

On Sunday our Battle of the Books team took part in the Regional Battle of the Books tournament that's held annually. The tournament took place at Orange County Community College.



Students had to read nine books over the summer, all from different genres. They then had to answer questions about the books in an intense completion.

Out of eleven competing libraries, our team finished in second place! Team members included RJ Leach, Gwen Redman, Em Richardson, Sophia Richardson, and Katelyn Sauer. The team was coached by Jessica Dymond, Matt Haynes, and Samantha Morgan.

We're proud of our team's wonderful accomplishment. Congratulations to all!

Fallsburg Town Clerk Donna Akerley Retires



After almost 33 years, Donna Akerley, Fallsburg Town Clerk, said it was time to move on, and she will be retiring from her position effective August 31.

Akerley said it feels like the right time "for me to pass the torch."

'Thanks to our wonderful community and voters; I'm fortunate to have kept my job this long," Akerley said. I feel honored to have been entrusted with my position and serving the good people of the Town of Fallsburg".

The Town Clerk's office Akerley said, is the gateway to the town's government, "We're the first face you see, and as a town clerk, I always strive to do my best and to keep a smooth and friendly interaction for the community."

She first started down the path of becoming the Fallsburg Town Clerk when she was appointed as Deputy Town Clerk on November 1, 1989, after being chosen off a civil service exam.

Then 2007, a fter working as Deputy Town Clerk, the position of Town clerk opened up, and she was offered a chance to run for Town Clerk. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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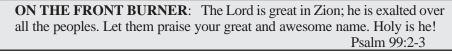
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OBITUARY

Louise M. Henderson, age 75,



passed away surrounded by her loved ones at home in Grahamsville. NY on Saturday, August 27, 2022. She was born September 1946 17. in Mountaindale,

NY to Adee and Marjorie Budd. While attending Fallsburg High School, she her husband, Thomas met С. Henderson when he was visiting Louise's brothers at their farmhouse while they were members of FFA (Future Farmers of America). Their love blossomed leading to wedlock of 57 years. They married in 1965 during a snowstorm, but that didn't stop them from enjoying a honeymoon at Niagara Falls and eventually moved into their current home in Grahamsville.

Louise was the local seamstress making sure everyone in the area had a place to drop their clothes for alterations. Her customers were fortunate to pick up their finished hems and alterations on a day when she was making her homemade white bread and other baked goods that she loved to share. Her baked goods made her famous with all her daughters' and grandchildren's friends for years (especially with her zucchini bread and carrot cake). She thoroughly enjoyed raising her daughters and grandchildren with her oldfashioned, caring ways.

Louise is survived by her husband, Thomas; brothers Victor and Daniel Budd; daughters Elizabeth and Ivalyn; grandchildren, Michael (Caitlin), Jazmyn (Ashton), Kyle and Tabatha; and great grandchildren, Chase, Colt, Loghan, Bennett and Aria.

In honor of Louise, a graveside service will be held on September 9, 2022, starting at 11am located at the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery across from Tri-Valley Central School. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Ulster Heights Methodist Church 1264 Ulster Heights Road Ellenville, New York 12428. Arrangements under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information call 845-434-7363 or visit http://www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

September 3, 1952

Miss Adelle Brown, daughter of Mr. Austin Brown of Lackawack, and Mr. Paul Henderson, don of Mrs. Mary Henderson and the late Robert Henderson of Yeagerville, were united in marriage on September 2, 1952 at St. Mary's R.C. Church in Ellenville.

Something new has been added to the already exciting list of fair events, with the announcement that the Aerial Charltons will put on their thrill packed act at the 73rd Annual fair. Two of the world's outstanding aerial acrobats and gymnasts, the man and woman team will veritably defy death as they execute thrilling stunts on their ladder and double trapeze apparatus when they appear at the Grahamsville Fair on Wed., Sept. 10th.

August 22, 1962

Mrs. Philip Hamilton, the former Rosemarie Singer, has earned her Master's Degree at the University of Arizona. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Singer, formerly of Peekamoose, and now living in West Shokan. She graduated from Tri Valley School in 1952 with the first senior class to graduate from the new Central School.

James J. McCarthy, former chairman of the English department at TVCS, is the new administrator and head of studies at the Grier School, Tyrone, Pa. Before joining the staff at Tri Valley, he spent two years in the Arm Signal Corps, engaged in psychological research for the Electronic Warfar Department. Mr. McCarthy is also taking doctoral work at Teachers College, Columbia University.

The Little World's Fair is the place to be, for a day that's happy, without a care. There's lots to do and eat and see, Heigh ho! Come to the fair. KUM TO KRUM'S

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History (From Pg. 2) **September 6, 1972**

won the Tri-States F.F.A. Speaking Contest at Syracuse on August Vernoov. 29th. Pat, a Tri-Valley senior, beat the contestants from New Jersey and Pennsylvania. She will next compete in the North Atlantic Regional contest at Springfield, Mass. on September 15th.

Turkey calling, a new and special feature, has been added to the already impressive list of events at the 7th Annual Sullivan County Sportsmen's Show this weekend. Billed as the first New York State Turkey Calling contest will return cash prizes and trophies to those persons adept enough to impress the judges with their artistry.

September 2, 1982

Anna M. Furman of Benton Hollow Road, Woodbourne, a lifelong area resident, died Friday in Narrowsburg after a long illness. She was 78. The daughter of the late George and Lea Bell VanInwegan Burnham, she was born July 21, 1904 in Thompsonville. She was a member of the Concerned Citizens of Hasbrouck and was the widow of Harrison Furman.

Teresa Banks and John W. Crowfoot were married on August 21 in the Sundown Methodist Church with the Rev. Clyde Bradway officiating. The bride is the daughter of Richard Banks of Liberty and the bridegroom is the son of John and Ginny Crowfoot of Sundown.

Not every church commemorates the 100th anniversary of its church building by putting on a new roof, but that's just what the Grahamsville Reformed Church has done. The church is actually 138 years old but along the way, in 1882, it outgrew the origina church, built in 1844 at the cost of \$1,000. This charming church can still be seen in Wawarsing. On November 2, 1882, at a cost of \$2273, the present church was dedicated.

Lighting of the **Red Hill Fire Tower 2022**

On Saturday, September 3, 2022 at approximately 8:30 pm, volunteers will place lights in the Red Hill Fire Tower and use spot lights to signal the local community. Volunteers will also be placing lights in the four other Catskill Fire Towers; Balsam Lake Mt., Hunter Mt., Tremper Mt., and Overlook Mt..

We encourage the community to come out and flash light signals to the tower. If you flash your lights at us, we will do our best to flash a light back to you.

Some of the locations you can see the Red Hill Fire Tower from are; The parking area off of Rt. 55 on the Merriman Dam of the Rondout Reservoir, Blue Hill Rd., Claryville/Denning Rd. south of the East Valley Farm of the YMCA, Red Hill Knolls Rd., and Rudolph Rd., (one of the nearest locations to the tower.) There will be small signs placed by these locations.

We hope you can come out and show your support for the fire towers.

In the event of rain or zero visibility, the "Lighting of the Towers" will take place on Sunday, Sept.4, 2022.

Stay safe and thank you for your support!

Red Hill Fire Tower Committee

Household Hint: Trap fruit flies

You can make traps for them that can be used anywhere around your house by filling an old jar about halfway with apple cide vinegarr. Punch a few holes in the lid, screw it back on, and you're good to go.

Nature Column - A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman Ladies that we have loved so much and lost... Peggy Patricia Gorman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Gorman DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill, Joyce Lockhart, Jean ofParksville, and a member of the Tri-Valley Chapter of the F.F.A., Helthaler, Karen Curry, Barbara Slater, Shirley Davis and Hulda

The Real Villain of this Allergy Season?

Itchy eyes and a runny nose this time of year is so commonly blamed on those blazing fields of goldenrod. A few years

back when Peggy De Wire was with us, she published a column on Goldenrod, it was then that I learned the true culprit of this seasonal allergy.

According to Peggy's notes:

"As Jean and I were enjoying a cup of tea at my kitchen table, she waved her spoon at the vase of bright yellow Goldenrod saying, "That flower causes hay fever.'



"Does not," I said. "Goldenrod gets blamed for hay fever because it blooms at the same time as ragweed, the real villain - Goldenrod is insect pollinated; ragweed is wind pollinated."

"Maybe so," Jean replied, holding her cup for a refill. Mmm this tea is good and different. Licorice flavored and pretty yellow in color."

"Jean, we're drinking Sweet Goldenrod tea that I made from the leaves of the bouquet!"

The 'real' villain - Ragweed! Scientists estimate that a single ragweed plant can release one billion grains of pollen over the course of a single ragweed season. And the grains are so light that they float easily even on gentle breezes. Pollen has been detected as far as 400 miles out to sea and up to two miles high in the atmosphere.

If that sounds bad, things may soon get even worse. Recent studies suggest that rising temperatures and carbon dioxide levels are extending ragweed season.

In most parts of the country, the season used to start in mid-August and run through September; now it seems to begin from the first of August through mid-October.

Ragweed is a common perennial herb growing a slender, branching, straw-colored stem to a maximum height near five feet, but more often remaining under thirty-six inches tall. Leaves are up to 4 inches long and vary in shape from lanceshaped to nearly oval, and they are divided into many narrow, pointed lobes. The stem and leaves are hairy

The top of the stem is occupied by an inflorescence (complete flowerhead of a plant including stems, stalks, bracts, and flowers) which is usually a spike. The species has both male and female reproductive organs; the flowerhead is composed of staminate (male) flower heads with the pistillate heads located below and in the axils of leaves.

The pistillate heads yield fruits which are achenes located within oval-shaped greenish-brown burs about 1/6 of an inch long. The burs are hairy and sometimes spiny. The plant reproduces by seed and by sprouting up from a creeping rhizome-like root system.

Now that we know the truth, maybe we should do what Peggy's friend did.

As she got up to leave, Jean said, 'I think I'll dry some leaves and make my own Sweet Goldenrod tea.' And she sniffed the yellow flowers on her way out."

Fallsburg Town Clerk Donna Akerley Retires

(From Pg. 1) "After 18 years of experience, I figured it would be a good time to give it a try and advance myself with the town, and I was successful," Akerley said.

And Akerley has run successfully and won ever since 2007.

Akerley was born in Mount Vernon, NY and grew up in the Ulster County area but then moved to Sullivan County after meeting her future husband, Eric Akerley.

"I followed my heart and moved up here to Sullivan County to be with him," said Akerley.

Her husband is a retired corrections officer and past fire chief of the Woodridge fire department, her son, Nolan, is a corrections officer and the current fire chief for Woodridge and her daughter, Amie, is an Executive Host at Resorts World Catskills. "I am extremely proud of my family and their accomplishments and have been blessed to have such a strong support system behind my career all these years".

When looking back at her career as a town clerk, she says there are so many fond memories, such as being involved in the community and volunteering with various organizations in Fallsburg, and getting to know so many people has been the most meaningful for her.

"I'm very fortunate to have a wonderful community to live in and work in. I raised my family here and have enjoyed a beautiful life in the Town of Fallsburg said Akerley.

She said over the years and seeing everyone who comes through her office; she has been able to develop lasting friendships and that is really special.

"Just seeing their smiling faces and coming in and chatting with me, sharing their lives and stories with me, it's been very, very rewarding," said Akerley. "I am happy to have been able to connect with so many people and make them feel more comfortable when entering the town hall".

Not only was Akerley the town clerk, but wore many different hats in the Fallsburg government.

She was also the Land Tax Collector, Marriage Officer, Licensing Officer, Permits Officer, Elections Officer, Notary,Past Website Master, FOIL Officer, and Records Management Officer, and Registrar of Vital Statistics for the town.

"All of these titles are very important and hold a great deal of responsibility. Yet, being a marriage officer and actually performing someone's marriage ceremony, Akerley said, "It's one of the most enjoyable parts of the job for me. It's been amazing to share in someone's special day like that, and an honor to even be asked to do something so beautiful". Akerley is the first Town Clerk to ever be appointed marriage officer in the history of the Town of Fallsburg.

Technology has evolved since her time as a Deputy Town Clerk and Town Clerk. Akerley said we used to write all our transactions, deeds, agreements and tax collections by hand on a ledger book. But soon, as time passed, technology had to be upgraded to keep up with the town's demands.

"I always welcome technology because I love learning. I don't feel you can ever stop learning something new," said Akerley.

In fact, Åkerley said she was part of team that helped transition the town from analog to digital implementing the towns utility billing system.

After Akerley retires on August 31, she said she is looking forward to returning back to the "private sector of her life" and no longer being a public official. "The sheer volume of information and history and responsibility I've had all these years is truly mind boggling". Akerley said. "Tax collection alone has been one of the most intricate parts of the job, having to balance millions of hard-earned taxpayer's dollars perfectly each year is a challenge and is not to be taken lightly".

"I just want to spend more time with my family and have more time to enjoy all the things that make me happy". said Akerley.

However, while she is stepping down from her position, she said she will continue to be part of the community and is not going anywhere and will continue to volunteer her time.

One of the things she is most proud of during her time as town clerk has been the "giving tree." It was a sustainable project brought to her from the girl scouts at the time and Donna has kept it going for many years.

The giving tree is full of items that have been donated and hung outside for those who are less fortunate to come and take a bag of what they need without judgement.

"It was extremely successful, and I will still continue to do the program at a different location added Akerley. She has also used her office as the hub for local food pantry donations which are distributed equally between those locations for over the last 15 years. Donna has also utilized her office getting backpacks filled with school supplies and holiday gifts to children in the community through her partnership with the Boys and Girls Club.

Looking back at her time, she said, "it's been great fun; you try to keep things as friendly as possible yet remain professional and consistent at the same time. A lot of people will come in sometimes, and they don't know what to expect and are a little apprehensive. I've taken great pride in always trying to make people feel comfortable when they come in and let them know they're welcome and can ask whatever they need. And if I can help them, I absolutely would help them. And if I can't, I will absolutely find out how I can." "The words "I don't know" have always been unacceptable to me". Akerley said. "I pride myself on treating the public with a higher standard and wouldn't know how to be anything less than what they deserve".

When Akerley is not working as a town clerk, she loves taking photographs, cooking, and entertaining.

"I love to create, and I can definitely get my creativeness flowing in my kitchen, and I love to share it with my friends and family, and that brings me great pleasure and just being outdoors in nature,"

And Akerley plans in her retirement to spend more time outdoors and travel to places in the country that she has not yet been to. "There is a whole world out there I've yet to discover, and I can't hardly wait to take it all in".

She added, "I appreciate all the kind support from my community over the years, allowing me to remain their town clerk". I'm going to miss seeing their faces on a regular basis from my office. I just hope everyone stays happy and healthy and are kind to one another, our world definitely needs more kindness".

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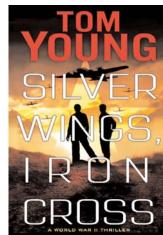


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Legacy Mysterious Book Report No. 3 Published June 2020 MBR 409 Silver Wings, Iron Cross

Sliver wings, Iron Cross Mysterious Book Report No. 409 by John Dwaine McKenna

Whether you're a fan of history, action-adventure stories or hair-raising thrillers-maybe even all three, as I am-an exciting reading treat is in store for all those who get their hands on a copy of a new WWII thriller entitled, Silver Wings, Iron Cross, (Kensington Publishing, \$27.00, 376 pages, ISBN 978-1-4967-3040-5) by Tom Young, whose work is drawing rave reviews from all quarters.

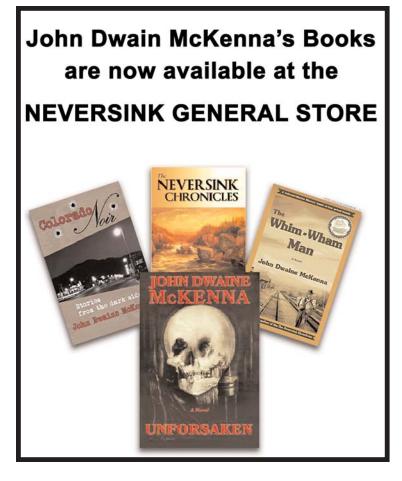


Silver Wings, Iron Cross begins in the late fall of 1944, D-Day has been successfully pulled off in June, and the Allied Armies are fighting their way across Europe. Large parts of France as well as Belgium and the Low Countries have been liberated. From England, the U.S. Eighth Air Force is bombing the industrial heart of Germany during daylight hours, while the British Royal Air Force bombs most every night in a relentless attack aimed at breaking Hitler's ability and will to continue the fight.

Southern England is where US Army Air Force 1st Lieutenant Karl Hagen and his crew are about to take off on their 35th, and final run in a B-17 bomber nicknamed Hellstorm. After the mission is done they'll become members of an exclusive club and be assigned stateside duties back home. Trouble is, the pilot, Karl Hagen, is a second generation German-American . . . and although he hasn't told anyone . . . he has relatives living in Bremen, which is their target for this final mission.

