the Warhorse Quad lift, and Yellow Dot, an expert trail connecting the top of Victoria to Lower Skyward. Whiteface installed 35,000 feet of new pipe, 160 high-efficiency snow guns, and 245 new hydrants. Additionally, two new Pisten Bully groomers join the fleet.

Whiteface Mountain is readying for its opening day to skiers and riders and event preparation for the Lake Placid 2023 FISU Winter World University Games, where it will host the alpine competitions. Thereafter, Whiteface will host several competitions including the NCAA Regionals and National Championship in Alpine, the Empire State Games and other regional races. The mountain will be open to the public during the event dates for skiing and riding, and spectators can view the events in the newly designed Andrew Weibrecht Finish Area. Additional improvements to the race area include enhancements to the Freeway lift, timing and radio systems, and power to the finish building. For more information, visit the Whiteface Mountain Snow Report.

#### **Belleayre Mountain**

Belleayre Mountain installed 60,000 additional feet of new pipe, a new snowmaking pump, and 300 high-efficiency snow guns were added to the fleet. A new retail space relocated upstairs on the main floor of Discovery Lodge provides guests with a renewed shopping experience with a view. For more information, visit the Belleayre Mountain Snow Report.

#### Mt. Van Hoevenberg

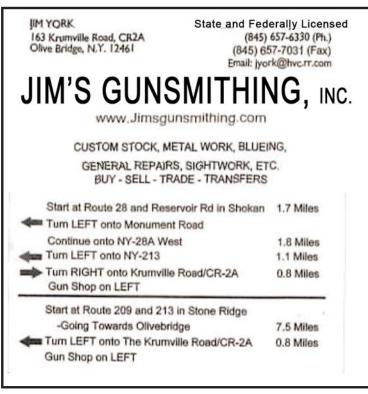
The Mt Van Hoevenberg transformation was completed in 2020, providing a world-class facility and 5 km of World Championship-rated cross-country skiing trails for training and racing. The trails carry tremendous snowmaking power, from the number of high-efficiency snow guns and hydrants to its reservoir capacity, providing state-of-the-art snowmaking for a Nordic Center.

Due to the investment of New York State, ORDA will host multiple World Cup competitions. Recently, Mt Van Hoevenberg was awarded the International Biathlon Union (IBU) Cup for 2026. This is in addition to the International Bobsled and Skeleton Federation (IBSF) World Cup in Bobsled and Skeleton taking place at the Mt Van Hoevenberg Sliding Center December 16-18, and at its sister venue, the Olympic Jumping Complex, the FIS Ski Jumping World Cup will return this winter, February 10-12, 2023. For more information, visit the Mt Van Hoevenberg Snow Report.

The SKI3 Season Pass provides the greatest flexibility and savings for skiing and riding at Whiteface, Belleayre, and Gore. The best available rates for the pass are available through December 7. Single day tickets are also at the lowest prices of the season and should be purchased in advance to secure desired days this winter.

Tickets for the Lake Placid 2023 FISU World University Games are available at lakeplacid2023.com.

Information on skiing and other winter activities statewide is available at iloveny.com/winter and iskiny.com. Updated downhill and cross-country ski reports for all of New York State courtesy of Ski NY and Cross-Country Ski Areas of NY are available on 1-800-ILOVENY and linked on iloveny.com.



#### Governor Hochul Announces Reopening of Yonker's Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site Following \$20 Million Restoration and Exhibit Update New Exhibits Expand on the Known Story of the Hall and Incorporate the Histories of the Region's Indigenous Peoples and Enslaved Africans

#### Improvements Significantly Expand Accessibility - Including New Elevator, Redesigned Exhibits, and Virtual Wing - and Expected to Double Annual Visitors

Governor Kathy Hochul announced the reopening of Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site in Yonkers after a \$20 million renovation of the building and grounds, as well as the design of new exhibits. These new exhibits advance the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Our Whole History initiative, which is an effort to ensure that the state's historic sites embrace stories that reflect the diversity of our state and nation's history.



"Philipse Manor Hall provides a unique window into early Colonial-era life in New York and lends itself to telling the first chapters of the nation's path to independence," Governor Hochul said. "The people who lived, worked and traded at the Philipse family home in the 18th century had a tremendous impact on shaping the lower-Hudson Valley. This renovation of Philipse Manor Hall reflects New York State's strong commitment to preserving our shared heritage - illuminating the full spectrum of our state's diverse culture and history."

Philipse Manor Hall is a National Historic Landmark and a Yonkers City Landmark; a status that fully informed State Parks' approach to the rehabilitation of the site. In addition to the architectural restoration of the Hall, the grounds and building have been updated to improve accessibility, which includes a newly constructed, discreet rear addition that houses new bathrooms and an elevator. The new exhibits have been designed to meet the needs of multilingual speakers, the hearing and visually impaired, visitors with wheelchairs and walkers, and is sensitive to visitors of all ages, abilities, and cultural experiences. Prior to its reopening, Philipse Manor Hall received approximately 15,000 visitors a year, and renovations are expected to double the amount of visitors to approximately 30,000 a year.

The exhibits are additionally offered virtually for those who are not able to visit the site in person, which expands the reach of the site's dynamic history to an international audience. A website devoted to additional historic and interpretative content called the "Virtual Wing" will include a 360° virtual tour.

The new exhibits incorporate the journeys of the Philipse family, the indigenous people from whom the Philipse lands derive, and enslaved Africans, whose work and trade allowed the Philipse family to prosper during the pre-Revolutionary era. While past exhibits and lectures have documented the role that Africans and indigenous people contributed to New York State history, these expanded permanent exhibits more fully depict and share this complex history with visitors.

The exhibits include a variety of interactive elements including augmented reality experiences, touch, sound - including the languages heard in the colonial period, Munsee, Dutch and KiKongo and smell elements in support of diverse learning experiences.

