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## NEW! Teen Zone at the 36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party

Look for the TEEN ZONE at 36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party to be held on Saturday, October 1st, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville.

The **Teen Zone** will feature a climbing wall! In addition to the climbing wall teens will be able to enjoy giant Jenga and Connect Four games along with Cornhole and Can Jams!

The Giant Pumpkin Party is a family day out in the country with something for everyone - from the costume parade to pony rides, giant pumpkin growing contest, craft fair, hay rides, hay maze, a Book Sale, live music, delicious food featuring freshly-made Daniel Pierce Library donuts and other amusements and games!

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**On the Front Burner:** If thou wert pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous. Job 8:6

### **OBITUARY**

**Betty J. McNamara** of Woodbourne, NY, a retired horticulturist at the Pines Hotel in South Fallsburg, NY and a lifelong area resident, died Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at Garnet Health Medical Center, Harris, NY. She was 88.

The daughter of the late Chester A. and Edna Marie Hall Foster, she was born August 7, 1934 in Middletown, NY.

Betty was a lifelong member of the Grahamsville United Methodist Church. She spent many hours baking for fellowship luncheons and supporting the Thrift Shop. In her spare time, Betty enjoyed sewing quilts for her grandchildren, gardening, and her Monday afternoon card games with her dear friends.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond McNamara; her children, Michael McNamara and his wife Emily of Hurleyville, NY, Patrick McNamara of Woodbourne, NY and Terry McNamara and his wife Rhonda of Grahamsville, NY; her grandchildren, Brittany, Christian, Kelly, Stephen, Kayla, Sean and Courtney; and two brothers, Paul Allen Foster and his wife Joan and Gary Foster and his wife Patty. She was predeceased by her sister, Carol Smith.

Funeral services were held on Monday, September 12, 2022 in the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, 350 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY. Burial will be in the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home.

**Raymond J. McNamara, Jr.** of Woodbourne, NY, a retired Golf Course Superintendent at the Homowack Hotel in Spring Glen, NY and a lifelong area resident, died Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at the Care Center at Sunset Lake, Liberty, NY. He was 87.

The son of the late Raymond Sr. and Viola Crowfoot McNamara, he was born April 16, 1935 in Bridgeport, CT.Golf was always a part of Ray's life. He enjoyed playing the game as well as working in the industry with his sons for many years. He also spent time surfcasting, playing cards, and enjoying country music - The Gather Hour, in particular.

Survivors include his children, Michael McNamara and his wife Emily of Hurleyville, NY, Patrick McNamara of Woodbourne, NY and Terry McNamara and his wife Rhonda of Grahamsville, NY; his grandchildren, Brittany, Christian, Kelly, Stephen, Kayla, Sean and Courtney; and his sister, Joyce Schweiss. He was predeceased by his wife, Betty J. McNamara; and his brother, Robert "Bobby" McNamara. Funeral services were held on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 11 AM in the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, 350 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY. Burial will be in the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home.

**Ida Grisel Alvarez** of Liberty, NY a Medicaid Service Coordinator for ARC in Liberty and Monticello, NY and a long time area resident, died Friday, September 9, 2022 at her home after fighting a long battle with illness for the past four years. She was 72.

The daughter of the late Domingo and Margarita Torres Ramos, she was born March 14, 1950 in Jayuya, Puerto Rico.

Ida was a communicant at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Liberty, NY and she worked at the St. Peter's Food Pantry/Close Closet/Children's Shop; she enjoyed gardening. Her favorite time was spent with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, Luis Alvarez, at home; her daughter, Lucy Bohan-Alvarez of Horseheads, NY; her son, Julio Alvarez and his wife Katie of Glen Spey, NY; six grandchildren, Luis, Alex, Charley, Stephen, Cole and Gia; many brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church. Father Edward Bader officiated. Burial will be in St. Peter's Cemetery, Liberty, NY.

Memorial contributions in Ida's name may be made to St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, 264 No. Main Street, Liberty, NY 12754.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral

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

#### September 24, 1952

Warren C. Many has the distinction of being the oldest person in the Tri Valley area. "Uncle Warren", as he is popularly known, celebrated his 95th birthday and was able to ride to Middletown and back on the day and attend the Many family reunion. A four-tier birthday cake wit 95 candles, baked by his niece, Mrs. Robert T. Many, helped to commemorate the occasion.

The Kortrights received a letter from Pvt. Roy Kortright, telling them that he has arrived in France and that he is stationed about 70 miles from his brother, Pfc. Milton Kortright, who went oversea about two years ago. The brothers talked over th telephone and are planning to spend the weekend together.

#### September 12, 1962

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hall of Woodbourne are the parents of a son, Steven, born on September 6 at Maimonides Hospital. Mrs. Hall is a teacher at the Tri Valley School.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dymond of Sundown are the parents of a son, David Lee, born on September 4 at the Memorial Hospital in Ellenville.

The Sundown ME Church was begun in 1856 and a church building costing \$2000 was erected i 1868. The first pastor was Rev. F.N. Andrews. The church (society) was incorporated in 1878. Many people have been asking how old the church is so this should be of note to all.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nash of the Bronx are parents of a son born on September 4. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Nash are the paternal grandparents.

The property of Charles VanAken in Sundown was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vurckio of Brooklyn. Closing took place in the office of Attorney Nellie Childs Smith of Grahamsville. The real estate broker was Herbert George of Sundown.

#### **October 4, 1972**

The Tri-Valley High School Marching Band appeared at the Sullivan County Fireman's Association parade in Wurtsboro on Saturday, Sept. 30. Headed by drum majorette, Beth Baloy, they received their first trophy on Sept. 23rd at Livingston Manor at the National Hunting and Fishing Day parade. The band is a small but dedicated organization which the community can be proud of as representing Tri-Valley. (Contd. Pg. 4)

### Household Hint:

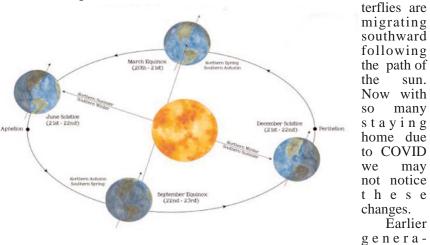
#### Use Vinegar to Prevent Discoloration of Potatoes

Prevent discoloration of peeled potatoes by adding a few drops of vinegar to water. They will keep fresh for several days in the fridge.

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

### Half Day and Half Night

Recent years have brought about many changes, however, one thing that is consistent this time of year is the fact that summer is in its final days in the Northern hemisphere. The sun is rising later each day and setting earlier each evening as the arc of the sun shifts toward the south. Birds and but-



tions spent most of their time out of doors and followed the cycles of the Sun using the sky as both clock and calendar and could easily see when the sun's path across the sky changed the location of the sunrise and sunset throughout the year. Stone circles like Stonehenge, dating back more than 3,000 years, are aligned to the Solstices and the Equinoxes.

Today, we know each equinox and solstice is an astronomical event caused by Earth's tilt on its axis and ceaseless orbit around the sun.

The Earth does not orbit upright, but is tilted on its axis by 23 1/2 degrees. Earth's Northern and Southern Hemispheres trade places in receiving the sun's light. Thus we have an equinox twice a year, spring and fall. It is when the tilt of the Earth's axis and Earth's orbit around the sun combine in such a way that the axis is inclined neither away from nor toward the sun. At the equinoxes, the sun appears overhead at noon if seen from Earth's equator. The sun will be on the celestial equator, and the celestial equator intersects all of our horizons at points due east and due west. At the equinox the sun will rise due east and set due west . If you have a chance and do go outside around sunset or sunrise and notice the location of the sun on the horizon relative to familiar landmarks. Return to the same spot a day or two later at sunrise or sunset, and continue to do so and you will notice the sun moving further and further south.

If you look up at the night sky, you will see Fomalhaut, the Autumn Star making its way across the heavens each night. You will also see the point where the Ecliptic crosses the Celestial Equator. It is presently lying in the constellation Virgo, which is one of the 12 sun signs of the zodiac. When the Sun passes this point each year, the Autumnal Equinox has occurred and nights begin to grow longer than days, and continue to do so in the Northern Hemisphere until the Winter Solstice in December when the sun appears at its lowest altitude above the horizon at noon.

The Autumn Equinox is not celebrated quite as intensely as the Winter Solstice or Midsummer Solstice, but it is a good time to get out those warm woolies, stoke up the fire and prepare for the winter ahead. Take out a little time this weekend to enjoy the last days of summer before the Autumn Equinox on Wednesday, September 23nd, a seasonal signpost of Earth's orbit around the sun!

#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

### DAYS OF YORE... Today's History (From Pg. 3)

#### October 4, 1972

Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Allison, 10 years on the 6th; Mr. and Mrs. William Denman, 21 years on the 10th; the Charles Klothes, 36 years also on the 10th.

Introducing Linda Harris -Miss Linda Harris, a former Tri-Valley student, is the new girl's physical education teacher. Miss Harris lives in Neversink, is a 1968 graduate of Tri-Valley and teaches grades 6-12.

A surprise baby shower was given for Mrs Thomas Amthor on Sept. 29th at the Sundown Store. The shower was given by Mrs. James Brooks of East Mt. Road and Mrs. Carolyn Oliver of Sundown.

#### September 28, 1982

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Hook announce the engagement of their daughter, Brenda Ackerley of San Francisco, Calif. to David Fondel also of San Francisco. Wedding plans are incomplete.

Tom Miller, Jr. received his God and Country Award at St. Paul's Church in Liberty on September19th. Representing Troop 187, Grahamsville, at the ceremony were scouts Danny Everett, Michael Buley and Karl Haag. Representing Cub Scout Pack 87 was Jonathon Miller. Also present were Ray Everett, Asst. Scout Master and George Haag, Unit Commissioner.

According to the Agriculture Dept. there were 2,436,000 farms in the U.S. in 1981, or 8,000 more than in 1980. The increase is the first in 46 years. Texas was listed as having the greatest number of farms with 186,000. The report said that New York had 49,000.

### Repurchase Deadline for Tax-Foreclosed Properties Is Now November 1 By Legislative Action Tax Auction Rescheduled to November 16-17

Monticello, NY - The 2022 Sullivan County Real Estate Tax Foreclosure Auction was rescheduled by a unanimous vote of the Legislature yesterday based upon public feedback. As a result, legislators are allowing foreclosed property owners to repurchase their properties by 5 p.m. on November 1.

"Since the redemption period had passed, we had to take legislative action in order to postpone the auction," Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty explained. "The Treasurer's Office and Real Property Advisory Board work diligently and scrupulously follow the law amidst sometimes gut-wrenching circumstances. We simply feel that it is in the best interests of taxpayers to provide additional opportunity to repurchase their properties."

People wishing to repurchase their foreclosed parcels must by close of business on November 1 - pay all delinquent taxes, along with a fee equal to 5% of the property's full market value, plus 10% of the current property taxes due and owing, and all closing costs necessary to transfer title from the County back to the previous owner. In addition, pursuant to the legislative resolution, those wishing to repurchase must provide proof of payment of current village (if applicable) and school taxes. Payment will only be accepted via guaranteed funds payable to the County Treasurer's Office. The exact amount due can be obtained from the Treasurer's Office by calling 845-807-0200

As a result of this legislative action, the tax auction has been pushed back from September 21-22 to November 16-17. Sullivan County Treasurer Nancy Buck urges potential bidders to register before 4 p.m. Monday, November 14 at https://aarauctions.com/servlet/Search.do?auctionId=4999. Registrants will receive a packet via email explaining the terms and conditions of the auction, along with the foreclosure process and associated liens. A bidders' seminar is available to watch online, as well.

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

All sales are subject to final approval by the Sullivan County Legislature.

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

### NYS Assembly Invests \$700K in SUNY Sullivan's Health Sciences Programs

State officials came together with SUNY Sullivan leaders recently to announce \$700,000 in Assembly investments to improve and expand Health Sciences programs at the college.

On hand for the announcement were New York State Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, Assemblymember Aileen Gunther, SUNY Sullivan President Jay Quaintance, SUNY Sullivan Nursing Director Dr. Chyrise Taylor, and SUNY Sullivan Board of Trustees Vice Chair and Center for Discovery President Dr. Theresa Hamlin.



The funds will go toward making updates to facilities and improving access to technologies for the benefit of those studying to become certified nursing assistants (CNAs), licensed practical nurses (LPNs), registered nurses (RNs), and respiratory care and medical assistants at SUNY Sullivan.

"The investments we announced today will make critical investments in training the next generation of nurses and health care professionals, improving public safety and providing programs for children and families," said Speaker Heastie.

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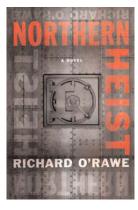
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by John Dwaine McKenna



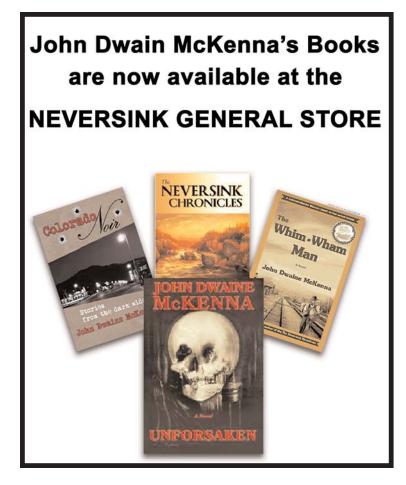
Belfast, Northern Ireland, has for decades been one of the most contentious, strife-ridden and fought-over territories in the world . . . which makes it a great place to set an electrifying crime fiction and thriller novel. *Northern Heist*, (Melville House, \$26.99, 269 pages, ISBN 978-1-61219-903-0) by Richard O'Rawe, takes

place in 2004, when a former IRA heavyweight and expert bank robber named James "Ructions" O'Hare comes up with a plan to steal truckloads of cash from the National Bank on High Street in Belfast. He figures that the haul will get them \_35 to 36 million in cash, and turns to his crime boss uncle, Johnny "Panzer" O'Hare for financing. Panzer agrees, because part of the plan is to stiff the Provos, the Provisional Wing of the Irish Republican Army, who impose a fifty-percent tax on any criminal activity that takes place anywhere in the north of Ireland.