Meanwhile, at sea, Oberleutnant Wilhelm Albrecht, the XO, or executive Officer and second in command of German attack submarine U-351, is doing his best to honor his nation and Kriegsmarine oath by sinking as much Allied Shipping as possible. But, like Karl Hagen, Wilhelm Albrecht is also conflicted. Poorly supplied and badly equipped, the U-boats are being chased down and sunk by Allied sub hunters in the air and on the sea using new technologies that weren't available earlier in the war, when U-boats, hunting in wolf packs were the terror of all Merchant Mariners.

Now, after a long, exhausting sea patrol and with heavy battle damage, U-351 is trying to limp home to the submarine base at Bremen. There, it'll be patched back together as best they can with makeshift repairs, rearmed and sent back on patrol... where they're ordered to Sink as many enemy ships as possible, followed by what amounts to a suicide command. The order causes the submarine warrior to desert, as he tries to save his crew from going back out to sea and certain death.



In the skies over the burning city of Bremen, relentless fighter plane and artillery attacks are decimating the air armada. One of the causalities is the Hellstorm, and Karl Hagen is the last man to bailout of the doomed B-17.

Both men are now alone, on the run and hunted by the authorities. They meet in a chance encounter when both of them take refuge in the same burned out building. Running for their lives, the two young officers are at first hostile and suspicious enemies. Later, they become reluctant allies as life on the run forces them to help each other avoid capture and stay alive. In the end, they forge a deep bond of friendship when an act of courage by one of them saves many lives in the face of certain death in this complex, action-filled and well-written WWII drama that will turn every reader into a fan.

Tom Young has crafted a twisty, kinetic and battle-laden war story that, at the same time, lays open the hearts and minds of the courageous and incredibly young persons who went to war as kids and emerged as the men and women we honor today as The Greatest Generation.

Read Silver Wings, Iron Cross for yourself and see why it's destined to become a classic!

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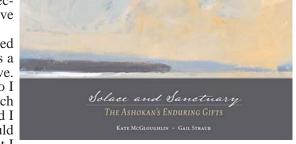
The Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda Covid Battle

When Covid 19 hit over two and a half years ago, I retreated to my mountain fortress and hunkered in. I admit to overstocking on toilet paper and wine. I began making cloth masks and giving them out because there was a surgical mask shortage. Elastic and bleach were in short supply too. There was no vaccine or treatment, and media frightened the stuffing out of us with statistics of hospitalizations and deaths deaths. No one was prepared to confront this viral menace.

Fast forward to now and we have multiple vaccines and treatment, an abundance of masks and protective devices, and the virus is still with us. We have become complacent and tolerant of Covid.

This week the coronavirus found me vaccinated and prepared even though I masked up in stores and gatherings. My contact was a delightful hug from someone who thought he had "allergies" until he tested positive.

I am double vaccinated and double boostered, so I guess you would say I had mild symptoms which are still the worst upper respiratory coughing cold I can remember. At one point I thought I would drown from the inside out. Luckily, ex-scout that I



was, I was prepared with multiple tissues, cough syrups, cough drops, chicken soup, and the luxury of not having to do much of anything. I cannot imagine someone trying to care for kids or having responsibilities of any kind. I just did personal battle with the virus, and I think I am winning.

I am also on Paxlovid, a treatment of three marble size pills, twice a day, for five days. I am halfway there. It is helping, but the after-taste is something like the taste of a broth of simmered rusty tin cans and gym socks. Not complaining! Thank goodness I followed my common sense to be prepared to do battle with this prevalent plague.

Thanks to science and progress, I am confident that I will not be hospitalized or die.

I hope you will not let your guard down. I truly thought I would escape the scourge of the pandemic or that it would just die out. Be wary, prepared, and test often to protect those around you. If this was a light case, you do not want to do battle with a full-blown case of Covid 19.





<u>ATTENTION DATE</u> <u>CHANGE</u> Walk or Run to Small Town Country 4-H Club's 5K Fundraiser

http://www.sheeleyexcavating.com

HORTONVILLE, NY-The Small Town Country 4-H Club invites the public to its third annual **Live, Love, Serve: 4-H 5K race** on Sunday, October 16, 2022 (ATTENTION: THIS DATE HAS CHANGED FROM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH TO SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH 2022!). This unique 4-H club fundraiser will begin at 9:00 am on a USA Track & Field (USATF) certified course* on Main Street in Hortonville. Dayof registration and race packet pick-up will begin at 7:00 am. Participants can walk or run. * USATF NY 1808oJG.

Youth must be at least 8 years old to participate. Youth under 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Participants can register as individuals or as a team, and do not have to be previously enrolled in 4-H to enter. The first 100 registrants will receive a race shirt!

Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for 4-H youth members. Registration can be completed by searching "Live Love Serve" at www.eventbright.com or contacting the 4-H club at smalltowncountry4h@gmail.com. Payment can be made with credit in advance online or with cash and checks at registration time day-of. Check the Live, Love, Serve 4-H 5K Facebook page @liveloveserve5k for additional details and forms.

Small Town Country 4-H is a dynamic group of local youth who are interested in agriculture, the outdoors, nature, the arts, and in discovering all the benefits of their rural lifestyle while being active volunteers and contributing through service to our community.

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Auditions for this year's Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop's Haunted Theatre Tours are August 31, September 1 and 2 from 7 to 9 PM. at the Rivoli Theatre at 5243 Main Street South Fallsburg NY. Our Tour dates are October 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, and 29. For additional information or to set up an individual audition please contact the director Dawn at nyx6117@yahoo.com

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Sundown Wild Forest: Peekamoose Blue Hole & Riparian Corridor; Kaaterskill Wild Forest and Indian Head Wilderness

Sundown Wild Forest: Permits are necessary to recreate or camp in the valley from May 15th - September 15th each year.

Peekamoose Blue Hole & Riparian Corridor: DEC has issued special regulations for the Blue Hole and Peekamoose Valley because of the huge increase in visitors. The purpose of these regulations is to increase public safety and reduce the impacts to the environmental resource. Visitors are required to obtain a permit for a \$10 fee through Reserve America, consistent with the fees for other recreation-oriented Day Use areas in the Forest Preserve from May 15th-September 15th;

Kaaterskill Wild Forest and Indian Head Wilderness: Town of Hunter has parking restrictions on Route 23A and Platte Clove Road. Park only at designated DEC parking lots. Come prepared with back-up options and move on if the area's parking lot is full. Any illegally parked vehicle will be ticketed and towed to the Town Hall Impound Lot.

UD, DEC and State Parks Battle Wildland Fire in Minnewaska State Park

UC Executive Pat Ryan announces continuing suppression efforts to fight wildfires at Napanoch Point area of Minnewaska State Park, which is currently estimated at 30 acres

ELLENVILLE, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today continuing suppression efforts to fight wildfires in the Napanoch Point area of Minnewaska State Park through a unified command between New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers and staff volunteers, Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) staff and Ulster County Department of Emergency Services with support form New York State Police (NYSP) Aviation and the State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES).

"I want to thank all the agencies, staff and volunteers who have coordinated on the response and assure residents that we are doing everything we can to keep people safe," Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said. "Conditions right now are very dry, and we must remain vigilant and careful about fires." "We want to assure the local community that we are doing everything we can to keep the fire well within the park and





DEC and away from residential areas," DEC Forest Ranger Robbi Mecus said.

"Our local first responders from all over Ulster County are working alongside our extremely skilled State partners to contain this fire. We urge our residents to use caution during this time of extremely dry County Emergency Services Everett Erichsen said

weather and follow the local regulations," Director of Ulster County Emergency Services Everett Erichsen said. The Napanoch Fire in Ulster County is believed to have been started by a lightning strike on August 27th. Due to remote and rugged terrain, NYSP Aviation was called in to assist with scouting the fire and providing bucket drops. On August 28th, nearly one hundred State and local firefighters, working in a joint unified command led by DEC Forest Rangers, engaged in a suppression effort. Two NYSP helicopters have conducted over a hundred bucket drops.

Assisting on-scene are firefighters from Accord, Kerhonkson, Ellenville, Cragsmoor, Napanoch, Walker Valley, Marlboro, Olive, Wallkill, New Paltz Rescue, DEC, OPRHP and Mohonk Preserve. Additional agencies assisting the effort are the Ulster County Sheriff's Office, Ulster County Department of Emergency Services and DHSES.

Over the next 24 hours, the fire is expected to spread and crews will continue to work on suppression efforts. There's one seasonal hunting cabin within the vicinity of the Napanoch Fire, and no immediate threat to residents. If conditions change, notifications will be made. Extremely dry conditions and difficult terrain are increasing the challenges in containing the fire. DEC is working with local fire departments to coordinate a water supply to reach the fire.

To view an up-to-date list of trail closures due to forest fire, visit the Minnewaska State Park Preserve website.

New York's Hudson Valley and Catskill regions remain at high fire danger risk (find the current Fire Danger Map here: https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/68329.html), meaning outdoor fires have the potential to spread quickly, especially if the wind picks up. Fires may become serious and difficult to control unless successfully contained while small. DEC continues to encourage New Yorkers and visitors to follow the recommendations below to reduce the risk of wildfires.

While camping in the backcountry, New Yorkers are advised to:

Use existing campfire rings where possible;

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

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

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

For information on open burning and campfire safety in New York, go to DEC's Open Burning in New York and Fire Safety When Camping webpages. For further questions about wildfires, call 1-833-NYS-RANGERS and call 911 to report a wildfire.

Regular updates on the status of the fire response will be posted on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @UlsterNY. For general questions or concerns, call the Ulster County Service Center (845) 443-8888.

Everything is Peachy in Sullivan Catskills

While National Peach Pie Day was last week, peaches are still in season. Pack a bag, grab a fork, and dig in some peachy keen summertime fun to enjoy with family and friends this weekend - or anytime!

Our hoteliers can't wait to see you. We have full-service resorts ready to service your every need. There are self-catering vacation rentals, and plenty of campgrounds, B&B's, charming country inns, hotels, and motels.

If you are in Sullivan Catskills today, bet you'll find some tasty peach pies in our cafes, bakeries, diners, and restaurants. If you can't, don't worry. We'll save you some. Our Sullivan Catskills Farmers Markets will surely have a stash of pies - peach and otherwise, for you to indulge in. Our chefs, bakers, and farmers have so much more Catskill-icious goodness to fill your stomach.

We're pretty good at feeding your soul, too. From historical talks and live concerts, to dance, theatrical performances and more. Check it out:

The festival season has kicked off at Bethel Woods with the first of the 6-week long Harvest Festivals- the annual much-loved farmer's market featuring regional makers, food trucks, music and more.

Our wide-open spaces beckon outdoor enthusiasts. Discover our trails or explore the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail, a collection of 60 hand painted sculptures paying homage to the 1969 Woodstock Music and Art Festival. Try out a pair of Leki hiking poles from the folks at Morgan Outdoors in Hurleyville. Another trail worth exploring after you've worked up a good sweat is our Good Taste Beverage Trail, it's a collection of a dozen breweries, distilleries, cideries, NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE

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and wineries, all featuring hand-crafted beverages by local entrepreneurs. Strike up a conversation. They love to talk about their craft. Shoppers always make unexpected finds here. You'll love our collection of general stores, wine and liquor store, antique stores, home good stores, or clothing stores.

Check our Sullivan Catskills Go App (from the Apple Store or Google Play Store) events page, our Facebook events page and our website calendar for other fun things to do including Rich and the Jumpstarts at Cabernet Frank's and Late Night Adult Comedy Night at Villa Roma, both on Thursday and an Outdoor Art of Wellness Class on the Terrace Stage at Bethel Woods on Sunday morning. Plan Ahead:

Concerts at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts include: Gavin DeGraw: Face the River Tour on August 31 and Darius Rucker with Jameson Rodgers & Elvie Shane - September 3

The General Jerk Talent Show at Cochecton Pump House with MC, Brett August - September 3.

The Labor Day Weekend Bash at Kartrite Resort and Waterpark - September 4.

Jeanne MacDonald performs at the Bradstan Cabaret Series at the Eldred Preserve - September 4

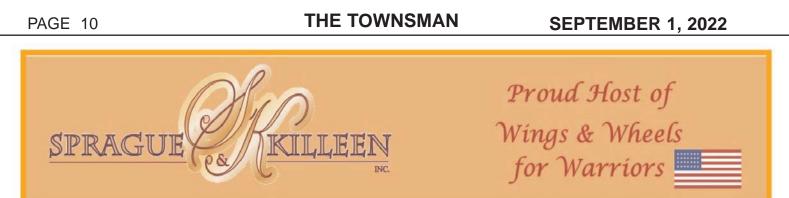
Golf for a good cause at the A Single Bite Golf Event - September 22.

The Jeff Jamboree, a day of fun-filled family events including the annual Duck Race - September 17.

The 2022 Warrior Golf Tournament - September 18 at Swan Lake Golf and Country Club - 100% of the proceeds fund service animals and pet insurance for disabled veterans and first responders.

The Catskills Challenge: Race to Benefit Delaware Valley Arts Alliance - a 5 and 10 race September 10 at 8 am.

The Conductor's Clambake - a late summer event with live music, beer, fun, vendors & CLAMS!



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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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The Scene Too -Jane Harrison

Did ya miss me??

In brief, during a battery of tests on my heart, it was found that I had a narrowing - almost a blockage. To say this was a shock would be an understatement. So was being immediately put on three medications, one of which made me extremely lethargic. It was almost a month before I could open up to people I knew had had heart problems that I was scheduled for a cardiac catherization. The response was always the same: "It's not a big deal. They put the catheter in, take a look, and if you need a stent, they do it right then. You'll feel 100% better." Did these statements ally my sense of dread? Of course not! But you know what? They were absolutely right. It was that simple. And I didn't need a stent.

That's good, right? And then comes the list of things you cannot do again...ever....the worst of which is the food. Right now. with all the Farmer's Market's offering fresh veggies and fruit, it's easy. Come winter, where it's twenty below after an ice storm, not so much. I've even gone so far as to purchase a second vegan cookbook which seems to offer foods that actually sound good for colder weather. It's a journey, I'll say that and I ran across a phrase that pretty much sums up every



step: "I was today years old when I learned....' Still, I did get ing

out twice dur-August. Once to the Farmer's Market at Rock Hill where I was treated to the music of THE BARD



of Irish and Folk music and a special acoustic mandolin. This was the kind of music that made me wish I had brought a chair. I would have liked to hear more. Well laden with purchases, (including rhubarb which immediately was turned in 'crisp'. Bad Jane.), reluctantly left and looked up this performer since I hadn't known there was a BARD OF THE HILLS. Turns out there's a good reason, he performs at

Farmer's Markets and Taprooms and Brewerys from Sparta, NJ to Milford, PA to Cherry Valley, NY!! THE BARD OF THE HILLS is now on my radar.

My second outing was this last Saturday and what turned out to be the largest

craft's fair I've seen all summer. It was held at CLARY-THE VILLE FIRE DE-PARTMENT and I'm pretty sure had something for everybody. There were marvelous



knit and crocheted items, beautifully quilted pieces, authors, photographers, special aromatheraphy items, rag and rattan rugs...you name it. And look who I ran into! FRANK and LINDA COMMANDO, the faces

of our TOWNSMAN. Linda shared a table, bringing several of her adorable hand crafted gnomes in autumn colors. And I did find a few things I could not resist. And



where else could you get your hot dog cooked to perfection by the Fire Chief!!

It's been one heck of an August, hasn't it. From the box truck that lost



its brakes and crashed through Zanneti's to what was left of the old Grossingers burning. In Hurleyville, one of the rental houses caught fire on a Monday and was quickly put out. On



Wednesday, it caught fire again and burned to the ground. The Rhine River has run dry and I heard several waterways around here have gone dry as well. The Neversink Reservoir is lower than I have ever seen it. And I hope September brings some much needed relief in all areas.

Have a safe and fun LABOR DAY !!! Until next time.....

For more pictures of this year's Claryville Fire Department Craft and Vendor Sale, in a few days, click on this link: http://comando.50megs.com/claryvillefd2022fair/Fair2022.pdf



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Fallsburg Family Fun Festival Welcomes the New School Year

On Saturday September 24, 2022 from 11 AM to 4 PM, Fallsburg Central School District's Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) presents a Car Show Fundraiser at the high school parking lot, with many family-oriented activities outside and inside the building. A group of six dedicated parents has instilled new life in the PTO in the past year and helped the Board of Education and Administration put together two outstanding events at both Benjamin Cosor Elementary School and the Jr/Sr High School. Last winter was the ice-skating event and last spring was the Family Engagement Day.

The FCSD Administration, especially, the Board of Education Committee on School Engagement and the Family and Community Engagement Director Dr. Aleta Lymon, have provided the impetus to those earlier activities and are leading the way for the Car Show Fundraiser. There is a \$5 fee to enter a car, and prizes will be offered to the Best Car in the Show. Tickets are available from the PTO by phone at (845) 202-0922 and by e-mail fjshspto@gmail.com.