In addition, New York State is partnering with the Municipal Housing Authority of Yonkers (MHACY) and Yonkers Arts to curate an exhibition about the late rapper and actor Earl Simmons, the also known as DMX. The exhibition, "Look Thru My Eyes: a DMX Story," will open later this year. The exhibition is co-curated by Ray Wilcox of Yonkers Arts with curation and creative support from Raissa Fitzgerald and Wilson Kimball of MHACY.

These updates align directly with State Parks' Our Whole History initiative. Our Whole History's approach is to provide multiple perspectives to create relevancy and meaning.

New York State Commissioner of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Erik Kulleseid said, "This commitment to new exhibits, interpretation, and programming across our historic site system better depicts the diversity, humanity, and influence of our state's peoples and further highlights the role that traditionally under-represented communities have played in shaping our state's history."

Westchester County Executive George Latimer said, "I want to thank Governor Kathy Hochul for investing \$20 million in Philips Manor Hall, one of the oldest National Historic Landmarks in our beautiful County. The Manor House dates back to the 1600's and was home to Frederick Philipse III, and also served as the first Yonkers Village Hall in 1872. This extensive restoration brings the site up to the 21st Century and will allow future generations to experience its rich history through new art, exhibits, presentations and educational programs."

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano said, "We do not show history through subtraction, we show history through telling the whole story. With the addition of key Yonkers figures and milestones, Philipse Manor Hall will now be a place that takes our residents and visitors on a bona fide journey. I want to thank our partners at the state level for this investment which will document and preserve our city's growth and development for generations to come."

Friends of Philipse Manor Hall Friends Board President Dave Martin said, "The restoration and renovation of Philipse Manor Hall has undoubtedly produced a world class museum."

New York State's ownership of the site was established through benefactor Eva Smith Cochran, who entrusted the state to preserve the site in perpetuity for the benefit and education of New Yorkers. Prior to this, the site served as the Village of Yonkers and subsequently, City of Yonkers City Hall. The new exhibits additionally explore these eras of transition and the gift from Cochran to the City, as well as the transfer to the state for the site's preservation and interpretation for the benefit of all New Yorkers and visitors.

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation oversees more than 250 parks, historic sites, recreational trails, golf courses, boat launches and more, which are visited by 78 million people annually. For more information on any of these recreation areas, visit https://www.parks.ny.gov, download the free NY State Parks Explorer mobile app or call 518.474.0456. Also, connect on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.



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### UC Honors 911 Dispatchers for Exceptional Skill and Professionalism During High Stress Calls

• On the weekend of October 28-30, the Ulster County 911 handled a total of 1,077 calls, including responding to two cardiac arrest calls and one childbirth and de-escalating an incident of domestic violence, saving lives

• Numerous high stress calls from all over the county were handled with a high level of skill and professionalism by Emergency Services dispatch staff who coordinated expertly with local Emergency Medical Service, Law Enforcement and other first responders

• Calls from New Paltz, Ellenville, Ulster and Shawangunk were highlighted by Acting County Executive Johanna Contreras as exceptional examples of the life-saving work of the Emergency Services team



Left to right : Deputy Director of Emergency Communications Andrew Cafaldo, Dispatcher Nicholas Secreto, Supervisor Michael Davis, Dispatcher Kathy Smith, Dispatcher Madison McDermott, Dispatcher Vickie Quent, Acting Ulster County Executive Johanna Contreras, Director of Emergency Services Everett Erichsen and Acting Supervisor Brad Fiore

KINGSTON, N.Y. - At the Ulster County Office Building on Friday, Acting Ulster County Executive Johanna Contreras recognized Emergency Services dispatchers for exceptional skill and professionalism during a weekend of high stress calls where they provided life-saving measures, repeatedly.

Numerous high stress calls from all over the county were handled by Emergency Services dispatch staff who coordinated expertly with local Emergency Medical Service, Law Enforcement and other first responders. Calls from New Paltz, Ellenville, Ulster and Shawangunk were highlighted by Acting County Executive Contreras as exceptional examples of the life-saving work of the Emergency Services team.

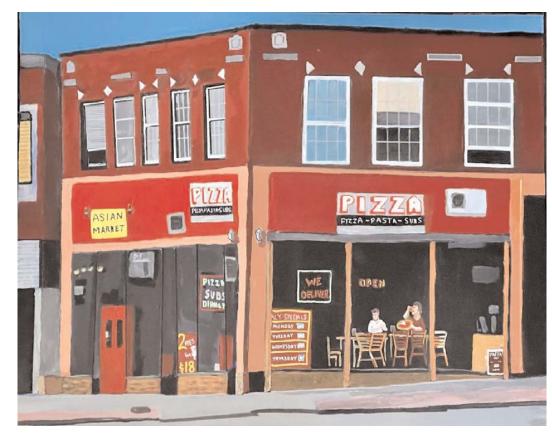
"Our Emergency Services dispatchers consistently go above and beyond to help our residents and save lives. I want to thank the whole Department of Emergency Services for their professionalism, skill and teamwork on behalf of the residents of Ulster County," Acting Ulster County Executive Johanna Contreras said. "Often, this critical work stays behind the scenes, so it is important to highlight the accomplishments of our skilled and dedicated team. It is my true honor and privilege to recognize these 911 dispatchers for their tire-less public service and critical work."

On the weekend of October 28-30, the Ulster County Public Safety Answer Point (911 Center) handled a total of 1,077 calls from all over the county. Supervisor Michael Davis, Acting Supervisor Brad Fiore, Dispatcher Kathy Smith, Dispatcher Vickie Quent, Dispatcher Madison McDermott and Dispatcher Nicholas Secreto received numerous high stress calls that were very serious in nature, including responding to two cardiac arrest calls, diverting a domestic dispute that could have ended in gun violence and talking parents through the safe delivery of their infant son. Because of the immediate actions of the dispatch team, who initiated CPR, provided crisis intervention and delivered instructions on childbirth over the phone while simultaneously dispatching Emergency Medical Service, Law Enforcement and other first responders to the scene, lives were saved.

