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The Easter Bunny is Coming to Town!

The Easter Bunny will be at the Fairgrounds on April 7th, 2012 for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Grahamsville. Rain or shine, he will make his appearance at the egg hunt at 11 am sharp. Bring your camera and get a special picture. Remember the age limit is 12 years old, please. This event is sponsored by the Grahamsville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

Looks Like Spring on the Local Scene!



Just about a week ago when we could see the green grass and buds on the trees, Bob Drown and Cooper were out and about in the Plymouth and took this photo. Bob not only expressed the moment in a picture, but also in words. "To me this is one of many great views in this part of the county."

Liberty High School SADD Chapter to hold Second Annual Spring Fling 5k Race/Walk



2011 Fun Run participants proudly hold their trophies!

The Liberty High School chapter of SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) will hold the Second Annual Spring Fling 5k Race/Walk on Sunday, April 29th at Liberty High School. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the race kicks off at 9 a.m.

Sponsorship opportunities are still available for local businesses and individual supporters.

Last year's first Spring Fling 5k Race/Walk was the brainchild of senior Katie Heinle, who organized the event with her fellow SADD members. At the time, she hoped it would become an annual event, perpetuated each year by her classmates after she graduated.

Now in its second year, the organizational duties have been handed over to Junior Joshua Lieberman, with Katie serving as a mentor and committee member. "That was the plan all along," she explains. "A current junior would be the chairperson with the previous year's leader acting as a mentor and a sophomore learning the ropes for the next year. That way, the event can continue and grow."

This year's event organization is in full swing, and there are a few changes from last year, including a new race route and differentiated age brackets. The Fun Run for kids 12 and under will take place directly after the 5k instead of during the race as it did last year. (Contd. Pg. 9)

Statement From DEP Commissioner Strickland On the Opening of Trout Season

"The start of spring was March 20 but the real start of spring for anglers was this past Sunday-the official opening of trout season. It's a great time of year and what better way to spend it than by fishing in one of the dozens of reservoirs, lakes and streams of the city's water supply system. The city's water supply is host to some of the best fishing in the country. This is the kickoff to what's going to be a great recreational season, especially because of the broad expansion of the recreational boating program at the Neversink, Pepacton and Schoharie reservoirs, which begins Memorial Day weekend. Anglers can look forward to what we hope will be a banner year of fishing in the watershed." (Contd. Pg. 8)

High School Art Show displayed at the Catskill Art Society (CAS)

Livingston Manor, NY: Sullivan County BOCES, in partnership with the Catskill Art Society proudly presents the annual CAS Sullivan County High School Art Society. An opening reception will be held on Saturday, April 14th at the Catskill Art Society in Livingston Manor from 2 to 4 pm. All are welcome to attend.

This exhibition, appearing throughout the gallery from April 14th to May 6th, will present the work of high school students from all of the County's districts plus student work from Sullivan BOCES. Gallery hours for are Thursday - Saturday from 11am-6pm, Sunday 11am-3pm or by appointment. The CAS Arts Center is wheel chair accessible. (Ccontd. Pg. 8)

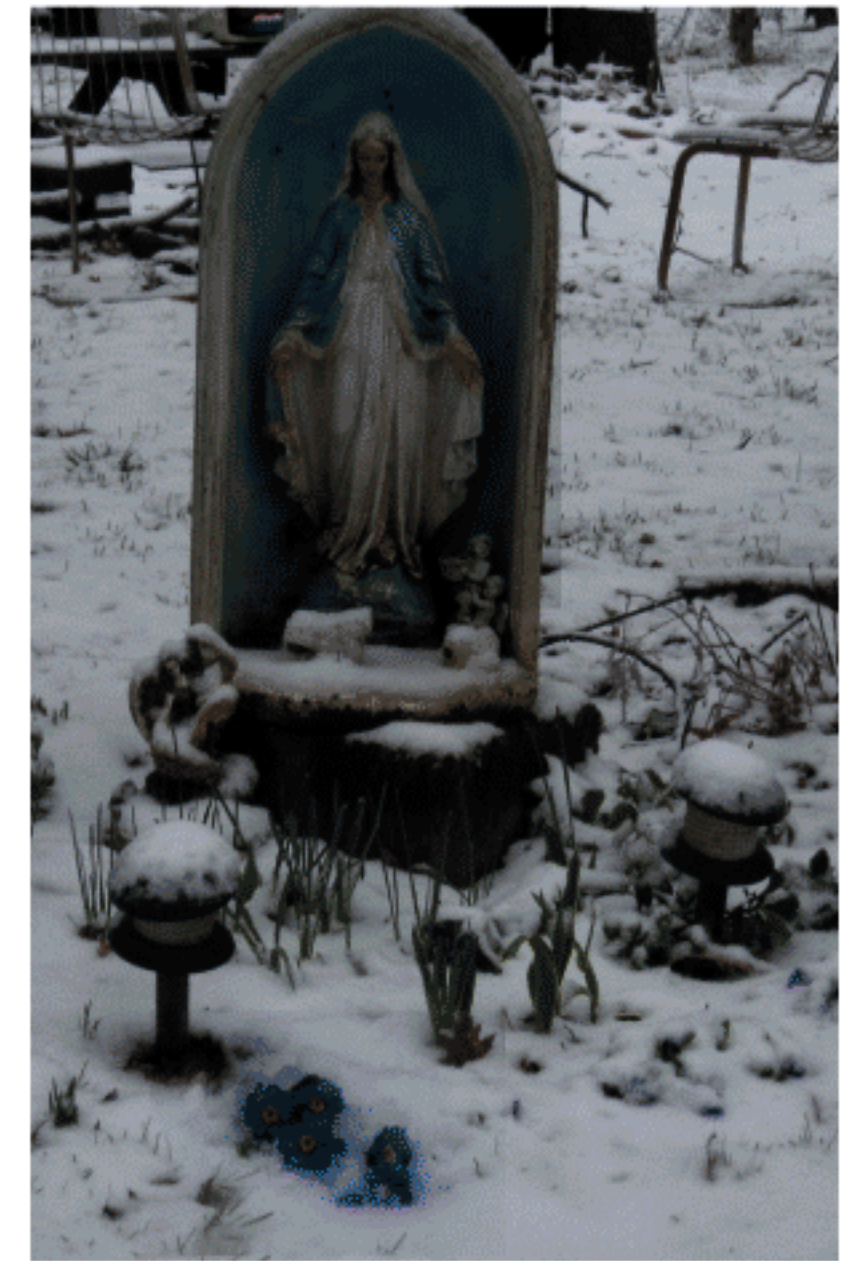
Neversink Renaissance Plans Recruitment and Work Days

Neversink Renaissance will be holding a recruitment day on Saturday April 21st at the Neversink Transfer Station. Volunteers will man a colorful pictorial display highlighting the successes of Neversink Renaissance over the past 11 years. Stop by and checkout the many opportunities for individuals and groups in the Town of Neversink to support our ongoing beautification efforts. Join us for a cup of coffee, snack, and a free gift.

Dates have also been set for two town clean up days. On Saturday April 28th volunteers will gather from 8:00 AM to noon at the Daniel Pierce Library and Time and the Valleys Museum to prepare the gardens. Two weeks later, volunteers will again join forces on Saturday May 12th at the Town Hall to ready the gardens at Bicentennial Park, the Town Hall, Chestnut Creek, Denman Mountain, and First Aid Building. We will again meet from 8:00 to noon.

For further information about Neversink Renaissance please call Dave and Phyllis Moore at 985-2746.

In Like a Lamb and Out Like a Lion!



True to her word, March came in like a lamb and ended with a lion's roar that presented a truly amazing scene in Sundown this past Saturday. All seasons were reflected in this Marion Garden; spring flowers in the foreground in full bloom, with tulips and daffodils ready to blossom are contrasted by the white snowy background and one last fall leaf that did not get blown away in last week's wind! Note, the picnic area in the far background is ready for more summer family fun in Sundown!

Woodsongs Coffeehouse at SC Museum

The Woodsongs Coffeehouse at the Sullivan County Museum will open Saturday night, April 7th at 6pm with special performances by two of the tri-state areas most exciting musicians.

Steve Lane, from New Paltz, New York will be the evenings featured performer. Steve was raised in a farmhouse on old time country music, and is one of the finest alternative country music songwriters on the Hudson Valley scene. Influenced by everyone from Johnny Cash to Bob Dylan to Ryan Adams, his style evokes the best music from the past, while still remaining fresh, original and uncontrived. He writes songs that are lyrical and haunting, and delivers them superbly. Steve learned the guitar from his country music father Don Lane, and brother Dan lane, and a whole lot of great musicians that hung around their house when he was a child. Lucky for us, his father will be performing with him at the Coffeehouse. You can listen to Steve's music at <http://www.myspace.com/stevelanemusic> (Contd. Pg. 8)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!
Psalm 22:23

Mellone-Ross Wedding



Josephine Mellone and Matthew Ross were united in marriage, Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the Venetian in Garfield, New Jersey.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Paul and Ms. Dorothy Mellone. The groom is the son of Mr and Mrs. Brian Ross.