The PTO steering committee's main purpose is to continue to build on the strong community involvement in the school district. They are also raising consciousness about their organization and how critical is the engagement of parents in supporting the children and the schools. The pandemic over the past few years has taken a great toll on the children, the teachers and staff, and the parents. Now, more than ever, groups of concerned community members are needed to bring a return to pre-Covid normalcy, with the school as a center of learning and family fun-based activities.

Just a sampling of September 24's activities are the car show, tie-dye, make your own sundaes, cupcake decoration, fresh fruit shakes, make up and face painting, and enjoying baked goods and other foods. Stations will be set up for each activity, with nominal donations (\$1) to help pay for materials.

The PTO is requesting donations of supplies for the activities and any financial contributions to make this day a rousing success. Tax exempt information is available on request. Funds raised will support Fallsburg JSHS student participation as needed for class trips.

Please feel free to contact the PTO or the FCSD for further information. And please come out with your family to enjoy the festivities.

Labor Day Weekend -Delightfully Enchanting Live Music at the Tusten Theatre

DVAA is thrilled to welcome Stephen Clair Band to the Tusten Theatre, Saturday, September 3rd, at 7:30 PM. Joining Stephen Clair are Nate Allen on electric bass and Aaron Latos on drums.

The itinerant troubadour, writing and performing songs from Seattle to the south of France, Stephen Clair has been everywhere, man. Clair first came to prominence when WFUV pronounced its love for "Jen In Her Underwear," putting him on the map but the road. A thousand shows and half a dozen albums later, Stephen Clair is ready with his 9th full-length record, To The Trees. Where the Wild Things Are meets The Kinks

Believe me you will buy tickets once you hear the music.

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Clair's wry humor and sharp eye have been likened to folks like The Felice Brothers, John Prine, and Ray Davies. He relishes life on earth, particularly his well-traveled little slice of it. It's messy, difficult, a little funky, and always changing. Clair sings of three-legged dogs leading parades and of leaving his boots in the street in hopes that someone with the right size feet might come along. Clair is a singular songwriter and performer, a man with a voice all his own.

Then there's the unmistakable sound of Stephen Clair with a guitar. (When is he without one?) He lures so many sounds from six strings. In his hands, that little black and white Martin sings. And what magic does he do to coax those sounds out of a Telecaster? It's a major topic of conversation-a buzz, a hubbub, a roar-after each of his shows.

Check out Stephen Clair on Spotify and see his videos: Let it Out, To The Trees, Not You, and Vacation Back Home.

TICKETS & LOCATION

Performance takes place at the Tusten Theatre, located at 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg, NY.

Tickets \$25 advance / \$30 at door (\$20/\$25 DVAA Members). Kids 12 and under are free. Show starts at 7:30 PM. Box office / concession opens at 7:00 PM.

Tickets may be purchased by calling (845) 252-7576 or online at www.delawarevalleyartsalliance.org. **COVID SAFETY PROTOCOLS**

COVID Safety protocols apply to attending DVAA's events. For a complete list of current safety protocols and attendee requirements, visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org/covid-safety-policy/.

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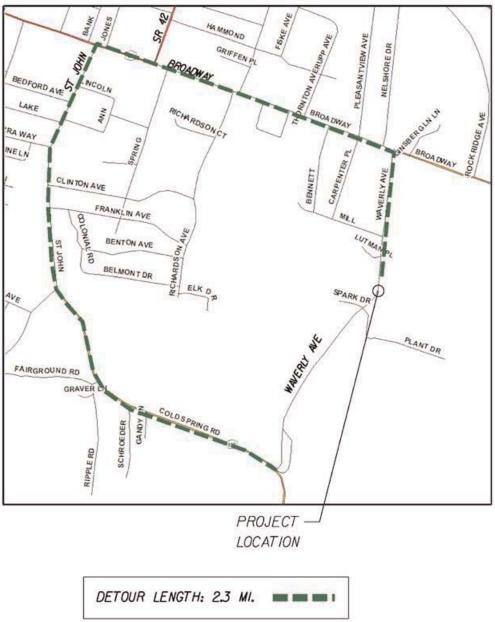
DVAA's programs are made possible thanks in part to the New York State Council on the Arts, a State Agency with support from the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature; the Sullivan County Legislature; the Nancy Stevenson Memorial Fund; the Fair Games Fund; the Heartland Embers Fund, our 2022 Business Sponsors; DVAA members; and individuals like you.

SULLIVAN COUNTY ROAD CLOSURE

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Waverly Avenue in the Village of Monticello to replace County Bridge 449, located approximately 0.2 mi. south of the intersection of East Broad-way and W-verly Avenue.

This section of Waverly Avenue is scheduled to be closed to all traffic starting at 8 a.m. September 6, 2022, remaining closed for approximately 5 weeks.

(See map to the right)



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Happenings in our Gneighborhood –Gnorman the Roamin' Catskill Gnome

This Friday and Saturday from 9 am to 12 Noon will be the **last Indoor Yard Sale at the Sundown UMC Church Hall** for this season. Start the Labor Day Weekend holiday at the Indoor Yard Sale. You will find a nice selection –sundries, curiosities, collectibles, vintage jewelry, quilts, handmade articles and Halloween and Christmas decorations. Check out their **FREE** table and the **HALF PRICE** table. It will be a fun day –hot dogs, chips and water will be available to purchase. Also, if you are planning on going to the **Sundown UMC Chicken BBQ on Sept. 24**, you can pick up your tickets during the Indoor Yard

Sale. See Carol Newman. We always look forward to the **Sundown UMC Chicken BBQ**. It is the best for sure! If you still want to find yard sale bargains you can always go to the monthly **Covered Dish Supper at the Sundown Church Hall the first Saturday of each month**. Tables with treasures and finds will be on display to browse and buy. The next **Covered Dish Dinner will be held on September 3rd at 5:30 pm** at the **Sundown**

Church Hall. The next Thrift Sale at the Grahamsville UMC will be on September 10. The sale runs from 9 am to 12 Noon. This is always a fun adventure whether you are a crafter, a collector or just looking for a good bargain you will find something at the Thrift Sale. While there don't forget the 'Clothing Shop' on the third floor where you will find clothing items for the whole family.

This year's **Claryville Fire Department Craft and Vendor Sale** was a **huge success!** What a beautiful array of colorful items. If you missed it this year, make sure you get there next year. I heard from some that it was **the biggest Craft Sale** they have visited this summer!

Looking ahead in Claryville – mark you calendars for Sunday September 22 All you can Eat Pancake Breakfast served from 8am-Noon at the Claryville Firehouse. On September 25, 2022, Frost Valley will be hosting a free Fall Farm Day from 1-4 p.m. at Frost Valley's Educational Farm, which is located at 2875 Denning Road in Claryville. Bring the family for a fun-filled day of farm activities including making apple cider, picking vegetables, and feeding the animals. Pick out Halloween pumpkins, go on a hayride, meet the animals, and enjoy farm-fresh food. End the day in Claryville at the beautiful **Russian Mule**. Not only do they offer their special crafted beers, their menu serves to suit all of your taste buds. Delicious and served by the most friendly people in the Catskills! You may eat in, eat outside and enjoy the beautiful gardens or take your food to go. The **Russian Mule** will have live music every Saturday. **Russian Mule** summer hours are: Thursdays 3-8 PM; Fridays 3-8 PM; Saturdays 12-8 PM; and Sundays 12-6 PM.

For all those weekend visitors, campers, and Blue Hole guests, don't forget before leaving back home to head up to the **Neversink General Store** to fill the tank up. Their price for gas is still the best bargain. Not only do they have gas for your car, lawn mowers and generators (when the power goes out), the Neversink General Store also can fill your BBQ tanks up so you don't run out for your backyard BBQs. And if you don't feel like cooking, **Neversink General Store** also has a great menu. You can eat inside or outside, or take it with you. The **BBQ Shed** is opened on weekends! 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. Check out the **Pilates Classes** on **Wednesday at 5 pm**. If you can't make it during the week, **Pilates Classes** will also be held on **Sundays at 10 am**. 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!

As you pass through Grahamsville, stop by the **Grahamsville Deli.** Enjoy their new bright and cheery makeover. Their homemade food (Chef Medi is in the kitchen) is always tasty They also have the 'staples' and more. Remember to ask about their special –"**The Sundown**"!

For fun for the whole family –**Neversink Parks and Recreation Friday movie night** Bring the whole family this **Friday, September 2 nite.** The featured film will be *The Lost City* (**PG13**). Sit in your car like the 'old days', or bring your own blanket or chairs to watch the **movie** on the **big screen** at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Friday evenings (weather permitting). See Page 26 for times, dates and movies.. Also, don't miss the **Arm-of-the-Sea-Theater** Saturday, **September 3rd**, at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, from **11am-1pm**

You still have time to visit **Time in the Valleys Museum** in **Grahamsville.** Once you go, you will want to go back again and again! **Time and the Valleys Museum** is a **living and interactive resource** that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. Located behind the Museum, the new **1930s Lost Catskill Farm** tells the story of farmers who were forced to give up their land to build NYC's water system. Period buildings include a farm house, outhouse, milk house and workshop powered by a working waterwheel. An 1870's barn was painstakingly disassembled and reassembled on site, and visitors can also see an original 1930's power plant. The Museum is located in Sullivan County, on State Rte. 55 in Grahamsville. It is easily reached by taking State Rte. 55 west from State Rte. 209 in Ellenville, from Liberty by State Rte. 55 east to Grahamsville and from Monticello by State Rte 42. Open: Saturdays & Sundays through September from 12pm to 4pm. Other days and times by appointment. For **maps of local tours** provided by the Time in the Valleys Museum go: to: *https://www.timeinthevalleysmuseum.org/Driving-tours/* Keep watching *The Townsman* for special upcoming events..

With the temperature still exceptionally warm for this time of the year, on a cool evening take the Neversink Barn Quilt Tour. You download and print your copy of the Neversink Barn Quilt brochure out own at: can https://townofneversink.org/barn_quilts_brochure.pdf As you pass through Grahamsville, enjoy the beautiful flowers that are in full bloom

And don't forget 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 all the opportunities they are offering. For a little 'rest and recreation' browse the shelves for a good book or get some real bargains under the big tent, then find a quiet spot and read.

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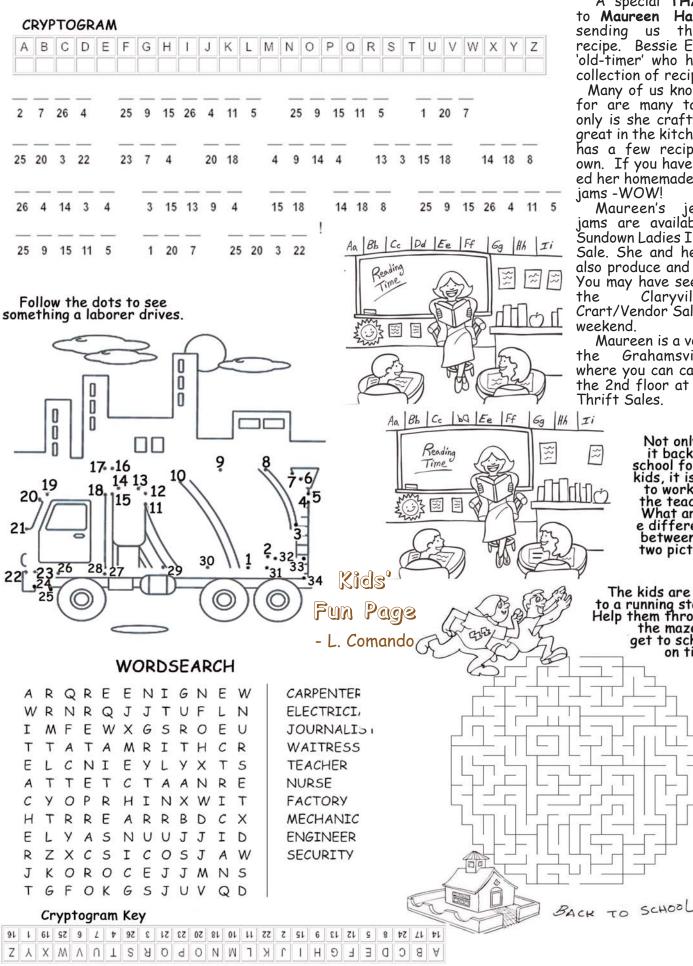
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A special THANK YOU to Maureen Hamilton for this week's นร recipe. Bessie Erts was an 'old-'timer' who had quite a collection of recipes.

Many of us know Maureen for are many talents, not only is she crafty, but also great in the kitchen too and has a few recipes of her own. If you have ever tasted her homemade jellies and jams -WOW!

Maureen's jellies and jams are availåble at the Sundown Ladies Indoor Yard Sale. She and her husband also produce and sell honey. You may have seen them at Claryville FD Crart/Vendor Sale this past

Maureen is a volunteer at Grahamsville UMC where you can catch her on the 2nd floor at the GUMC Thrift Sales.

> Not only is it back to school for the kids, it is back to work for the teachers! What are th e differences between the two pictures?

The kids are off to a running start. Help them through the maze to get to school on time!



Questions? Call Peggy Friedman 917-855-4205

THE TOWNSMAN

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES Specification & Instructions to Bidders

Plowing 2022-2024 Season - Neversink Fire District

The Neversink Fire District Board of Commissioners require the following stipulations to be included in any bid submitted for plowing of the district parking lots.

1. Two year contract - Season November 1st 2022 through April 31st 2023

Season November 1st 2023 through April 31st 2024

- 2. Hourly rate per each snowfall event
- 3. On demand salt and sand mix

4. No sub-contractors unless approved by the board of fire commissioners

- 5. Must submit proof of insurance with bid
- 6. Plow every two (2) inches.

Please include the above stipulations in your bid and pricing. Bids are due and will be opened on October 10th 2022 and awarded on October 20th 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call 845-866-2525 and leave a message or email nfdtreasurer@gmail.com.

Sincerely, Eileen Delaney, Treasurer Neversink Fire District

8/18; 8/25; 9/2; 9/9; 9/16; 9/23; 9/30 & 10/6 8/18; 8/25

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

The Town of Denning will hold a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2022, Titled: Tax Levy Limit Override on Tuesday, September 13th, 2022 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 set to begin at 6 pm prior to the start of the regularly scheduled Town Baord meeting.

At SAID meeting any and all interested person(s) will be heard either for or against.

A copy of the proposed law is available in the Town Clerks Office during normal business hours.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD Nancy Parrow Town Clerk August 25th, 2022

Tri-Valley Central School District Board Meeting

Special Meeting #3 at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2022, in the Administration Building Conference Room.

Legal Notice

NEVERSINK FIRE DISTRICT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at a Meeting conducted on August 18, 2022, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Neversink Fire District approved a Resolution as abstracted below to expend monies in an amount not exceeding \$75,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for Capital Improvements for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to fire district structures subject to permissive referendum.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Neversink Fire District does hereby approve the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund for Capital Improvements for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to fire district structures, including the pavilion, to be expended in a manner that best serves the interests of the fire district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that this Resolution is subject to permissive referendum.

August 24, 2022 Stephanie O'Neill, Secretary

Neversink Fire District 9/1

Public Notice: Increased Water Release to Croton River

Dear DEP Access Permit Holder:

In early September, the NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will begin to draw down water levels in the New Croton Reservoir to allow for routine operational inspections of the New Croton Dam and spillway. As DEP begins lowering the water level of the reservoir, there will be significant increases in the flow of water into the Croton River. The release from the reservoir will increase from the current 5.5 million gallons a day (MGD) and may be as high as 405 MGD, significantly increasing the flow of the river and requiring additional cautions for recreational activities.

Members of the public should be extra cautious while the increased water is released into the river. Activities such as wade fishing and kayaking are discouraged, as the fluctuating flow in the river could make them unsafe. DEP will initiate the increased release starting on or about September 6th and continuing until approximately September 27th.

To ensure public safety, DEP has shared this information with local government officials and public safety organizations. We've also shared this information directly with the public through social media and messages like this one. DEP will also post signs at parks, beaches, boat launch sites, and other points of public access along the Croton River before the increased releases begin. We hope you will share this information with others who recreate along the Croton River downstream of the dam. 9/1

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THE TOWNSMAN

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740

I. Angela Mueller, School Tax Collector for the Tri-Valley Central School District, have received the School Tax Roll and Tax Warrant, dated September 1, 2022. Tax payments can be made at the location and on the dates listed below:

Catskill Hudson Bank (Grahamsville Location ONLY) 279 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740 Starting Thursday, September 1, 2022.

Tax collecting hours will be:

Mon. thru Fri. from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Payments may also be mailed to the address given below:

Tax Collector P.O. Box 419 Grahamsville, NY 12740

*Credit card payments are no longer accepted.