"The dispatchers of the Ulster County Department of Emergency Services, Division of Emergency Communications (911), are a group of knowledgeable and highly skilled emergency services dispatchers that have a solid foundation of professionalism and excellent customer service, allowing us to provide a service of the highest level of excellence," Director of Emergency Services Everett Erichsen said. "They are the lifeline between those having an emergency and their first responder colleagues in the field, and are a crucial part of public safety. I thank them for their consistent hard work."

"Every day our team of dispatchers come to work ready to help the residents and visitors of Ulster County. When they answer a call, they do not know what is going to be on the other end of the line. Our team is highly capable of handling all types of emergencies, even the most serious, as exemplified this last Halloween weekend," Deputy Director of Emergency Communications Andrew Cafaldo said. "I want to thank all of them for their continued hard work and dedication to getting our residents and visitors the appropriate responses from Emergency Services in their time of need."

## Liberty Museum to Feature Edward Ziff Paintings



An exhibition of paintings at the Liberty Museum & Arts Center opens this Saturday, November 19th and runs through December.

The paintings, by Edward Ziff, portray views of New York City neighborhoods, Sullivan County, and rural Brazil, where Ziff has been a frequent visitor. Ziff's work has been influenced by the belief that the world that we experience is more than what we simply see and hear.

It incorporates emotions, understandings, memories, reflections, compassion etc. added by the brain, giving Ziff's work an altered, sometimes paradoxical perspective. "Through the medium of art", says Ziff, "we can share with others these creations of our minds".

In his professional life, Ziff is a neurobiologist. Born in New York City and educated in the NYC public schools, Ziff completed a

bachelor's degree at Columbia, a PhD at Princeton and post doctoral studies in Cambridge, UK. He has conducted neurobiology- and cancer-related research in London and at Rockefeller University and most recently at the NYU Grossman School of Medicine, where he is now ProfessorEmeritus. Ziff has co-authored books on DNA and autism for the non-specialist, as well as articles in the New York Review of Books on evolution and brain function. He first came to the Catskills more than 30 years ago and divides his time between a home in Swan Lake and New York.

#### Ahead of the Thanksgiving Holiday, Gillibrand Calls for Nearly \$2 Billion in Funding for the Older Americans Act Nutritional Programs for FY23 WASHINGTON, D.C. - Ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, member of the Special

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, member of the Special Committee on Aging, is holding a video press conference to call for \$1.93 billion in FY23 funding for the Older Americans Act (OAA) nutritional programs. This year is the 50th anniversary of the OAA Nutrition Program, which has supported nutrition services for older adults across the country in a variety of ways since 1972, including within senior centers, home deliveries, and with funding for local agencies.

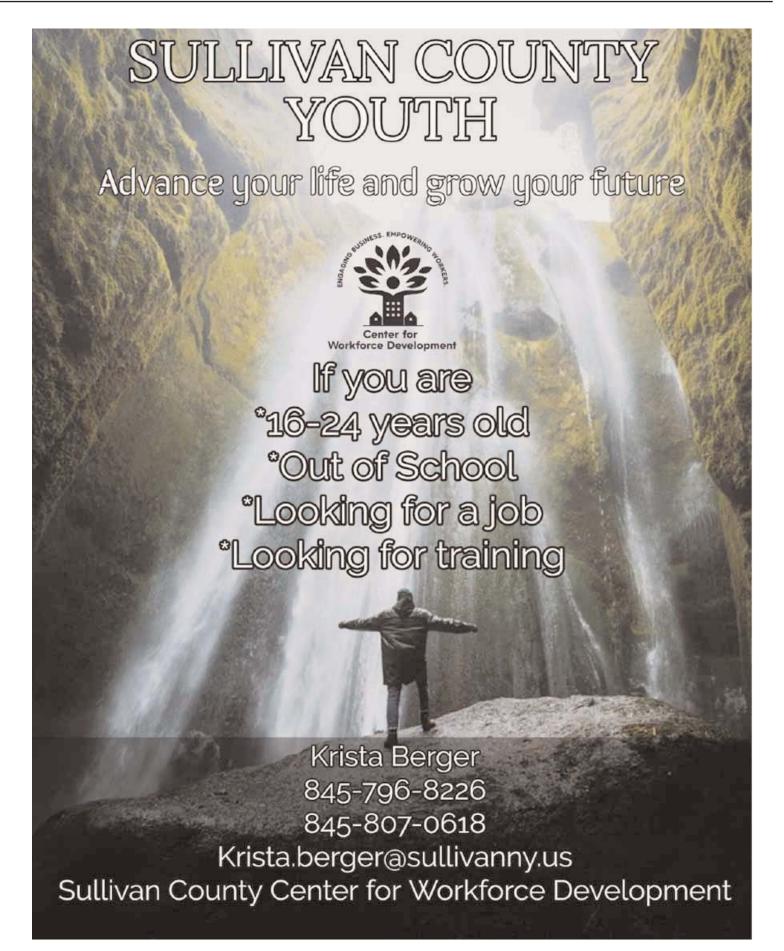
"As a member of the Senate Special Committee on Aging, I am committed to fighting food insecurity and ensuring that our older adults have access to healthy and affordable meals," said Senator Gillibrand. "Bolstering the Older Americans Act nutritional programs is a vital step to addressing the unique barriers older Americans face in accessing food. I'm proud to lead the call for nearly \$2 billion in funding for the OAA so that everyone has food on the table during the holiday season and beyond."

About 5.2 million older adults in the United States, including an estimated 7.6 percent of older adults in New York, were food insecure in 2020. As the American population continues to age rapidly, with more than 75 million Americans aged 60 years and older, it's vital to supply nutritional programs with the resources needed to create a pathway for social connection and meal deliveries for the older adult community.

The OAA is a major federal vehicle for delivery of social and nutrition services for more than 11 million older Americans and their caregivers. These programs include congregate nutrition services, home-delivered nutrition services, transportation services, activities to promote socialization and wellness, employment and community service programs, and family caregiver support. Specifically, Gillibrand is calling to fund both OAA programs and OAA Title III-C Nutrition Services in the final FY23 appropriations bill.