Among the Bridal Party of thirty-six, were cousins, Janna Comando-Worden, Brianna Worden, Robert Worden, Jr. and Brandon Worden.

A reception for approximately 300 guests, that included family and friends was held following the wedding ceremony at The Venetian.

The bride, Josephine is in charge of Financial Education at a New York City business school and the groom, Matthew is an Assistant District Attorney of New York City.

The couple will spend their honeymoon touring Boston, Martha's Vineyard and Salem, Massachusetts.

LOST DOG - 5-year old Maltese, all white, wearing a blue bandana, was last seen in the vicinity of the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Answers to the name Harley. If found or sighted please call Amy Barkley Carey at 434-4193 (home) or 796-8753 (cell phone).

Are You Missing Four Miniature Equine?

Four stray miniature equine were picked up on Route 42 in Grahamsville yesterday (Sunday, Apr. 1). They had been loose and on the road. After wandering in to a garden, the gate was locked and Equine Rescue Resource was called to pick them up. Calls to state police have been made. The ponies were first seen loose on Friday the 30th, and as of Sunday April 1st, the owners have not been found. Anyone with information please call 845.800.5500

Equine Rescue Resource Inc.
PO Box 17
Pine Bush, NY 12566

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

April 2, 1952 - Ed Lewis of Claryville started his 22nd year as Fire Observer at the Red Hill tower on Tuesday. Mr. Lewis reported plenty of snow back in the woods and plenty of mud in the roads leading to the tower. He made the last part of the trip on snowshoes as is usual for this time of year but reported that there was more snow than he ordinarily finds.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Curry of Curry are parents of a son, born Thursday, March 27th at Liberty Loomis Hospital in Liberty.

Over the vigorous protests of the British Laborites, the Churchill government put through parliament a bill taking some of the free aspects out of the socialized health program. Britons will now have to pay a shilling (14 cents) for each prescription, and

pay for certain surgical appliances including wigs (\$7), and pay up to \$11.90 for false teeth. (Herald Tribune)

April 4, 1962 - The officials at St. Michael's College in Winooski, Vermont, announced this week that James Goldsmith had placed second in freshman academic standings for the fall term of this year. James, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith of Guilderland was a June graduate and salutatorian of Tri Valley Central School.

Sale of the huge wild land holdings of the late Edward R. Hewitt has been recently disclosed. The land is located between Claryville and Willowemoc in the Town of Neversink. Mr. Hewitt, a gelatin manufacturer and philanthropist, acquired the land holdings over the years since 1919. There are five deeds in the sale totaling 2,800 acres. The land was sold for \$60,000. The buyer was the Big Ben or Big Bend Company from Manhattan. There has been no indication of what the purchaser plans to do with the land.

Miss Olga Kronmeyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Kronmeyer of Woodcliff Lake, N.J. and Grahamsville, heads the Dean's List at Seton Hall University, Patterson Branch. She is a junior majoring in elementary education.

April 12, 1972 - Grahamsville Troop 187 will hold an Eagle Court of Honor for Barry Low, Saturday, April 15th at the Tri-Valley School. All fellow scouts, parents and the public are invited to attend. Troop 187 is sponsored by the Grahamsville Fire Company.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Fernald DuBois, married 37 years on April 13th.

A bridal shower was held for Miss Toni Martorana on Saturday. Many people from the area as well as guests from out of town attended. The highlight of the shower was a beautiful three-tiered cake decorated by Mrs. Donald TerBush.

April 8, 1982 - Alice Jane Lauber of High Street, Napanoch, a lifelong area resident, died Sunday at Walnut Mt. Care Center, Liberty after a long illness. She was 84. The daughter of the late Elisha and Helen Low Sheley, she was born March 3, 1898 in Sundown. She was the widow of Orin R. Lauber; she was a member of the Ulster Heights Methodist Church.

Dot and Joe Romano celebrated their 40th Anniversary on Saturday night with a surprise party at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Rochelle Park, N.J. given by their sons, Joey and Bob. Approximately 80 people enjoyed the music of Don Anthony and a delicious buffet. Eight couples from "the Hill" attended.

Eight-year old Matthew Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith of Hasbrouck is the 1982 winner of a week's stay at a Methodist Church Camp. The winning entry was an imaginative papier mache rendition of Jonah and the Whale. The judges were impressed with the gaping mouth and the trapped Jonah.

8-hr. Pre-Assignment Security Guard Training Course set for April 14th

MONTICELLO - The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering an 8-hour Pre-Assignment Security Guard Training course.

This course satisfies the minimum criteria recommended by the New York State Security Guard Advisory Council and leads to a training certificate required for employment as a security guard.

Class is on Saturday, April 14th from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. The fee for the class is \$119.

To register and find out more information contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 or 791-4070 between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm or log on to scoecs.org, like us on facebook and follow us on Twitter.

HERE AND THERE Local News from the Tri-Valley Area

Have a good week and God Bless.
(Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

Certified Nurses Assistants Graduate from Sullivan BOCES

MONTICELLO - March 22nd, was a special day for fifteen individuals who just completed the Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) Program at the Adult and Continuing Education Program, it was the day that the student would graduate from the program. Surrounded by families and friends the students beamed as they walked across the stage to receive their certificates.

The class included Kimberly Alvarez, Tara Bradford, Kamaye Davis, Heather DeMint, Angela Disanto, Rebecca Duffy, Shannon Friedrich Chequaota Gest, Rafiq Johnson, Lauren McCave, Virginia Payne, Hillar Peake, Angie Santos, Lariah Toro and Brittney Williams.

The CNA Program at BOCES provides the students with the skills necessary to obtain employment in a hospital, nursing home, residential health care facility, and/or home-care agency. Upon completion of the course the students will sit for the New York State Certification exam.

The Adult and Continuing Education Program is starting another CNA course on April 2nd for individuals interested in entering the healthcare field.

To register and find out more information about the course please contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 or 791-4070 between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm or visit us at scbores.org, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck Scheduled for Saturday, April 28, 2012

Monticello - The Sullivan County Legislature has announced that Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck Day will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2012, and all school and community groups, as well as private citizens are urged to participate.

"Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck is a popular event, and the Legislature appreciates that their constituents volunteer time to assist in the clean-up of the roadsides before the busy summer season," said Majority Leader Kathy LaBuda, Public Works Committee Chair.

LaBuda continued, "And because not everyone is able to participate on the same day, the County Solid Waste Transfer Stations will accept debris from April 28 - May 6, to allow each community an opportunity to participate."

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works and Solid Waste will donate trash bags for this community-based roadside cleanup event, and will accept the roadside refuse for disposal free-of-charge at the County Transfer Stations. All residents and groups who wish to participate in Litter Pluck can pick up their Litter Pluck materials any time on or after Friday, April 13, 2012 at their Town or Village Hall or local Transfer Station. While no coupons are required, all Litter Pluck refuse must be placed in clear bags.

Do you need CDL Training in Air Brakes Systems or HazMat Endorsement?

MONTICELLO - On April 14th, the Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering two CLD Courses, one covering Class A and B Air Brakes Systems and the other is a test preparatory course for CDL HazMat Endorsement.

Both courses are being held on Saturday, April 14th and April 21st at St. John Street Education Center in Monticello, from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. The cost for either course is \$176.

In the Air Brakes Systems course, participants will learn the Federal DOT Regulations covering commercial truck air brakes systems and the basics of system parts, function, and detection of problems and maintenance of slack adjusters.

The HazMat Endorsement Preparation course is structured for CDL holders who wish to obtain their HazMat endorsement and for drivers who already possess a HazMat Endorsement, but need to renew it. This course prepares you for the renewal-written test that New York State require by law. Renewal tests must be taken once every 2 years in order for you to renew your endorsement.

To register for either course or to obtain more information please contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 or 791-4070 between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm or visit us at scbores.org, like us on facebook and follow us on Twitter.

LCSD seeks candidates for three Board of Education positions

The Liberty Central School District announces three 3-year positions on the Board of Education are up for

election this year. Nominating petitions for candidates are now available from District Clerk Tania DeFrank at the Liberty Central School District Office at 115 Buckley Street, Liberty NY, 12754.

The petition, with the signatures and addresses of 25 qualified voters must be filed with the District Clerk no later than Monday April 16th 2012 at 5 p.m.