Ructions who's been sleeping with the wife of the bank manager for a couple of years, has learned all of its operational and security secrets from her. When Panzer asks if he's fallen in love with her, Ructions lies and tells his uncle 'No.' On the other hand however, when asked if his profligate son Finnbar has knowledge of the heist, Panzer also lies, and tells his nephew 'No.'

The robbery attempt goes forward, aided by several ex-paramilitary gangsters acting as tiger kidnappers and with the first of several double-crosses in place, while the police, and the IRA, both pull out all the stops, trying to catch Ructions and his uncle Panzer in the act. But in the end, a pair of trials, one in the courts, the other by the IRA, determine the outcome of this pulsating, relentlessly exciting yarn that's based on an actual unsolved robbery that nearly derailed the Good Friday Peace Accord of 1998... the agreement which halted the 'Troubles' and stopped the sectarian violence that had plagued the area for nearly four decades.

The novel's spot-on accuracy is informed by Mr. O'Rawe's own experiences, first as an IRA operative, and then as an inmate in the infamous Long Kesh Prison. He's the real deal, and his novel is as compelling as it is fascinating!



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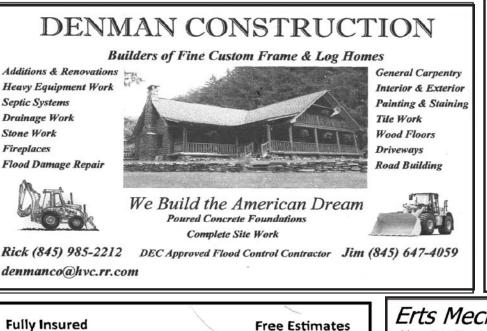
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I hope you forgive yourself I hope you let it go

I hope you write it on a tiny piece of paper

rip it up & let it burn

then sprinkle the ashes into fairy dust

like it never existed at all

## the Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda

We do not write enough. Especially now that we can text, call, or comment in social media in sound bites and emotions. Writing out our thoughts allows us to think deeper and explore related feelings and emotions. Writing is "the inking of the thinking."

Writing could be a simple list, a journal, a letter, a log, or an essay. Centuries ago our ancestors kept A Day Book that would record the weather, purchases, births, deaths, and events. Even the family bible had writing recording the family tree.

Nowadays our photos, our communications, and cer-

tainly our preferences and emotions, are digital and transient. They are surface messages read and deleted. There are no love letters tied up with a ribbon and placed in a hope chest.

We rarely write prose, and poetry is becoming a lost art when it is poetry that can cleanse our soul and allow us to say what we really feel.

It's interesting that children love poetry like nursery rhymes and can create similes and metaphors to express exactly what they think and feel.

Writing is a catharsis. Once I can place

a thought on paper, I can clear up space for new thoughts and ideas. I can let go of anger and frustration. Poetry's words do not just land on the ears; they burrow into our soul. Thomas Gray wrote, "Poetry is thoughts that breathe and words that burn.'

"Poetry 1s an echo, asking a shadow to dance.



### SUNY Sullivan Offering Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Courses this Fall

SUNY Sullivan is offering an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Refresher class September 25 thru December 18, and an EMT Basic Course October 3 thru December 18.

SUNY Sullivan's EMT courses provide a hands-on, interactive, and engaging learning experience through classroom work, skill



practice in simulated scenarios, and field experience. Students learn how to assess and care for patients at the scene of an incident and while transporting patients by ambulance to the hospital, and how to manage respiratory, cardiac, and trauma emergencies. Course instructors are committed to each student's success, preparing them for the NYS Practical and NYS Written Certification Exams.

EMTs are in high demand with substantial projected job growth for the future, so begin your Emergency Medical Services career with SUNY Sullivan today! For applications and more information, contact Bridget Schiffer at bschiffer@sunysullivan.edu or call 845-434-5750, ext. 4242.

### New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will hold an Online Boat Auction

New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will hold an online boat auction starting October 3, 2022, and ending on October 12, 2022. Boats are located at the DEP Downsville office and DEP's Grahamsville office. All bidding will be conducted online. Each boat has multiple pictures available online. The auction will be accessible starting October 3, 2022, via the *http://www.publicsurplus.com* website. To learn more about the auction and how to bid, please download the flyer or read the frequently asked questions below

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### State Grant to Continue Airport Transformation County Wins Portion of Competitive Funding

White Lake, NY - Sullivan County International Airport is receiving \$18.5 million from the State to significantly renovate and expand the John "J.J." McGough Terminal.

"This is another step in this administration's commitment to making the Airport attractive and a viable asset for the future growth of the County," remarked Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty.

"The Airport is an incredible resource for Sullivan County, and aviation businesses, pilots and the public are

Sullivan County International Airport

taking notice of the investments we're making," noted District 7 Legislator Joe Perrello, who chaired the Legislature's Public Committee Works when these monies were applied for in 2021. "This is a hidden treasure, and we want more people stopping to see what it offers for lunch, for fuel, for tourism."

NYS Governor Kathy Hochul announced the grant yesterday as part of a larger reveal of \$230 million in awards to

nine airports through the State's Upstate Airport Economic Development and Revitalization Competition.

"Our upstate airports are our gateways to local economies and make lasting impressions, connecting New Yorkers and tourists to the beautiful destinations that the Empire State has to offer," Governor Hochul said. "By



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making critical investments to further modernize facilities across upstate New York, we are lifting upstate airports to new heights and providing a 21st century transportation experience that travel-

ers expect and deserve." Sullivan's \$18.5 million share of that \$230 million will go towards a complete reimagining of the Airport's 53-year-old terminal, creating additional space for passengers, a new pilot lounge, and better views of the surrounding Catskill Mountains environment. The project will also upgrade the airport's HVAC systems and outfit the terminal building with improved insulation, along with solar panels that will provide a sustainable

source of electricity for the building. Additionally, the project will install electric vehicle charging stations in the parking area.

"I thank Governor Hochul and our State officials for seeing the merit in this transformative project," County Manager Joshua Potosek stated. "We are redefining what this Airport is and can be, and this funding will play a key role in that effort."

### Movies, Music, Jamborees, markets and more...

Music is always on tap in our Sullivan Catskills. The 2022 Fall Series is underway at Forestburgh Playhouse with the music of Far Beyond Gone. Also on

Looking for action? While you still can, find some action on the water in a canoe, raft or kayak. We have a host of livery providers who provide familyfriendly, safe river trips, and lake outings. You can hike or bike our trails or explore the hand painted sculptures on the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail.

Slow the pace down at a weekend Farmers Market Shoppers: you won't want to miss our specialty, general stores, wine and liquor establishments, antique shops, home goods stores, or clothing stores.

When it's time for a bite to eat, our chefs and bakers are always eager to please and stand ready to prepare you their best Catskill-icious dishes. Wash that yumminess down on the Good Taste Craft Beverage Trail where over a dozen distillers, brewers, vintners and cider makers will please even the most discerning of palettes.

#### Plan Ähead:

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

o The Town of Lumberland Cultural Series presents the Fall In-Person Concert: Get Excited About Music -September 25 at 3 pm.

o The Haunted History Lantern Tour at Fort Delaware in Narrowsburg will feature costumed story tellers sharing family-friendly histories and mysteries of Cushetunk and the beyond. - October 8 at 6 pm

o The Big Sip - A Wine and Spirits Festival at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts - October 8 & 9 from 1 - 5 pm feaNEVERSINK GENERAL STORE

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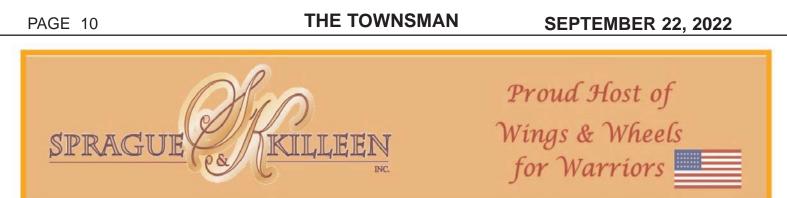
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### Welcome to the Catskills

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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### **Greetings MISU friends and family,** *Vote by Wednesday, September 21 at 8 pm ET / 5 pm PT!*

MISU has been given the great opportunity to be a finalist for the Levitt Foundation AMP grant and we need your help to get us back in the top 20!

In order to be in the top 20 finalists and receive the opportunity for \$90,000 to bring free live music to Ellenville for the next 3 summers we need our friends and family to vote for us.

There are 2 ways to vote! You can vote for MISU (Ellenville) by clicking the button below or you can text to vote by texting 866-267-2023 with keyword "THEVILLE"

If you have voted already, thank you! You can also help us spread the word by sharing our posts on Facebook and Instagram or sharing this email with your family and friends around the world and ask them to vote for MISU (Ellenville). Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

To learn more how to vote for MISU go to: *https://vote.levitt.org/locations/ellenville/* 

#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

## The Scene Too -Jane Harrison

Well, I did what I said I would, I slowed down this week. No promises about next week.

Pre CoVid, there were two very successful Open Mics that really set the standard for those that came after. One was at DUTCH'S in Rock Hill, hosted by STEVEN SCHWARTZ and ANTOINE MIGLIANO. The other was DAVID ROSEN-BURG'S "MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT", in the DeFILLIPIS BAKERY in Monticello. Could he have named it better?

It was the latter I visited on Sunday. And I'm pleased to say that it is still going strong. David was somehow able to keep it going as best he could during these last few years. Even though I came very late, I was able to reconnect with two friends, CHERYL ROTH and CARMINE PACE, but to hear two new



performers! BRIAN MANOWN, is a singer/guitarist out of South Fallsburg with a really nice easy style to his music. The other is a real character, MIKE RILEY, originally from Brooklyn. He's another singer/guitarist but with a real edge to his music.



And then Carmine took the mic. I was so pleased since I was positive I had missed him! As it turns out he arrived just before

me. Serendipity! I've seen Carmine sing show tunes, I've seen him sing Rat Pack standards, I've even heard him do rock and I can tell you that whatever he sings, it is on the money. Today it was in the Bluesy vein, and I'd like to think that was on my behalf.

When a performer gets up at an open mic, they are limited to two or three songs because of time constraints to give musician who shows up a turn. The first he did was GROOVE ME by KING FLOYD, followed by HEY BARTENDER by FLOYD DIXON and finishing with the great CHICAGO tune DOES ANYONE REALLY KNOW WHAT TIME IT IS? Yes, my friend CARMINE PACE can sing!!



There was a reason I wanted to go to "MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT". I heard a rumor that DeFILLIPI'S up for sale and I was feeling a little nostalgic. Depending on who buys it, both this wonderful bakery and the Open Mic may disappear completely. That same week I heard that RAFTERS in Callicoon is also up for sale. Whereas DEFILLIP'S attracted some of the best in the area (DEBBIE FISHER, JOANNA GASS, STEVE SCHWARTZ, ALAN SORENSON to name a few) and Orange County (KENNETH BOWLES, BARRY ADELMAN of MUSIC FOR HUMANITY), RAFTERS attracted from here and Pennsylvania and became as popular as the other two.

I hope you followed all of that. DUTCH'S never brought their Open Mic back after CoVid eased. With the potential of losing the other two, well, it's just sad is all.

There are, however, other venues with Open Mics that are available for these wonderful musicians to shift to.

FIRST MONDAY (of every month) at the TANGO CAFÉ in Hurleyville.

Wednesdays at THE HEARTBEAT OF GRAHAMSVILLE (seasonal).

Wednesdays at CABERNET FRANK'S in Parksville. Thursdays at THE DALE in Mountaindale.

Maybe I'll run into you at one of these! Until next time......

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### SUNY Sullivan Renews Longstanding Commitment to Sustainability with \$9.8 Million Energy Efficiency Project

Project Includes Replacing Boilers, Geothermal Heat Pumps, and other HVAC Infrastructure and Installing Energy-Efficient Windows and Lighting



SUNY Sullivan is renewing its commitment to sustainability through a \$9.8 million energy efficiency and facilities upgrade project that will bring significant cost savings to Sullivan County and cement the college's status as a model green campus in New York State.

The energy efficiency project-which includes replacing the campus's failing 22-year-old boilers and 130 geothermal heat pumps, installing high-efficiency windows, LED lighting, and other energy-saving upgrades to campus facilities-is being financed and implemented by the New York Power Authority (NYPA), which will be reimbursed by Sullivan County with matching funding from New York State through SUNY's Office for Capital Facilities Community College Capital Program.

When complete, the project will result in significant energy and cost savings for Sullivan County, reducing annual greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 400 metric tons and strengthening SUNY Sullivan's leadership in environmental sustainability and social responsibility in the Catskills region and across higher education.





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

Don't forget the Sundown UMC Chicken BBQ on Sept. 24th. See page 43 for details and contact information for tickets.

You can still find a nice selection of "Yard Sale" bargains at the monthly **Covered Dish Suppers at the Sundown Church Hall held 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 Saturday, October 1st at 5:30 pm** at the **Sundown Church Hall.** 

The next **Thrift Sale at the Grahamsville UMC** will be on September 24. 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.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 16th All you can Eat Pancake Breakfast served from 8am-Noon at the Claryville Firehouse.

Also in **Claryville**, this Sunday, **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. **Jesse Noren** will perform on **Saturday, September 24 4-7 pm. 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 hunters, weekend visitors, campers, anglers 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. Check out their BBQ menu! If you are health conscious, this is the place for your. 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! And it's **Yard Sale Time in Neversink!** This Saturday, **September 24 from 10 am-4 pm** there will be a **Yard Sale and music at the Neversink General Store**, Rt. 55 and Shumway Rd., Neversink, NY.

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**"!

The TVCS PTO will sponsor a Trunk or Treat on October 30th at the Fairgrounds the Tri-Valley School parking lot.

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. On Friday, September 23rd starting 2 pm they will present a Virtual Program Japanese Knotweed: Fighting the Spread and on Sunday, September 25th 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum join the Neversink History Afternoon

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 water-wheel. 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.

Looking ahead to October, **Boy Scout Troop 97** will be hosting their fabulous **Fish or Chicken & Chips Dinne**r on **October 16**. See page 13 for details.