#### For full letter go to:

https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Gillibrand%20FY23%20OAA%20Nutrition%20Letter%20Funding.pdf



#### Governor Hochul Announces Round Four Winners of the Grow-NY Food and Agriculture Business Competition Australian Firm ProAgni Awarded \$1 Million Grand Prize

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that ProAgni of Lavington, Australia, has been named the \$1 million grand prize winner of the Grow-NY business competition, a food and agriculture startup challenge focused on enhancing the emerging food, beverage, and agriculture innovation cluster in Central New York, the Finger Lakes, and the Southern Tier. Now in its fourth year, the program once again attracted exceptional startups and entrepreneurial talent from around the globe to compete in its business development accelerator and twoday pitch competition at the Grow-NY Summit. ProAgni was one of eight finalists to take home prize money. The winning teams must commit to operating in the Central New York, Finger Lakes, or Southern Tier regions for at least one year, while providing Grow-NY with a small equity investment stake in their entity. Funding for the competition, which is administered by Cornell University's Center for Regional Economic Advancement, is provided through the state's Upstate Revitalization Initiative.



"Congratulations to all of the forward-thinking entrepreneurs that took part in the fourth round of the Grow-NY competition," Governor Hochul said. "This competition not only helps these companies continue to innovate, but it further supports New York State's regional economies by drawing even more worldwide attention to our globally renowned food and agriculture industry. As New York continues to remain on the cutting edge, I look forward to all future endeavors that today's winners will undertake throughout New York State."

ProAgni's ProTect is a revolutionary range of supplements and feeds for livestock that lowers methane emissions from sheep and cattle without the use of antibiotics, decreasing a producer's environmental footprint without increasing costs.

ProAgni CEO and Co-Founder Lachlan Campbell said, "We are honored to join the incredible roster of Grow-NY winners, and grateful to New York state, Grow-NY, and the Center of Excellence for Food and Agriculture for their support. We're excited to expand our mission to revolutionize supplements and feeds for livestock that lower methane emissions into Upstate New York and the prize money will allow us to make an even greater impact. We've had an amazing expe-

rience throughout the program, from the guidance and connections our mentor Brad Goulthrope provided to the regional partners we were able to meet, to our competitors whose cutting-edge work and pitches were truly inspiring."

In all, 390 startups applied from 52 countries, including Singapore, Australia, and Sri Lanka. In the U.S., 25 states were represented, including 92 entries from New York. 38% of applicants included a female founder and a record 75% included a founder from an underrepresented minority group. The 20 finalists received dedicated mentorship from hand-selected regional business advisors leading up to the competition. Those selected as winners will now immediately get to work executing their business plans in New York state, leveraging the connections made and regional knowledge gained from the competition.

More than 1,2000 people registered for the fourth annual Grow-NY Summit. The 20 finalists gave highly-anticipated business pitches to a panel of six judges reflecting a depth and breadth of agriculture, food production, and venture development expertise, who listened to each pitch and asked probing questions, before deliberating to determine the top winners. The Summit culminated with the presentation of awards, where Trish Thomas, CEO and cofounder of 2021 Grow-NY \$1 million grand prize winner Every Body Eat, announced the four \$250,000 winners and Commissioner Richard Ball revealed the two \$500,000 recipients, as well as the \$1 million award winner.

Department of Agriculture and Markets Commissioner Richard A. Ball said, "Grow-NY has become one of New York's finest annual traditions, shining a spotlight on the many diverse, innovative, exciting agricultural and food businesses across the State. I thank Governor Hochul for her continued support of the Grow-NY competition and send my congratulations to all of the winners and participants this year. I look forward to seeing you create the technologies and jobs of the future, while continuing to provide a boost our local farmers."

Other Winners included:

**\$500,000 Winner: - Craft Cannery, (Bergen, NY)** - Craft Cannery takes cherished recipes from your kitchen to the shelves of grocery stores, restaurants, farmers markets and beyond, specializing in the contract manufacturing of sauces, dressings, marinades, and more.

**\$500,000 Winner: Hempitecture, (Ketchum, ID)** - Hempitecture is on a mission to create healthy, energy-efficient building materials that positively impact people and the planet by capturing carbon dioxide and replenishing farmland. Its biobased insulation makes construction projects more sustainable, healthier, and higher-performing.

**\$250,000 Winner: Labby, (Cambridge, MA) -** Labby's technology provides rapid, accurate, and affordable solutions for dairy farms, leveraging AI-enabled optical sensing for raw milk testing that delivers instant insights to your fingertips.

**\$250,000 Winner: Sweet Pea Plant-Based Kitchen, (Rochester, NY)** - Sweet Pea is a plant-powered kitchen creating transformative paths to wellness, combining the benefits of its plant-centric food meal service and nutrition coaching to help people to sustain a healthy life.

**\$250,000 Winner: Vivid Machines, (Toronto, Canada)** - Vivid X-Vision system captures the visible and chemical details of every plant across an entire crop from bud to harvest to manage growth and predict yield, and provide means for early diagnosis of pests, diseases, and nutrient deficiencies.

**\$250,000 Winner: Zalliant, (Amsterdam, NY)** - Zalliant's IoT and artificial intelligence technologies provide value and efficiency to farmers through improved decision making and management. (Contd. Pg. 42)

The competition also featured an "Audience Choice" award for the startup voted by the public to have the most standout and promising pitch. Seneca Farms Biochar, of Odessa, NY, received \$10,000 in prize money sponsored by Wegmans. (Contd. Pg. 42)

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#### Grow-NY judges based award decisions on the following criteria:

o The viability of the startup's business model

o The diversity, quality, readiness, and completeness of the startup team

o The value that the startup offers customers

o The agrifood innovation that the startup has invented

The job growth and opportunity potential that the startup can bring to the region

Past Grow-NY winners have continued to raise money, expand, and thrive. RealEats, year one's top prize winner, has raised over \$20 million in additional funding and entered a partnership with GNC. They recently opened an 80,000 square-foot production facility in Geneva, N.Y. SoFresh, another year-one winner, has generated \$3.3 million to expand into new food markets. Year-three grand prize winner Every Body Eat has made its way into Whole Foods Market stores nation-wide. Other winners have expanded their customer bases, developed strategic partnerships, and continued to secure funding.