Qualifications for candidates are:

- Must be able to read and write
- Must be a citizen of the United States
- Must be at least 18 years of age or older
- Must be a qualified voter of the district
- Must be and have been a resident of the school district for a continuous and uninterrupted period of at least one year immediately before to election
- May not have been removed from any school district office within the preceding year
- May not reside with another member of the same school board as a member of the same family
- May not be a current employee of the school board
- May not simultaneously hold another incompatible public office
- No employee of the school district may be a member of the Board

Petitions may be picked up from the office of Mrs. Tania DeFrank, District Clerk, at the Liberty Central School District Office at 115 Buckley Street, Liberty New York, 12754. For further information please call (845) 292-6990 or email at tdefrank@libertyk12.org.

STARTING YOUR SPRING GARDEN Avoiding Invasive Plants and Other Common Pitfalls

[FERNDALE] - Want to start your spring gardening with better plants and a smarter design? Want to know why gardeners choose a mix of annuals and perennials? Want to know how to avoid invasive plants and other common pitfalls?

Sullivan Renaissance is holding its "Spring Gardening" seminar on Wednesday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the CVI Center in Ferndale.

Vivian Multari-Ginsberg, Horticultural Liaison for Sullivan Renaissance, will give a general overview on spring gardening, covering topics such as garden design, annual and perennial plants, avoiding invasive plants, dealing with pests and other gardening tips. Included in the discussion will be information about the Renaissance Collection, a group of annuals and perennials that meet the challenges of gardening in Sullivan County.

Bring your enthusiasm and questions! There will be time to answer specific questions. Pre-registration is requested. Refreshments will be provided. For more information or to register, contact Sullivan Renaissance at www.sullivanrenaissance.org or 845-295-2445.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Sponsors include Bold Gold Media Group/Thunder 102, FisherMears Associates, Sullivan County Democrat, The River Reporter and WSUL/WVOS.

Sponsors needed to help LMS/LES students purchase t-shirts for rally

Liberty Middle and Elementary students will attempt to break a world record, while taking a stand against bullying - but they need YOUR help! Liberty, NY... On May 17th, Liberty Elementary and Middle schoolers will take a stand against bullying at the Million T-Shirt March Against Bullying sponsored by the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program.

Not only will this raise awareness about bullying, but students will also be a part of a nation-wide Guinness Book of World Records attempt for the most people wearing the same shirt at the same time.

For the past month, Liberty Middle School Guidance Counselors Diane Garry and Michelle Behrman and Liberty Elementary Social Worker Lynn Diener have been working to secure donations to pay for the t-shirts, but time is running out and the order needs to be placed on Monday, April 2nd.

"We're about \$3,500 short for the middle and elementary schools," said Garry. "We sent out letters to the entire Liberty Chamber of Commerce list, and have had some good response, but unfortunately, it's not enough."

The rally is organized in coordination with the PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) and Liberty's new anti-bullying program, Olweus.

Effective July 1, all schools in New York must fulfill the mandates of the Dignity for All Students Act, a law introduced to provide students with a safe, supportive educational environment that is free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment and bullying.

In 2011, the district received a Community Cares Coalition grant that covered Olweus training for Liberty Middle School Assistant Principal Richard Schacher, district guidance counselors and other staff. Recognized nationally for successfully helping schools

create a new culture free of bullying, Liberty is working on incorporating the program into the district's existing positive behavior interventions and supports programs.

"The rally will be our first big event that involves the Olweus program," says Behrman. "It's not just for our students - parents, teachers, community members are all invited to attend and be a part of this." In fact, HSBC Bank employees as well as Advanced Health and Medical staff will be wearing the shirts on May 17th to show support for Liberty and for the rally.

Before the rally, parents are invited and encouraged to attend a workshop on bullying presented by Sullivan County BOCES Prevention Specialist Tom Ellison. He will explain the Olweus program and how it will be utilized in the district, how parents can recognize the signs of bullying and how to deal with it.

On the day of the rally, the students will gather on the high school track, and the Rachel's Challenge Middle School Volunteers will lead the students in an anti-bullying pledge. The Liberty High School SADD chapter is also sponsoring a poster contest, and the winner will be announced that day. A photo of the entire group will be taken by LHS photography students, to be submitted for the Guinness Book of World Record try.

"We are hoping that we can accomplish our goal of outfitting each student," says Behrman. "We've even reached out to Lady Gaga and her Born This Way Foundation for help. This is something that the entire community is invited to attend and it is our goal to make a difference by taking a stand against bullying in our school and in our community."

To make a tax-deductible donation to help purchase t-shirts for every student, please contact Michelle Behrman at mbehrman@libertyk12.org or Diane Garry at dgarry@libertyk12.org. Or call 845-292-5400 and ask for the middle school guidance office. T-shirt order form can be found on the Liberty website, www.libertyk12.org.

To learn more about the rally, visit the Million T-Shirt March website at www.themilliontshirtmarch.com.

THE SWIMMING RABBIT

By Peggy DeWire



I was following a nature path around a mangrove swamp when I came

upon a little black rabbit eating grass at the edge of the trail. It had small ears, no cottontail, and very short legs and tiny feet.



It let me approach slowly to within six feet before it hopped into the water and swam straight toward a patch of floating plants fifty feet away, where it hid.

I'd just seen a Marsh Rabbit (*Silvialagus palustris*) which is truly a creature of southern wetlands, ponds, bays, lakes and the edges of mangrove tangles.

Marsh Rabbits are small herbivores, only 15-17 inches long, weighing 2 pounds.

They will not feed out in the open but stay close to the edge of the dense vegetation they live in. Their short legs are good for maneuvering tight turns in tangled undergrowth. If this fails to lose a predator, they head for the nearest water where they swim with only their noses showing.

Their main enemies are feral cats and dogs, hawks, alligators and man.

Life is precarious in the wetlands and to compensate for this, Marsh Rabbits have several litters during breeding season, February to October.

The female or doe makes a large covered nest of cattails and other swamp reeds for her two to five babies who are born blind and naked. Over the next few weeks their eyes open and fur grows. They begin to follow their mother on foraging trips until they're equally at home on land and water.

Several times lately I've seen the little dark rabbit feeding at about the same place on the nature trail. Now it lets me pass on the other side of the path without swimming away.

Helpful Hints -The Versatile Coffee Filter

As a sewing backing. Use a filter as an easy-to-tear backing for embroidering or applique soft fabrics.

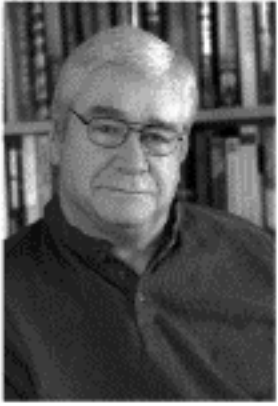
Put baking soda into a coffee filter and insert into shoes or a closet to absorb or prevent odors.

Use them to strain soup stock and to tie fresh herbs in to put in soups and stews.

Can use to hold dry ingredients when baking or when cutting a piece of fruit or veggies. Saves on having extra bowls to wash.

MYSTERIOUS BOOK REPORT NO. 43

by John Dwaine McKenna



I don't remember if I've mentioned it before, but here in Colorado, we have only two seasons. They're called winter . . . and the 4th of July. That's because the weather goes from one extreme to the other on a day-to-day basis. Like today. After being in the 50's and 60's all week long, the weather turned and today, Saturday, it's in the 'teens, and snowing, after a night of freezing rain. By next week it'll go back into the 50's and the cycle will start all over again. If it doesn't stay cold that is . . .

So, here I am, snug and sassy, and chock-full of chai tea and warm oatmeal cookies June just made . . . thinking about the MBR for the week. In my mind, I've been contrasting my home life with that of Leonid McGill, the new character from the pen of Walter Mosley, one of the deans of crime fiction, whom "Nobody, but nobody, writes this stuff like," according to Marilyn Stasio of the New York Times Book Review. With more than 30 books to his credit, he is, in my opinion one of the grand dragons of the genre, who's earned the total respect of his peers, as well as, his readers. The novel is *The Long Fall* (Riverhead Books, 2009, \$25.95, 306 pages, ISBN 978-1-59448-858-0) and marks the debut of a new character and a new series. Leonid, my father was a communist union organizer who changed his first name to Trotsky, McGill, is an old-school private investigator, hard at work in twenty-first century New York City. An ex-boxer and hard drinker, he's known for working on

the dark side of the law. With the coming of the millennium however, and after a short term in prison, he's turned over a new leaf, and is determined to stay on the side of the angels, working for the good guys. But, with bills and rent to pay, a large, complicated family to feed, and pressure from old associates to do a little dirty work . . . he finds it tough to keep his resolutions. When he's nearly killed by an unknown assailant, a simple case of identification becomes a complex case of multiple murders and McGill is drawn ever-deeper into a weird and complex conspiracy of prestige, wealth and power. A splendid whodunit from one of the masters of detective fiction. Treat yourself and get acquainted with the work of Walter Mosley.