Evenings are a little cooler now, so why not take the **Neversink Barn Quilt Tour.** You can download and print out your own copy of the Neversink Barn Quilt brochure at: *https://townofneversink.org/barn\_quilts\_brochure.pdf* As you pass through Grahamsville, enjoy the beautiful flowers while they are still 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, relax and read.

This is the time of the year when everything around town begins to get a little more orange ... yes, the **36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party** is only a little more than a week away! On your calendar, make an orange circle around – **Saturday, October 1st** for **The Giant Pumpkin Party**.

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

#### Enjoy all that you can and have a great week!

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Half Night, Half Day, Fall is on its Way - L. Comando

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### **Impossible Lasagna Pie**

1/2 cup small curd cottage cheese 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese 1 pound ground beef, cooked, drained 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese 1 teaspoon dried oregano leaves 1/2 teaspoon dried basil leaves 1 (6 ounce) can tomato paste 1 cup milk 2 eggs 2/3 cup Bisquick® Baking Mix 1 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon pepper

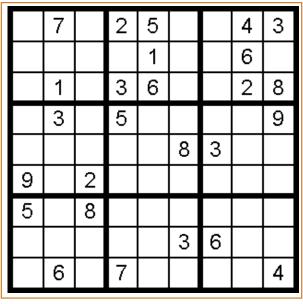
Heat oven to 400 degrees F. Grease 10inch pie plate.

Layer cottage cheese and Parmesan cheese in plate. Mix cooked beef, 1/2 cup of the mozzarella cheese, the oregano, basil and tomato paste; spoon evenly over top. Beat milk, eggs, baking mix, salt and pepper until smooth, 15 seconds in blender on high or 1 minute with hand beater. Pour into plate. Bake until golden brown and knife inserted in center comes out clean, 30 to 35 minutes.

Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Cool 5 minutes.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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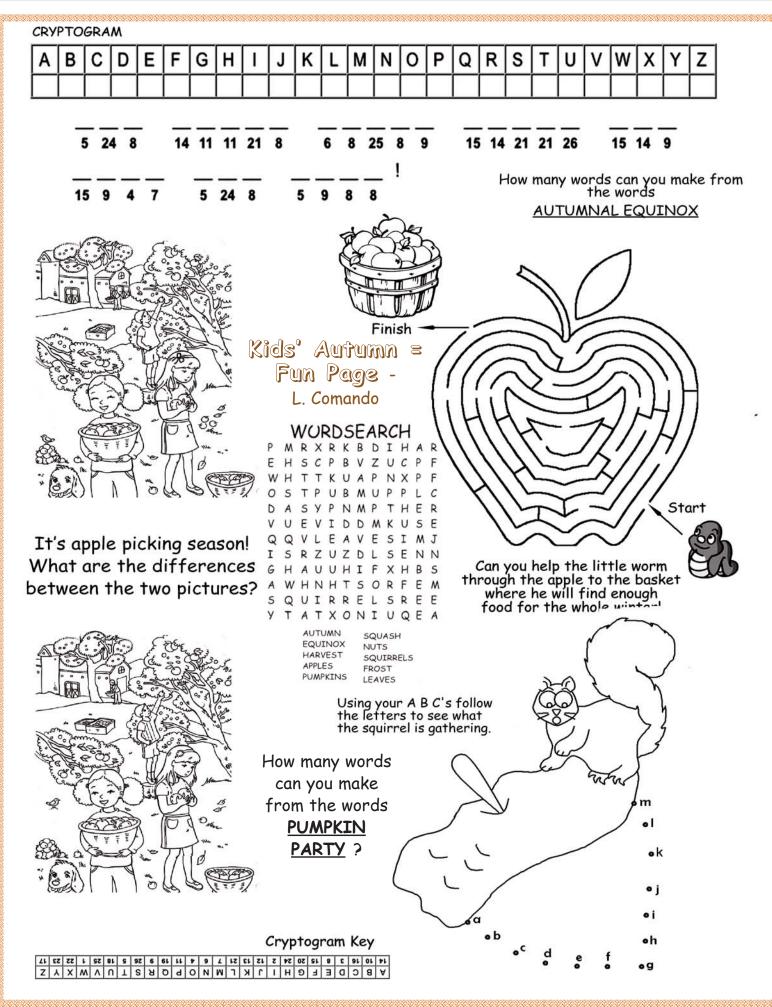


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GAMES & ACTIVITIES LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT PRIZE WINNING CONTESTS CRAFT FAIR • BOOK SALE BOUNCY HOUSES • TEEN ADVENTURE ZONE



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### 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

## Tri-Valley Central School District Board Meeting

Tri -Valley CSD Board of Education will have Regular Meeting #5 on **Thursday, September 22, 2022** -**Meeting opening** call to order -**6:00 p.m**. Secondary School Library Lower Level

Anticipated Proposed Executive Session -6:00 p.m., Secondary School Library Upper Level

Regular Meeting #5 resumes - 7:00 p.m. Secondary School Library Lower Level.

The meeting will be on Tri-Valley's YouTube Live channel. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkl224v KQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live All of the trustees and volunteers of the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery would like to honor the memory and the dedication and service of two of our fellow trustees, and friends, Kathy Denman who passed on September 6, 2022 and Hulda Vernooy who passed on April 26, 2022. They are and will continue to be greatly missed.

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

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#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

### New Initiative Funded through NYSERDA Grant and in Partnership with Livingston Energy Group

Loch Sheldrake, NY- As part of the College's master plan and longstanding sustainability mission, SUNY Sullivan announces the

installation of four dual-port electric vehicle (EV) charging stations on campus. Funded through а New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSER-DA) Charge Ready NY grant and in cooperation with Livingston Energy Group, the four dualport charging stations, each of which allows two cars to charge simultaneously, represent a substantial addition to the College's green infrastructure and commitment to supporting sustainability on campus and in the community

"We are excited to offer a new resource on campus," said SUNY Sullivan President Jay Quaintance. "Electric Vehicles (EVs) are the future and fit with the



sustainability mission of the college. Having the opportunity to charge vehicles on campus is just another way that we are moving to a greener future at SUNY Sullivan."

SUNY Sullivan Sustainability Coordinator Larry Reeger said the College's 2019 master plan identified electric vehicle charging as a green infrastructure opportunity, and that the new stations support the SUNY Sullivan's commitment, through the University Global Coalition, to incorporate the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals into the College's teaching, research, operations, and partnerships.

"The new EV chargers will support the needs of our students and staff and are part of the College's effort to infuse sustainability into campus life," said Reeger.

The Level 2 EV charging stations are located in Parking Lot 2 in front of the Paul Gerry Fieldhouse and are available to students, faculty, and staff, as well as the greater community. There is a \$0.25/kWh fee to use the stations, the revenue from which will be shared by SUNY Sullivan and Livingston, which financed 10 percent of the project.

The charging stations are operated using the Charge Port EV Charging mobile app, which is available on Android and Apple devices, and can be downloaded through Google Play, Apple's App Store, Livingston's website at www.solution.energy, or by scanning a QR code at the station. After creating a free account, electric vehicle drivers can access the location, select the station number, and start charging. Livingston Energy Group also offers 24/7 support through the mobile app or by calling 1-844-623-1001. A tutorial on how to access the mobile app and start a charging session can be found on the company's website: solution.energy/drivers.

#### About Livingston Energy Group, a Lynkwell company

A solution provider since 2016, Livingston offers turnkey project solutions including a full suite of services and equip-

> ment across North America for the installation and management of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and the required infrastructure. They support fleet operators and facility managers, utilities, municipalities, and commercial properties in establishing private and public charging solutions. Livingston provides an array of Level 2 and DCFC (L3) charging equipment and custom software solutions to meet the needs of the growing electric transportation industry. More information at solution.energy.

### About Sustainability at SUNY Sullivan

Environmental and social responsibility have long been central to SUNY Sullivan's mission, informing all aspects of the College's curriculum, campus operations, and community engagement. Through its

innovative Green Building Technology and Environmental Science degree programs, energy-saving campus infrastructure, and unique community partnerships, SUNY Sullivan has become a leader in environmental sustainability in the Catskills and across higher education. The College reaffirmed its commitment to sustainability earlier this year when it signed onto the University Global Coalition, an international group of university leaders that promotes the incorporation of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), into the teaching, research, operations, and partnerships of higher education institutions. For more information on sustainability at SUNY Sullivan, visit sunysullivan.edu/sustainable-sullivan.

#### About SUNY Sullivan

S UNY Sullivan is the leader of innovative higher education and a catalyst for workforce development throughout the Sullivan Catskills and beyond. Our diverse community cultivates personal growth and professional advancement, preparing students for success in a sustainable and interconnected world. A forward-looking, top-tier community college in New York, SUNY Sullivan offers over 40 degree programs, certificates, and micro-credentials for learners at all levels of their educational goals. We value critical inquiry and creativity while supporting our students in a culture of inclusion and respect. For more information, visit sunysullivan.edu.

## **Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation**

Honoring Philip Coombe, III and Myrna Jargowsky

## Sunday, October 16 | Wallkill Golf Club

Business Casual Attire Suggested \$125 per person \$1,250 per table (of ten)

Evening Program

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# 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 3<sup>rd</sup>)

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





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

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#### LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

9/24/22 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon

#### 10/1/22 36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party

- 10/1/22 Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
- 10/4/22 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 10/5/22 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 10/11/22 Denning Town Board Meetings 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
- 10/12//22 Neversink Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 10/16/22 Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 8 am 12 noon
- 10/18/22 Neversink Fire District Monthly meeting 7:30 PM
- 10/18//22 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Appeals Meeting 7:30 pm
- 10/20/22 Town of Denning Planning Board 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall

#### Save the Date! Sat., Oct 1 - Daniel Pierce 36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party

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**

September 19 - September 23, 2022

#### Monday, September 19

**o** 6:00 PM - Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

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

#### Tuesday, September 20

**o** 5:00 PM - Ways & Means Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**o 6:00 PM** (or immediately following Ways & Means) - Caucuses: Democrats, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston, Republicans, in KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**o** 7:05 PM - Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 9 of 2022 - A Local Law To Provide For The Collection Of Delinquent Village Real Property Taxes, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**o** 7:10 PM (or immediately following the Public Hearing) - Legislative Session, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston The Public Hearing and Legislative Session will be livestreamed and available via vimeo at https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203 Public Comment will also be available through "Call In Studio": Dial 205-ULSTER-0 or (205) 857-8370 to be connected. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk via email to vfab@co.ulster.ny.us Wednesday, September 21

**o** 9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o 9:30 AM (or immediately following UC IDA) Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

#### Thursday, September 22

o **4:00 PM** - **Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Board of Directors,** in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, the Public May Also Attend at 234 Airport Rd, Accord, 4100 Folsom Blvd, Sacramento, CA, and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 880 2606 5337, By Phone (646) 558-8656

o 4:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board of Directors, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

Friday, September 23

o 12 Noon - Resolution Deadline

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> Digital Flyer Insert - 8"×10 -\$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!

### Wastewater Testing in Ulster County is Negative for Polio

Poliovirus testing from the past two weeks of sampling done in Kingston and New Paltz were negative
Regular poliovirus testing will be added to Kingston and New Paltz wastewater testing in UC

• Ulster County residents who are not vaccinated for polio or incompletely vaccinated are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated without delay. There is low risk to those who are fully vaccinated

KINGSTON, N.Y. - The Office of the Ulster County Executive announced today that the New York State Department of Health (NYS DOH) and the CDC (Centers for Disease Control), at the request of the Ulster County Department of Health, tested two weeks of sample wastewater taken from Kingston and New Paltz, and the results were negative for poliovirus. Poliovirus testing will now continue to be a regular part of wastewater surveillance in Kingston and New Paltz.

"We thank the New York State Department of Health and CDC for enabling proactive testing of our wastewater. The results are reassuring, and I want to assure Ulster County residents that we are doing everything in our power to protect public health," Acting Ulster County Executive Johanna Contreras said. "Polio is preventable through safe and effective vaccination, and I strongly encourage all residents who are not vaccinated for polio to call their doctor and get vaccinated without delay."

"Polio is a highly contagious disease that was thought to have been controlled through the administration of a very safe, effective and proven vaccine. This is why the polio vaccine has been mandatory for all students attending public schools in New York State, for decades. The recent polio case that was diagnosed in New York State occurred in an unvaccinated person. In general, communicable disease outbreaks occur in those locations that have below average child vaccination rates," Commissioner Dr. Carol Smith said. "While the polio testing results for Ulster County are negative, it doesn't mean that our community is immune from polio in the long term. Getting all of your children vaccinated is the best and only way to protect them from this serious disease. We urge every person to check with their physician's office, to make sure that everyone in the family is up to date with polio, and all other essential vaccinations."

In New York State, wastewater is now being tested for the presence of the virus that causes polio. This is done by collecting wastewater samples from community wastewater treatment plants and sending them to laboratories to measure the amount of the virus in the sample. This method ensures individual privacy and anonymity because samples cannot be traced back to any individual or household. Positive results for polio detected in the wastewater only indicate that the virus is present in the community and does not indicate how many people are actually infected with the virus.

Governor Kathy Hochul issued an Executive Order on September 9th, 2022, declaring a State Disaster Emergency due to evidence of circulating poliovirus. The New York State Department of Health (NYS DOH) advises 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 to get immunized right away. Unvaccinated New Yorkers or those not up to date with immunizations who live, work, go to school in, or visit Rockland County, Orange County, New York City, Sullivan County, and Nassau County are at the highest risk of contracting paralytic disease, according to the State. There

is low risk to those who are fully vaccinated.

NYS DOH advises that the inactivated polio vaccine (IPV), the only vaccine available in the United States, is safe, and contains no live virus. It protects 99 - 100 percent of people who get all recommended doses. In accordance with CDC, the polio immunization schedule by age is as follows:

o All children should get 4 doses of the polio vaccine. The first dose should be 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 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.

o In addition, adults who live or work in the areas where poliovirus has been detected (Rockland County, Orange County, New York City, Sullivan County, and Nassau County) and don't believe they are vaccinated should get vaccinated.