Grow-NY Program Director Jenn Smith said, "Grow-NY finalists and winners continue to surpass our expectations on all fronts, successfully leveraging the strengths of the region to scale their ventures, adding jobs, attracting investment, and reinforcing New York's role as a global agrifood leader. I offer my most enthusiastic congratulations to this year's cohort."

All winners are required to work towards making a positive economic impact in the Grow-NY region, which consists of 22 counties that serve as home to vibrant farmlands, abundant freshwater, and several rising cities, including Rochester, Syracuse, Ithaca, Geneva, and Binghamton. The winning businesses will foster job growth, connect with local industry partners, and contribute to a thriving economy.

Empire State Development President, CEO and Commissioner Hope Knight said, "Congratulations to the Grow-NY winners, and to all who participated in round four of this unique agriculturebased business competition. I'm proud of New York State's role in supporting Grow-NY, as these startups continue to build entrepreneurial ecosystems and boost innovative economic growth across the rich farming and agricultural areas of the Finger Lakes, Central and Southern Tier regions."

Central New York Regional Economic Development Council Co-Chairs Randy Wolken, President & CEO of the Manufacturers Association of Central New York and Le Moyne College President Linda M. LeMura said, "We are pleased to offer many congratulations to all of today's winners and to all who were part of round four of the Grow-NY competition that was held this year in downtown Syracuse. New York State continues to experience unprecedented growth in the agriculture and food industries. The Grow-NY competition represents yet another exciting investment in our community that will further bolster regional job growth and further support our agricultural base throughout Central New York ensuring the region continues to rise."

Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Co-Chairs Bob Duffy, President and CEO, Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce and Dr. Denise Battles, President of SUNY Geneseo said, "We are so incredibly proud of all who took part in round four of this innovative competition. The regional council is laserfocused on growing the state's agricultural and food industries. Our continued investment in the Grow-NY competition is working to connect local industry partners with the cutting-edge ideas of these entrepreneurs, further supporting our multi-pronged approach to creating a thriving regional economy."

Southern Tier Regional Economic Development Council Co-Chairs Judy McKinney Cherry, Executive Director, Schuyler County Partnership for Economic Development and Dr. Kevin Drumm, President of SUNY Broome Community College said, "We would like to offer our sincere congratulations to the winning teams and to all of the round four Grow-NY competitors. Innovation and entrepreneurship are key to our economic future. New York's agriculture industry is one of the most diverse and prestigious in the world, and this initiative sets New York apart from other states, no doubt adding to our regions continued economic success."

To learn more about the Grow-NY competition visit https://www.grow-ny.com.

To learn more about Cornell University's Center for Regional Economic Advancement visit: https://crea.cornell.edu.

#### **Accelerating Finger Lakes Forward**

Today's announcement complements "Finger Lakes Forward," the region's comprehensive blueprint to generate robust economic growth and community development. The regionally designed plan focuses on investing in key industries including photonics, agriculture and food production, and advanced manufacturing. Now, the region is accelerating Finger Lakes Forward with a \$500 million State investment through the Upstate Revitalization Initiative. The State's \$500 million investment will incentivize private business to invest well over \$2.5 billion - and the region's plan, as submitted, projects up to 8,200 new jobs. More information is available here.

#### **Accelerating CNY Rising**

Today's announcement complements "CNY Rising," the region's comprehensive blueprint to generate robust economic growth and community development. The regionally designed plan focuses on capitalizing on global market opportunities, strengthening entrepreneurship and creating an inclusive economy. Now, the region is accelerating CNY Rising with a \$500 million State investment through the Upstate Revitalization Initiative. The State's \$500 million investment will incentivize private business to invest well over \$2.5 billion - and the region's plan, as submitted, projects up to 5,900 new jobs. More information is available here.

#### Accelerating Southern Tier Soaring

Today's announcement complements "Southern Tier Soaring," the region's comprehensive blueprint to generate robust economic growth and community development. The regionally designed plan focuses on attracting a talented workforce, growing business and driving innovation. Now, the region is accelerating Southern Tier Soaring with a \$500 million State investment through the Upstate Revitalization Initiative. The State's \$500 million investment will incentivize private business to invest well over \$2.5 billion - and the region's plan, as submitted, projects up to 10,200 new jobs. More information is available here.

#### **About Empire State Development**

Empire State Development (ESD) is New York's chief economic development agency (www.esd.ny.gov). The mission of ESD is to promote a vigorous and growing economy, encourage the creation of new job and economic opportunities, increase revenues to the State and its municipalities, and achieve stable and diversified local economies. Through the use of loans, grants, tax credits and other forms of financial assistance, ESD strives to enhance private business investment and growth to spur job creation and support prosperous communities across New York State. ESD is also the primary administrative agency overseeing the Regional Economic Development Councils and the marketing of "I LOVE NEW YORK," the State's iconic tourism brand. For more information on Regional Councils and Empire State Development, visit www.regionalcouncils.ny.gov and www.esd.ny.gov.

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

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

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### Coming soon to your grocery store, lab-grown meat has officially received the FDA's safety stamp of approval FDA Completes First Pre-Market Consultation for Human Food Made Using Animal Cell Culture Technology

Although it is not approved for sale yet, cultured meat and chicken just got one step closer to your grocery store shelves today. Wednesday, November 16, 2022, the FDA announced that it has "evaluated the information submitted to the agency and has no further questions at this time about the firm's safe-ty conclusion."