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I hope you have a good week and a chance to crack open a good book. "Read or surrender to ignorance," as Confucius said. See you next week with a true crime MBR. --JDM

Samuelson will deliver vision for Sullivan County's Sustainable Growth Balanced with quality of life initiatives at the State of the County Address on May 18, 2012 7:00 PM at Bethel Woods Center For The Arts

Bethel - Scott B. Samuelson, Chairman of the Sullivan County Legislature will deliver his first State of the County Address on Friday, May 18, 2012. This event will be held at the Bethel Woods Center For The Arts on Hurd Road in Bethel at 7:00 PM.

"It is imperative that our vision for Sullivan County focus on our sustainable growth balanced with maintaining and improving the quality of life for our citizenry and business community," said Samuelson. "There are a number of initiatives that will be highlighted during this Address, including the County's Economic Development Master Plan - with an implementable plan of action; the County's Strategic Plan - that will set the County's fiscal priorities; and a renewed focus on our Community Development - including the renaissance of our "Main Streets", and on our agricultural community," added Samuelson. "There must also be a strong focus on retaining our current businesses, and enriching an environment for them to expand," said Samuelson.

"Sullivan County's quality of life provides an attractiveness for sportsmen and tourists alike. We must move forward with an approach that balances our way of living with our expectations to sustain and improve our quality of life," said Samuelson.

"Our property taxpayers must also realize relief that must begin with meaningful and substantive reform of mandates that are unfunded or underfunded as imposed on the County by the New York State government," concluded Samuelson.

Effective Sunday, April 1st State Sales Tax Exemption for Clothing and Footwear

All clothing and footwear sold for less than \$110 per item (or per pair of footwear) will be exempt from the New York State 4 percent sales tax starting April 1st. Additionally, most fabric, thread, yarn, buttons, snaps, hooks, zippers and similar items that are used to make or repair exempt clothing will also be eligible for the exemption. The exemption from state sales tax is in effect year-round.

April 1st also marks the effective date of a law to begin the repeal of the MTA payroll tax. The MTA payroll tax, which I strongly opposed, has been a burden on businesses which raised costs and discouraged job creation.

Starting Sunday, businesses with an annual payroll of less than \$1.25 million will be exempt from paying the MTA payroll tax. Businesses with a payroll of less than \$1.75 million will have their MTA payroll tax rates reduced. This tax cut will help businesses save money that can be better spent on job creation and business development.

In this economy, where many families and businesses are struggling to make ends meet, every dollar counts. These tax cuts will help reduce costs for families and businesses and enable them to keep more of their hard earned money.

Chancellor Livingston, LLC withdraws from Apollo Project County Legislature will consider options that will move the development of the County Seat forward

Monticello - Chancellor Livingston LLC, previously designated by the County Legislature as the preferred developer for the East Broadway Redevelopment Project (The former Apollo Mall property and the former Landfill Phase II property) has notified County officials that they are withdrawing from this project. Sullivan County will recognize their withdrawal, and the County Legislature will consider options that will move the development of the area forward.

"The Chancellor Livingston project will not proceed further, however, I want to recognize the efforts that the principals of Chancellor Livingston had undertaken to realize a shared vision for the redevelopment of the East Broadway area of Monticello," said Scott B. Samuelson, Chairman of the Sullivan County Legislature.

The County had developed Requests for Proposals (RFP's) after the County obtained title to the former Apollo Mall property through a foreclosure process that followed lengthy court action. Two responders to the RFP presented their vision and proposals for the site. After a number of hurdles were satisfied, the County Legislature recently adopted a resolution that would permit the transfer of title to the Sullivan County Funding Corporation, a move that would provide an environment for the marketing of the area to national retail organizations.

"The County Legislature will consider options that will move the development of the County Seat forward," added Samuelson. "The sustainable economic growth of our County, with positive contributions to the County's sales tax revenues, and meaningful job creation is a top priority for this Legislature," said Samuelson.

"The completion of the improved Exit 106 of Interstate 86/State Route 17 certainly makes the East Broadway area, particularly the former Apollo Mall property and the former Landfill Phase II property in a prime position for development," said Alan J. Sorensen, Minority Leader of the Legislature.

"The redevelopment of the East Broadway area will be a regular subject at the meetings of the Economic and Community Development Committee", said it's Chairman Legislator Ira Steingart. "There should be renewed consideration given to the proposed project that was submitted to the County by Butch Resnick, as well as, the potential of an updated Request for Proposals," said Steingart. "The County will dedicate the resources necessary to move this process forward to bring about the much needed sales tax revenues and job creation that would be associated with the redevelopment of the area," said Steingart.

"The County will take immediate steps to ensure that the County Seat realizes the renaissance that was started with the completion of Broadway and the completion of the improvements to Exit 106. We look forward to the previously announced Concord project by Entertainment Properties Trust moving forward, and the potential of the redevelopment of East Broadway moving forward in a timeframe that will benefit the Citizenry and business community of Sullivan County," concluded Samuelson.

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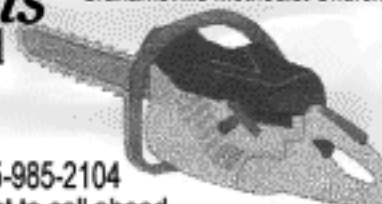
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Paring Down

I don't know whether it was the pre-mature spring weather (which I wish would return) or my sister's example of moving from a three bedroom house to a one bedroom apartment, but I have been in a cleaning out mood...not a cleaning up mood, but a purging of all that I have accumulated in nearly 47 years of marriage. I am keeping Bruce, but there is so much duplication and extraneous in my house that I need to pare down. Who needs three vacuum cleaners when one can do the odious task of sucking up dog hair and dried mud? Five rocking chairs are not necessary when I rarely take time to sit and rock in one. Jeans in sizes of one digit went to the Fireman's Bin. Guess why.

When I get in this mood, which is not often, the cleansing becomes furious and frantic. I know that I need to do the deed before the energy wears off. Old monitors, obsolete computers, printers, magazines, and campaign signs went to the dump, also known as the Olive Transfer Station. Sarah Stitham, who runs an organizing company called Revamp, would be

proud of what left my house this week.

I think part of my renewal came from a book I am reading called "11-22-63" by Stephen King. In it the main character enters a time warp back to 1958 to live in the past with the goal of changing the course of history, mainly the assassination of JFK. For me, the journey back is a sentimental re-living of my childhood and school age years. Kennedy was shot while I was at New Paltz University in 1963. Who doesn't remember what they were doing that day? The story recounts a much simpler time, uncomplicated by terrorism and the technology of today.

Henry David Thoreau said we should "keep our accounts in a thumbnail." Thumbnail is a bit Spartan for me, but I am aiming for that simplicity that I feel as I read about a time when I could fit all my belongings into a station wagon that had wood panels on the side and move from a bedroom shared with a sister to a dorm room.

Maybe with fewer things to own there will be less to maintain. I might just get to sit in the rocker and finish this 879 page novel.



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Legislature to Authorize Belleayre Transfer to ORDA - Senate Position Generally Included in Final Budget Agreement

Legislation to authorize the transfer of Belleayre Mountain Ski Center to the Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA), will be included in the final State budget. The authorizing language is contained in the agreed upon budget bills S.6260C and A.9060C.

"I am pleased that we were able to work with the Governor to better ensure a strong future for Belleayre. Belleayre has always been a tourism priority and a job creator for the Catskills. The priorities the Senate sought for Belleayre, were achieved as part of the final resolution," Senator John Bonacic said.

The Legislature agreed to key requirements of Senator Bonacic, to better ensure the future viability of Belleayre. Included in the agreement:

- A requirement that Belleayre be continued as a year round tourism destination with a level of capital investment to that Belleayre can be operated, maintained, and improved in a similar manner to Whiteface and Gore;
- One ORDA Board Member, each for Delaware and Ulster Counties (Governor Cuomo had initially proposed just one Board member to be shared by both counties);
- An increase in ORDA's Community Advisory Board from 15 to 19. Two additional members would be appointed by the Delaware County Board of Supervisors and two by the Ulster County Legislature;
- A requirement for a local ORDA office be located at Belleayre;
- A requirement that one of two ORDA Vice-Chairs be a resident of Ulster or Delaware Counties (the person chosen would be chosen by the recommendation of the Town Boards of the Towns of Middletown and Shandaken).

Ulster County Legislature Chairman Terry Bernardo said, "Belleayre is responsible for many jobs in Ulster County. Belleayre and the surrounding region were being bled to death by an agency that treated Belleayre like a piñata instead of the tourism asset that it is. We can do no worse under ORDA than we did under the DEC, and I believe we will do much better."