At this time, the following New Yorkers who have previously completed their polio vaccine series should receive one lifetime booster dose of IPV, per NYS DOH guidelines:

o Individuals who will or might have close contact with a person known or suspected to be infected with poliovirus or such person's household members or other close contacts.

o Healthcare providers working in areas where poliovirus has been detected (Rockland County, Orange County, Sullivan County, New York City, or Nassau County) who might handle specimens that might contain polioviruses or who treat patients who might have polio (e.g., urgent care, emergency department, neurology, virology laboratory workers).

o Individuals with occupational exposure to wastewater can consider a booster.

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



### Town of Fallsburg is enacting the Hometown Heroes Banner Program

Fallsburg- To honor those that served, the Town of Fallsburg is enacting the Hometown Heroes Banner Program and will display the names and faces of veterans throughout all of the hamlets of our town.

This program was made possible by partnerships with the Sullivan County Division of Planning & Community Development of Sullivan County NY, YIT Foundation, Vet 2 Vet Sullivan County NY, NYSEG, and the Town of Fallsburg.

The mission of the Fallsburg Hometown Heroes Banner Program is to place banners honoring all veterans, either living or deceased, who have served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces.

The banners will be located on the major travel corridors throughout our town. Community involvement is key to the success of this program, as residents can participate and honor a family member or loved one who served their country by submitting a photo of a veteran, indicating the branch they served, and their years of service.

There are a limited number of poles locations and banners will be made on a "first come, first serve basis". Preference will be given to veterans that listed Fallsburg as their hometown on official documents.

All banners are provided at no cost to applicants. Applications are due Friday, September 30 2022. Applications can be submitted by either normal business hours with the Town Clerk, mailed to 19 Railroad Plaza South Fallsburg NY 12779, online via the town website, and our social media pages. For more information, please call 845-434-8810 x5 the last day to register is 9/30/22

### **SCDW Casting Call for Youth Holiday Show**

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is seeking young actors, ages 5 to 14, to cast its Youth Holiday show. Audition dates are October 8th and 9th from 10-2 at the Rivoli Theatre in S. Fallsburg.

The show, "Andy Pavey's - A Christmas Carol", is a comedic adaptation of Charles Dickens' beloved tale. In this short version, the visiting ghosts are rather unusual. The Ghost of Christmas Past is Belle, Scrooge's former fiancée - awkward! The Ghost of Christmas Future is a rapper and wannabe comedian. Despite their quirkiness, will the ghosts be able to help Scrooge snap out of his need for greed? They'll have to tug on his Heartstrings and purse strings to instill the Christmas spirit into the old miser!

SCROOGE BOB CRATCHIT MARLEY TINY TIM MRS. CRATCHIT SISTER #1 SISTER #2 GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST (BELLE) GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PRESENT GHOST OF CHRISTMAS FUTURE

Show dates are December 9th & 10th, at 7:00pm and December11th at 1:00pm. For more information please email Bunny at bwoloszczak@gmail.com.



### Music on Market "Coffee House" presents Madárka

Please join us on Saturday, **October 1** at **7:30 pm** at **MISU** for Madárka ("little bird" in Hungarian) plays the traditional music you would have heard in the villages of Eastern Europe many years ago, slightly updated.

Drawing from the rich history of Klezmer, Roma, Balkan, Romanian and Russian folk music, taking listeners on a lively journey across borders and centuries.

This concert will be in person at MISU, 40 Market St. Ellenville, NY and live-streamed on Zoom. Pre-registration on Eventbrite is only required for Zoom attendance. 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

## **FCSD's Revised Pre-K Program Begins**

On the first day of classes at Benjamin Cosor Elementary School on September 7, 2022, the Pre-K staff welcomed families to the revised program. Children will be in school for a full day instead of two separate half-day sessions. A second classroom has been added that will have bi-lingual instruction in English and Spanish. Teacher Mindy Conciatori and teaching assistant Jennifer Varner



The school day begins with a brief meeting to orient students for the day. Breakfast in the classroom follows. Students will then attend "specials" such as gym and music for forty-five minutes. These classes are new to Pre-K this year.



will continue teaching the regular classroom; teacher Amy Saravia, who has taught Pre-K and Kindergarten for the past several years at BCES, and teaching assistant Tiffany Menendez, will conduct the bi-lingual class.

Classroom size will be a maximum of 18 children. The daily schedule will be the same as the rest of the school so the students can take the school bus, and, like other students, families have the option to drop-off and pick-up children.



Just after 11 AM, teachers will provide reading and English language arts until 12;30 PM. After lunch in the classroom, students return for a one hour nap. When explaining the schedule to families on the 7th, Ms. Conciatori and Ms. Saravia encouraged them to have their children bring favorite stuffies or blankets that they like to sleep with. The District will provide comfortable sleeping mats labeled for individual children.





Towards the close of the day, there is an hour of math. By 3:00 PM, it is time to pack up and prepare to leave. Since the program is new, teachers and administrative staff will be closely evaluating how this first year progresses. Parents were enthusiastic about having the children in the hands of the experienced teaching staff for the full school day.

## Fall Exhibitions Opening at DVAA

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) is excited to announce its upcoming exhibitions, "3,2,1, Ring Baloney!" featuring objects and sculptures by Ryan Ward, and "Subterranean," curated by Rashmi Viswanathan with works by Jamie Kim and Francis Estrada.

There will be an opening reception for both exhibitions at DVAA located at 37 Main St, Narrowsburg, NY, on Friday, September 23, 2022, from 5 pm - 7 pm. The shows will be on view through Sunday, October 30. DVAA's galleries are free and open to the public; masks are recommended.

#### RYAN WARD "3,2,1, RING BALONEY!"

Ring toss. Whac-A-Mole. Skee-ball. Hot Shot. Water



guns. Guess-my-weight. These were the classics. These were how Ryan Ward earned his first paycheck. At a certain point, outside of the obvious perils of the job, Ward began to ask himself: What exactly happens at an amusement park? He defines it as one giant social and psychological experiment where we enter into an unwritten agreement to suspend disbelief. It is a place where we form groups and watch one another willingly act out fantastical stories for pleasure, a chance to escape established reality, or simply a

chance to win. A place where fact and fiction become one, and we don't really care. Glossy, colorful, tasty things are for sale, and we are along for the ride.

Ryan Ward likens the amusement park to our lives unfolding through the news, politics, social media, and, increasingly, firsthand experience. How we strain our eyes to identify truth from a lie, a good-faith intention from manipulation, an honest gesture from pure fabrication, yet these become more and more out of focus. We are in the Hall of Mirrors-the Funhouse...is there a way out?

Ryan Ward is the owner/director of the Ruffed Grouse Gallery in Narrowsburg, NY. Also, as the Curator of The Maslow Collection in Scranton, Pennsylvania he has curated numerous exhibitions including, "Forming The Maslow Collection: A Reflection on the NYC Art Scene in the 80s and 90s," "SLUFF: Visual Essays on Gilberton, PA by Alex Roth," "MAKE, BELIEVE: The Maslow Collection and the Moving Image," and "CO-OPTIC: Philadelphia-based Painters at Shepherd University." As Exhibition Director of Test Pattern Gallery, he organized diverse exhibitions of local and international artists. Ward holds an MFA from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. His own work explores the malleability of history through painting and installation. As the recipient of the 2014 Murray Dessner Memorial Travel Prize, he executed an in-depth investigation of curatorial methods employed at American historical sites. This research has led to various lectures as well as recent solo and group exhibitions in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, West Virginia, New Mexico, and Italy. Ward has taught at Studio Arts College International in Florence, Italy, and currently teaches drawing and painting at Marywood University.

#### "SUBTERRANEAN"

Ttwo artists, Jamie Kim and Francis Estrada, whose works show a narrative caught between the past and the present. Kim's figurative paintings and portraits are heavily influenced by news and media sources, traditional Korean folk-art imagery, and childhood photographs. She juxtaposes elements from her personal history with those from collective cultural memory, blending seemingly disparate elements into imaginary narratives that feel real and familiar.



Francis Estrada's multidisciplipractice nary extracts from multiple archives. From the American archival footage of its short-lived but impactful occupation of the Philippines to contemporary news imagery of statesanctioned violence

under the current regime of Rodrigo Duterte. Re-interpreting historical archives within a decolonial and anti-authoritarian

framework, he re-imagines the lives and times of people placed at the margins of the state.

Rashmi Viswanathan is a Modern and Contemporary Art historian who looks at how arts move across different cultural, regional, and temporal contexts. She is an Assistant Professor at the University of Hartford and lives in Brooklyn.

#### ABOUT DVAA

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Walkins are welcome. DVAA's galleries are ADA accessible. Gallery hours are Thursday - Sunday, 11 am -4 pm, and by appointment.



For more information, visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org or call (845) 252-7576.

#### SUPPORT

DVAA's programs are made possible thanks in part to the New York State Council on the Arts, a State Agency with support from the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature; the Nancy Stevenson Memorial Fund; the Heartland R

# Grahamsville United Methodist Church

# Saturday, September 24 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 22, 2022**

### SC Farmers' Market

### Sullivan Fresh Farmers' Market at Monticello

T<u>HURSDAYS June 30th - September 29th</u> • 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)

### **Callicoon Farmers' Market**

<u>Sundays, 11 am - 2 pm</u> 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.

### **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 <u>May-Mid-October</u> –Sundays, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.



### What's Happening in Ulster County

**September 22 & 23 HITS-on-the-Hudson VII** HITS-on-the-Hudson 454 Washington Ave. Extension, Saugerties, NY The HITS Saugerties Show Series welcomes equestrians for eight weeks of shows, \$3 million in prize money, and a Friday and Sunday Grand Prix featured event.

September 23 @ 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm Reher Center 101 Broadway, Kingston, NY Beautiful bread returns to the windows of 101 Broadway in Kingston's Rondout. Formerly the site of Reher's Bakery, the transformed Reher Center will unveil a new exhibition that celebrates multicultural

**September 23** @ **5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Weekend of Wallkill** The Weekend of Wallkill kicks off on Friday September 23 at 5 pm with Lego building, Storytime at 5:45 pm and a Harvest Egg Hunt at 6 pm.

**September 23 @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm "Boo's & Brew's" Haunted Huguenot Street Site Tour** –Historic Huguenot Street 81 Huguenot St, New Paltz, NY Begins at the DuBois Fort Visitor Center at 6:30 p.m. with a glass of locally-made hard cider or craft beer followed by a guided exterior walking tour.

September 23 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Rondout: Then and Now. D&H Canal Museum 1315 Main Street, High Falls, NY –Presentation of Rondout: Then and Now by Stephen Blauweiss

**September 23 @ 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Walkway at Night.** Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park 87 Haviland Road, Highland, NY –Enjoy amazing Hudson Valley views after dark from 212 feet above the Hudson River. This event takes place from 8:15-9:45 p.m. Members free; nonmembers \$5.

September 23 @ 8:00 pm - 11:00 In The Continuum at Shadowland Stages. Shadowland Stages 157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY Living worlds apart in South Central Los Angeles and Harare, Zimbabwe, two young women experience a kaleidoscopic weekend of darkly comic, life-altering revelations. (Contd. Pg. 31)

### What's Happening in Ulster County

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**September 24 Catskill Mountain Railroad Fall Foliage Adventure**. Westbrook Lane Station 55 Kingston Plaza Road, Kingston, NY– Take a spectacular journey along the former Ulster and Delaware Railroad corridor and see the natural beauty of the Catskills from Ulster County's only scenic train.

September 24 Sixth Annual Catskill Conquest Rally Commemorating the 1903 Automobile Endurance Run. Maurice D. Hinchey Catskills Visitor Center 5096 Route 28, Mount Tremper, NY. Travel a 75-mile section of the historic Catskill Mountains Scenic Byway, from Mount Tremper to Unadilla and beyond, in this noncompetitive tour open to all car vintages.

**September 24 Headless Horseman Haunted Attractions** 778 Broadway, Route 9W, Ulster Park, NY –Named the No. 1 haunted attraction in America, Headless Horseman has scared over 1 million visitors and counting.

### \$1 Million in Grants Available, Application Deadline Extended to Oct. 12

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the extension of the application deadline for DEC's Air Monitoring Capacity Building Grant to Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 3 p.m. The \$1 million grant program is designed to support New York's statewide air quality and greenhouse gas mobile monitoring initiative currently underway in 10 disadvantaged communities statewide identified as having a disproportionate air pollution burden based on criteria developed by the State's Climate Justice Working Group. The communities include Buffalo/Tonawanda/Niagara Falls, Capital Region (Albany/Rensselaer/Cohoes/Watervliet), Bronx, Manhattan, Rochester, Syracuse, the Mount Vernon/Yonkers area, Brooklyn, Queens, and the Hempstead area.

"The success of DEC's statewide air monitoring initiative depends on our partnerships with groups on the ground," said Commissioner Seggos. "This funding opportunity is available to support these community partners to launch important work and initiatives in neighborhoods long overburdened by environmental pollution. I encourage eligible communities to apply for this support in the fight against air pollution and our work to combat climate change."

Eligible community-based organizations in these 10 identified communities can apply for \$50,000 to \$100,000 to be used for, but not limited to, developing, or strengthening existing programs focused on reducing exposure and improving public health in communities most impacted by air pollution, or supporting community engagement in the State's air monitoring program. Information about the grants can be found at DEC's website. Fact sheets and maps about each of the 10 communities can be found at DEC's website.

This grant opportunity, first announced by Governor Kathy Hochul in July, is supported by the State Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) with resources designated to environmental justice communities. Individual award amounts will range from \$50,000 to \$100,000. DEC is now accepting applications until Oct. 12, 2022, at 3 p.m., through the New York State Grants Gateway. Among the many environmental victories in the 2022-23 State Budget, Governor Hochul succeeded in increasing the EPF from \$300 to \$400 million, the highest-ever level of funding in the program's history. For more information, contact DEC's Office of Environmental Justice by email at justice@dec.ny.gov (be sure to include Community Air Monitoring Capacity Building Program in the subject line of the email), or by phone at (518) 402-8556. The question and answer period closes Sept. 28, 2022.

New York State's Nation-Leading Climate Plan

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

https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/press.html

### DEC Announces Annual Arbor Day Poster Contest Dec. 31 Deadline for Photo and Artwork Submissions

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the start of DEC's annual Arbor Day Poster contest. Each year, DEC's Urban and Community Forestry Program coordinates the contest to promote the value of trees in the environment and New Yorkers' lives. The winner of the contest will have their photo or artwork reproduced as the 2023 Arbor Day Poster to commemorate the holiday.