Taxes will be received in accordance with the following penalty schedule:

Sept. 1 - Sept. 30 No penalty Payment in full or 50% of total bill Oct. 1 - Oct. 31 2% penalty Total Balance due or 25% of total bill Nov. 1 - Nov. 4 3% penalty Total Due

The School Tax Collector may not accept payments after November 4, 2022.

Sullivan County Residents (ONLY): Sullivan County is no longer accepting School Tax Payments.

<u>Ulster County Residents</u> (ONLY): Contact Ulster County Treasurer's Office to make arrangements for any payments after Nov. 4, 2022.

All unpaid School Taxes will be re-levied at an additional 7% on your 2023 Town and County Tax Bill.

Tax bills will be mailed as soon as possible.

<u>PATRIOT PLAN</u>: Under the provisions of Section 925-d of the Real Property Tax Law, known as the "Patriot Plan" you may be eligible for a deadline extension on your tax payment. Contact the Tax Collector for details.

Angela Mueller, School Tax Collector Dated: September 1, 2022

8/25 & 9/1/2022

Please Take Notice: Covid-19 Home Test Kits

are available at

Town of Denning Town Hall 1567 Denning Road Claryville, NY

Mondays through Thursdays 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM until they are gone

Call (845) 985-2411 for more information. Full Time Residents Only • Proof of Denning residency required • <u>ONE</u> kit per household (2 tests) • Signature required Ulster County is tracking distribution



We're looking for blood donors.



Daniel Pierce Library

328 Main Street Grahamsville, NY Wednesday, August 31, 2022

2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Donate Blood WIN GAS FOR A YEAR. Come donate in August and get a \$10 e-gift card from your choice of merchants.

PLUS, you'll automatically be entered in two contests:

All presenting donors in August are eligible to win a \$250 gas card through the Mirabito Fuel Group. Two winners!

AND, all donors in August will be registered for a chance to win gas for a year, a \$6,000 value! You could be one of three lucky winners. Terms apply, see rcblood.org/fuel

Please call 1-800-Red-Cross or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule your life-saving appointment. Enter keyword: danielpierce 1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

The House of Prayer Open to the Community

At the Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Every Friday Night 6:30 – 7:00 PM (Start on June 3rd)

Simple Rules 1. Do no Harm. 2. Do good. 3. Stay in love with God. The Grahamsville United Methodist Church will open their Sanctuary every Friday evening from 6:30-7:30 PM to offer our community a quiet place for personal meditation and prayer. No expectations. Just relaxation.

Contact Information –

350 Main St. (Po Box 86) Grahamsville, NY, 12740 Phone : 845-985-2283 E-mail : grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com





http://gnomehomeinc.com

For information call 845-434-8044.

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	LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS
9/3/22	Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
9/5/22	Town of Neversink Holiday - LABOR DAY
92/22	Sundown UMC Indoor Yard Sale 9am - 12 noon
9/3/22	Sundown UMC Indoor Yard Sale 9am - 12 noon
9/3/22	Arm of the Sea 11am-1pm at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds
9/5/22	Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
9/7/22	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
9/10/22	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon
9/13/22	Denning Town Board Meetings 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
9/14//22	Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
9/15/22	Town of Denning Planning Board 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
9/15/22	Neversink Fire District Monthly meeting 7:30 PM

9/18/22 Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 8 am - 12 noon

9/20//22 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Appeals Meeting 7:30 pm

Save the Date!

Sat., Oct 1 - Daniel Pierce 36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade

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 August 29 - September 2, 2022

Monday, August 29

o 5:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Ethics, at Ulster County Human Services Complex, Building #2, 100 Development Court, Kingston

Tuesday, August 30

o No Meetings

Wednesday, August 31

o 5:00 PM - American Rescue Plan Act Special Committee, Powered by Zoom Meetings. Meeting ID: 826 5113 2743, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656

Thursday, September 1

o 5:30 PM - Ulster County Executive Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2022: A Local Law Adopting Amendments To The New York State Public Officer's Law §103, Expanding The Use Of Videoconferencing At Public Meetings, in the Legislative Chambers 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o 6:00 PM - Human Rights Commission, Powered by Zoom Meetings. Meeting ID: 301 339 6875, By Phone Dial (929) 205-6099

Friday, September 2

o No Meetings

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

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

1" Boxed ad (1" x 3")- \$6.00 per week Business card ad (2" x 3") - \$12.00 per week (3" x 4") - \$24.00 per week (3" x 6") - \$36.00 per week 1/4 pg (4" x 5") -\$40.00 per week 1/2 pg (4"x8") -\$64.00 per week (6" x 8") - \$96.00 per week Full Page - 8" x10" -\$100.00 per week

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

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

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

Low Rates High Visibility!

Latest Update on the Napanoch Point Fire in the Minnewaska State Park Preserve

 UC Executive Pat Ryan announces crews are continuing the battle to put out the Napanoch Point Fire and working on containment
A new fire at Minnewaska State Park Preserve has developed which is now included in the response and all access points to the park will be closed August 30th until further notice
A community meeting with fire response officials will be held on August 30th at 7pm at the Ellenville Junior/Senior High School Auditorium

ELLENVILLE, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced this evening that crews are continuing the battle to put out the Napanoch Point Fire in Minnewaska State Park Preserve and working on containment. The Napanoch Point Fire has increased in size due to vegetation, terrain and weather conditions. A new fire, the Stony KLill Fire at Minnewaska State Park Preserve has developed, which crews are responding to, assessing and working to contain.



The Napanoch Point Fire on August 29th, 2022

All access points to Minnewaska State Park Preserve, including the Sam's Point Area, will be closed Tuesday, August 30th, until further notice, to maintain public safety. Anyone with reservations for Saturday, Sunday or Monday over the upcoming Labor Day holiday weekend will be notified and refunded. All visitors must adhere to these closures.

Over the next 24 hours, the response team will be committing an additional 60 firefighters to the operation, and doubling resources to four helicopters for airdrops and 24 all-terrain vehicles. There will be firefighting activities on Berme Road from Port Bend to Ellenville, working on installing a contingency line. Expect to visually see smoke coming off the fires on the mountain.

A community meeting with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers and staff volunteers, Office of Parks, Recreation



and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) staff and Ulster County Department of Emergency Services staff will be held at the Ellenville Junior/Senior High School Auditorium at 28 Maple Avenue in Ellenville on Tuesday, August 30th, at 7pm. This will be an opportunity for residents and others in the impacted area to ask questions about the coordinated fire response. Anyone who can not access the community meeting may call the Ulster County Service Center at (845) 443-8888.

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Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan and DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos at the command center in Ellenville on August 29th, 2022

Call 911 to report a wildfire. For general questions or concerns, call the Ulster County Service Center at (845) 443-8888, Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm.

Regular updates on the status of the fire response will be posted on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @UlsterNY.



YOUR TOWN OF NEVERSINK PARKS & REC PRESENTS: "MOVIE NIGHT AT THE GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS" Revised Schedule for remainder of season

WHEN: Changed to FRIDAY NIGHTS starting August 5

WHAT TIME: Movies will start between 8:30 pm and 9 pm based on sunlight!

WHERE: On the Fairgrounds grassy area by the Pavilion. Space will be available for watching from your vehicle AND for watching from your lawn chairs, blankets, etc. And don't forget your popcorn and other munchies!

GUIDELINES: We will adhere to ALL park rules set by the Town of Neversink. Disorderly conduct will result in removal from the Fairgrounds.

COST: Its FREE!!!!!

WHAT WILL BE SHOWING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON

SEPT. 2 - The Lost City - PG 13

If no conflicts at the Fairgrounds the following movies will be scheduled: Sept. 9 - Guardians of the Galaxy - PG 13 Sept. 23 - Jurassic Park - PG 13

A special Halloween Showing of HOCUS POCUS will be on Sunday, October 30th weather permitting

THEATER AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

WITH ARM OF THE SEA THEATER

CALL FOR STUDENT ACTOR VOLUNTEERS!



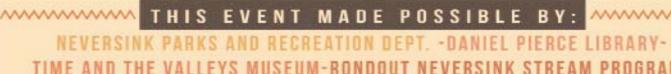
VE'RE LOOKING FOR STUDENT VOLUNTEERS TO PERFORM WITH THE AWARD-WINNING ARM OF THE SEA THEATER REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SATURDAY, SEPT 3 11AM-3PM @ The grahamsville fairgrounds



-LUNCH AND SNACKS PROVIDED! -NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED -NO LINES TO MEMORIZE -PROPS & COSTUMES PROVIDED! -MUST BE 11 & OLDER TO PARTICIPATE 10 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

INTERESTED? WANT TO LEARN MORE? READY TO SIGN UP?

CONTACT NEVERSINK PARKS AND RECREATION AT : CWPARKSANDREC@GMAIL.COM



NYC DEPT. OF ENVIORNMENTAL PROTECTION-8 ARM OF THE SEA THEATER

WANTED: Older New Yorkers Who Make a Difference

Monticello, NY - The NYS Office for the Aging will celebrate Older New Yorkers' Day on Friday, November 4, 2022, and Sullivan County has an opportunity to include up to two local honorees!



Jane Juchsinger



Sue Kasofsky

All honorees will receive a package that includes:

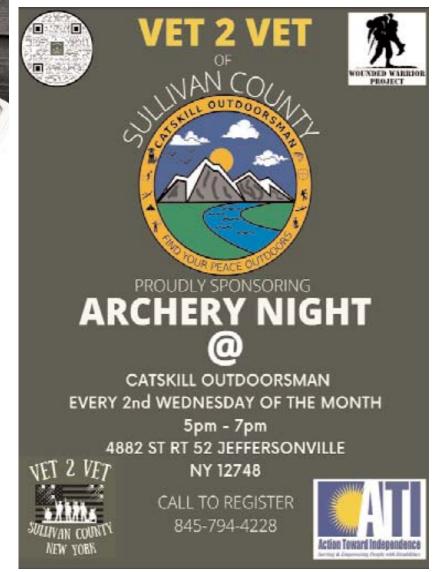
- o A commemorative pin
- o A hard copy of the book of biographies
- o A certificate

Additionally, they will be featured on social media and rightfully celebrated in local media.

The deadline for submitting nominees is September 6. Thus the Sullivan County Office for the Aging is seeking nominations by that time of older adults from our community to be represented at this event. These nominations can come from civic leaders, elected officials, and community organizations.

The nominee should be a volunteer aged 55 or older that has made a difference in the community through civic engagement.

Nomination forms can be obtained by contacting the Office for the Aging at 845-807-0243 or sullivanofa@sullivanny.us. Or download the form at www.sullivanny.us/Departments/Aging (click on "2022 Older New Yorkers Day Nomination Form").



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Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Saturday, September 10 9 am - 12 noon

Donations accepted in the thrift building on Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 or by appointment. Call Lee (985-3128) or Ruth (985-7222). http://grahamsvilleumc.org • grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

Thift Building 356 Main St Grahamsville, NY



SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

SC Farmers' Market

Sullivan Fresh Farmers' Market at Monticello

THURSDAYS June 30th - September 29th • Ted Stroebele Center across from the Sullivan County Gov't Center • 10 Jefferson St., Monticello, NY • 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.

The Monticello Farmers' Market has a variety of vendors selling local fruits, vegetables, honey, maple syrup, and more! Market shoppers will be treated to special, fun events and activities throughout the summer. There is ample free parking adjacent to the farmers' market, which is just steps from downtown Monticello.

Sell with Sullivan Fresh

CCE Sullivan is currently accepting applications from new local vendors, farmers, and non-profit organizations to join the market. There is a 1-page application which can be obtained by downloading the application on the right-hand side of this page or by contacting our local office.

Contact Clarisse Owens Sullivan Fresh Program Manager cao78@cornelll.edu (845) 292-6180, Ext. 130

Rock Hill Farmers' Market! sponsored by the Rock Hill Business & Community Association

2022 SEASON** EVERY SATURDAY 10AM - 1PM June 4th - September 24th (Rain or Shine) 223 Rock Rock Hill Drive • Rock Hill, NY 12775

We Accept: Farmers Market Nutrition Program Coupons

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Coupons (Accepted by Burns Farm, Bobolink Farm & Trapani Farm)

Liberty Farmers' Market

From June 17th through September 16th, the Liberty Farmers' Market will be open every Friday from 3pm to 6pm, with vendors offering fresh produce, baked goods, and so much more. This lively outdoor market will be located at Creekside Park at 119 N. Main Street, Liberty, NY. Visit our website here to learn how to apply, and access information on important rules and regulations: *https://www.catskillmountainkeeper.org/mountainkeeper_markets?utm_campaign=newsletter_05_14&utm_med ium=email&utm_source=catskillmountainkeeper*

Callicoon Farmers' Market

Sundays, 11 am - 2 pm Callicoon Farmers' Market, you will find many farms in addition to food producers and artisans offering wine, hard cider, pasta, condiments, prepared foods, baked goods, ice cream, jam, honey, maple syrup, herbal tea blends, skin care products, pottery, woodwork and much more.

Kauneonga Lake Farmers Market

EVERY SATURDAY 11 am-2 pm • June 25th thru September 10th –Rain or shine.



Roscoe Farmers Market

Municipal Lot, Route 206, near Stewart Ave Roscoe, NY 12776 845-292-6180, x115; cell: 201-224-4937 Web site: Link Email: info at roscoeny dot com

Drop by to see for yourself. The farmers market is located in Roscoe, New York at Municipal Lot, Route 206, near Stewart Ave, NY. Call to find out about its assortment of fruits, crafts, vegetables, local specialties and organic food. Hours are May-Mid-October Sunday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Music on Market Returns!

Please join us on Saturday, Sept. 3 at 7:30 pm at MISU for Alana Wyld & Wyld Blu! With influences from classic and Texas blues, rock, boogie, and R&B this is sure to be a "magnetic and supercharged show!"

Alana Wyld & Wyld Blu was awarded the "2019 Blues Artist of the Year" Thomas Edison Music Award (The Eddies)

This concert will be in person at MISU, 40 Market St. Ellenville, NY and live-streamed on Zoom. There will be a beverage truck available as well!

Pre-registration on Eventbrite is requested for both. Please consider making a donation for your ticket. Click the button below to reserve your space now!

If you experience technical difficulties with Eventbrite, please call (845) 377-3727 for assistance in reserving your space.

To reserve your spot go to:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/music-on-market-coffee-housepresents-alana-wyld-wyld-blu-tickets-401314551627

Grahamsville First Aid Squad EMT'S Kept Active During The Neversink Agricultural Society's 142nd Annual Little World's Fair August 19-21, 2022 - William A. Brenner

The Neversink Agricultural Society 142nd Annual Little World's Fair held across the covered bridge across the barely flowing Chestnut Creek with the Grahamsville Fairgrounds was very similar weather-wise to the memorable Wild Woodstock Festival held in Bethel, NY 30 miles away, held in 1969, this exact same weekend 53 years ago.

I could not attend Woodstock that weekend, because I had to enter my mother Becky's multiple exhibits in the Arts and Crafts barn at the Grahamsville Fair. Becky won 3 blue ribbons and 2 red ribbons which to this day are hanging in her barn museum alongside her numerous other ribbons - a forgotten little known historical fact.

The weather at the 1969 3-day festival was unbearably humid and hot with heavy rain showers each evening. The television and movies showed hippies skinny dipping in private ponds and belly-whopping through mudslides.

The weather at the 2022 Grahamsville Little World's Fair was similar this year. From Friday, August 19th, the 4-H and Cornell Cooperative Youth Fair where Future Farmers of America displayed and exhibited their prize cows, horses, goats, sheep, chickens, rabbits, pheasants and quail (but unfortunately no ducks this year) - (though one fellow displayed his live owls on the midway) was hot and humid, with an evening storm. We really needed the water for our streams and reservoirs.

And, Saturday and Sunday, the main days of the Fair, with a huge crowd of participants, seniors, children with parents, attracted by excellent and continuous entertainment (bands "Far Beyond Gone", "Shane Rennison" in the Beer Garden, and "The Other Band" and "Hillbilly Parade", "Jesse Noren" and "Aerestov's Arobatic Extravaganza" all on the main stage) plus the traditional draft horse pull, open horse, swine, youth poultry, egg judging, goat, rabbit, alpaca, Lumberjack Show, Watermelon Eating Contest, Horseshoe Tournament, Classic Car Show, and the 4-H Ag Auction, not to mention the "Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pig Show" and the Saturday Night Spectacular Fireworks Display. Both days were equally hot and humid with sudden evening thunder and rain squalls. The local Neversink townsfolk and committees, the volunteer Grahamsville, Neversink and Claryville Fire Departments, and the Grahamsville and Neversink First Aid Squads and Emergency Medical Technicians were all forewarned and, as best they could, carefully prepared.

The Grahamsville First Aid Squad had Eight Calls on the Saturday of the Fair

On Friday, the opening day of the Youth Fair and Judging, the Grahamsville First Aid Squad had a large white tent set up at the start of the Main Fairway (which led up to the livestock, poultry and small animal at the top). A few tents above them were the American Red Cross.