Joe Kelly, Chairman of the Coalition to Save Belleayre said, "I am pleased that Belleayre will be freed of the DEC's disinterest. The Coalition looks forward to partnering with ORDA, which is led by a long-time Catskills native, Ted Blazer. We are pleased that employees will be protected. It was not just the weather that has been rough on the ski industry this year, there has been a demoralizing factor because the agency that Belleayre was run by, really was not interested in the ski business. Things can only get better. I appreciate the efforts of Senator Bonacic, Assemblyman Cahill, and the Governor for spending so much time on Belleayre in this year's budget process."

Senator Bonacic Secures \$3.4 Million for Flood Control Projects Across Region

More than \$3 million in flood control projects has been written into State budget legislation which will be voted on by lawmakers later this week. The funds were secured by State Senator John Bonacic (R/C/I - Mt. Hope) for flood control purposes. The funding will be used for:

- \$1.5 million for flood buyouts in Ulster County;
- \$1.5 million for the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation District to help with flood control; and
- \$400,000 for the Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation District.

"Flooding continues to plague families, farms, and small businesses throughout the Hudson Valley and Catskills. We are directing these funds to help mitigate the crisis of flooding that wreaks havoc on too many lives," Senator Bonacic said.

ULSTER COUNTY PROJECT INFORMATION

Under a flood buyout program initiated by Senator Bonacic, more than \$4 million has already been allocated to buyout flood damaged homes in Wawarsing and elsewhere. This funding is the latest effort to save lives and property in flood damaged areas.

Ulster County Legislature Chairman Terry Bernardo said, "The DEC has to do a better job of allowing communities to clean out creeks. Likewise, the DEP must continue to step up and put more money on the table to complete the Wawarsing buyout program. I look forward to working with the County Planning Department and other County personnel to hold the DEP accountable. Buying out people who have been subjected to repeat flooding of their homes, on a voluntary basis, can protect entire neighborhoods. It can also ensure that our rescue personnel are not put in unwarranted danger by having to rescue families or secure property on a repeat basis."

SULLIVAN COUNTY INFORMATION

Streams and other waterways routinely create flooding hazards in Sullivan County. Allocating resources to the Soil and Water Conservation District can ensure properties along these waterways are better protected.

Town of Thompson Councilwoman Sharon Jankiewicz said, "I applaud the Senate for once again taking a leadership role in delivering key dollars for flood protection in Sullivan County. We need to take the steps necessary to clean up flood prone waterways to protect lives and property."

US Senator Gillibrand Urged Community Leaders Across The State To Apply For EDA Funds For Long-term Development And Redevelopment

Washington D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced \$53,735,000 is now available for New York communities affected by natural disasters to apply for from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA). Counties that have received major disaster declarations in the past year will be eligible for the funding designated for long-term strategic planning, infrastructure development and capital for alternative financing.

"Nearly three quarters of the New York's 62 counties were affected by natural disasters this past year," Senator Gillibrand said. "America has always stood by those suffering from disaster and helped them to rebuild. We have an obligation to help these families and communities rebuild today. Across New York, no one can question the devastation storms have left on our agriculture sector, small businesses, and communities. This funding can go a long way in helping our communities rebuild for the long term."

EDA's Funding supports the long-term implementation of economic recovery and redevelopment projects in the wake of a disaster. The \$53 million from the EDA is available to the entire northeast region and will be competed for among 13 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. New York State, individual counties and municipalities, economic development districts and Native American tribes, as well as higher education institutions and non-profit organizations working in coordination with government are eligible to apply.

To apply for this EDA funding, you can find EDA's Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) for these funds on www.grants.gov (Funding Opportunity Number: ED4FY12DISASTERRE-LIEF) or call the EDA at 215-597-4603. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, but interested applicants are encouraged to submit proposals as soon as possible

SUNY Sullivan Foundation's Kentucky Derby Day

Loch Sheldrake, NY (March 29, 2012) - Nothing beats the adrenalin rush of the thundering hooves of thoroughbreds as they kick up the dirt at the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs. And while most area residents won't be able to make it down to the Blue Grass State, they should mark their calendars to attend the SUNY Sullivan Foundation's "Run for the Roses Kentucky Derby Celebration," Saturday, May 5 at the Harness Racing Museum and Hall of Fame in historic Goshen, New York.

The Foundation's Derby Day will be off and running at 4:30 p.m. and the fun and excitement that is part of the Kentucky Derby will play on until 7:30 p.m. long after the winner of the 138th Run for the Roses has been declared.

Guests at the SUNY Sullivan Foundation's "Run for the Roses Kentucky Derby Celebration" will not only be treated to southern fare, mint juleps and other fine spirits at the home of harness racing, they'll catch all the action of the Kentucky Derby on a broadcast live from Churchill Downs.

As an added treat to bring some southern charm up north, women will have an opportunity to purchase hats that drip with Kentucky Derby elegance. Women who have hats that could charm the husk right off of the corn are encouraged to wear them to Derby Day. There will be a hat contest.

Money raised from this event, as well as proceeds from the sale of Kentucky Derby hats, will go to fund SUNY Sullivan Foundation scholarships.

Orange County's own F. Edward Devitt, is the honorary chair of the event. Mr. Devitt is the founder and Broker of Devitt Real Estate. Mr. Devitt was also the founder and/or president of many organizations which include Super 8 Motels Northeast, Super 8 Management East, Winding Hills Golf Course, and the Barge Inn.

The other committee members are: Pat Allison, Hillary Egeland, Susan Hawvermale, Maria Ingrassia, Marcia Jacobowitz, Nancy Kane, Cindy Kasha, Roberta Byron-Lockwood, Andrea Nilon, Linda Nilon, and Rosemary Skoda

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WHEREAS the theme of National Public Health Week is "A Healthier America Begins Today: Join the Movement"; and

WHEREAS many of the illnesses that are caused by lifestyle choices and by environmental toxins in food, water, and air are potentially preventable; and

WHEREAS Community Health Assessments provide valuable data to shape public policy; and

WHEREAS, the use of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs are preventable and treatable; and

WHEREAS in order to protect Sullivan County residents, Sullivan County's pristine air and water sources should be protected; and

WHEREAS by making changes in the individual communities, the health of the people in Sullivan County may improve; and

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WHEREAS public health plays a major role in preventing disease and promoting good health; in protecting the food supply, protecting worker health and safety, and ensuring access to clean air and water;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Sullivan County Legislature proclaims April 2nd -8th, 2012 as National Public Health Week in Sullivan County, and encourages all community residents to take into consideration health implications of planning decisions to encourage changes which will increase access to exercise, healthy eating, and a substance free lifestyle, and to safeguard the air and water to enable all resi-

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He Is Here to Stay with "If You Go Away"
Perhaps you remember him from the Grahamsville Little World's Fair Idol contest, or in his role as Frank Sinatra at SCCC during the production of "Between Winter to Spring," now Frank Comando has just successfully released his first MP3, "If You Go Away". Last week this new MP3 climbed into the top ten selling MP3's at Amazon. This past weekend with fans worldwide, it moved to the number one selling position of jazz renditions of "If You Go Away" on Amazon and has held this position for three days over Barbara Streisand and Tony Bennett! Way to Go Frank!!

The Liberty Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Memorial Day Celebration at Liberty Square, Liberty NY, on May 26, 2012 at 1:00 pm. Frank Comando will be opening this event, telling stories of the men, and women that will be honored that day and will be singing his Amazon top sales song "If You Go Away" plus others.

High School Art Show displayed at the CAS (From Pg. 1)
The High School Art Show is one of the many programs offered through the Arts In Education Program at Sullivan BOCES. Dedicated to raising the standards and levels of visual and aesthetic literacy while strengthening and supporting learning in all areas of the curriculum, the Arts In Education Program supports the Arts and arts-integrated learning experiences for K-12 students and teachers.

The Catskill Art Society is a non-profit cultivating public interest, participation, and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists. The CAS Arts Center is located at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor.

Woodsongs Coffeehouse at SC Museum (From Pg. 1)
The evening will also include a return performance by the legendary Van Manakas <http://www.vanmanakas.com>. Van is a critically acclaimed artist and is recognized by the musical press as one of the most versatile and respected guitarists in the country. His Rounder Records release, Love Songs exemplifies his artistry and was very enthusiastically received. Special thanks to Steve's Music of Rock Hill, New York for sponsoring the April Coffeehouse and supporting the spirit of community music. You can visit Steve's Music at www.stevesmusiccenter.com/.

Doors open at 6pm, and, as always the event will be hosted by the Sullivan County Bluegrass and Americana band Little Sparrow. Admission is \$5. The Sullivan County Museum is located at 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, New York. For directions please visit our website <http://www.sullivancountyhistory.org/> or call 845 434-8044 or 845 671-9548.