"Arbor Day reminds us to appreciate the immeasurable benefits trees provide to ecosystems, public health, and the fight against climate change," said Commissioner Seggos. "I invite all New Yorkers to highlight the beauty and importance of New York's trees with their photography and artwork."

The annual Arbor Day Poster contest is sponsored by the New York State Arbor Day Committee, which includes DEC, the Empire State Forestry Foundation, the New York State Arborist Association, State Department of Agriculture and Markets, and Sylvamo North America. DEC will accept original photograph and artwork submissions on behalf of the committee through Dec. 31, 2022. Entries must feature trees within New York State and should be sent to arborday@dec.ny.gov.

"In addition to their scenic beauty, trees provide useful wood products, help mitigate stormwater, and improve water quality," State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball said. "The Arbor Day Poster Contest is a wonderful celebration of New York's trees and their contributions to our lives."

### Governor Hochul Urges New Yorkers to be Aware of Scams Tied to Federal Student Debt Relief Recent Announcement to Provide Financial Relief in Student Loans Triggers Uptick in Scams

#### Student Loan Borrowers are Reminded to Only Use Trusted Government Websites and Not Respond to Unsolicited Offers of Student Loan Relief

Governor Kathy Hochul today issued a warning to consumers about scammers taking advantage of the recent student debt relief plan to steal borrowers' money and personal information. Scammers are creating a sense of urgency by impersonating government agencies and promising immediate student loan relief. Borrowers are reminded that it's important to stay vigilant, well-informed and prepared for any fraud related to this new relief plan. Yesterday, Governor Hochul signed legislation to expand and simplify access to the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness program statewide. This new legislation establishes what qualifies as full-time employment for the purposes of accessing PSLF, and allows public service employers to certify employment on behalf of workers, eliminating substantial barriers to applying for and accessing the program.

"New Yorkers work hard for every dollar they earn and the student loan forgiveness plan will be critical to helping reduce the pressures of mounting debt," Governor Hochul said. "Unfortunately, unscrupulous individuals and scammers are using this as an opportunity to take advantage of others. Today, we're putting scammers on notice: we will not let you take advantage of hard-working New Yorkers. I urge everyone to remain vigilant and stay informed to stop these bad actors in their tracks."

### What You Need to Know About the Federal Student Relief Plan:

On August 24, 2022, the Biden Administration announced a three-part plan to help working and middle-class federal student loan borrowers. The plan includes:

1. A final extension of the student loan repayment pause through December 31, 2022, and loan forgiveness of up to \$20,000 for qualified individuals

2. Improving the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program and creating a new income-driven repayment plan to reduce future monthly payments for lower- and middle-income borrowers.

3. Reducing the cost of college to protect future students.

The U.S. Department of Education is working quickly to implement the improvements to student loans, but many details will be forthcoming. The Department of Education recommends logging in to your StudentAid.gov account to ensure your contact information is up to date and to sign up for alerts for when new information becomes available.

How to Avoid a Student Loan Forgiveness Scams:

1. Seek trusted information and sources. Only go to ".gov" websites when seeking assistance. The U.S. Department of Education recently launched a webpage to provide borrowers with a one-stop location for accurate and up to date informa-

tion about the program. Upon accessing the site, borrowers will find not only general information but also a detailed Frequently Asked Questions section that provides facts about the student debt relief plan.

2. Don't trust any person or program who promises you early or special access, or guaranteed eligibility. You might be contacted by a company saying they will help you get loan discharge, forgiveness, cancellation, or debt relief for a fee. They may also offer to help you apply early. The loan forgiveness application will launch in early October and early access is not possible, and you never have to pay for help with your federal student aid. If you receive any of these offers, it's a scam.

3. Don't give your personal information, Federal Student Aid ID or social security number to anyone who contacts you. Nobody from the Department of Education will be calling you or texting you about this initiative. Make sure you work only with the U.S. Department of Education, and never reveal your personal information or account password to anyone. Genuine emails to borrowers will only come from noreply@studentaid.gov.

4. If you encounter a scam, report it. Contact the official Federal Student Aid website to file a complaint, or contact the Federal Trade Commission. The U.S. Department of Education offers additional tips and resources here.

Secretary of State Robert J. Rodriguez said, "As many New Yorkers struggle to pay back their student loans, scammers are preying upon these borrowers in desperate need of immediate student loan relief. (Contd. Pg. 35)



### Move Sullivan Doubles Amount of Routes Buses Traveling to White Lake, Bloomingburg; Rides Still Free

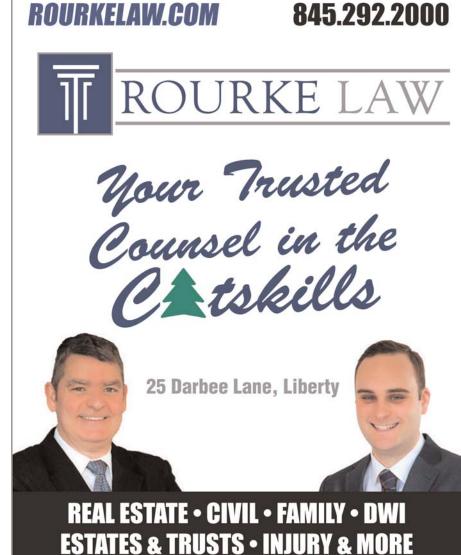
Monticello, NY - In a major expansion by the Sullivan County Legislature of a three-year-old program, *Move Sullivan* buses are now providing service to 18 new stops and 8 communities, in addition to the existing two dozen stops across 10 locations.

"This Legislature is all about getting residents and visitors what they need," said Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty. "We're devoting the necessary resources to make that happen, including this huge expansion of our public transportation service, *Move Sullivan.*"

"From launching two new routes to providing every ride at no cost to passengers, Sullivan County is serious about making this work," affirmed County Manager Joshua Potosek. "I think it's one of the most worthwhile new projects we've undertaken, and I thank the Legislature for supporting its growth."

"The creation of *Move Sullivan* in 2019 marked the beginning of an effort to transform the lives of people who otherwise would find it incredibly challenging just to get across town," added Division of Community Resources Commissioner Laura Quigley, who spearheaded the launch of the service. "I'm proud to say we've done just that making it possible for anyone to get to their jobs, their healthcare providers, and their local merchants."

"This expansion of Move Sullivan is another



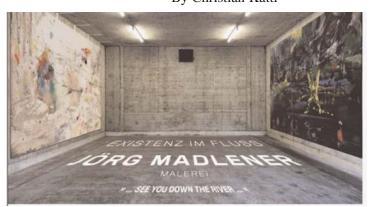
big step taken by Sullivan County to connect our communities. Expanding access to services and job opportunities is critical in the economic development of our County," stated Nick Vallone, executive vice president of Rolling V Bus, whose staff operate and maintain the buses via County contract. "Rolling V is proud to be the provider of Move Sullivan."

*Move Sullivan* buses operate every Monday-Friday (except holidays) from as early as 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and serve the following communities:

Monticello Liberty Harris South Fallsburg Woodridge Loch Sheldrake Ferndale White Lake Rock Hill Wurtsboro Mongaup Valley Swan Lake Summitville Bloomingburg Kiamesha Lake Smallwood Fallsburg Woodbourne Kauneonga Lake Hurleyville

More information, including full route schedules and maps, can be found at www.movesullivan.com.

#### **EXHIBITION EXPOSÉ** By Christian Katti



"Everything is in flux" Heraclitus The projected and fourth exhibition by **Jörg Madlener** comes as highlight of a successful series of previous art shows in Saerbeck's Bioenergiepark, a state-of-the-art bio-energy production site in northern Germany. Human being as a part of "nature" as well as "zoon politikon" (Aristotle), as a "political and cultural" creature stands at the center of the exhibition in a confrontational way. Nature dwells in conflict with the darkest shadows of politics, violence, and mourning. The side of nature is presented by a new series of paintings that follow a North American river in the color play of seasonal change. For a long time, Jörg Madlener's studio has been located along this river in the Catskills (Upstate New York). The river is also a metaphor of existence. The flow of time and the fluidity of human perception between representation and abstraction have long since broken away from pastoral notions of landscape. According to Heraclitus, no one steps into the same river twice since everything is in flux. In our Earth Age, humans are becoming the dominant influence on the Earth's biological, geological, and atmospheric processes - in the "Anthropocene," nature reveals itself as a threatened being. In confrontation with this understanding of nature - more urgent than ever in times of climate change

and global warming - are the consequences of war and suffering. These consequences result from human and political actions - even if the suffering associated with them seems "inhuman." Although our agency is used to justify itself as "rational," its consequences appear to be "irrational." Yet we bear responsibility of our actions in

#### Selection of painting for exhibition 2023



The river (wächst da ein Baum im Fluss ?) 57,5x77cm on ARCHES Bütten 2021 priv.coll.

this political and historical world - just as we bear responsibility for the way we treat and exploit nature. The core of the exhibition works through this great confrontation between nature versus war, violence, and suffering, a confrontation that can neither be fixed or resolved nor simply conceptualized. The tension between the flow - the river, the change of nature, the flow of time, perception and its identity-forming power - and the shadows of war, suffering, and mourning, one of the deepest experiences and injuries of the human soul, is built up in the exhibition by two distinct blocks of work, held out and opened up to different perspectives without being able to be resolved, even where the confrontation remains in apparent distance, where it attempts rapprochements, or persists in ignorant opposition. In the artistic medium of (re)presentation arise correspondences, intersections, open contrasts, or appropriations. In these tensions the means and media of (re)presentation are reflected in themselves: painting and watercolor emulsion, drawing and painterly gesture, paper and canvas, color, contour, texture, action and emptiness, abstraction and representation, the day and night sides of nature and history, of perception and politics, of present and past. The aesthetic confrontation and its presentation open a range of questions: are violence and cruelty an anthropological constant? How can history be thought without warfare? How can nature and culture be brought into a friendly relationship, and how do we have to renew ourselves, our ideas, and concepts for all of this? What might be the political dimension of mourning or a practical dimension in opposition or accordance to the sublime? The two thematic blocks and their confrontation seem to be distinctly made for the city of Saerbeck. The concrete bunkers as exhibition space correspond with the dark sides of war and politics, yet they form an ideal presentation site. As certified "Climate Community" with pioneering status, the change in ideas about nature is also naturally at home in Saerbeck, as is the technological progress of climate-friendly energy generation. The wellestablished cooperation of Jörg Madlener as an internationally renowned artist with the municipality leads us to expect a more than promising exhibition. The show is curated by Christian Katti who already conceived a show in 2021 in Saerbeck together with the artist in preparation for the upcoming event.



the river Nocturne (ein X nachtwandelt im Russ) 31x41cm on ARCHES Bütten 2021 publ.coll.



The Rukban Woman III-IV (the cape) recto verso 244x247cm on cdx plywood 2020

Alongside the next Sculpture Projects Münster another comprehensive Madlener exhibition is projected for the year 2027. Some of the bunkers are to be transformed by then, together with adapted infrastructure, for cultural and related event activities. The exhibition under the title "see you down the river" - Existence in flux is the set off for this long-term development, which will be jointly driven forward with architectural interventions, urban planning, sponsorship, new mobility

concepts, marketing, and climate-friendly energy policy. May these things and more start flowing and getting in flux in the near future, and we look forward to "seeing you down the river" here soon.

### Gillibrand Calls on Biden Administration to Swiftly Implement Debt Relief Provisions for Small Farmers Passed in the IRA

#### • New York Is Home To More Than 30,000 Farms; Inflation Reduction Act Will Provide Desperately Needed Debt Relief To Struggling Farmers

#### • As of 2019, New York Farmers Held More Than \$160 Million In Debt

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand held a video press conferencing announcing her letter to U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack urging the USDA to quickly implement the small farmer debt relief provisions in the recently passed Inflation Reduction Act. The historic bill includes \$3.1 billion in economic relief for struggling farms, but without rapid distribution of funds, farmers burdened by loans will continue to struggle to make ends meet. Gillibrand sent this letter with U.S. Representative Sean Patrick Maloney (NY-18). The members are calling on the USDA to immediately clarify eligibility guidelines for debt relief and provide relief to as many economically distressed small farmers in New York State as possible.

"The Inflation Reduction Act takes critical steps to help relieve small farmers' crushing debt, but they can't afford to wait weeks or months for relief," said Senator Gillibrand. "I urge Secretary Vilsack to act now to clarify the eligibility guidelines for debt forgiveness so that farmers can get the help they need as soon as possible. Small farmers form the backbone of our rural communities and we have to do more to ensure that they have the support they need to stay in business."

"Small family farmers like those in the Black Dirt region of the Hudson Valley are pillars of our communities and the backbone of America's agricultural industry. Despite their critical importance, small farmers face more challenges than ever and have often been forced to take on unrealistic amounts of debt to keep their farms operational. That's why I've been working directly with farmers across the Hudson Valley to ensure they get the help they need to continue their work for generations to come," said Representative Maloney. "Today, Senator Gillibrand and I called on the US Department of Agriculture to promptly distribute the billions in debt relief we fought for in the Inflation Reduction Act to as many small farmers in New York as possible. This funding will be lifechanging for Hudson Valley farmers."

As it currently stands, the USDA needs time to design and implement a debt relief program, including the eligibility criteria. Until the program is in place, economically distressed farmers will continue to need to make loan payments, putting them at risk of defaulting or being forced to sell their farms. Gillibrand and Maloney are urging the USDA to base the eligibility criteria for IRA forgiveness on the framework included in their bill, the Relief for America's Small Farmers Act, which Gillibrand and Maloney introduced last year. The bill defines eligible borrowers as those who had an average annual adjusted gross income of \$300,000 or less for the previous 5 years and was created to capture as many economically distressed farmers as possible. Using these criteria would help ensure that all farmers in need of debt relief get it soon.

The full text of the letter is available at https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/SPM%20&%20KG%20Let ter%20to%20Secretary%20of%20Agriculture%20Tom%20V ilsack.pdf

#### Governor Hochul Urges New Yorkers to be Aware of Scams Tied to Federal Student Debt Relief Recent Announcement to Provide Financial Relief in Student Loans Triggers Uptick in Scams

(From Pg. 32) The New York State Division of Consumer Protection is reminding borrowers to only use trusted government websites and to not respond to unsolicited offers to obtain forgiveness, as student loan forgiveness scams have arisen after the recent federal goverment forgiveness announcement."