According to the members, there were at least 18 First Aiders and Emergency Medical Technicians in varied shifts throughout the three-day fair. This included several EMT's from other rescue squads (some from as far away as Cooperstown) who were visiting the fair, stopped by to say hello to fellow EMT's and offered their assistance and services on these hot humid days. Their assistance was appreciated and needed.

The First Aid members were kept busy, having exhausted vis-



itors lying down on cots, taking blood pressure and giving out water.

But this year, this fair was perhaps the busiest. On Saturday, there were 8 major calls involving the "GATOR" - a four-wheel,

engine driven go-cart with a special bed on the rear to carry out patients on stretchers from all areas of the Fairgrounds (from the livestock display on top, to the stage area and the wood cutting area by the end of the western fairway under the large Arts and Crafts sales tables in the open barn area.



It was usually quite a scene when the First Aid Gator was in action transporting. There would be lights flashing and several people on each side moving the on-goers aside, followed by another four-wheeler. The smoothest transport path to the Fairway was between the Grahamsville Fire Department Sweet and Hot Sausage Booth (with its long lines) and the Tri-Valley Lions Soda Booth, then down the fairway between the funnel cakes and the watermelon booths.

The Gator would slowly go down the Fairway to the Grahamsville First Aid Squad Tent with an ambulance waiting to take vitals and determine the next course of medical action. The "Gator" was a blessing this year at the fair.

With the heat and humidity, many concessions ran out of water and soda early.

There was no volunteer schedule. Whenever a First Aider came around, they stayed. There was plenty of work this week-end.

I asked the First Aider Chief Ambulance Engineer Alex when they got the "Gator". He said that the "Gator" is owned by the neighboring Rock Hill Fire Department.

By reciprocal arrangement, for the past 5 years, Rock Hill graciously and generously lent us the "Gator" for the Grahamsville Fair, and other big related large events. The Sullivan County Fire Departments are very close and cooperative.

I asked Alex if Grahamsville should buy a "Gator" for its own use. He replied, annoyedly, that it would be an unnecessary waste of our community money under the circumstances.

That is why, Grahamsville, the Town of Neversink and Sullivan County is such a beautiful community.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

Sullivan County Working Closely with State Regarding Polio Response

No Local Cases, But Public Health Urges Vaccination Following Identification of Poliovirus in Wastewater Samples

Liberty, NY - Sullivan County's Department of Public Health is working closely with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) in response to the detection of poliovirus in wastewater samples within the County's borders.

"We've been preparing for this possibility for weeks because of the wastewater surveillance results for poliovirus in Rockland, Orange and NYC, and previously secured additional polio vaccine for area healthcare providers and the County health department," Public Health Director Nancy McGraw explained. "I want to be clear, however, that to date we have not had any cases of polio found in Sullivan County, and so long as all adults and children are vaccinated, the disease poses no threat."

"The public should also be assured that there is no danger of contracting polio from drinking water," McGraw added. "Typical transmission is via the oral-fecal route (touching fecal matter, then touching the mouth or face), and is of concern only to those who have not been vaccinated or for children who are behind in their immunizations. Providers should take time in every primary care visit with adults and children to ensure that they are up to date with the recommended vaccines for their age."

"Sullivan County is taking all reasonable steps to monitor the situation and keep the people of the County safe," noted County Manager Josh Potosek. "We urge parents and adults to be vigilant and aware of their vaccination status, because polio is a disease that can be eliminated through vaccination."

What is polio?

Polio is very contagious to the unvaccinated, and a person can spread the virus even if they aren't sick or experiencing symptoms. The best way to keep adults and children polio-free is through safe, on-time childhood immunizations, and adult immunization for polio when someone has not been previously vaccinated.

The polio virus enters the body through the mouth, usually from hands contaminated with the stool of an infected person. Respiratory and oral-to-oral transmission through saliva may also occur. Symptoms, which can be mild and flu-like (fatigue, fever, headache, stiffness, muscle pain, vomiting), can take up to 30 days to appear, during which time an infected individual can be shedding virus to others.

"Sullivan County has an overall 62.33% vaccination rate for polio, but there are some areas of the County with lower vaccination rates, and because polio can spread very easily, it's important that everyone is vaccinated," explains McGraw. "Public Health is offering a safe and proven vaccine available to children two months of age or older. We are working with the State to get vaccine to providers for adults. If adults need vaccine, we encourage then to contact their healthcare provider."

What are the symptoms of polio?

Polio is highly infectious. Symptoms range from nothing to mild and flu-like to serious, including paralysis, permanent disability or post-polio syndrome, even death.

Paralysis is the most severe symptom associated with polio, because it can lead to permanent disability and death. Even children who seem to fully recover can develop new muscle pain, weakness, or paralysis as adults 15 to 40 years later. This is called post-polio syndrome.

How can I protect myself against polio?

The best way to stay polio-free is to maintain high immunity across the population through vaccination. If you received the vaccine already (for example, as a child when attending public school), you are considered protected for life. No booster shot is necessary, unless travelling to an area where there is high transmission.

Most adults do not need polio vaccine because they were already vaccinated as children. New Yorkers who are not up-todate with vaccination should speak to their health care provider or their child's provider to schedule an appointment for vaccination against polio and other dangerous diseases, such as measles, mumps, whooping cough, chickenpox and COVID-19.

Polio outbreaks are happening globally. Children and adults should be up-to-date with polio and other routine immunizations before travelling. Adults who received polio vaccine as children should receive a one-time lifetime booster if traveling to an area where there is a poliovirus transmission.

Sullivan County's vaccination rate for polio is 62.33%, compared to 60.34% in Rockland and 58.68% in Orange counties. The statewide rate is 78.96%.

If you or your child are not yet vaccinated, now is the time to get vaccinated.

For more information, contact Public Health at 845-513-2249, visit health.ny.gov/polio

> Donate a little of your time and have a direct impact on someone's path to recovery!



Urging Immunization and Warning of Expanding Community Spread, State Department of Health Updates New Yorkers On Polio In New York State

Poliovirus Now Detected in Four Wastewater Samples Collected in July and August in Sullivan County, Linked to Paralytic Polio Case Previously Identified in an Unvaccinated Individual in Rockland County Wastewater Samples in Rockland County, Orange County, and New York City Had Already Provided Additional Evidence of Local Transmission and Circulating Polio That Can Cause Paralysis

Adults and Children Urged to Get Immunized and Stay Up to Date with Polio Immunizations Albany, N.Y. (August 26, 2022) - Urging immunization and warning of expanding community spread, the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) today updated New Yorkers on poliovirus in New York State. Sequencing analysis performed by CDC has now detected poliovirus in four samples from Sullivan County, two collected in July and two collected in August, which are genetically-linked to the case of paralytic polio previously identified in Rockland County. Already, poliovirus had been identified in samples collected in Rockland County, Orange County, and New York City. All samples reported are samples of concern, meaning they are types of poliovirus that can cause paralysis in humans.

"One New Yorker paralyzed by polio is already too many, and I do not want to see another para-

lytic case," State Health Commissioner Dr. Mary T. Bassett said. "The polio in New York today is an imminent threat to all adults and children who are unvaccinated or not up to date with their polio immunizations. Every New Yorker, parent, guardian, and pediatrician must do everything possible to ensure they, their children, and their patients are protected against this dangerous, debilitating disease through safe and effective vaccination."

To protect adults and children against paralytic disease, every adult and child must get immunized against polio and stay up to date with polio immunizations.

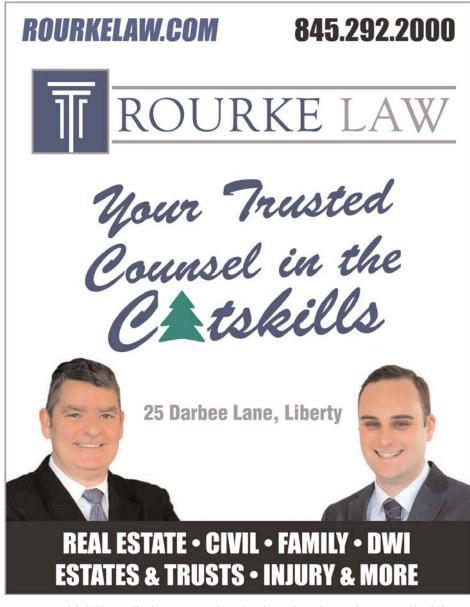
All New Yorkers who are unvaccinated, including children by 2 months of age, those who are pregnant, and people who have not completed their polio vaccine series previously, should get immunized right away. Unvaccinated New Yorkers or those not up to date with vaccinations who live, work, go to school in, or visit Rockland County, Orange County, New York City, and Sullivan County are at the highest risk of contracting paralytic disease. While there is no cure for polio, it is preventable through safe and effective immunization.

Nancy McGraw, MPH, Public Health Director of Sullivan County Department of Public Health said: "There is no cure for polio, but it can be prevented with safe and effective vaccination which has been available for a very long time in the U.S. to eliminate the disease. Polio is among the top preventable diseases, and we have the ability to stop this in its tracks as long as people take the importance of immunizations seriously."

Joshua A. Potosek, Sullivan County Manager said: "Sullivan County is taking all reasonable steps to monitor the situation and keep the people of the County safe. We urge parents and adults to be vigilant and aware of their vaccination status, because polio is a disease that can be eliminated through vaccination."

Following the identification of a case of paralytic polio among an unvaccinated individual in Rockland County, NYSDOH, in partnership with local health authorities and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), launched wastewater surveillance, a tool to check for signs of the virus in sewage water in Rockland County and the surrounding areas.

NYSDOH continues to conduct case investigation, aggressively assess spread, and ensure prevention measures, particularly vaccine and immunization clinics, are in place - as the best way to keep New Yorkers polio-free is to maintain high immunity across the population through vaccination. The inactivated polio vaccine (IPV), the only vaccine available in the United States, is at least 99 percent effective at preventing disease among people who get all the recommended doses. (Contd. Pg. 34)



Urging Immunization and Warning of Expanding Community Spread, State Department of Health Updates New Yorkers On Polio in NYS

(From Pg. 33) Individuals infected with polio shed virus in their stool. Wastewater samples are based on water from our sewage system, which collects and treats feces flushed down the toilet. Health officials use this surveillance for evidence of where and when the virus is spreading in communities, though it does not provide quantitative information about who or how many people or households may be infected. New Yorkers should know that wastewater collected in sewer systems cannot be a source of infection or transmission for the general public, and it does not contaminate drinking or tap water.

Polio is a serious and life-threatening disease. Spread from person-to-person, polio is very contagious, and an individual can transmit the virus even if they aren't sick. Asymptomatic spread is a high concern among health officials, particularly following the identification of a paralytic, symptomatic polio case. Based on evidence from earlier polio outbreaks, health officials estimate that for every one case of paralytic polio observed, there may be hundreds of other people infected.

Polio is very contagious, and a person can spread the virus even if they aren't sick or experiencing symptoms. The polio virus enters the body through the mouth, usually from hands contaminated with the stool of an infected person. Respiratory and oralto-oral transmission through saliva may also occur. In addition to immunization to prevent disease, New Yorkers should know that handwashing with soap is important, as alcohol-based sanitizers do not work on some types of germs, like polio.

According to CDC, 70 percent of people infected with polio experience no symptoms, and 25 percent experience mild or flulike symptoms that may be mistaken for many other illnesses. About 1 in 100 individuals will develop severe disease, including permanent paralysis. Of those paralyzed, 2-10 percent die when their breathing muscles become immobilized.

NYSDOH has increased communication to healthcare providers, stressing the importance of testing and the on-time administration of the polio vaccine among their patients. In accordance with CDC:

o All children should get four doses of the polio vaccine, with the first dose given at 6 weeks through 2 months of age, followed by one dose given at 4 months of age, 6 through 18 months old, and 4 through 6 years old.

o People who are unvaccinated or are unsure if they have been immunized should receive a total of 3 doses, if they are starting the vaccine series after age 4.

o Adults who have only had 1 or 2 doses of the polio vaccine in the past should get the remaining 1 or 2 doses - it does not matter how long it has been since the earlier doses. A core component of CDC's CONCERT SERIES



LIVE & VIRTUAL

Music on Market "Coffee House" presents Alana Wyld & Wyld Blu

Please join us on Saturday, **Sept. 3** at **7:30 pm** at **MISU** for Alana Wyld & Wyld Blue! With influences from classic and Texas blues, rock, boogie, and R&B this is sure to be a "magnetic and supercharged show!"

Alana Wyld & Wyld Blu was awarded the "2019 Blues Artist of the Year" Thomas Edison Music Award (The Eddies)

This concert will be in person at MISU, 40 Market St. Ellenville, NY and live-streamed on Zoom. Pre-registration on Eventbrite is requested for both. Please consider making a donation for your ticket. If you experience technical difficulties with Eventbrite, please call (845) 377-3727 for assistance in reserving your space

childhood immunization schedule and required by NYSDOH for all school-aged children, most children are already vaccinated. New Yorkers who are unsure of their or their child's vaccination status should reach out to a healthcare provider right away. As of August 1, 2022, Rockland County has a polio vaccination rate of 60.34 percent, Orange County has a polio vaccination rate of 58.68 percent, and Sullivan County has a polio vaccination rate of 62.33 percent, compared to the statewide average of 78.96 percent, among children who have received 3 polio immunizations before their second birthday.* A rate of well over 90 percent is NYSDOH's goal. NYSDOH has also engaged community-based organizations in the affected areas to partner on outreach, disseminating education about the virus, the safe, protective nature of the well-established immunization, and the gravity of the current situation.

New Yorkers can learn more about polio and polio immunization here.

https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/polio/

Information about wastewater surveillance and results is available here.

https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/polio/wastewater.htm

Polio vaccination rates by county are available here. https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/polio/county_vaccination_rates.htm

About New York State Polio Vaccination Rates

*Based on data calculated from August 1, 2022 from the New York State Immunization Information System (NYSIIS), polio vaccination rates include all New York counties, with the exception of New York City. The rate is calculated based on data of children who have received 3 polio immunizations before their second birthday, reported their residency as the State of New York, provided their New York State county of residence, and have at least one immunization or have an upstate New York State birth record. As of January 8, 2008, all healthcare providers in New York State are required to report all immunizations administered to people less than 19 years of age, along with the person's immunization histories, to NYSDOH using NYSIIS. New York City maintains their own non-COVID-19 immunization records through the Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR).



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The Giant Pumpkin Party attracts thousands of people each year and is a great place to showcase your handcrafted items. (Handcrafted items only. No manufactured items.)

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To request an application: Call (845) 985-7233 or Email ccoombe@coombefinancial.com





36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party

Sponsored by the Daniel Pierce Library

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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VENDOR FEE: \$30.00 \$40 for larger, end spaces

Only items that are handcrafted by the craftsperson are permitted. No dealers, agents, manufactured items or imports will be allowed. Sorry, no refunds. Vendors are required to file a copy of their New York State Sales Tax Certificate with the Daniel Pierce Library before September 15, 2022.

Limited premium end spaces may be available for an additional fee. Please specify interest below. Spaces will be assigned on a first come basis. We will contact you with space assignment. Vehicles must be unloaded and parked in the specified area by 8:30 a.m.

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NAME OF BUSINESS:

CONTACT NAME: _

ADDRESS:

PHONE: _____

EMAIL:

TYPE OF CRAFT & DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS

A copy of your NYS Sales Tax Certificate must be enclosed or application will be returned.

Premium End Space Is Preferred (not guaranteed): YES: _____ NO: _____

Please email us pictures of your crafts so we can advertise your business on our Facebook page for the Giant Pumpkin Party. Email to ccoombe@coombefinancial.com

DEADLINE DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY

MAIL APPLICATIONS TO: Daniel Pierce Library / Craft Vendor P.O. Box 268 Grahamsville, New York 12740





Your Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation is once again sponsoring Yoga classes during the summer!

LeeAnna Maniace, the yoga instructor from the Yoga Space at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Center, will again be guiding us through our yoga poses. We are planning on two (2) classes per week starting July 18 thru September. Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesdays from 4:00pm – 5:00pm.

Classes are for everyone--beginners (like me) to those experienced in yoga. Classes will be held at the grassy area next to the Grahamsville Fire House Parks & Rec will be subsidizing the cost of the classes, which will enable us to offer each class at a cost of \$5 per person payable to LeeAnna at each session.

Classes are for Town of Neversink and Tri-Valley School District residents who are 18 or older. Bring your own yoga mats and other yoga equipment you may want to use.

Classes are open. If you can't attend every class for the full season, come when you can! Registration sign-up sheets will be at each class.

If you are interested and plan on attending, please let us know via email owparksandrec@gmail.com.

Thank you all. I am once again looking forward to doing yoga even though I am still the most uncoordinated person on the planet!