On the Opening of Trout Season (From Pg. 1)
City-owned reservoirs are open for fishing from shore and with fishing boats and most offer fishing opportunities for cold-water species such as trout and warm-water species such as smallmouth and largemouth bass. Approximately 33,500 acres of water surface area on 19 reservoirs are available for trout fisherman by shoreline or boat. The statewide trout season generally runs until October 15; however, on certain New York City reservoirs, trout fishing is open year-round or closes later than October 15. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation lists statewide fishing regulations at www.dec.ny.gov.

In addition to the reservoirs, there are 191 miles of stream frontage on city lands in the watershed, including in areas where public access to water is otherwise difficult. Some parcels that have been opened which offer good fishing opportunities are as follows:
- Tremper Kill Unit: Recent acquisition of 202 acres which includes 1,580' of frontage along the Tremper Kill less than three miles north of where it empties into the Pepacton Reservoir.
- Maplecrest Unit: Recent acquisition of 176 acres which adds 3,123' of frontage on the Batavia Kill to the 1.25 miles already protected to the east. This creek was in the eye of the storm for both Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee, and stream stabilization and restoration work is ongoing.
- Fall Clove Road Unit: Recent acquisition of 166 acres which includes 1,612' of frontage along the Fall Clove about four miles north of where it empties into the Pepacton Reservoir.
- East Bramley Mountain Unit: Recent acquisition of 162 acres which includes 2,494' of frontage along an unnamed tributary to the Little Delaware River.
- Roaring Kill Unit: Recent acquisition of 143 acres which includes 2,177' of frontage along the Roaring Kill in the Schoharie Reservoir Basin.
- Van Aken Road North: Recent acquisition of 23 acres which includes 1,733' of frontage along the Bear Kill just upstream of the city's Grand Gorge wastewater treatment plant.
- Slater Road Unit: Recent acquisition of 17 acres which includes 1,412' of frontage along the Chestnut Creek just over three miles west of where it empties into the Rondout Reservoir.

Since 2003, DEP has significantly expanded the amount of city-owned water supply lands open for recreation to 108,000 - more than double the amount available in 2003. Of the 108,000 total acres open to recreation, 75,000 are land and 33,000 are water. Last year, DEP opened approximately 6,600 more acres of land in the watershed for recreation. DEP also expects to open an additional 7,500 acres of watershed land this year for recreation, including areas in Schoharie, Sullivan, Ulster, Greene and Delaware counties.
DEP manages the city's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than nine million residents, including eight million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP employs nearly 6,000 employees, including more than 750 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. (Contd. Pg. 9)

On Opening of Trout Season (From Pg.8) In addition to its \$49 million payroll and \$132 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with a planned \$13.2 billion in investments over the next 10 years that creates up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit www.nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at: www.twitter.com/nycwater.

Liberty HS SADD Chapter to hold Second Annual Spring Fling 5k Race/Walk (From Pg. 1)

The proceeds of this year's race will benefit the Make a Wish Foundation, a charity chosen by the entire student body and close to the heart of new chairperson Joshua Lieberman. "My six year old cousin has a rare genetic disease and the Make a Wish Foundation made his wish come true," he explains.

Last year's race raised \$2,400 and hosted 130 runners/walkers. "We'd like to see over 200 participants this year," says Lieberman. The entry fee is \$10 for students, \$15 adults who register in advance and \$20 on the day of the event. New sponsorship opportunities are available, including "Sponsor a Student," which will allow more students to participate who may not have been able to otherwise. There are also opportunities for students needing volunteer credit hours to help out on the day of the race.

For more information, registration form, route map and sponsorship opportunities, contact Joshua Lieberman at springfling5k@libertyk12.org or SADD Student Advisor Sally Forbidussi at storbidussi@libertyk12.org. Information can also be found at www.libertyk12.org.

100 Poems in 100 Minutes at ASK

Lovers of poetry and writers of poems are invited to participate in the third annual 100 Poems in 100 Minutes event at the Arts Society of Kingston, 97 Broadway in the Rondout section of Kingston, on Friday, April 13th, at 7:30 p.m. Presented in honor of National Poetry Month, the event will begin at 7:00 with sign-up and a reception, followed by the reading at 7:30. Readers may read their own poems or other poems from any source, but all poems must take less than a minute to read (timing will be strictly observed). Depending on the number of readers, each reader will have a number of opportunities to read. For example, if 25 readers participate, each will read 4 times.

A suggested donation of \$5 will be requested of all who attend. For further information, consult the ASK website at askforarts.org.

SC 4-H Meets Senator Bonacicin Albany



Representatives from the Sullivan County 4-H recently met with Senator John Bonacic at the 77th Annual 4-H Capital Days Program's Legislative Breakfast in Albany last week. Pictured (from L-R) Senator John Bonacic, Rebecca Robinson, Nicholas Castellano and Marilyn Russel, 4-H Community Educator, Cornell University Cooperative Extension.

The 4-H Capital Days program seeks to help 4-H participants achieve a better understanding of New York State public policy, to provide an opportunity for delegates to share their 4-H stories with their legislators, to create awareness of career opportunities within New York State Government as well as to meet and exchange experiences with delegates from other counties.

Senator Bonacic presented delegates with a New York State Senate Resolution memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim March 4-March 6, 2012, as the 77th Annual Capital Days in the State of New York.

Catskill Railroads

You may be familiar with our local history films, Deep Water - Building the Catskill Water System, The Catskill Mountain House and The World Around and our latest offering, Sweet Violets. For some time people have requested that we produce a documentary on railroads, so we've started research on a new project: Railroads of the Catskills. The film will cover both the northern and southern Catskills and the history of the mainlines and branch lines that existed. We invite our friends and neighbors to help by sending us photos, or scans of memorabilia and ephemera that relates to any and all railroads in the Catskills. Credit will be given in the film for any materials used.

This is a project in which we hope to accurately portray the robust history of railroads in the region. We will cover the period beginning in the early 1800's through today's resurrection of train runs from Kingston, Phoenicia and Arkville.

We have started by interviewing experts like John Ham, Gene Dauner and Bob Haines, with more to come. We have recorded the work crew extending the lines of the Catskill Mountain Railroad out of Kingston. We welcome suggestions of people to interview and places to visit as well as images and other items that will enrich the story.

Please join us in this documentary adventure by offering historical and contemporary photos and information that might be of interest when we present Railroads of the Catskills to a wide audience. Contact us at video@hvc.rr.com. Online at www.willowmixedmedia.org

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The Sullivan County BOCES LPN class included Heather Butterfield, Balinda Calhoun, Staci Conjura, Susan Davenport, Sarah DePuy, Vicki Guthrie, Amy Houghtaling, Clover Loomis, Megan McKoy, Lauren Palermo, Camille Peters, Tamica Pitre, Besnik Prelvukaj, Brittany Reddish, Jennifer Sherota, Lisette Swanson, and Ashley Wright.

For more information about getting into the LPN program or to schedule an entrance exam time and request an application call 295-4940.

For more information on the programs available through Sullivan BOCES browse our website at www.scboces.org or call 295-4000. For program updates, like Sullivan County BOCES on facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Lobbying for Animals Workshop At the Kingston Area Library

The Ulster County SPCA and the Humane Society of the United States will sponsor a Lobbying for Animals Workshop at the Kingston Area Library on Wednesday, April 4 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Patrick Kwan, State Director for the HSUS will review some of the top bills and animal issues under consideration in Albany, including laws to stop puppy mills and controversial "ag-gag" laws which punish whistleblowers who document animal abuse. Learn the tools and techniques needed to be a successful citizen lobbyist for animals. The Kingston Area Library is located at 55 Franklin St. in Kingston, NY. For more information, contact Brian Shapiro at 845-331-5377 x211.

The UCSPCA is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing cruelty to animals in Ulster County. Donations may be sent to UCSPCA 20 Wiedy Rd. Kingston, NY 12401.

Hinchey Votes Against GOP Effort to Deny Just Compensation to Medical Malpractice Victims

Washington, DC -- Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today voted against a Republican backed bill that would make it more difficult for victims of medical malpractice to seek just compensation for their injuries. The legislation would override existing state laws, placing a \$250,000 cap on damages for physical impairment, pain and suffering and wrongful death.

"This bill stacks the deck in favor of big insurance companies and pharmaceutical corporations, and against victims of horrific medical malpractice," said Hinchey. "If you go in for surgery and the doctors make a grave error, if you are prescribed a drug with harmful and undisclosed side effects, or if your insurance company denies you care, causing serious injury, the damages you may seek would be severely limited by this bill. There are already existing state laws to address this matter, and Congress should respect those laws. This is just another example of Washington, DC Republicans dictating pro-industry, anti-consumer regulations to the rest of the country while claiming to be for a small federal government."