State Senator Kevin Thomas said, "It's a shame that the excitement and demand for this long-awaited Federal student debt relief has created a new window of opportunity for scammers to exploit those seeking assistance. I'm urging New Yorkers seeking assistance to remain vigilant and only use trusted ".gov" websites to access student debt relief information."

Assemblymember Harvey Epstein said, "I urge New Yorkers to be on the lookout for scams related to student loan forgiveness. As we fight to make forgiveness available to more New Yorkers, we're unfortunately seeing scammers attempting to take advantage of borrowers. The good news is there are ways to protect yourself. I applaud Governor Hochul for making student loan forgiveness a priority and protecting student borrowers from predatory scams."

The New York State Division of Consumer Protection provides voluntary mediation between a consumer and a business when a consumer has been unsuccessful at reaching a resolution on their own. The Consumer Assistance Helpline 1-800-697-1220 is available Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm, excluding State Holidays, and consumer complaints can be filed at any time at https://dos.ny.gov/consumer-protection.

For more consumer protection tips, follow the Division on social media at Twitter: @NYSConsumer and Facebook: www.facebook.com/nysconsumer.



Our eight-week children's programs are open to caregivers and their children ages 12 months to five years. These programs are specially designed to encourage early literacy and to foster an early love of learning and reading through stories, crafts, music, and friendship-building! These programs are free and are made possible through the generosity of our community. Registration is required.

### Mother Goose Time (12-23 months) Beginning Wednesday, October 12th

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

### Toddler Time (24-35 months) Beginning Thursday, October 13th

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

### Story Hour (3, 4, and 5 year-olds) Beginning Friday, October 14th

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

All programs end the week of December 5th.

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#### 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 Thursdays from 4:00pm – 5:00pm. (Watch for changes in the time now that school is back in session and CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ANY/ALL UPDATES ON OUR YOGA CLASSES. Classes are for everyone--beginners (like me) to those experienced in yoga. Classes will be held at the Grahamsville Fire House or grassy area by the firehouse (depends on the weather)

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 <u>cwparksandrec@gmail.com</u>.

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

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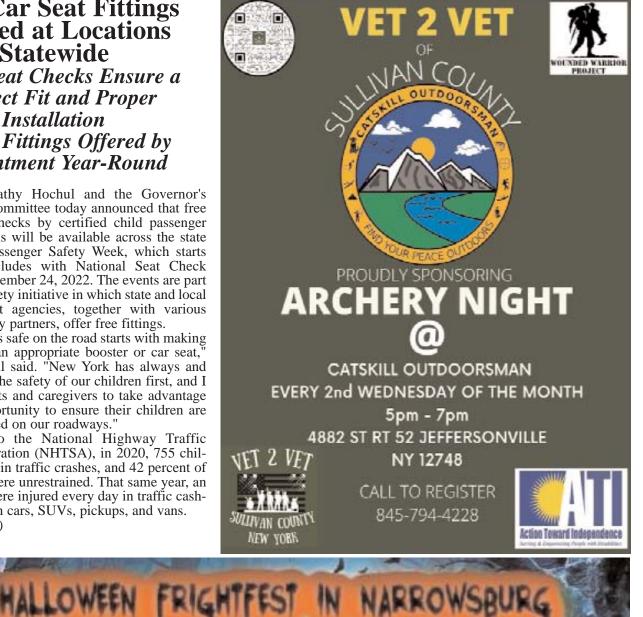
#### **Free Car Seat Fittings Offered at Locations Statewide**

- Car Seat Checks Ensure a **Correct Fit and Proper Installation**
- Free Fittings Offered by Appointment Year-Round

Governor Kathy Hochul and the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee today announced that free child car seat checks by certified child passenger safety technicians will be available across the state during Child Passenger Safety Week, which starts today and concludes with National Seat Check Saturday on September 24, 2022. The events are part of a yearlong safety initiative in which state and local law enforcement agencies, together with various community safety partners, offer free fittings.

"Keeping kids safe on the road starts with making sure they have an appropriate booster or car seat, Governor Hochul said. "New York has always and will always put the safety of our children first, and I encourage parents and caregivers to take advantage of this free opportunity to ensure their children are

properly protected on our roadways." According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), in 2020, 755 children were killed in traffic crashes, and 42 percent of those children were unrestrained. That same year, an estimated 380 were injured every day in traffic cashes while riding in cars, SUVs, pickups, and vans. (Contd. Pg. 40)



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#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

#### Free Car Seat Fittings Offered at Locations Statewide

(From Pg. 39) New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Commissioner and GTSC Chair Mark J.F. Schroeder said, "Motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death for children, but correctly using a car seat, booster seat or seat belt is the most effective way to keep them safe while on the road. Providing parents and caregivers with safety information and training on how to properly install and use a child safety seat is crucial to protecting young lives on our roadways."

According to NHTSA, when used correctly, car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71 percent for infants (younger than one year old) and by 54 percent for toddlers (one to four years old) in passenger cars. While most parents believe they have properly installed their child's car seat, the seats were installed incorrectly in 46 percent of cases.

Trained technicians will use the model of "Learn, Practice, and Explain" to educate caregivers on how to select a child

restraint that will fit their child, fit their vehicle and be used correctly every time.

Parents and caregivers can find free Child Passenger Safety Week car seat check events in their region or make an appointment at a year-round regional car seat fitting site.

In addition to car seat fittings, parents and caregivers can view a series of videos produced by NHSTA on proper installation of rear-facing and forward-facing car seats and booster seats. NHTSA also offers information on registering a car seat, finding the right car seat based on a child's age and size and see ratings on all car seats.

For more information about GTSC, visit trafficsafety.ny.gov, or follow GTSC on Facebook and Twitter.

#### Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Expand Public Servants' Access to Student Loan Forgiveness

Governor Kathy Hochul today signed legislation to expand and simplify access to the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness program statewide. The new legislation establishes uniformity around what qualifies as full-time employment for the purposes of accessing PSLF and allows public service employers to certify employment on behalf of workers, eliminating substantial barriers to applying for and accessing PSLF.

"If you spend your days working for the people of New York, you shouldn't spend your nights worrying about how to pay us back. This legislation acknowledges the significant contributions of our public servants, first responders, educators and more, by helping unlock federal loan forgiveness for countless members of New York's workforce," Governor Hochul said. "From the workers who ushered us through the pandemic to the everyday heroes who keep New York moving, public-sector and not-for-profit workers deserve to make the most of this benefit - but without headaches, delays, or confusion. I'm proud to sign this legislation that ensures public servants have the clarity and the support they need to access federal loan forgiveness, and I thank my partners in the Legislature for their thoughtfulness on this bill."

PSLF is a federal program that rewards and incentivizes public service work by cancelling a portion of borrowers' federal student loans. The program requires borrowers to be full-time employees of an eligible public service employer and make 120 qualifying payments towards their student loan, after which the remainder of their federal student loan debt is forgiven. Any student loan debt that is forgiven under this program will not be subject to tax under New York State tax law. (Contd. Pg. 46)



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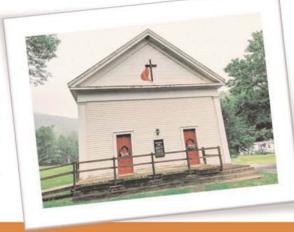
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### WE ARE BUILDING A PLAYGROUND!!! WHERE? At the Route 42 Community Park in Grahamsville

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.

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

#### Record Levels of Federal Funding Available to States This Year through FEMA's Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities and Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs

• State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to Work with Interested Local Governments and Eligible Nonprofits to Apply for Newly Available Hazard Mitigation Funding

• Encourages New Yorkers To Assess Personal Preparedness During National Preparedness Month in September

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that state agencies, counties, cities, towns, villages and tribal governments throughout New York State can now apply for new funding to support initiatives designed to boost resiliency and mitigate the effects of climate change, including the threats of flash flooding, wildfires and hurricanes. This year, FEMA will make up to \$2.295 billion available to states through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant program and up to \$800 million through the Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program. As September marks National Preparedness Month, Governor Hochul also encouraged New Yorkers to assess their own personal preparedness so they can remain safe before, during and after a disaster.

"We have seen the devastating impacts of climate change and extreme weather far too often in New York State, and in response we are preparing for the future," Governor Hochul said. "My administration will continue to invest in resiliency measures across the state to ensure our infrastructure can withstand the next so-called hundred-year storm, and I encourage all of our local government partners to apply for this critical funding."

The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) funding programs are nationally competitive mitigation grants which prioritize projects that promote natural risk reduction to public infrastructure and disadvantaged communities, as well as solutions that work towards enhancing climate resilience and reducing carbon emissions.

Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) funds may be used for:

- o Capability and capacity building (C&CB) activities
- o Mitigation projects
- o Management costs

Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) funds may be used for projects that reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the National Flood Insurance Program including:

- o Project Scoping
- o Technical Assistance
- o Community Flood Mitigation Projects

o Individual Structure/Property-Level Flood Mitigation Projects

o Management Costs

Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Commissioner Jackie Bray said, "The weather of yesterday is no longer the weather of tomorrow. Governor Hochul is leading the fight against climate change here in New York State and we are proud to work hand in glove with local communities to enhance our resiliency, protect our infrastructure and keep New Yorkers safe from the devastating impacts of extreme weather."

The state Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) will review the applications from eligible subapplicants and assist with any questions on the process. DHSES has scheduled a series of informational webinars about the BRIC and FMA programs for sub-applicants:

- o 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20
- o 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28
- o 11 a.m. to Noon, Tuesday, Oct. 4
- o 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12
  - Noon to 1 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 18

Visit dhses.ny.gov/recovery to register or contact DHSES' Hazard Mitigation Office at HazardMitigation@dhses.ny.gov for more information. Applicants also may register for FEMA webinars to learn more.

DHSES is requesting that applications be submitted by Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022.

Governor Hochul and Commissioner Bray also recently announced the return of the New York State Citizen Preparedness Corps training courses, which promote personal preparedness and provide New Yorkers with information and tools necessary to prepare and plan for any disaster that may impact New York State.

New Yorkers can find the current training schedule and register for courses online or request a training in their area by sending an email to: NY.Prepare@dhses.ny.gov.

#### **Preparedness Tips**

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o Sign up for emergency alerts in your area by registering with NY-Alert, a free service that provides critical emergency information via email, phone call or text message.

o Learn the quickest route from your home or business to a safe area, should you have to leave in a hurry.

o Develop and practice a 'family escape' plan and identify a meeting place if family members become separated.

o Make an itemized list of all your valuables including furnishings, clothing and other personal property. Keep the list in a safe place.

o Stockpile emergency supplies of canned food, medicine and first aid supplies and drinking water. Store drinking water in clean, closed containers.

o Plan what to do with your pets during an emergency.

o Keep your vehicle fueled or charged. If electric power is cut off, gasoline stations may not be able to pump fuel for several days. Have a small disaster supply kit in the trunk of your car.

#### Prepare an emergency kit with the following items:

- o Flashlight and extra batteries
- o Battery-operated radio and extra batteries
- o First aid kit and manual
- o Emergency food and water
- o Non-electric can opener
- o A seven- to 10-day supply of essential medicines
- o Checkbook, cash, credit cards, etc.

Senator Chuck Schumer said, "New York is on the frontlines of climate change impacts, from increased flooding to wildfires to extreme weather, and we need to invest in more resilient infrastructure now so that families do not have live in fear of what the next storm could bring. That is why I am proud to deliver this \$3 billion federal investment, in part funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure And Jobs Law, to help our communities build back stronger and keep people safe from disaster. This funding is the lifeline our most vulnerable communities need to get shovels in the ground for long overdue projects that will save lives and protect homes and businesses."

#### Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Expand Public Servants' Access to Student Loan Forgiveness

(From Pg. 40) Currently, approximately 2.7 million people in New York work in the public or nonprofit sectors. Since 2007, the transformative PSLF program has helped eligible public service workers receive an average of \$61,402 in debt relief providing public servants the opportunity to spend on a mortgage, monthly payments for a car, basic necessities like groceries and gas.

Legislation (S.8389-C/A.9523-B) addresses several well-documented barriers to accessing PSLF by:

o Clarifying the legal definitions of key terms such as, "certifying employment," "employee," "full-time," "public service employer," "public service loan forgiveness form," and "Public service loan forgiveness program;"

o Setting a standard hourly threshold for full-time employment at thirty (30) hours per week for the purpos-

es of accessing PSLF and clarifying standardized prep time to be included in such calculation for faculty and teachers; and o Allowing public service employers to certify employment on behalf of individuals or groups of employees directly with the U.S. Department of Education.

On October 6, 2021, the Department of Education announced time-limited changes to the PSLF program to make it easier for eligible borrowers to have their federal loans forgiven ("PSLF Waiver"). The PSLF Waiver allows borrowers to count payments made on all federal loan programs or repayment plans toward forgiveness, including loan types and payment plans that were not previously eligible. New Yorkers working in public service - in government or at a notfor-profit - with outstanding student loans may be eligible for forgiveness under the PSLF Waiver even if they were previously denied. Borrowers only have until October 31, 2022, to take advantage of the PSLF Waiver.

Governor Hochul also announced a statewide effort to inform New Yorkers of the PSLF Waiver and encourage eligible workers to apply for loan forgiveness before the end of the PSLF Waiver period. The Department of Financial Services (DFS) has secured commitments from organizations representing more than 8,500 public and not-for-profit employers to distribute information to their workforces in the coming weeks and assist them in applying to the PSLF program before the Waiver expires. Groups joining this outreach pledge include the United Federation of Teachers, Human Services Council, Nonprofit New York, New York Council of Nonprofits, New York Conference of Mayors, and NYS Association of Counties. DFS will also be offering PSLF workshops across the state in the coming weeks. These efforts build on New York's commitment to supporting student loan borrowers.

In August, based on trends identified in

DFS examinations of student loan servicers, the Department issued first-in-the-nation guidance outlining expectations for informing borrowers about the PSLF program and best practices to follow. New Yorkers can visit dfs.ny.gov to learn more.