Cher Woehl, your Parks & Rec Director



Statement from UC Executive Pat Ryan and Comptroller March S. Gallagher on Finance Department's Transaction Error

"During my tenure as County Executive, Ulster County has consistently been recognized for its strong financial stewardship - earning a AA bond rating from S&P and being named one of the most fiscally sound counties by the New York State Comptroller's Office, all while consistently keeping taxes flat and increasing vital services. In 2020, our team proactively identified an erroneous wire transfer to the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance as a duplicate payment of approximately \$1 million in spring 2020, which was identified by the Finance Department within days. This issue was swiftly resolved, money was returned with interest, and there was no harm to Ulster County taxpayers. I want to thank the Ulster County Comptroller's office for verifying the error was quickly corrected and there was no loss to the taxpayers, and I am fully confident in the findings," Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said.

"The Comptroller's Office and Executive's Office separately reviewed the transactions associated with the allegation and the related documentation and reached the same conclusion. We have determined that there was an overpayment of taxes to the State of New York, that when identified was rectified, and eventually refunded to the County with interest. There was no financial loss to the taxpayers because of the error," Ulster County Comptroller March Gallagher said.

New York-Led Multi-Agency Consortium Now Includes Six States and More Than 60 Hydrogen Ecosystem Partner

• Partners to Develop Proposal for Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Funding, Expected to be Released in September/October with up to \$8 Billion in Total Funding Available

• Supports Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act Goal to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions 85 Percent by 2050

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced Maine and Rhode Island have signed on to a New York-led multi-state agreement, joining with Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Jersey to develop a proposal to become one of at least four regional clean hydrogen hubs designated through the federal Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs program included in the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The coalition of six states and now more than 60 clean hydrogen ecosystem partners are laying the groundwork for a proposal for the United States Department of Energy funding opportunity anticipated to be announced in September or October with up to \$8 billion in total funding available. Today's announcement advances each State's leadership in clean hydrogen infrastructure deployment and supports New York's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 85 percent by 2050.

"New York is pleased to welcome Maine and Rhode Island to this diverse and dynamic group of partners as we continue our work to develop and implement a vision for a regional clean hydrogen hub that advances our shared climate goals," Governor Hochul said. "Building a robust and connected clean hydrogen market across the northeast will provide a game-changing clean energy alternative that will transform our ability to meet our shared climate goals while advancing 21st century innovation and stimulating strong economic growth throughout the region."

Since the initial announcement in March, New York has continued to add strategic partners that now include 14 private sector industry leaders, 12 utilities, 20 hydrogen technology original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), 10 universities, seven nonprofits, five other states, two transportation companies and three state agencies. New York will continue to engage with states and entities who are interested in joining, so as to further solidify the region as a viable clean hydrogen hub.

In addition to Maine and Rhode Island, new partners include:

- o Advent Technologies
- o Ambient Fuels
- o Amogy, Inc.
- o Charbone Hydrogen Corporation
- o Connecticut Green Bank
- o Edgewise Energy
- o EDP Renewables North America
- o Equinor
- o H2/HPA Sonics
- o Hyzon Motors Inc.
- o Infinity Fuel Cell and Hydrogen, Inc.
- o National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
- o Nel Hydrogen
- o NECEC (Northeast Clean Energy Council and NECEC Institute)
- o Northville Industries Corp.
- o NovoHydrogen, Inc.
- o Pratt & Whitney
- o Precision Combustion, Inc.
- o Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- o Rhode Island Energy
- o Siena College
- o Skyre, Inc.
- Peaks Renewables and Summit Utilities, Inc.
- o University of Connecticut

Consortium partners have committed to collaborate with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), New York Power Authority (NYPA), and Empire State Development (ESD) on proposal development to advance clean hydrogen projects. Partnering states will also coordinate with their respective state entities to help align the consortium's efforts with each state's climate and clean energy goals. These include Connecticut's Global Warming Solutions Act goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by 2050, Massachusetts' goal of reaching net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, New Jersey's Global Warming Response Act goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by 2050, Maine's statutory goals to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045 and reduce gross greenhouse gas emissions by at least 80 percent by 2050 and Rhode Island's commitment to achieving 100 percent renewable electricity by 2033.

The New York Climate Action Council Draft Scoping Plan, released in December 2021, identifies low-carbon fuels such as clean hydrogen as an important component of a strategy to achieve the goals of the Climate Act in sectors that are challenging to electrify, such as transportation and heavy industry. (Contd. Pg. 39)

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With the execution of these agreements, the partners will work together to:

o Define the shared vision and plans for the regional clean hydrogen hub that can advance safe clean hydrogen energy innovation and investment to address climate change, while improving the health, resiliency, and economic development of the region's residents.

o Advance a Hub proposal that makes climate and environmental justice central to its strategy, which will deliver opportunities and improved quality of life to under resourced areas across the region.

o Perform research and analysis necessary to support the hub proposal and align on approach to quantifying greenhouse gas emissions reductions as a result of deploying this technology.

o Develop a framework to ensure the ecosystem for innovation, production, infrastructure, and related workforce development is shared across all partner states.

o Support environmentally responsible opportunities to develop clean hydrogen, in accordance with participating states' policies.

The coalition will continue to focus on the integration of renewables - such as onshore and offshore wind, hydropower, and solar PV - and nuclear power into clean hydrogen production, and the evaluation of clean hydrogen for use in transportation, including for medium and heavy- duty vehicles, heavy industry, and power generation applications or other appropriate uses consistent with decarbonization efforts.

In June 2022, the United States Department of Energy (DOE) announced that an initial Clean Hydrogen Hubs Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) would be issued in September or October 2022 with an anticipated \$6-7 billion in funding available. This initial funding is anticipated to support 6-10 clean hydrogen hubs and be awarded some time in 2023; another \$1-2 billion may be made available for future FOA launches or other supporting activities. Proposals may be awarded up to a maximum of \$1.25 billion.

For more information on hydrogen activities in New York State, please visit NYSERDA's website.

SUNY and CUNY Will Each Receive \$2 Million To Support Students Underrepresented in Mental Health Degree Programs Partnership with State Office of Mental Health Aimed at

Partnership with State Office of Mental Health Aimed at Attracting, Retaining and Graduating Minority and Multilingual Students

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced \$4 million in federal funding to support underrepresented students entering or enrolled in mental health degree programs at State University of New York or City University of New York campuses. Through a partnership with the New York State Office of Mental Health, SUNY and CUNY will each be provided \$2 million to support tuition assistance, paid internships, and direct stipends for minority and multilingual students.

"As we continue to strengthen our health care system in New York, we must ensure that we build a diverse and inclusive workforce," Governor Hochul said. "This partnership will provide incentives for underrepresented students to enroll or remain in

mental health programs - helping diversify our future workforce and ensure that all communities are well-served by our public health care system."

The partnership will incentivize minority and multilingual students enrolled at 18 CUNY campuses - including five community colleges, eight senior colleges, three comprehensive colleges and the CUNY Graduate Center and CUNY School of Professional Studies - and 16 SUNY campuses - including eight community colleges, four comprehensive colleges, and four university centers - to enter in or continue paths of study that will prepare them for the mental health field. This is the latest action New York State has taken to address a lack of diversity in the field, which in turn leads to disparities in the delivery of mental health care for marginalized populations.

Minority health care providers are more likely to meet the needs of underserved populations, with a diverse workforce resulting in greater patient and client satisfaction, engagement, and retention in care. Additionally, the mental health workforce is experiencing a shortage of multilingual clinicians, further driving disparities in access, quality, and treatment outcomes for individuals who have limited English proficiency.

Students eligible for this assistance are those who are multilingual; enrolled in a language-specific degree program; or are of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Hispanic, Latinx, Spanish origin, or are Native American, Alaska Native, Black, African American, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander.

Eligible programs at CUNY include certificate, associate, bachelor's, master's and doctorate programs in social work and human services; psychology; psychiatric nursing; and grief counseling and mental health counseling.

At SUNY community colleges, eligible programs include associate degree programs in liberal arts and sciences: humanities and social sciences with tracks or concentrations including mental health assistant, human services, sociology, and psychology. On four-year SUNY campuses, eligible degree programs include health and society; public health concentration; sociology and psychology.

Many of these four-year institutions also offer a Master of Science degree program in mental health counseling and a master's degree program in social work, as well as dual degree programs in mental health counseling or a master's degree in public health. Eligible studies at SUNY university centers include Bachelor of Science degrees in mental health counseling, human development; and doctorate degrees in sociology, psychology; and Doctor of Psychology degrees.

Federal legislation made the initiative possible by providing New York State with supplemental funding for mental health services through a time-limited expansion of the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage, the formula used to reimburse states for most Medicaid programs.

Statement from DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos on EPA's Actions to Classify PFOA and PFOS as Hazardous Substances

"This milestone announcement from the EPA to classify PFOA and PFOS as hazardous substances will increase its Superfund authority and result in reducing human and environmental exposure to these emerging contaminants and prevent these chemicals from entering our communities and drinking water supplies. With EPA's decision once finalized and under Governor Hochul's leadership, DEC will utilize this new action to strengthen our aggressive nationleading efforts to protect New Yorkers from





10 a.m. Frog Jump (bring your own frog) 11 a.m. Town of Olive Police Dept. - Bike Safety 2:30 p.m. Cornhole Tournament - sign up at 2 p.m. 2 pm Egg Toss 3 pm Treasure Hunt Fire Department with Chicken Bingo

visit the Olive Fire Department Juniors booth and meet the newest members of the fire department!

September 10, 2022

Olive Day Jason Jones-Kent Reeves Memorial Run

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The Spillway Band 11-2:30 p.m.

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- Ulster County SPCA (11 4)
- BB gun shooting range
- Penny Social
- Blood Pressure testing
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- Various vendors
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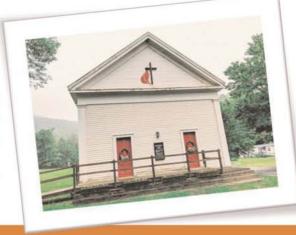
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WE ARE BUILDING A PLAYGROUND!!! WHERE? At the Route 42 Community Park in Grahamsville

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

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

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

TMR Scout Museum will be Open Weekends During the Fall

Narrowsburg, N.Y. (Aug. 26, 2022) -- The Ten Mile River Scout Museum, located on the grounds of Ten Mile River Scout Camps' headquarters, 1481 Crystal Lake Road (County Route 26), Narrowsburg, N.Y. will open every weekend in September and October. Hours are Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET. Interested visitors are welcome to attend during other times by calling or texting 845-701-1317 to schedule an appointment.

"The Geology of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps," a popular summer exhibit remains on display. It is representative of the entire Upper Delaware River Valley and includes a video, "Upper Delaware River Resource Mapping" from a presentation that New York State Museum and Geological Survey Scientist and Mapping Geologist James Leone delivered to the Upper Delaware Council on Jan. 7, 2021. He summarized the findings of a contractual project with the National Park Service to take samples and map the geological features of the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River valley on the New York side.

Museum personnel will be present to answer visitors' questions. The museum follows all COVID-19 safety protocols, as outlined in the "Summer Camp 2021 FAQ - TMR Scout Camps" guide to keep its staff and visitors safe.

About TMR Scout Camps Museum

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

DEC Announces Completion of Final Three Segments of New York State Birding Trail Adirondacks-North Country, Catskills, and Southern Tier

Adirondacks-North Country, Catskills, and Southern Tier Segments Bring Total Number of Sites Across the State to 312 Statewide Trail Provides Birding Opportunities for All New Yorkers, Regardless of Age, Ability, Identity, or Background

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the grand opening of the final three regions of the New York State Birding Trail, highlighting the state's world-class and wide-ranging bird-ing opportunities. The Adirondacks-North Country, Catskills, and Southern Tier segments bring the total number of birding trail locations across the state to more than 300, providing a variety of quality birding experiences for New Yorkers and visitors to enjoy.

"Across the state, the New York State Birding Trail showcases the state's diverse variety of habitats and landscapes and the more than 450 species of birds found here," Commissioner Seggos said. "The completion of the trail map is just the beginning. We look forward to working with our many birding partners for years to come to help residents and visitors enjoy the unique and special opportunities for birding found only here in New York State."

Birdwatching has become one of New York's fastest-growing recreation and tourism activities. DEC manages the New York State Birding Trail in collaboration with partners that include the Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation. The statewide trail network includes promoted birding locations that can be accessed by car or public transportation, providing an inclusive experience for all visitors to enjoy birds amid beautiful natural settings with little or no cost or investment in equipment.

State Parks Commissioner Erik Kulleseid said, "Avid bird watchers are rewarded with a variety of beautiful colors and calls in our state parks. Our trails are habitats that attract birds and bird watchers alike. This partnership will enable more New Yorkers to see and enjoy all that we have to offer."

Empire State Development Vice President and Executive Director of Tourism Ross D. Levi said, "New York State's network of Birding Trails offers great opportunities for families to get outside and explore our unparalleled natural settings and wildlife. Our picturesque birding trails complement any weekend getaway or extended vacation, and the new trails will encourage residents and visitors alike to plan a trip and come be a part of all the outdoor fun in New York State."

Covering five counties, the Catskills segment includes 23 locations on public lands in Delaware, Greene, Schoharie, Sullivan, and Ulster counties. From Forest Preserve lands and iconic State parks to a national wildlife refuge and the popular Ashokan Rail Trail, visitors can combine birding with other pursuits like hiking and biking. The Catskills Visitor Center is a great place to start a birding adventure in this region.

New segments of the Birding Trail were opened in a phased approach. DEC announced the New York City trail segment in October 2021, Greater Niagara in February 2022, Long Island in March 2022, Hudson Valley in April 2022, and Central-Finger Lakes and the Capital Region in May. With 312 locations, the Statewide Birding Trail provides birding opportunities for everyone, regardless of age, ability, identity, or background, across New York State.

DEC continues to solicit input from a wide range of New Yorkers and organizations that represent Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities and is making trail information available in both English and Spanish. Bird walks will be held in collaboration with organizations working with BIPOC communities.

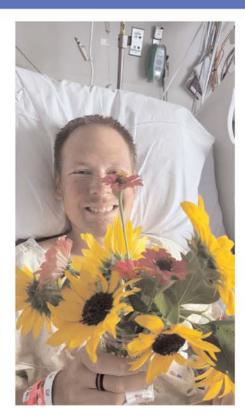
The New York State Birding Trail map is available at www.ibirdny.org and provides valuable information on each site such as location, available amenities, species likely to be seen, directions, and more. Digital information on the Birding Trail will be updated periodically, so budding outdoor enthusiasts are encouraged to check back often.

In addition to State-owned and managed locations for the Birding Trail, publicly and privately managed sites can complete a simple self-nomination process to be considered for inclusion on the trail. Sites all meet criteria to help ensure a positive experience for visitors throughout the state. Additionally, each site will post signage noting it as an official location on the birding trail. For information on the nomination process, see www.ibirdny.org.

DEC encourages birding enthusiasts to visit I Bird NY for more information on where and how to observe birds, upcoming bird walks, a downloadable Beginner's Guide to Birding (PDF) (available in Spanish), additional resources, and information on the recently announced 2022 I Bird NY birding challenges.

DEC manages and oversees nearly five million acres of public lands and conservation easements and plays a vital role in both protecting New York's natural resources and providing opportunities for people to enjoy the outdoors. From fishing on scenic streams, hiking and rock climbing, swimming and boating, birding, and nature study, or simply relaxing in a tent under the stars, there are endless adventures to be found. Visit http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/, connect with us on Facebook, or follow us on Instagram and Twitter.

NICK HAS BEEN SAVED!!!



THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE ON GOING SUPPORT FOR OUR WARRIOR NICK!

Follow Nick @nickneedsokidney

Early Saturday morning at 2am we get the call from University of Virginia Hospital that Nick has a match from a young child with 2 kidneys to donate. Nick without any hesitation packed his bags and was ready to go! After a long late night drive and waiting all day for his 2 kidneys to arrive he finally had his procedure at 8:15pm. Nick's surgery went smoothly and the kidneys were already working their magic the next day. Such a miracle! We can not thank our community enough, the out pouring love for our Nick has been immeasurable and we appreciate everyone's prayers through out this process. We are also sending prayers to the donor family, we will never know who is Nick's donor is but know they are his angel forever.

> OUR HEARTS ARE SO FULL! THANK YOU !!! THANK YOU!! Nick Cell if you want to send him a message! 845.866.8846

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Fresh Air fifth annual summer group show juried by Jenny Nelson

July 23 – September 10, 2022 Saturday, July 23, 3 – 5 pm: Opening and Concert Fundraiser





Carol Altarescu, Robert Axelrod, Lauren Basciani, Christina Batch-Lee, Deb Brindis, Eileen Catasus-Chapman, Diane Christi, Maxine Davidowitz, Carol Davis, Stacie Flint, Tabitha Gilmore-Barnes, Steve Hewitt, Barbara Hirth-Strauss, Janette Kahil, Laura Rock Kopczak, Maureen Lohan-Bremer, Mary Anne Malkine, Kate Masters, Wilma Miller, Lois Ostapczuk, Jacqueline Oster, Sandra Nystrom, Susan Paroubek, Carol Pepper-Cooper, Marie Perry-Edwards, Elaine Ralston, Joe Reilly, Leslie Rolnick, Marilynn Rowley, Dominick Santise, Linda Schultz, John Scribner, Rita Sherry, Roberta Sickler, Michelle Sidrane, Amy Silberkleit, Jan Sosnowitz, Judy Stanger, Marianne Van Lent, K. Velis Turan, Joyce Washor, and Roni Wilder.