According to the FDA: Before Entering the U.S. Market, the Food Must Meet Other Federal Requirements

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) completed its first pre-market consultation for a human food made from cultured animal cells. We evaluated the information UPSIDE Foods submitted to the agency and have no further questions at this time about the firm's safety conclusion. The firm will use animal cell culture technology to take living cells from chickens and grow the cells in a controlled environment to make the cultured animal cell food.

The FDA's pre-market consultation with the firm included an evaluation of the firm's production process and the cultured cell material made by the production process, including the establishment of cell lines and cell banks, manufacturing controls, and all components and inputs. The voluntary pre-market consultation is not an approval process. Instead, it means that after our careful evaluation of the data and information shared by the firm, we have no further questions at this time about the firm's safety conclusion.

The FDA is committed to sharing information about our oversight of human food made from cultured animal cells and today released:

- The FDA's response letter to the firm

- The FDA's scientific memo that describes our evaluation of the data and information provided by the firm

- The firm's own assessment that their food is safe

In addition to meeting the FDA's requirements, including facility registration for the cell culture portion of the process, the firm will need a grant of inspection from the United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service (USDA-FSIS) for the manufacturing establishment. Additionally, the food itself requires a mark of inspection from USDA-FSIS before it can enter the U.S. market. As this product comes closer to entering the U.S. market, we are closely coordinating with USDA-FSIS to ensure it is properly regulated and labeled.

The FDA is ready to work with additional firms developing cultured animal cell food and production processes to ensure their food is safe and lawful under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. They encourage firms to have these conversations with them often and early in their product and process development phase, well ahead of making any submission to them. They are already engaged in discussions with multiple firms about various types of food made from cultured animal cells, including food made from seafood cells that will be overseen solely by the FDA. The goal is to support innovation in food technologies while always maintaining as a priority the production of safe food. Human food made with cultured animal cells must meet the same stringent requirements, including safety requirements, as all other food.

According to a report by Katie Hunt, CNN on Thursday, the US Food and Drug Administration has given a safety clearance to lab-grown meat for the first time.

Upside Foods, a California-based company that makes meat from cultured chicken cells, will be able to begin selling its products once its facilities have been inspected by the US Department of Agriculture.

The agency said it had evaluated the information submitted by Upside Foods and it had "no further questions at this time about the firm's safety conclusion."

"Advancements in cell culture technology are enabling food developers to use animal cells obtained from livestock, poultry, and seafood in the production of food, with these products expected to be ready for the U.S. market in the near future," Dr. Robert M. Califf, the FDA's commissioner of food and drugs and Susan T. Mayne, director of the FDA's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN), said in a statement.

How 'lab-grown' meat could help the planet and our health "The FDA's goal is to support innovation in food technologies while always maintaining as our first priority the safety of the foods available to U.S. consumers," the statement added.

Upside Foods founder and CEO Uma Valeti said on Twitter that its cultivated chicken "was one step closer to being on tables everywhere."

"UPSIDE has received our 'No Questions Letter' from the FDA," Valeti tweeted. "They've accepted our conclusion that our cultivated chicken is safe to eat."

He told CNN earlier this year that the process of making cultivated meat was "similar to brewing beer, but instead of growing yeast or microbes, we grow animal cells."

"These products are not vegan, vegetarian or plant-based they are real meat, made without the animal."

Singapore was the first country to allow the sale of cultured meat. It granted San Francisco start-up Eat Just Inc. regulatory approval in 2020 to sell its laboratory-grown chicken in Singapore.

Advocates hope that cultured meat will reduce the need to slaughter animals for food and help with the climate crisis. The food system is responsible for about a quarter of global greenhouse gas emissions, most of which are from animal agriculture.

"We are thrilled at FDA's historic announcement that, after a rigorous evaluation, UPSIDE Foods has become the first company in the world to receive the US FDA greenlight for cultivated chicken," David Kay, director of communications at Upside Foods, said via email.

"At scale, cultivated meat is projected to use substantially less water and land than conventionally-produced meat."

Although not technically an approval, the FDA said that a thorough pre-market consultation process had been completed. The clearance only applies to food made from cultured chicken cells by Upside, but the statement said the FDA "is ready to work with additional firms developing cultured animal cell food.

# Dept. of Motor Vehicles dates for the Neversink Town Hall. 9/1, 10/6, 11/3 & 12/8/2022.



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# Monticello Kiwanis Annual Bernie Shore/Rose Raimond Fundraising Dinner

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Tickets must be purchased in advance and are valid currently until December 31, 2022 **Tickets are \$25 each** 

Tickets are available by contacting a Monticello Kiwanis member or by mailing a check made out to Kiwanis Club of Monticello, P.O. Box 413, Monticello, NY 12701

All proceeds benefit charitable projects in the community helping the Kiwanis Club fulfill their mission of "serving the children of the world, one child and one community at a time".

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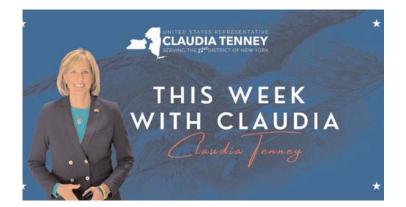
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### Demanding Oversight and Accountability After Report Reveals New York's Gross Mismanagement of Taxpayer Funds

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#### https://nypost.com/2022/11/17/house-gop-must-probefraudulent-ny-jobless-payments-rep-tenney/

On November 15, *Politico* reported on a New York State Comptroller's audit that revealed at least \$11 billion in fraudulent COVID-19 unemployment payments under the Cuomo-Hochul Administration.

New York Comptroller Tom DiNapoli's audit on this massive unemployment fraud wasn't released until a week after New Yorkers headed to the polls in one of the closest gubernatorial elections in recent history. This raises serious ethical questions regarding the independence of the comptroller's office. Withholding this information until one week after the election clearly benefited Governor Hochul. Sadly, since taking over from disgraced former governor Andrew Cuomo, Kathy Hochul has humiliated New York State with scams, lies, and mismanagement that rival even her corrupt predecessor.