Senator Chuck Schumer said, "For too long student debt has been an anchor on young people and families, weighing them down in nearly every aspect of life. That is why I fought nonstop for years to convince President Biden to give millions of Americans the relief they need to realize their full potential and keep our economy growing. The positive impacts of this move will be felt across New York and the nation, particularly in minority communities, with at least \$16 billion being put back into working families' wallets in the Empire State. Governor Hochul's bold action today will help ensure every eligible New Yorker is able to get access this critical federal relief and take advantage of the public service loan forgiveness programs to remove this anchor, help rebuild the middle class, and give people the debt-free future they deserve."



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#### YOM KIPPUR

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

10:00 Morning Services 11:00 Children's Program 12:00 Yizkor Memorial Service 5:30 Mincha/Neila Closing 7:12 Yom Kippur Ends Services Followed by Buffet Break-Fast

There is NO CHARGE for seats; your donation is greatly appreciated. Advance reservations are suggested.



YEAR OF HAKHEL (GATHERING)

### **TUB OF TROUBLE RAFFLE**



### TICKETS \$5 each or 3 for \$10

Text 585-590-1334 for ticket purchases prior to event

### ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT OUR FRIEND AND CLASSMATE CORA NEWMAN

Drawing wil be held October 15, 2022 at the Hasbrouck Tavern

> Sponsored by Patty Russell & The Class of 1984



#### Bring Home a Pie! · Eat Pie! · Win! · Dance!



APPLE PIE Baking Contest!

Bring your pie (or apple dessert) to be judged by prominent local bakers!

> register at: wjffradio.org

Dancing in the tent with WJFF DJs:

KASSIE CARLSON Jason Tougaw Nick Forte

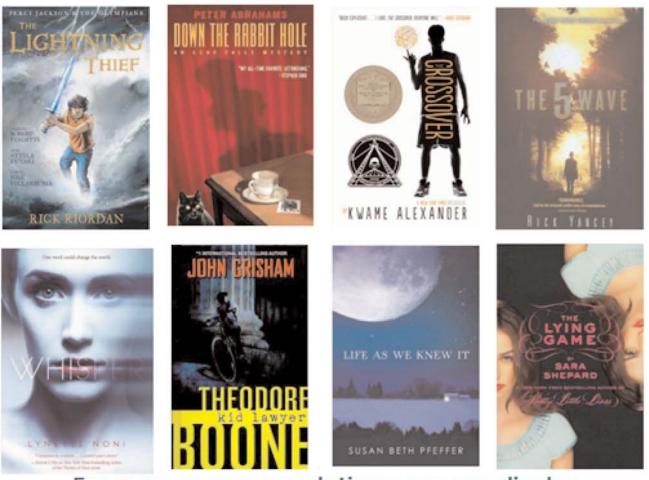


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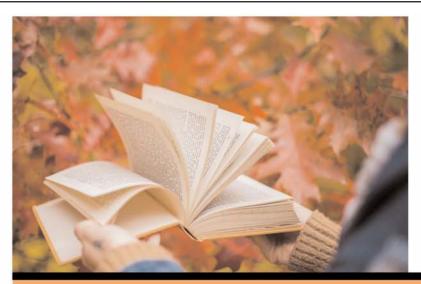
# Are YA ready for a challenge?

Join the Daniel Pierce Library Fall YA "Series"-ous Reading Challenge from September 19 to October 31. YA patrons (ages 10-18) read ONLY the first book in a series and fill out a raffle ticket. The more "first books" read, the more tickets earned, the higher the chance of winning a candy-filled pumpkin...and finding a series you love!



For more recommendations, see our display.

Print your tickets online @www.danielpiercelibrary.org





READY FOR

### A CHALLENGE?

### "SERIES"-OUS FALL YA READING CHALLENGE

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Just enter your name, age and book title on the slip below and return to the circulation desk!

Name Title	Age
Name	
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### **Claryville Fire Dept.**

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



### Sunday, October 16th, 2022

### 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!



#### DOJ Must Enforce Key Election Integrity Laws

The Civil Rights Act of 1960 requires state and local election agencies to retain documents from all federal elections for a period of 22 months. However, a recently released report revealed that despite the records retention requirement under the Civil Rights Act, many of the most populous jurisdictions across the country are not complying with it. In fact, just six of 100 of the most heavily populated counties were able to provide their actual voter files from the 2020 election as required by law when they were requested! Further, those six jurisdictions that did provide these records demonstrated an average difference between the number of voters and the number of votes cast of 2.89%. Cobb County, Georgia had a discrepancy as high as 8.8%.

In response to this concerning report, I sent a letter to U.S. Attorney General (AG) Merrick Garland demanding his agency enforce the record retention requirements under the Civil Rights Act of 1960. I was joined in this effort by fellow New York Congresswoman Elise Stefanik as well as Reps. Bill Posey, Andrew Garbarino, Michael Guest, and Louie Gohmert.

AG Garland must act to hold these counties accountable for their failure to comply with record-keeping requirements in the 2020 election and act to ensure this important federal law is being enforced today. All states are now on notice, in 2022, this vital information must be preserved in accordance with the law!

You can read the full letter at:

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#### UPDATE: Farm Overtime Wage Threshold

This week, I cosponsored H.R. 8756, the Protect Local Farms Act, to prevent the recent recommendation from the New York State Farm Laborers Wage Board to lower the overtime threshold from 60 hours to 40 hours per week from taking effect. Congressman Chris Jacobs (NY-27) introduced the legislation, and Congresswoman Elise Stefanik (NY-21) is also a cosponsor.

The decision to recommend lowering the farm worker overtime threshold from 60 to 40 hours per week is woefully misguided and ignores input from important industry stakeholders. Family farms, who are already struggling with rising costs from diesel to fertilizer and more, could be forced to reduce operations or leave the industry or state altogether. The Board completely failed to consider the overwhelming and passionate comments from farmers, consumers, and farm workers themselves in formulating their policy priorities, deciding to undermine the very industry and workers they are supposed to serve. I am honored to stand up for New York's family farms.

The full text of the bill is available at: https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/housebill/8756/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22hr8756%22% 5D%7D

#### Demanding Answers from Credit Card Companies About Recent Changes Impacting Gun Purchases

This week, I joined with Congersswoman Elise Stefanik and more than 100 of my colleagues in demanding answers from Visa, Mastercard, and American Express about their implementation of a new Merchant Category Code (MCC) for firearms retailers. Anti-Second Amendment advocates have long advocated for a specific MCC for firearms retailers so that credit card companies can flag what they deem to be "suspicious" purchases, potentially infringing on the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding Americans.

As background, on September 9, 2022, the International Organization of Standardization (ISO) announced the creation of a new MCC for firearms retailers. Since then, major credit card companies, including Visa, Mastercard, and American Express, have announced intentions to adopt the new MCC. With the adoption of the code, liberal elected officials are now urging credit card companies to flag "suspicious" transactions on firearm sales and to file these with law enforcement. This decision by the ISO sets a dangerous precedent, and how credit card companies implement this new MCC will have a great effect on how these transactions are reviewed and flagged for further government scrutiny.

As we wrote in our letters, "Of course, there is no accepted, consistent, scientific, or legitimate way to determine from this data what is and what is not a 'suspicious' purchase. A gun control advocate could view any desire to own or obtain a firearm as per se suspicious. Instead, this is a transparent attempt to chill the exercise of constitutionally protected rights and to circumvent existing legal restrictions on the creation of firearm registries by the government."

The full text of the letter to Visa is available here. https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evomedia-document/Letter%20to%20Visa.pdf

The full text of the letter to Mastercard is available here. https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evomedia-document/Letter%20to%20Mastercard.pdf

The full text of the letter to American Express is available here. https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evomedia-document/Letter%20to%20American%20Express.pdf

#### Dangerous Iranian Officials Should Never Be Allowed in the U.S.

On Friday, I introduced the Strengthening Entry Visa Enforcement and Restrictions Act, or SEVER Act, to ban Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi and other officials associated with the Iranian Supreme Leader from entering the United States. This was done in advance of Raisi's arrival for a meeting of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

Amid ongoing talks to restore the failed Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), also known as the Iran Nuclear Deal, the Biden administration is planning to circumvent restrictions that would bar Raisi from entering the U.S. because of mass atrocities he has committed and terrorist activities that he has directed. Raisi has advocated for the assassination of U.S. officials, including former President Donald Trump and former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. (Contd. Pg. 57) THE TOWNSMAN

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A Cup and Conversation Come grab a cup of coffee or tea and relax with us



#### (From Pg. 56)

Iranian President Raisi clearly poses a threat to our national security. Ensuring he stays off U.S. soil should be a nobrainer for anyone tasked with protecting the American people.

The full text of the bill is available here. https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evosubsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-mediadocument/SEVER%20Act.pdf

#### Standing for America's Small Business Community

This week, I had the privilege of receiving the "Guardian

of Small Business" Award from the National Federation of Independent **Business** (NFIB) for my work in supporting Congress America's small businesses. NFIB advocates on behalf of America's small and independent businesses, both in Washington and throughout the 50 states. The "Guardian of Small Business" Award is the organization's most prestigious legislative award and is presented to lawmakers who consistently vote to support small businesses on key issues.

It was my honor to receive this award from NFIB. As a longtime small business owner and member of NFIB for nearly 30 years, I am committed to giving a voice to America's small business owners in Congress. 94% of workers in New York's 22nd District are employed by small businesses, which truly are the backbone of our local and state economies.

Thank you to NFIB for your tenacious advocacy on behalf of small businesses! Hosted by library director, Jen Thomas 2nd Tuesday of every month 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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#### Walk to End Alzheimer's - Orange/ Sullivan

**Oct. 22, 2022** Benedict Farm Park, Montgomery, NY Sign up today at OrangeSullivanWalk.org

#### DEC Reports First Detection of Bluetongue Virus in New York Deer

• Additional Cases of Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease in Deer in Suffolk and Rensselaer Counties

#### • Diseases Not Transmissible to Humans or Pets; New Yorkers Encouraged to Report Sick or Dead Deer

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today reported three deer in Southampton, Suffolk County, tested positive for bluetongue, which is closely related to the Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD) virus and is transmitted in the same way. This is the first time the bluetongue (BT) virus was detected in New York deer. It was detected in several other mid-Atlantic coast states this year.

DEC also reported that two white-tailed deer in the town of Schodack, Rensselaer County, found dead in late August, and one deer in Southampton, Suffolk County, confirmed positive for EHD. These are in addition to two deer in the town of Dover Plains, Dutchess County, that died from EHD in mid-August.

EHD virus and BT virus are often fatal to deer. They are transmitted by biting midges (likely Culicoides sp.), small bugs often called "no-see-ums." EHD and BT outbreaks are most common in late summer and early fall when midges are abundant. Diseases caused by the viruses are usually not spread directly from deer to deer, and humans cannot be infected by deer or bites from midges.

EHD and BT cause similar symptoms in deer including fever, difficulty breathing, dehydration, swelling of the head neck and tongue, attraction to water, and rapid death. Frequently, infected deer will seek out water sources and many succumb in or near a water source. Once clinical signs of EHD or BT infection are apparent, deer usually die within 36 hours.

There is no treatment or means to prevent EHD or BT in free-ranging deer. The dead deer do not serve as a source of infection for other animals. Both EHD and BT can infect cattle and sheep; cattle seldom exhibit signs of disease, but sheep can suffer severe disease and death from BT infection.

The EHD virus was first confirmed in New York in 2007 with relatively small outbreaks in Albany, Rensselaer, and Niagara counties, and in Rockland County in 2011. In 2020, a large EHD outbreak occurred in the lower Hudson Valley, centered in Putnam and Orange counties, with reports from the public of approximately 1,500 dead deer. In 2021 the outbreak shifted and DEC received more than 2,000 reports of dead deer primarily in Ulster, Dutchess, Columbia, Oswego, and Jefferson counties.

EHD and BT outbreaks do not have a significant long-term effect on deer populations, but deer mortality can be intense in small geographic areas. EHD is endemic in the southern states where there are annual outbreaks, so some southern deer have developed immunity. In the northeast, EHD outbreaks occur sporadically and deer in New York have little or no immunity to this virus. Consequently, most EHD-infected deer in New York are expected to die. In the north, the first hard frost kills the midges that transmit the disease, ending the EHD and BT outbreak.

Sightings of sick or dying deer should be reported online (leaves DEC website) or to the nearest DEC Regional Office

or Environmental Conservation Police Officer. More information about EHD and a link for public reporting of deer with EHD symptoms is at DEC's website. DEC may collect samples from deer and analyze data from deer reports to determine the extent of the outbreak.

For more information, visit Cornell University's Wildlife Health Lab website (leaves DEC website). *https://cwhl.vet.cornell.edu/disease/epizootic-hemorrhagic-disease* 

#### Governor Hochul Announces Progress Toward Implementing Utility Thermal Energy Network and Jobs Act to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emmissions

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that the New York State Public Service Commission initiated a proceeding to implement the Utility Thermal Energy Network and Jobs Act, which will advance efforts to decarbonize buildings across the state. Implementation of this law will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by allowing for the creation of utility-scale infrastructure projects that connect multiple buildings into a shared thermal network. Utility thermal networks present an opportunity for utilities to provide thermal energy to customers rather than fossilbased natural gas to meet their space heating, water heating, and cooling needs.

"Ahead of Climate Week, New York is taking a bold step to further support the use of clean-energy technology," Governor Hochul said. "Buildings are the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in New York State - accounting for 32 percent of overall emissions - and the Utility Thermal Energy Network and Jobs Act will help significantly reduce climate change emissions and create greener, healthier places to live and work across the Empire State."

In addition to creating the regulatory framework for the thermal energy network, the New York Public Services Commission (PSC) will work to ensure the development of and access to welltrained, highly skilled trade persons needed to support timely, reliable, high-quality thermal energy network projects and promotes good jobs for New Yorkers in the expanding decarbonization sector.

As part of this process, the PSC will require the seven largest, investor-owned utilities - Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, National Grid USA (Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid, The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid NY, and KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid), Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, and National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation - to each submit up at least one and up to five proposed thermal network pilot projects for review, with at least one pilot project located in a disadvantaged community within each utility service territory. The PSC will also establish a thermal-energy networks working group to assist the utilities in the development of pilot project proposals prior to submission to the PSC for review and to develop proposed rules and regulations for utility thermal service.