The bipartisan National Conference of State Legislatures strongly opposes the legislation, and has stated that "medical malpractice, product liability, and other areas of tort reform are areas of law that are regulated by the states."

The Republican bill also applies its provisions not only to medical malpractice cases but to all health care lawsuits. As a result, the bill offers new liability protections for drug companies, medical device manufacturers, nursing homes, insurance companies, and HMOs.

The GOP bill also provides sweeping immunity to drug companies by giving them an exemption from punitive damages even in some cases when the prescription drug in question has not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Granting immunity from the threat of punitive damages removes the major financial incentive for drug companies to immediately remove dangerous drugs from the shelves as soon as they are aware of those dangers.

While the legislation is designed to reduce medical malpractice insurance premiums, it fails to recognize that rates for such insurance have been falling since 2003. They fell by 6.6 percent in 2007, 5.3 percent in 2008, and have continued to drop since that time. In addition, medical malpractice cases are less frequent than at any time in the last decade. Only 4.4 percent of the civil caseload is comprised of tort cases; of these, only 2.8 percent are medical negligence cases.

Samuelson creates Strategic Plan Review sub-committee

Monticello - Scott B. Samuelson, Chairman of the Sullivan County Legislature has created a sub-committee of the Legislature's Executive Committee to review the County's strategic plan. "I have created the Strategic Plan Review sub-committee in an effort to keep the public engaged with the County's priorities and the challenges that face the County", said Samuelson.

The strategic plan, as described in the Charter, will establish the recommended programs and fiscal priorities of the County. "Essentially, the strategic plan will set the foundation of the County's budget for 2013 and 2014. The adopted strategic plan will be overlaid by the to-be adopted and updated six-year capital plan, which will provide certain policy directives to the County Manager in the formulation of the tentative budget," added Samuelson.

During the review of the strategic plan, there will be a focus on the mandates, particularly the unfunded and underfunded mandates imposed on the Sullivan County government by the federal government and the State of New York. The County Legislature will examine the mandates as they impact a minimum staffing level, such as the number of corrections officers that must be employed in the County jail; and minimum services levels, such as the timeframe when determinations must be made on applications for social services.

The Strategic Plan Review sub-committee will be Chaired by Gene Benson, Vice-Chairman of the Legislature, and he will be joined by Legislators Cora Edwards, Cindy Kurpil Gieger, and Kitty Vetter. This sub-committee will meet weekly commencing on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 1:00 PM, and continue through June 12, 2012. The meetings of the Strategic Plan Review sub-committee will be open to the public, and the schedule will be posted. There will be a progress report from the sub-committee at the regularly scheduled meetings of the Executive Committee in April and May, with their final report at the June 14, 2012 meeting of the Executive Committee. There will also be at least two formal public hearings on the strategic plan, which will be set during our processes in April.

"The adoption of the strategic plan will be a significant undertaking and the beginning of the Legislature's responsibility toward adopting a six-year capital plan, and ultimately adopting a County budget for 2013", concluded Samuelson.

One Hundred Ninety-five Properties up for Auction - UC Experiences a 30% Increase of Foreclosure of Tax Liens

Kingston, NY (March 27, 2012)... The 2012 County of Ulster Public Auction catalog has revealed that parcels subject to this year's foreclosure of tax liens have increased nearly 30% over last year, going from 151 to 195. The Ulster County Legislature has set April 11, 2012 as the date that the Commissioner of Finance will sell a myriad of residential, commercial and vacant properties that have been unredeemed for more than

three years.

Along with the sizable increase in the number of parcels, the amounts owed to the County for unpaid taxes have increased by an astounding 60% from \$2,448,034.45 in 2011 to \$3,933,422.02, with ten (10) environmentally questionable properties. Five (5) properties with the highest amount owed to Ulster County account for one-third of the total amount owed to the County. These five (5) properties, however, have been deemed unsalable due to environmental contamination. Furthermore, there are five (5) additional unsalable properties accounting for \$1,436,561.43, or 36% of the total amount owed to the County.

With the exception of the Town of Denning and the Town of Hardenburgh, all municipalities in Ulster County have properties at this year's auction. The Town of Wawarsing tops the list with a total of thirty-two (32) parcels, followed by the Town of Saugerties with twenty (20) parcels and the Town of Ulster with nineteen (19) parcels.

For the third year in a row, the Town of Saugerties has the largest amount of outstanding dollars, at \$733,944.93, which is up from \$588,370.03 last year. One property on Quarry Road, which is included in on the hazardous list, accounts for \$471,858.44 of this.

"The total amount owed to Ulster County has doubled since 2010. This is a further sign that the economy over the past few years has had an effect on property owners. As in past years, I expect that a good portion of these properties will be redeemed before April's auction," said Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach.

This year's Public Auction will be held on the campus of SUNY ULSTER in Vanderlyn Hall on Wednesday, April 11 at 9:30 AM. The complete listing of properties can be found on the Ulster County website at www.ulstercountyny.gov or at <http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/downloads/2012%20Ulster%20County%20Public%20Auction.pdf>

On Time State Budget Provides Significant Long Term Relief for Counties

The 2012-13 State Budget, passed this week, will begin to reduce the annual escalating costs of Medicaid for counties and county property taxpayers beginning in 2013.

The local Medicaid contribution, paid for by counties and the City of New York in weekly installments, has grown from \$112 million in 1966 to more than \$7.4 billion in 2012. Since 2005, the local Medicaid costs have increased, statutorily, by 3 percent or \$180 million a year.

Addressing a major unfunded mandate on counties, the Senate and Assembly voted in favor of Governor Cuomo's proposal to phase out that 3 percent increase over a three year period, locking in local contributions at just over \$7.6 billion beginning in 2014. The State will fund any increase in the Medicaid program from then forward.

Amendments were offered in both chambers to enhance local Medicaid relief. Senate Democrats proposed a 10 year State takeover of local Medicaid costs and Assembly Republicans proposed accelerating the phase out of increased local costs. Both amendments were procedurally defeated.

"This budget represents real progress on the mandate relief front. It wasn't everything we asked for, and counties are certainly not out of the woods, but progress has been made and there is significant long term savings here. We must continue working together, and with our colleagues at the State level, on behalf of our mutual constituents," said NYSAC President Mary Pat Hancock, chairwoman of the Genesee County Legislature.

Other significant longer term mandate relief came in an off-budget action on pension reforms that created a Tier VI in the State's retirement system. These reforms were extensive and are expected to save all local governments and the State about \$80 billion over the next 30 years.

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Ulster County Assists Businesses and Youth Job Seekers with Annual Job Fair

The Youth Council of the Ulster County's Workforce Investment Board (UC WIB) is sponsoring the fourth annual Youth Job Fair on April 4, 2012 at the Ulster Works OneStop Center (651 Development Court - Ulster Avenue) in Kingston from 9 am to 11 am. Local businesses participating in the Job Fair will be ready to hire and interview youth for current and Summer, 2012 openings. Kingston youth ages 16 to 21 are invited to participate.

"The Youth Job Fair is a great opportunity for our young people to learn about immediate employment opportunities," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. Jobs help young people to learn vital skills and gain experience that helps them with their future endeavors."

The Kingston Job Fair is a collaboration with Youth Council of the Ulster County Workforce Investment Board, ACCES-VR, Boys & Girls Club of Kingston, Family of Woodstock, Liberty Partnership, New Progressive Baptist Church, Ulster BOCES, Ulster County Office of Employment and Training, Ulster Works OneStop Center, Ulster-Greene ARC and Kingston High School. Youth attending the Job Fair are required to be "interview ready" prior to their admission to the Job Fair. This assures our local businesses that they are not wasting their valuable time with uninterested, ill-prepared interviewees.

Youth interested in attending the Kingston Job Fair should contact one of the agencies listed below to pre-register for the fair.

Youth will be admitted to the Job Fair only if they adhere to the following dress code:

-present a clean and neat appearance; -no T-shirts or tank tops; -no mini-skirts

For additional information call: Ulster County's Office of Employment and Training (845) 340-3173 (Janet Rigaux) or Family of Woodstock (845) 331-7080 (Genevieve Salerno) or Boys and Girls Club of Kingston 338-8666 (Dennis Washington).
<http://www.ulsterworks.com/welcome>

Become a Photovoltaic Installer

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Photovoltaic Installation course starting on April 9th.

Classes will be held at Rubin Pollack Education Center in Liberty, in the Construction Technology Lab on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from April 9th through April 13th from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. The cost for the class is \$729.