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NEW HERITAGE BAKING BOOK It Makes a Unique Gift

The new 68-page Heritage Baking Book

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

It includes a history of baking and information and photos of many of the early local bakers, including bakers from the Smith, Hornbeck, Sheeley and Erath families.

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ULSTER CORPS

Woodstock Film Festivalseeks volunteers September 28 through October 2nd, 2022

The most exciting weekend in Woodstock is fast approaching! The 23rd annual WOODSTOCK FILM FESTI-VAL is returning this fall, September 28 through October 2nd. Volunteers are jumping on board to help in Woodstock, Saugerties, Rosendale and Kingston, with guest relations, box office, production, press, parties, art, photography and more. Let your talents shine! Click the volunteer button on their website woodstockfilmfestival.org, or call the festival office at 845-679-4265 and ask about volunteering!

Ulster County SPCA seeks volunteers and fosters

Make a difference in an animal's life TODAY! The Ulster County SPCA is looking for volunteers and fosters to support our mission of helping, healing, and adopting. As an essential services organization, we are here every single day of the year, providing care for the neglected, abused, and homeless animals of Ulster County and beyond.

Volunteers are needed every day, 7:30am - 4pm for a variety of tasks including dog walking, cat socializing, cleaning, feeding, fundraising, and more! Fosters are always needed to provide temporary homes for animals of all species and ages, including kittens, puppies, adult cats, and dogs. Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at volunteer@ucspca.org or 845-331-5377 x215 for more information.

Volunteers needed to help make The Hudson Valley Garlic Festival a Zero Waste Event!

October 1st and 2nd, 2022

Richard Kappler, Chairperson of the Kiwanis Club of Saugerties Hudson Valley Garlic Festival committee, announces that this year's Garlic Festival will institute a Zero Waste System. The Festival is scheduled for October 1st and 2nd, 2022, at Cantine Field in Saugerties, NY. The Zero Waste System is designed and will be managed by Greenway Environmental Services of Clintondale, NY.

Greenway is issuing a call-to-action, requesting that people who would like to volunteer, sign up for 3-hour shifts to assist in the separation and collection of the materials. Shabazz Jackson, President of Greenway believes "The Kiwanis Club has provided the leadership and support. Now, the energy and hard work from the volunteers is the only way this festival will transition from a garbage generator to a Zero Waste Event.".

The addition of Zero Waste to the Hudson Valley Garlic Festival is a fitting celebration of garlic, the farmers who grow it, and finally returning the fertility back to the land.

For questions or to volunteer please contact Greenway at 845-656-6071 or greenway777@aol.com or sign up here.

Raising HOPE Women's Mentoring

Raising HOPE Women's Mentoring supports women in achieving their career, personal and academic goals.

Raising HOPE's Fall mentor training dates are Oct 8 and 29, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We are planning to meet in person for these events with plenty of room to social distance and will provide a catered lunch. The first step in the process is to apply to become a mentor at:

https://airtable.com/shrqQLUFYJoDq820W

We will connect with you to set up an interview time. Together we can do what we could never do alone. We have seen incredible growth in our mentees from the consistent support of their mentors. We hope you will join us as a mentor.

If you have any questions please contact Cecilia Deferrari, Raising HOPE Program Assistant at cdeferrari@ulsterunitedway.org or via cell phone 845.392.4989.

Kingston Farmers Market seeks volunteers

The Kingston Farmers Market is putting a call out for volunteers for our Saturday markets over the 2022 summer season. We are seeking dedicated community members, who are willing and excited to engage in the market space throughout our operation on Saturdays from May-November. We hope to provide involvement in work that is not only beneficial to the flow of the market, but to the volunteers themselves. We encourage you to get involved if getting to know the foundations of Kingston Farmers Markets are of interest to you.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to assist in the market information tent, collect and distribute market currency, and help with setup and break down of the displays. We will repay volunteers for their time with KFM merchandise, along with farmer market bucks. We value and appreciate volunteers' time and effort and look forward to growing our market staff and community throughout the season.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering with us this season please contact

Foodaccess@kingstonfarmersmarket.org. OR

you can sign-up for a volunteer position through this link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48ACA62EA 0FEC70-kingston

Thank you for your interest, see you at the market!

Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley Chapter

The Alzheimer's Association relies on dedicated volunteers to achieve our vision of a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia. We seek committed, passionate volunteers to educate the public, lead support groups, provide social engagement to those living with early-stage Alzheimer's, participate on Walk to End Alzheimer's and The Longest Day committees, support advocacy efforts and more:

Caregiver Support Group facilitators: Has Alzheimer's or a related dementia touched your life? Do you want to help others caring for someone with the disease? We offer a free support group facilitator training that can prepare you to lead a group in your area.

Community representatives: Help us reach the communities you care about by leading activities at faith organizations, community centers, neighborhood events and more. By bringing information and education to places like these, you are helping to grow the cause and reach those in need.

Faith outreach representatives: Serve as a liaison between the Alzheimer's Association and local faith groups and congregations by sharing information about Alzheimer's disease, free resources offered through the Alzheimer's Association, and the many ways to join our cause at local community and education events.

Office support: Move our mission forward by supporting a variety of office activities, such as mailings, phone banks and communication efforts.

Ulster Corps -Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley Chapter (From Pg. 49) - Professional skills and personal passions: If you're skilled in clerical and office procedures, planning, nonprofit boards, social work, health, finance, communications, marketing, community outreach, public speaking, diversity outreach, fundraising and/or more, we have a need for your expertise.

The Longest Day®: This fundraising and awareness event, held annually around the summer solstice to honor those facing Alzheimer's, requires year-round planning and support. Help develop this exciting global event in your area! Click here for a list of committee positions available.

Walk to End Alzheimer's[®]: Dutchess-Ulster Walk to End Alzheimer's (on the Walkway, Sat., Oct. 15) Be a part of the world's largest event to raise funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. We have a variety of roles available, including a year-round planning committee, team recruitment opportunities and event-day support.

For more information about these opportunities and how to get involved, please contact Erin Lynch at enlynch@alz.org or 845-378-1071. For more information about the Hudson Valley Chapter, please visit www.alz.org/hudsonvalley.

Ulster County Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers

Let's build homes, hope, and communities together! Volunteer with Ulster Habitat ReStore today and make a difference in your community! We need volunteers to assist staff with customer service, unloading donations, organizing the warehouse and prep rooms, repairing gently used furniture, testing electronics, and preparing and pricing donated goods for resale. There are several volunteer opportunities available Tuesday through Saturday between 9:30 and 4:30.

How do I sign up to volunteer with Ulster Habitat? Follow the instructions at https://ulsterhabitat.org/volunteerregistration/ to register. Once we get your registration, we'll contact you to schedule your orientation. For additional information, please call Carolyn at 845-340-0907 x 105 or email volunteers@ulsterhabitat.org.

CASA Volunteers Needed - make a difference in a child's life

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) are speciallytrained, objective community volunteers appointed by Family Court to advocate for children who are in out-ofhome placement or who are at risk of being placed in foster care.

CASA is appointed by court order to collaborate with others involved in a child's case and gather information from all interested persons including parents, foster parents, teachers, case managers, doctors, therapists, attorneys, other service providers, and the child. CASA provides fact-based reports to assist the court in addressing the child's needs and in determining what is in their best interest.

When CASA is appointed, children are either in foster care or in the care of their parents or extended family with services and family court oversight. Many are safely reunified with the parents. In other cases, children and youth are permanently placed with relatives or are adopted.

CASA's ultimate goal is for children to grow up in permanent, safe, healthy family homes.

FREE training provided, NO experience needed! Contact us!

Phone: 845-372-8771

Email: Casa.Ulster@drcservices.org

More info: https://www.drcservices.org/casa/

https://www.drcservices.org/volunteer-opportunities/volunteer-opportunities

Compeer Volunteer The COMPEER program serves people recovering from mental illness. The program matches caring volunteers from the community with clients and encourages them to develop a one to one relationship based on friendship and support.

Expectations of Volunteers

Weekly contacts with their match using text, phone, email, etc.

4 hours of face to face contact in a month in which they do some sort of activity.

(once a month activity is hosted and paid for by the Competer program to assist with this requirement)

The program provides the volunteer with training, a personalized match, a monthly newsletter, social activities and continuous professional support. The goals of the program are: to encourage a nurturing relationship of friendship and support; to establish a sense of confidence in coping with the complexities of everyday life; to bring forth unique talents and abilities through social connection or activities; to ignite a sense of awareness and understanding about mental illness through involvement in community activities; and to prevent re-hospitalization of the consumers in the program.

To become a volunteer or participant of the COMPEER program please contact: The Compeer Coordinator 845-339-9090x2206

OR

Email wellnessinfo@mhainulster.com.

Mental Health Peers or those with lived experience are welcome to apply for this volunteer position.

https://www.mhainulster.com/wellness-services/compeervolunteer-program/

Ulster Immigrant Defense Network

Ulster Immigrant Defense Network (UIDN), a five-year old volunteer organization formed to provide a network of safety and support to immigrants, regardless of status, welcomes new volunteers to help sustain its important work. Current critical volunteer needs:

Bilingual helpline volunteers (Spanish/English) to work remotely or in shifts at our Kingston office. After an orientation, volunteers provide assistance and referrals by phone, choosing their own hours. Minimum commitment: two hours a week for at least 10 weeks.

Volunteers with trucks or vans to pick up and deliver food and furniture.

Household support: Help with weekly Kingston food pantries where families can pick up groceries and other needed items. Donate or identify sources for needed items and drop them off by prior arrangement.

Interviewers/storytellers: bilingual (English/Spanish) volunteers to interview local immigrants and tell their stories in our newsletter and on our website. Experience interviewing and/or telling stories is very helpful.

Expand and update UIDN's resource lists.

For more information go to: https://ulsterimmigrantdefensenetwork.org/get-involved/volunteer-2/

Angel Food East seeks volunteers

Are you passionate about food and combating food insecurity for the most vulnerable among us? Want to make a difference in your community, TODAY? Angel Food East is looking for dedicated chefs, prep cooks and dishwashers, various shifts; hours and days are flexible.

Sullivan County Commits to Moving ForwardWith SUNY Sullivan Indoor Arena Facility Will Be Open to the Public and Schools



Loch Sheldrake, NY - Up to \$20 million may be bonded to make SUNY Sullivan's indoor pool and sports arena a reality, thanks to the Sullivan County Legislature.

"The college is our crown jewel, and we want it to grow brighter in coming years," stated Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty. "That's why we've dedicated millions of dollars to not just this project but their annual budget and a crucial, ongoing rehab of their facilities, including a needed upgrade of their heating and ventilation system. We want them to continue being the incredible resource they have long been to the entire County."

"We agreed that this proposal is a great chance not just for our college but for the Town of Fallsburg to really stand out in the crowd. We can bring large sporting events and shows to the arena, and the facility will be available for public rental," pointed out Legislator Joe Perrello, in whose District 7 the college sits. "The Legislature needed to show the State - which is funding half of the project - that we're serious, and I'm grateful my colleagues feel the same way I do about this opportunity."

"SUNY Sullivan has a long and storied history of athletic excellence. This exciting new facility will allow us to offer new sports and expand our current track program," remarked SUNY Sullivan President Jay Quaintance. "Additionally, this state-of-the-art facility will be available to Sullivan County school districts for their athletic needs, will be open to residents to provide much-needed access to year-round fitness opportunities, and will be an anchor athletic facility to drive programming and tourism to Sullivan County. We are very excited to move this project forward."

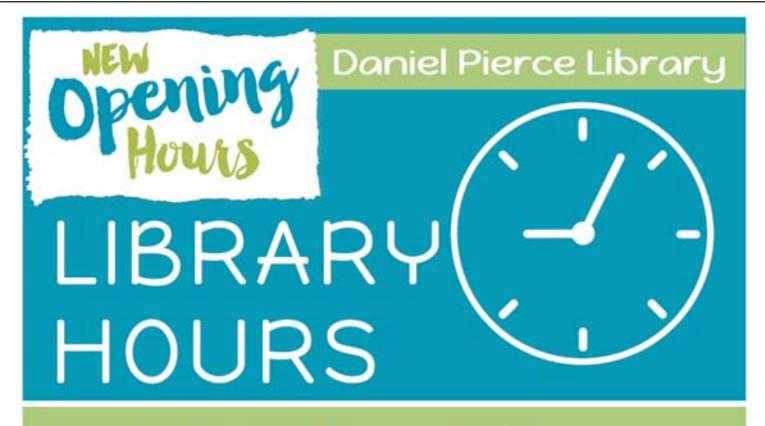
The aquatic and recreation facility - which is planned to feature a 25-meter-long, 8-lane pool and a 200-meter track oval - is anticipated to cost between \$15 and \$30 million but may not require any bonding, said County Manager Joshua Potosek.

"We'll be working with the college and the State to see if we can accomplish this transformative project without borrowing funds," he explained. "The \$20 million bonding resolution legislators passed on August 18 simply gives us the ability to borrow up to that amount if needed."

The County will soon issue a request for proposals for conceptual renderings.



We appreciate donations for our White Elephant table Sundown United Methodist Church Hall (Intersection of Sundown Rd, Peekamoose Rd & Greenville Rd, Sundown, NY 12740)



MONDAY - 9:00 am - 1:00 pm TUESDAY - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm WEDNESDAY - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm THURSDAY - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm FRIDAY - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm SATURDAY - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Curbside pick up will continue to be available every day from a half hour after opening until a half hour before closing time.

Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, September 18th

Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$9 Children Ages 5-11: \$5 Under 5 Yrs. Free

Take-outs are available 985-7270

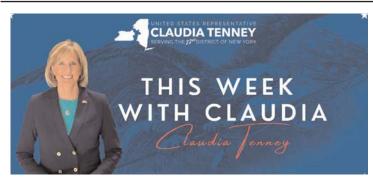
3 types of Eggs any style, Pancakes, French Toast, Hash browns, Sausage, cvfd specialties, Oj, coffee, tea

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

It's Book Tent Time at the Daniel Pierce library! Stop by ANYTIME

Please do not leave donated materials outside of the library or under the book tent. Donations are accepted by appointment ONLY. Please call 845-985-7233 to make your appointment.

Thank you for your continued support of the Daniel Pierce Library!



Congresswoman Tenney's Statement on President Biden's Student Debt "Cancellation" Plan

UTICA, NY -- Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-22) today released the following statement following the announcement of President Biden's plans to "cancel" federal student loan debt for individuals making less than \$125,000, or married couples making less than \$250,000, per year.

"Pressured by far-left special interests, President Biden has caved once again. Joe Biden's announcement that he will try to 'cancel' federal student loan debt for high earners not only bypasses Congress, it is a blatantly partisan effort to appease his far-left critics amid his record-low poll numbers. It is not only bad policy, it is wholly illegal and if the rule of law still matters in America the decision should be stopped by the Courts. President Biden and his Department of Education have both said previously that the President does not have the authority to take this misguided step, and nothing has changed aside from his falling poll numbers.

"Canceling debt that individuals willingly chose to take on sets a terrible precedent for our country. Those who paid off their college or who simply chose not to attend will now be stuck footing the bill for the 10% of Americans who still have debt outstanding. With an estimated cost of \$300 billion, this disastrous policy is sure to fuel more inflation while catering to higher earners. Lastly, colleges and universities will have even less incentive now to lower skyrocketing tuition costs, kicking the can down the road and leaving future generations with the exact same problem.

"If President Biden wants to tackle the issue of student debt, he should start by following the law. Instead of unilateral executive action that is overreaching, irresponsible and costly, Joe Biden should work with Congress to take meaningful steps to tackle soaring higher education costs."

In last week's edition of my weekly newsletter, I took the opportunity to highlight some of my work in Congress since the beginning of the year. As always, I am laser focused on providing compassionate, principled, and transparent representation to every individual across New York's 22nd Congressional District. Thank you to everyone who took the time to read the updates!

DEC Forest Rangers - Week in Review Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers respond to search and rescue incidents statewide. Working with other state agencies, local emergency response organizations, and volunteer search and rescue groups, Forest Rangers locate and extract lost, injured, or distressed people from across New York State.

Town of Ramapo Rockland County

Wildland Fire: On Aug. 15 at 6:40 p.m., Forest Rangers and members of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation responded to the Wanoksink Fire in Harriman State Park. By 11 p.m., the fire had spread to 12 acres. Rangers started burning a control line to keep the fire contained to a 34-acre area. By Aug. 17, the fire was put into patrol status. Drone video of the fire is available for download at DEC's website. The fire is believed to have started as an unattended campfire. DEC continues to urge New Yorkers to practice the utmost safety when building campfires this summer.