# 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



#### 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.





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## Donate your used books!

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



### **DONATION GUIDELINES**



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.

Please do not leave donations outside of the library or under the book tent. Donations will be accepted by appointment only . Please contact Michelle at 845-985-7233 x104.



Thank you for your support!



- Carnival Rides (The Whirtwind | Twister | Tubs of Fun)
- Inflatables
- Arts & Crafts Tables
- Vendors, Food & Ice Cream
- Hay Rides
- · Entertainment by Party Master
- AND A FULL SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL EVENTS. ACTIVITIES, DEMONSTRATIONS, AND LIVE PERFORMANCES!

#### FREE TRANSPORTATION

Provided by Rolling V Bus Corporation (All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.)

#### Pickup/Drop-Off Locations

- Fallsburg & South Fallsburg: Brian Ingber Park
- Hurleyville: Rail to Trails Municipal Parking Lot
- Loch Sheldrake: Municipal Parking Lot
- Mountain Dale: Basketball Courts
- Woodridge: Fire Department Municipal Parking
- Woodbourne: Firehouse Parking Lot

#### Pickup/Drop-Off Times

- Sept. 30: 5 PM, 7 PM
- Oct. 1: 5 PM, 7 PM
- Oct. 2: 2 PM, 5 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM
- Oct. 3: 12 PM, 2:30 PM, 5 PM



vendor/sponsor for this event? Call 845-434-8810 x5 for details

Masks & Social Distancing will be enforced. All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### DAILY SCHEDULES

(Carnival Rides, inflatables, arts & crafts tables, vendors, food, and ice cream available throughout each day!)

#### THURSDAY SEPT 30

- 2 PM-3 PM: Entertainment by Party Master 3 PM-6 PM: YOSSI INDIG BAND on stage 3 PM-6 PM: Hay Rides 6 PM-7 PM: Entertainment by Party Master

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- 5 PM: Fallsburg Police Department K9 Unit Demo 6 PM: TANGO MAGIC on stage (Magic show +
- 6:30 PM: Failsburg Comets Football Home Game 7 PM-9:30 PM: MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival (Vote for your favorite short film in this world-wide event.)

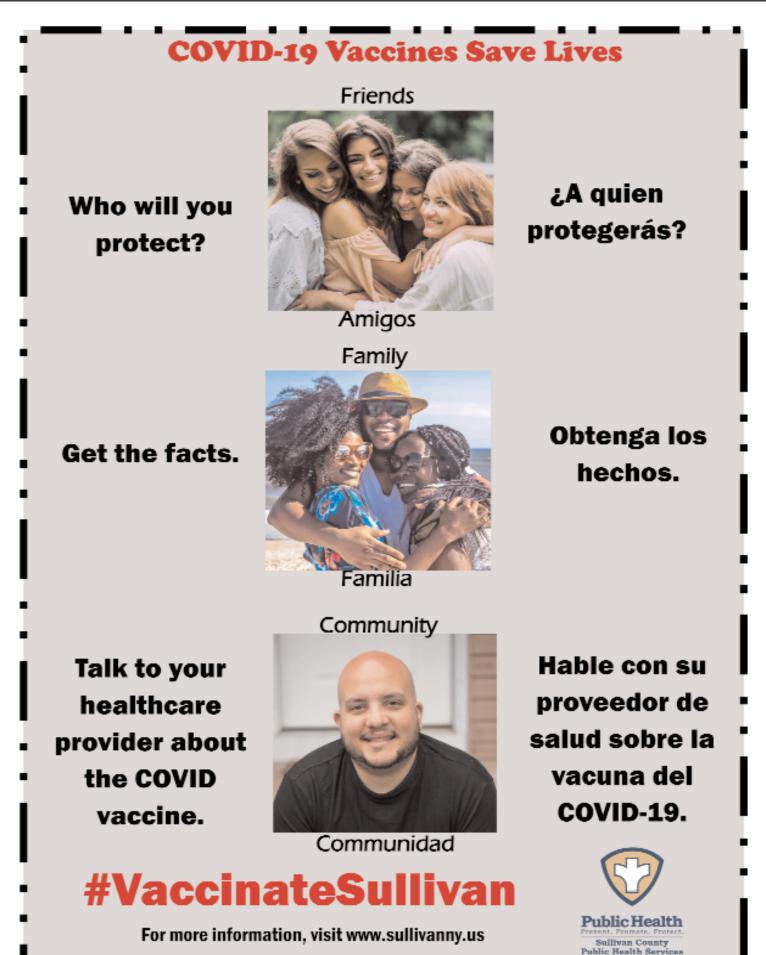


#### SATURDAY, OCT. 2

- 2 PM-4 PM: Entertainment by Party Master 3 PM-6 PM: Hay Rides 4 PM-6 PM: CRUISE CONTROL on stage 5 PM-7 PM: Make your own s'mores! 7 PM-9 PM: THE OTHER BAND on stage 7:30 PM-9 PM: Bonfire

#### SUNDAY OCT

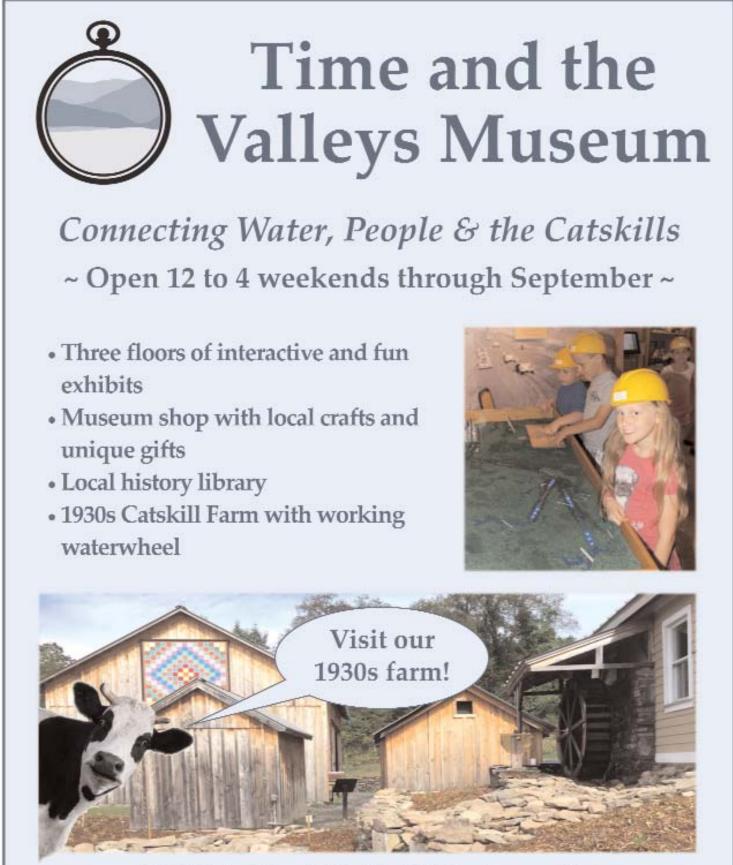
12 PM-3 PM: Entertainment by Party Master 12 PM-3 PM: Touch A Truck Event (See the emergency vehicles, equipment & even a helicopter - all used by our brave First Responders!) 12 PM-4PM: Stuff a Scarecrow Competition (Vote for your favorite!) 1 PM: Bingo on stage 3 PM-5 PM: SLAM ALLEN on stage



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.



If interested in disassembling the entire masterpiece layout and carting it away, please call EJ at 845-866-1579.



332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) Grahamsville 845 985-7700 timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

#### Neversink History Afternoon Sunday, September 25th 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Neversink History Afternoon will be held on Sunday, September 25th from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. Admission to the program is free!

Come down to browse through Town of Neversink photos, records, stories and artifacts from our archives to learn about the town's history. Museum archivists Lynn Priebe, Wanda Terwilliger, Beverly Muthig and Neversink Historian Carol Smythe will be



and was the 3rd person in the county to own an automobile!

on hand to answer questions. Attendees are welcome to bring personal collection of postcards cards and photos to share.

The afternoon includes a special program at 2 p.m.: Otto Hillig's Views of Sullivan County. Otto Hillig (1874 - 1954) was a photographer who recorded much of the Sullivan County in photographs. Hillig Studio in Liberty became an iconic symbol of Hillig the photographer. The Museum has several collections of Hillig photos and postcards including, the Virginia Caldwell Bishop Collection, the Clara Denman/Riley Currey Collection and the Addy/Coombe Collection. Hillig photos are a rare glimpse back into Sullivan County's past.

More about Otto Hillig: Born in Germany in 1874, Otto Hillig was knighted in Denmark, and with his pilot made a pioneer plane flight across the Atlantic. Hillig built a castle in Sullivan County

**About the Time and the Valleys Museum:** Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is open Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. through September. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is a suggested donation of \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

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

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

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

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

o One Teacher, Eight Grades, One Room an exhibition on one room schools in the Tri-Valley area.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, a collaboration between the National Endowment of the Arts, Blue Star Families,



the Department of Defense and over 1,500 museums across America to provide free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700.

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#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

### HURLEYVILLE

SCARECROW FESTIVAL SUNDAY OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> 12 - 4 "The Liveliest Little Hamlet in the Catskills!" KIDS' FUN ACTIVITIES | SCARECROW CONTEST FOOD TRUCKS | VENDORS | LIVE MUSIC SIDEWALK SALES & MORE

CASA MIA Food Specials 205 Main Street

CRIS SPINNER Musical performance Municipal parking lot



FIBER ON MAIN Meet Little Annie the Lamb & Bernice the Goat 250 Main Street

HURLEYVILLE GENERAL STORE Wizard of Oz Costume Contest Burger Barbecue 238 Main Street

HURLEYVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Messy Church Municipal parking lot

LA SALUMINA Seasonal Eats 210 Main Street MAIN STREET DANCE Dance performance Basketball Court | 2 PM Municipal parking lot

PARTY MASTER Bounce house Municipal parking lot

PICKLED OWL Live Music and Specials 218 Main Street

SULLIVAN COUNTY MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY To the Mountains by Rail Book Talk - Myron Gittell | 2 PM Dr. Frederick Cook Exhibition Hurleyville Fire Department - 100th Anniversary Exhibit WVOS Diamond Anniversary Exhibit 265 Main Street

THE YOGA SPACE Yoga Sampler Class | 1 PM 219 Main Street (HPAC)

ENTER THE SCARECROW SELFIE RAFFLE

How to participate:

1. Take selfies with the great #hurleyvillescarecrows around town 2. Post on your Instagram and tag @hellofromhurleyville & #hurleyvillescarecrows

3. The more scarecrow selfies you take, the more chances you have to win the raffle prize which includes gift certificates from participating Hurleyville businesses! Prize valued at over \$300



Find the scarecrows at: All That Glitters is Old | Bold Gold Media | Catskills Agrihood Fiber on Main | Fireman's Park |Flex Catskills Fortress Bikes |Hurleyville General Store Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre | La Salumina Main Street Dance |Morgan Outdoors | Pickled Owl Sullivan County Museum

> SIDEWALK SALES All That Glitters is Old | Fiber on Main Hurleyville General Store | Morgan Outdoor

Sponsored by Bold Gold Media, Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce, PartyMaster & Thompson Sanitation





# Giant Pumpkin Party Volunteers Needed!

Saturday, October 1st 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Grahamsville Fairgrounds

### We need your help!

The Daniel Pierce Library is in search of volunteers to help us make the Giant Pumpkin Party happen! We're looking for help in many different areas including games, crafts, bouncy houses, tickets sales, pumpkin sales, food service, and much more.

One of the big attractions at the Giant Pumpkin Party is the large assortment of games that the younger children in the community love to play! The only way that we can set up these games, however, is if we can find some responsible older students and parents to run them, take tickets, and give out the prizes. We know that there are many of you who are willing to help, but finding you is not easy!

Please check out our online sign up for what's available. Volunteer Community Service letters available for students.

# 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!

# Text "Start" to: 845-637-9486

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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**"Knarf's Classic Movies"** "A PAUL MUNI FAVORITE FOR ME" "ON AMAZON PRIME"

https://www.amazon.com/Juarez-Paul-

Muni/dp/B005UZNCAA

History Benito Pablo Juárez García was a Mexican

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#### RENTALS

Store for Rent in Grahamsville (845) 985-7411

#### FOR SALE

#### Sundown Camp and Bait Shop! Firewood for sale

#### **HELP WANTED**

#### **Typing Help Wanted**

Experienced or Student. Full/Part time. Work in Grahamsville. Busy Law Office. William Brenner (845) 985-7411

#### Blooming Green Lawn and Landscape Sevice

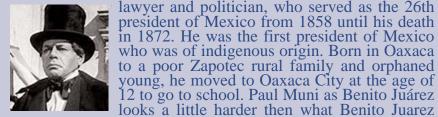
Part time/Full time work. Salary based on experience. Call: 845-665-3348 or 945-985-0516

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was, and as far as carrying Lincoln's picture — most probably is creditable. Who knows, yet it is a fact that Juárez liked President and Lincoln his ideas. Mr. Aherne is superb as Maximilian, and Bette Davis as Empress Carlotta, who gives a noticeperformance able during the mad scene at her arrival to the French court collapsing before Napoleon and ministers.

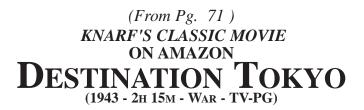
Directed by William Dieterle. Written by John Huston (screen play) starring Bette Davis, Paul Muni, Brian Aherne, John Garfield,and Donald Crisp.



Perhaps ethnic sameness of a character should be maintained to preserve reality. However, Mr. Muni's performance captured the wit, of Juarez's kindness for humanity, and the sincerity of the fearsome man named, Jaurez.

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A U.S. sub braves enemy waters during World War II. In order to provide information for the first air raid over Tokyo, a U.S. submarine sneaks into Tokyo Bay and places a spy team ashore.



Writers: Steve Fisher (original story), Delmer Daves (screen play). Directed by Delmer Daves. Starring Cary Grant, John Garfield, and Alan Hale

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