New Yorkers deserve better. We must demand full transparency from our state government, which is why I am calling on the comptroller's office to clarify to the people of New York why this report was released only after the election. I will also fight to ensure that a new Republican Congress investigates this mismanagement and holds individuals accountable for abusing taxpayer dollars.

### **READ MORE:** Tenney calls for GOP probe of \$11B in fraudulent jobless claims under Cuomo

https://nypost.com/2022/11/17/house-gop-must-probefraudulent-ny-jobless-payments-rep-tenney/

#### Election Integrity Update: New 2022 Midterm Report Released

This week, I released my 2022 Election Integrity Midterm Election Bulletin detailing the key takeaways from the 2022 midterm elections.

Voting is one of our most sacred rights as citizens of our self-governing Constitutional Republic, and it must be protected. Florida and Georgia exemplified that in more ways than one, and the bulletin highlights the success stories of Republican-led election integrity initiatives in these states. Both put into place commonsense policies, such as stronger voter ID requirements and expanded early voting, to strengthen faith and confidence in their elections.

Even with these wins for election integrity, many states, including Arizona, California, and Nevada, highlighted nightmarish election scenarios.

The bulletin provides recommendations for the future to ensure Election Day does not turn into Election Month, including requiring voter identification when requesting mail-in ballots and maintaining updated and accurate voter rolls.

The House Election Integrity Caucus produced this bulletin to continue driving the conversation behind commonsense reforms to restore faith in elections and encourage all Americans to exercise their sacred right to vote!

Read the full 2022 Midterm Bulletin by clicking here. https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evosubsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/eic-

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#### Claudia Tenney joins Rob Schmitt to Discuss the Ongoing War in Ukraine

Congresswoman Claudia Tenney on NEWSMAX discussing the war in Ukraine

#### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZC8XLEavjAU&feature=youtu.be

This week, I joined *Newsmax's* Rob Schmitt Tonight to discuss the ongoing war in Ukraine, which intensified once again this week after missiles crossed the border and landed in Poland, killing two Polish citizens.

In my interview, I discussed how President Biden's weakness failed to deter Putin and invited this aggression. The war is dragging on into the winter months, bringing with it more food shortages and displacement of people across Europe.

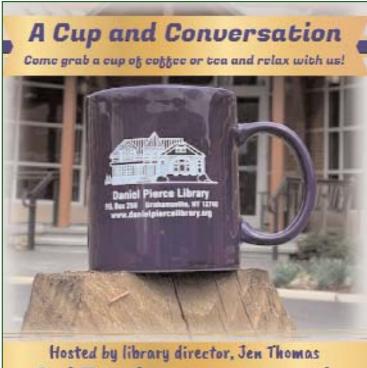
This unprovoked war should have been avoided, and would have been if President Biden stood up earlier to make clear that the United States would maintain peace through strength. The President's botched and deadly withdrawal from Afghanistan undermined our credibility and emboldened our enemies.

You can watch the full video here or at the link above. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZC8XLEavjAU



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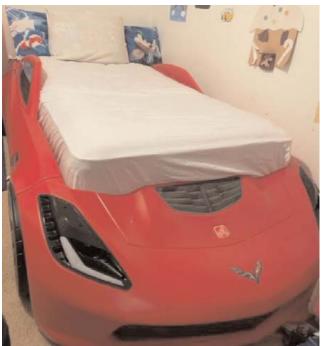
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# HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!



### You're invited to see some new work for the Holidays!

This season, the Studio will be open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Thanksgiving weekend, November 25, 26, and 27, and open again on Saturdays and Sundays, December 10, 11, and 17 and 18 -11AM to 5PM.

On Saturday, December 3rd, I will be at the United Methodist Church Holiday Craft Fair in Grahamsville, from 10-3 - a unique and fun show that supports the Church and local artists.

### <u>STUDIO SHOW DATES:</u> November 25, 26, 27, December 10, 11, 17 & 18

### **GRAHAMSVILLE UMC HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR:** Saturday, December 3

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#### MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET Set to give audiences the "cherry on top" of an extraordinary season December 2nd - 18th

SHADOWLAND STAGES announced complete casting for its upcoming holiday offering - MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET by Tom Dudzick, to be directed by Brendan Burke. MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET will be performed in The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES (157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY 12428) on a special holiday schedule: Friday at 7pm, Saturday at 2pm and 7pm, and Sunday at 2pm from December 2nd - 18th.

OY VEY, MARIA!

In MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET we meet the Nowak family of Buffalo, NY - Clara and her three grown kids - who have always known they were special, ever since the miraculous night in 1942 when the Blessed Mother appeared to Grandpa in his barbershop! Since then, the neighborhood has looked upon the Nowaks' 20-foot commemorative shrine as a beacon of hope and faith amidst the urban rubble. And now daughter Ruth unveils her plan to write and star in a one-woman show about the family miracle so the "whole world will know!" However, as her plans for theatrical immortality unfold, the entire family's faith is shaken to the very core when a deathbed confession causes the family legend to unravel. The results are heartfelt and hilarious.

MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET will feature:

Jodie Lynne McClintock - is delighted to be reprising her role in MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET having previously appeared in it, RED HERRING, and OUTGOING TIDE SHADOWLAND. at BROADWAY/INTERNATIONAL: Cathleen in Sir Jonathan Miller's production of LONG DAY'S JOUR-NEY INTO NIGHT with Jack Lemmon (reprised on world tour and TV for Showtime and PBS's American Playhouse). Royal Shakespeare Company (Broadway/ Kennedy Center/ Fringe), and appeared as Queen Caroline in RSC's former AD Adrian Noble's THE ART OF SUC-CESS (MTC). OTHER OFF BROADWAY: DAUGHTER-IN-LAW (Mint), BELLE EPOQUE (Lincoln Center), A DANGEROUS PERSONALITY (Perry Street), Charles Busch's SHANGHAI MOON (TNC), TIMESLIPS (HERE), and new plays for Primary Stages, Vineyard, Minetta Lane, and Abingdon. REGIONAL: ART, Long Wharf, McCarter, Papermill, Arizona, St. Louis Rep, Capital Rep, and Alabama, St. Louis, and New Jersey Shakespeare Festivals. FILM/TV: United 93 (Boston Society of Film Critics Best Ensemble Cast 2006), The Mighty Macs, Human Affairs, 30 Rock, Law and Order: CI & amp; SVU, and The Tick. W Return to Sender and avatar Maude the Bounty Hunter in Grand Theft Auto 5. FACULTY: BADA (London/Oxford), Acting International (Paris), NYU, and The Queens Studio amongst others. In the midst of Covid, she turned to writing, creating The Uses of Adversity: a series of pandemic poetry and a plague play. Member of the Actors Center.