Town of Shandaken Ulster County

Wilderness Enforcement: On Aug. 20 at 8 a.m., Forest Ranger Franceschina received several photos of a couple camped on the summit of Wittenberg Mountain. Rangers Franceschina and Martin responded, but by the time they reached the summit at approximately 11:30 a.m., the subjects had left the area. Rangers continued their foot patrol, checking neighboring peaks and the Terrace Mountain lean-to. Rangers spoke to passing hikers and determined the illegal campers were on their way back to the trailhead. At 4 p.m., Rangers found the pair and issued tickets for camping above 3,500 feet and having a fire above 3,500 feet in the Catskill Park.

Between March 22 and Dec. 20, camping is prohibited above an elevation of 3,500 feet in the Catskills, except in an emergency. Fires are prohibited above 4,000 feet in the Adirondacks and 3,500 feet in the Catskills, except in an emergency.

Town of Wawarsing Ulster County

Wildland Fire: On Aug. 21 at 4:30 p.m., Forest Rangers responded to the Losees Hill Fire behind Laurel Mountain Road in Wawarsing. Rangers worked on bulldozer lines to contain the fire to 2.5 acres. Rangers were assisted by multiple volunteer fire departments and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. By 10:40 p.m., the fire was 75 percent contained. Drone video of the fire is available for download at DEC's website.

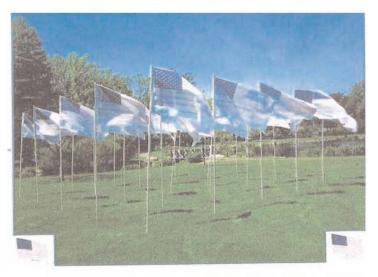
Dry weather throughout the summer has increased the risk of fires. More information about how to reduce the risk of wildfires can be found at DEC's website.

Be sure to properly prepare and plan before entering the backcountry. Visit DEC's Hike Smart NY, Adirondack Backcountry Information, and Catskill Backcountry Information webpages for more information.

If a person needs a Forest Ranger, whether it's for a search and rescue, to report a wildfire, or to report illegal activity on state lands and easements, they should call 833-NYS-RANGERS. If a person needs urgent assistance, they can call 911. To contact a Forest Ranger for information about a specific location, the DEC website has phone numbers for every Ranger listed by region. Big Indian Oliverea Fire Company Auxiliary Fair 1st Annual, Vendors, Fire trucks, Classic Cars Saturday and Sunday September 10 and 11, From 10-4 Big Indian Park, Big Indian, NY 12410

9-11 Ceremony on Sunday at 12 pm

Flags of Honor which contains the names of all those who perished in the attacks of 9-11 including planes, pentagon and WTC will be for sale you can purchase yours now or after the ceremony for \$25.00 each they will be flying high in Big Indian Park on the morning of our event after our ceremony you can get your flag



Flag of Honor

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For info call	845-254-4238- Make check out to BIOFC	Aux 8 fi	rehouse Rd, Big Indian, I	NY 12410

Sullivan County Text For Teens

Aonday - Friday 4pm-10pm

> Saturday & Sunday 5pm-12am

Hey...I really need to talk to someone. Can you help?



Free & confidential support Someone who can listen and help Text as often as you need!

We're Here to Listen: Bullying - Eating Disorders -Self-Harm - Homeless/Runaway -Pregnancy - Problems at Home -Relationship Issues - LGBTQ+ -Divorce - School Issues -Substance Use -Physical/Mental/Sexual Health and more!

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OFF HOURS: Call 1-888-750-2266, option 2



Text for Teens is supported by a Grant of the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation



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



Go on the DMV Website to make a reservation.

Search sullivancountydmvscheduling

Please read all appointment types before selecting one. If you select the wrong appointment type you may have to reschedule due to time constraints.

Now conveniently doing business at 9 locations:

Neversink Town Hall - 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY (rotating schedule) Callicoon Town Hall - 19 Legion Street, Jeffersonville, NY (rotating schedule) Rockland Town Hall - 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY (rotating schedule) Delaware Town Hall - 104 Lower Main Street, Hortonville, NY (rotating schedule) Mamakating Town Hall - 2948 US 209, Wurtsboro, NY (rotating schedule) Tusten Town Hall - 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY (rotating schedule) Town of Liberty Senior Center - 119 N Main St. Liberty, NY (rotating schedule) Bloomingburg Town Hall - 13 North Rd. Bloomingburg, NY (rotating schedule)

Customers <u>MUST</u> have all forms completed <u>PRIOR</u> to arriving for their appointment. You can access forms through the NYS DMV website - <u>dmv.ny.gov</u>

*** IF YOU ARE LATE OR NOT PREPARED YOU WILL BE ASKED TO RESCHEDULE ***

Please limit the number of people coming to your appointment. Additional people not necessary

to the transaction may be asked to wait outside.

The DMV will continue to take mail-in license renewals with proof of an eye exam and registration renewals to: Sullivan County DMV, 100 North Street, Monticello NY, 12701

September Teen Events at your library

Teen Advisory Group

Tuesday September 6th 4:30 pm

This TAC program will be in person this month. Need volunteer hours? Check that box in the survey & we'll make sure you get credit for attending and giving feedback.



Teen Taste Test

Monday September 12th 4:30 pm

We love doing different taste tests! In the past we have done oreos, international snacks, chocolate, popcorn, and more! We will be tasting a lot, so make sure you're hungry!



Teen Game Night

Monday September 19th 4:30 pm

Come and join us for a new fun game! Bring your competitiveness! Compete against your friends and make new friends!



Teen Art Club

Monday September 26th 4:30 pm

Join us for our monthly art club! The craft this month will be a guided painting program. What you create will make great gifts for friends or family!



Take Home Kit: Boba Keychains

Week of September 26th

With this take-home kit you'll be able to make a tiny boba keychain! It's not made with real food but it's still adorable! We will provide all the supplies you need. Ages 12-18.





OUR FUTURE CAR SHOWS ANY MAKE ANY MODEL



The Bagel Festival -- August 14, 2022 - 9am - 4pm

Classic • Hot Rod • Low Rider • Muscle • Tuner



Registration 8:00am until 12:00pm • Fee \$15

Trophies to be presented at 3pm

Trophies Top 40:

Club Choice, Chamber Choice, Kids Choice, Best of Show



Neversink / Roundout Tractor Show Grahamsville Fair Grounds Saturday, September 17, 2022 Free Registration 8:00am til 12:00pm Donations gratefully accepted Top 5 Trophies Awarded 3 PM

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Donate your used books!

We need good quality books for our Giant Pumpkin Party book sale.



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We accept good quality and clean hardcover and paperback books, DVD's, music CD's, and audio books.



We CANNOT accept:

Damaged, dirty, or old books. Books that are soiled, brown, with mildew or mold.

Textbooks, encyclopedias, reference sets, or condensed books. Magazines and newspapers. VHS and cassette tapes.

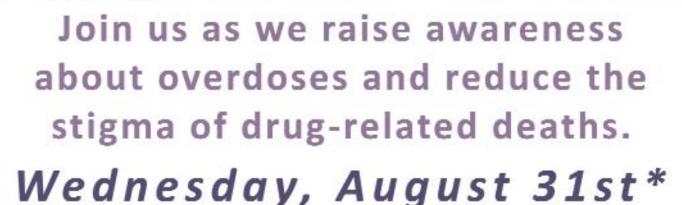
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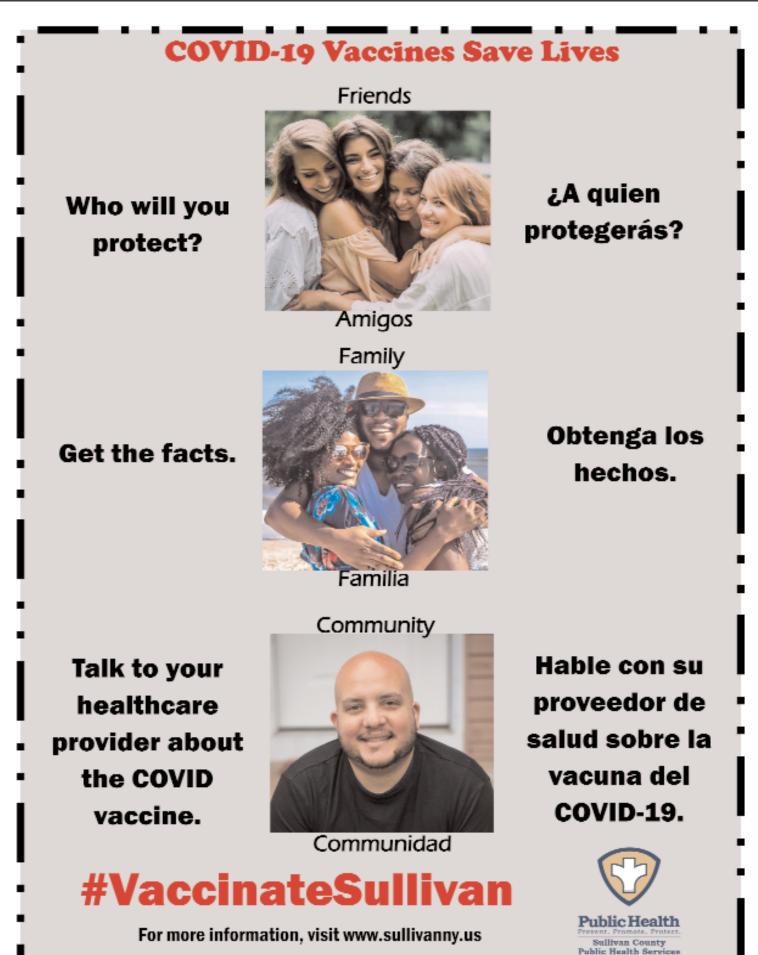


Begins at 7pm

Sullivan County Courthouse Front Lawn (414 Broadway, Monticello) *Rain date will be Thursday, September 1st

For more information, please contact Sullivan 180's Outreach Coordinator, Lindsay Wheat, at LWheat@sullivan180.org or call (845)295-2683

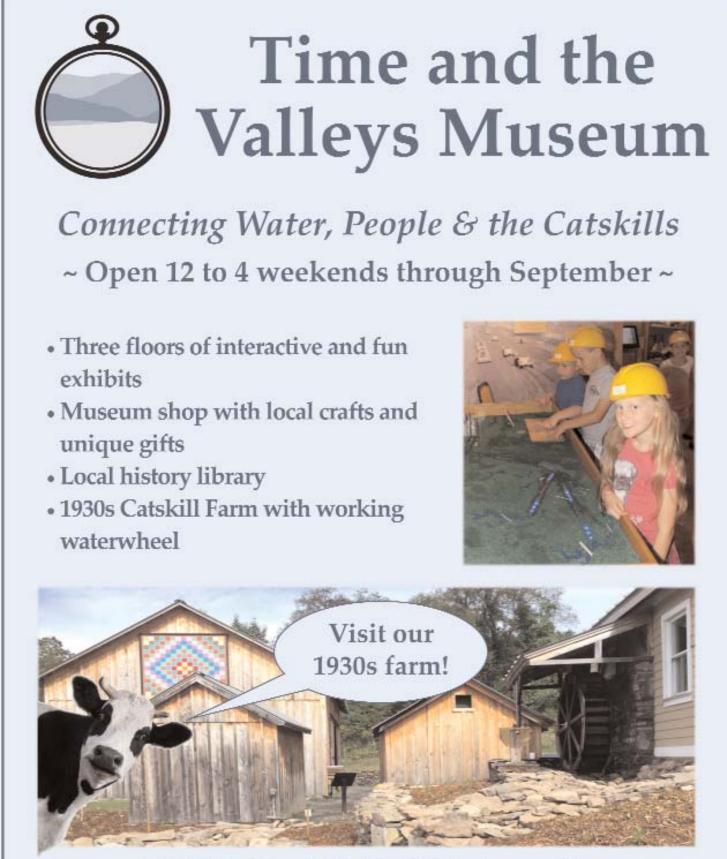
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The trains are gone, but the masterpiece train layout remains. The layout contains multiple features & items that would be wonderful for a new train enthusiast or anyone who builds miniatures.



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FALLSBURG FALL FESTIVAL

VENDORS WANTED!

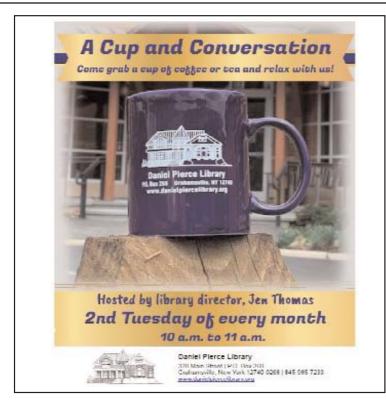
Food, Crafts, Toys, Games, Antiques, Etc.

When: Saturday, September 17, 2022 Rain Date: Sept. 18, 2022 Where: Morningside Park, Hurleyville, NY Time: 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. (Vendor Set-up: 8 A.M. - NOT BEFORE)

Games, Scavenger Hunt, Music, Food, and More. Fun for the Whole Family.

Open to vendors on a first paid basis. Contact Jill at 845-798-6058 or <u>jweiner66@gmail.com</u> or Diane at 845-866-3204 or <u>dsenn10151@aol.com</u> for an application or if you have questions.

Vendors must provide their own equipment. Non-food vendor space is 10'x10' for \$15.00 ea.; Food vendor space is 15'x15' for \$20 ea.; Food truck fees are \$30 ea. Application and fees must be received no later than August 20, 2022





Studio Artists Group at the Daniel Pierce Library

Now meeting every Wednesday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Come paint with us! Join this collaborative group as we create and inspire each other Please bring any art supplies that you plan to work with to create your piece. Adults only.



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Schedule of Activities

Activity Sa	aturday	Sunday
Petting Zoo	12:30-4:30 p	12:30-4:30 p
Pedal Boats	12:00-4:00 p	12:00-4:00 p
Bounce Houses	12:00-5:00 p	12:00-5:00 p
Golf Demo	1:00 p	12:30 p
Magician	2:00 p	
Birds of Prey		2:00 p
Rust Family Show	, 3:00 p	3:00 p
Snakeman		12:30-4:30 p



845-434-5877, Parks Dept.

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Morningside Park September 10 and 11th from Noon until 5:00pm

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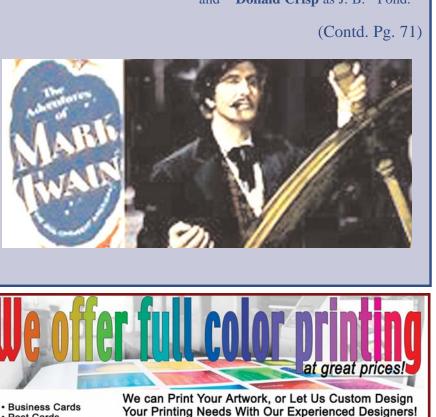
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"KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE" **ON TCM, AMAZON, IMOB "THE ADVENTURES** MARK TWAIN'' (2H 10M / DRAMA / TV-G 1944)

Sam Clemmons AKA Mark Twain, a young man that dreams of a world in the fashion to ease humanity's pains as he moves from Mississippi riverboats to the Gold Rush country and into literary immortality with the jumping frog of county. Directed by Irving **Rapper** and starring the great **Fredric** March as Brady, in another of his epic roles as impressive role in *Inherit the Wind*, the retellingof the epic Monkey Trial.

March played this part with soul of Mark Twain driving his performance. Thank you Fredric March. Also starring Alexis Smith, in a wonderful performance as Twain's wife. and **Donald Crisp** as J. B. Pond.



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An invalid poetess defies her father's wishes to marry a dashing young poet. Directed by Sidney Franklin, and starring Norma Shearer, Fredric March, and Charles Laughton.



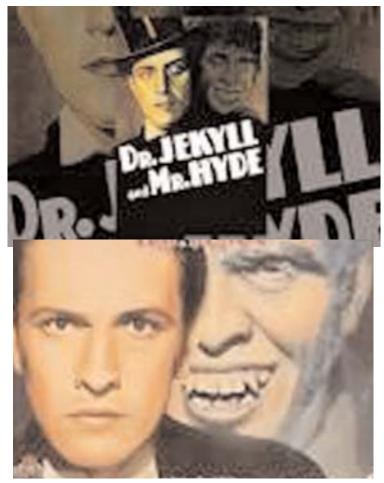


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MR. HYDE (1h 30m / Horror/Science-Fiction / TV-PG 1932)

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Robert Louis Stevenson's classic tale of a scientist who unleashes the beast within. Directed by Rouben Mamoulian, and starring Fredric March, Miriam Hopkins, and Rose Hobart.



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