Laura Chaneski - Laura is thrilled to make her SHAD-OWLAND STAGES debut! Favorite regional credits include Randi in GREETINGS (Off-Broadstreet Theater), Molly in WHITE GUY ON THE BUS (Passage Theatre), Kathy in SINGIN' IN THE RAIN (Ocean City Theater Company) and Rita in WHITE CHRISTMAS (Surflight Theater). TV: Law & Order: SVU, YOU, The Last O.G., That Damn Michael Che, House of Cards, Do No Harm, the Hallmark movie Redemption in Cherry Springs and dozens of commercials. www.laurachaneski.com

Melody Ladd - will also make her SHADOWLAND STAGES debut. Past credits in NYC as well as regionally include: THE 39 STEPS (Cornwell's Theatre), PLAY-BOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD and AWAKE AND SING! (Quintessence Theatre Group), DEAR JACK, DEAR LOUISE and GASLIGHT (Millbrook Playhouse), MACBETH and THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA (Hedgerow Theatre). www.melodyladd.com

Sean Walsh - originally from the Bronx, NY is currently residing in the Hudson Valley and is attending SUNY New Paltz where he is studying theater and performance. Most recently he just finished a production of Shakespeare's AS YOU LIKE IT where he played Jaques and is currently working on a group devised immersive theater piece. he is so happy and grateful to be returning once again to SHADOWLAND to close out a great year for live theater.

MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET will be directed by SHADOWLAND STAGES' Artistic Director, Brendan Burke. This season marks Artistic Director Brendan Burke's 16th year with SHADOWLAND STAGES, where he has directed and/or produced over 80 productions, including multiple world premieres, and shows featuring such actors as Sean Astin, Judd Hirsch, Alley Mills, Orson Bean, David Strathairn, Stephanie Zimbalist, Richard Benjamin, Paula Prentiss and more. Brendan's other regional work includes productions at Seven Angels Theatre, NJ Rep, Chenango River Theatre, Half Moon Theatre, and FringeNYC. A member of SDC and AEA, he is also an instructor in the Department of Theatre Arts at SUNY New Paltz.

MIRACLE ON SOUTH DIVISION STREET will be performed December 2nd through 18th at The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES at 157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY 12428. The special holiday performance schedule will be Friday at 7pm, Saturday at 2pm and 7pm and Sunday at 2pm, with the first Saturday matinee (December 3rd) at 2pm serving as the ONE TIME ONLY "vaxxed and masked" Saturday Matinee. Tickets are \$34 - \$42 and can be purchased at ShadowlandStages.org or by calling 845-647-5511. Walk-up sales at the box office begin two hours prior to any performance.

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**NOVEMBER 24, 2022** 



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# *"KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE"* Available at the TCM Store, Imob, Amazon Prime, and Netflix Miracle on 34th Street (1947 / Rated G / 97 min. Comedy / Drama)



From 1947, starting with Thanksgiving and ushering in the Christmas Season, *Miracle on 34th Street* is still one of America's favorite movies.

Miracle on 34th Street was shot on location in New York City, with the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade sequences filmed live while the 1946 parade was happening

The movie is about a six-year-old, Susan Walker (Natalie Wood) who is skeptical of the Christmas myth surrounding Santa Claus, a trait she perhaps learned from her mother, Doris Walker (Maureen O'Hara).

Doris is faced with a dilemma when an older man, Kris Kringle complains to her that the Santa she had hired was intoxicated. She persuades Kris to take his place. He does so well that he is hired to play Santa at Macy's New York City store on 34th Street.

When Kringle surprises customers and employees alike by claiming that he really is Santa Claus, it leads to a court case to determine his mental health and, more importantly, his authenticity.



Miracle on 34th is a 1947 Street American Christmas comedy-drama film released by 20th Century Fox, written directed by and George Seaton and based on a story by Valentine Davies. It stars Maureen O'Hara, John Payne, Natalie Wood, and Edmund Gwenn.



*Miracle on 34th Street* won three Academy Awards: Gwenn for Best Actor in a Supporting Role, Valentine Davies for Best Writing, Original Story, and George Seaton for Best Writing, Screenplay.

The film was nominated for Best Picture, losing to Gentleman's Agreement.

*Miracle on 34th Street* received positive reviews from critics. Bosley Crowther of The New York Times said: "For all those blasé skeptics who do not believe in Santa Claus – and likewise for all those natives who have grown cynical about New York –but most especially for all those patrons who have grown weary of the monotonies of the screen, let us heartily recommend *Miracle on 34th Street.* As a matter of fact, let's go further: let's catch its spirit and heartily proclaim that it is the freshest little picture in a long time, and maybe even the best comedy of this year."

In 1985, it became one of the first full-length black and white films to be colorized.

In 1993, this version was released on VHS and LaserDisc, and was followed four years later by a "50th Anniversary Edition" on both formats

In 2005, the film was selected for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically or aesthetically significant". The Academy Film Archive preserved *Miracle on 34th Street* in 2009.

**Miracle on 34th Street** was listed as the fifth best film in the fantasy genre in the American Film Institute's "Ten top Ten" lists in 2008.

May the miracle of the season bless you with Peace and Love as you celebrate a Happy Thanksgiving!