In this course, students will develop the knowledge and practical skills needed to install utility-connected and off-grid PV systems. Study of electric load analysis, system and component design and sizing, system citing, shading, mechanical system and electrical configuration, safety, and electrical and building code compliance will be supplemented with hands-on system installation. Students entering this course are required to complete the Introduction to PV Technology or an equivalent course in order to have the understanding needed to succeed in the class.

Upon successful completion of this course, students are able to sit for the NABCEP PV Entry Level Certificate of Knowledge exam. With additional education, training and installation experience, this certificate can lead to becoming a NABCEP Certified PV Solar Installer.

To register and find out more information contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 or 791-4070 between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm.

Budget Deal Includes Sales Tax Exemption for Clothing and Footwear

Beginning April 1st New York State Will No Longer Collect Sales Tax on Items of Clothing and Footwear Items Under \$110

(Albany, NY) Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) announced that the new state budget lawmakers began adopting today will exempt the state's 4 percent sales tax on clothing, footwear and related items sold for less than \$110 each. The exemption will take effect on April 1st so shoppers will be able to take advantage of the tax break this weekend.

"As the economy slowly improves it is important to make sure everyone benefits," said Assemblymember Cahill. "This tax break will make it a little easier for hard working people to put clothes on their backs and provide for their families."

The sales tax exemption builds on the Assembly's push to reform the state tax code to help the families that have been hit the hardest during the economic downturn. This latest change comes after the Legislature adopted income tax cuts for the middle class that went into effect this year.

"Too many working families are having a hard time keeping up and we need focus more on their needs," said Assemblymember Cahill. "This break is another step toward accomplishing that goal."

UCSPCA Executive Director Resigns Joins Ethical Veterinary

Brian Shapiro, Executive Director of the Ulster County SPCA, will be leaving his position in late April to pursue new opportunities in the field of animal protection. Shapiro has been leading the private, no-kill shelter since September, 2008. "Working with the UCSPCA has been a wonderful experience. It is gratifying to know that I have helped so many homeless animals find better lives free from neglect and cruelty. I will continue to support the work of our community shelter and know that the public will do the same."

Shapiro has plans to manage Ethical Veterinary, a local mobile practice that combines at-home veterinary care with public outreach on animal advocacy issues. He also intends to broaden his involvement with animal protection efforts on the national level.

"The Ulster County SPCA Board of Directors wishes Brian well in his future endeavors. The Board of Directors will manage the UCSPCA upon Brian's departure, and will continue to deliver the level of service we have always provided in the community" said Nora Nelson, Board President for the UCSPCA.

Gillibrand Introduces Legislation to Require National Parks to Sell ONLY AMERICAN-MADE Products - The Nearly 400 National Parks - 22 in New York State - Currently Sell Gifts Made in China, Indonesia, Other Foreign Competitors

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today introduced the American Parks, American Products Act to the Senate. The bill would require all items sold by National Parks Service gift shops to be produced in the United States.

"This is commonsense legislation to stamp products sold at America's National Parks with the words 'Made in America,'" Senator Gillibrand said. "The pride of our National Parks goes hand in hand with the pride of American-made products and our strong manufacturing tradition. The American Parks, American Products Act has the potential to support manufacturing jobs, and showcase American craftsmanship."

Initially introduced into the House of Representatives by Congressman Steve Israel, the American Parks, American Products Act would require all gift shops operated by the National Parks Service to sell American-made products exclusively. Currently, there are nearly 400 National Parks throughout the United States that welcome 800,000 visitors daily. In New York State alone, there are 22 national parks that greeted over 16 million visitors in 2011, and generated nearly \$500 million for local economies in 2010.

The National Parks Service Commercial Services Program has more than 500 concession contracts that generate over \$1 billion annually.

Hinchey Backs Progressive Caucus "Budget for All" to Cut Deficit, Preserve Social Security and Medicare

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced that he is backing the Congressional Progressive Caucus' (CPC) "Budget for All," which would sharply reduce the deficit by \$6.8 trillion, while creating jobs and preserving Social Security and Medicare. The CPC budget Hinchey backs is being presented as an alternative to the Republican budget being pushed through the House this week. The Republican measure would achieve less deficit reduction and dismantle the Medicare system, replacing it with a private-voucher system that has been widely criticized by senior citizens advocate groups like AARP.

The Republican approach is to cut jobs, cut Medicare, cut college aid, and cut food aid for the poor, while raising taxes on working families, and giving record tax breaks to the very wealthy," said Hinchey. "Our approach is to preserve Social Security and Medicare, invest in students, invest in job creation and reform our tax code so that millionaires and billionaires no longer pay a lower tax rate than average working Americans. The CPC budget proposal focuses on the needs of all Americans - not just the wealthiest 1 percent."

The plan Hinchey supports would increase funding for a variety of successful job creation programs, restore top marginal tax rates to Clinton-era levels, and entirely preserve Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid benefits. The bill builds on the successes of the Congressional Progressive Caucus's 2012 proposal, which gathered praise from notable economists such as Paul Krugman and Jeffrey Sachs and outlets such as The Economist.

The CPC budget addresses persistently high unemployment with more than \$2.9 trillion in additional job-creating investments over a 10 year period. The

plan establishes direct hire programs, including a School Improvement Corps, a Park Improvement Corps, and a Student Jobs Corps. The plan also creates tax incentives for clean energy, manufacturing and cutting-edge technological investments in the private sector. To upgrade public infrastructure, the plan creates an infrastructure bank and allots \$556 billion for a comprehensive surface transportation bill.

By achieving \$6.8 trillion in deficit reduction, the budget hits the same debt to GDP ratio as the Republican budget. In addition to responsibly ending our military presence in Iraq and Afghanistan, much of the deficit reduction comes from a restructuring of the tax code to ensure that the very wealthy no longer pay a lower effective tax rate than average working Americans. The plan allows the tax cuts for the top 2 percent of income earners to expire, while extending tax relief for middle class households. To ensure that the very wealthy pay their fair share, the plan establishes additional tax brackets for income over \$1 million and ends the tax code's preferential treatment of capital gains and dividends.

POLITICAL SLANT- Frank Comando -

You have heard me state in this column that *we need jobs, improvement in the economy, and in the laws which control our growth as a nation.* We need to revert to the freedoms that this great country promised and gave us in our 1960's prosperity. We need to reinvent ourselves training for new jobs as was done in the heyday of the Catskills and the Hudson Valley both in our actions and our deeds. Envisioning, that great John Quincy Adams idea of financial growth, we need the solid base that American Industry once gave us in our strong MFG base, but this is all but gone.

We need to create a new base. And it seems logical that since we live in some of the most pure, and beautiful places in the world which are fast becoming the vacation and entertainment centers of the world, thanks to the resort and entertainment industries we now have a chance. Once again, films are being shot all over the Catskills and the Hudson Valley's. Small studios producing top selling music happens here. Casino gaming is a necessity to cure the economic ills of the Hudson and Catskill Valleys. This new base should be nourished and allowed to grow to full maturity. Consider voting yes on Casino gaming when the referendum comes up.

Have we been remiss in our thoughts, our actions, and our deeds. By this, I mean let us take our elections out of the gutter. We must stop electing the lesser of evils. These people that seem to be elected over and over, without any real results for the constituency (the working class and small business). No more nominating a person so you can keep your one job regardless of how you did this job-not acceptable. To expect a dollar sum as a raise from your employer, or expecting a promotion on benefits based on half-hearted efforts in your work ethic, this was not the John Q. Adams type of worker

John Q. Adams (July 11, 1767 - February 23, 1848) was the sixth President of the United States (1825-1829). He served as an American diplomat, Senator, and Congressional representative. He was a member of the Federalist, Democratic-Republican, National Republican, and later Anti-Masonic and Whig parties. Adams was the son of former President John Adams and Abigail Adams. As a diplomat, Adams played an important role in negotiating many international treaties, most notably the Treaty of Ghent, which ended the War of 1812. As Secretary of State, he negotiated with the United Kingdom over America's northern border with Canada, negotiated with Spain the annexation of Florida, and authored the Monroe Doctrine. Historians agree he was one of the greatest diplomats and secretaries of state in American history.

As president, he sought to modernize the American economy and promoted education. Adams enacted a part of his agenda and paid off much of the national debt. A Congress controlled by his enemies stymied him and his lack of patronage networks helped politicians eager to undercut him. He lost his 1828 bid for re-election to Andrew Jackson. In doing so, he became the first President since his father to serve a single term.

Adams is best known as a diplomat who shaped America's foreign policy in line with his ardently nationalist commitment to America's republican values.

To have your comments and/or questions, space allowing, and *Townsmen* guidelines adhered to, as posted in the masthead, your comments can be published or answered here.

Email: politicalslant@yahoo.com

Big Sky Production's Last Will & Testament - A Murder Mystery Dinner

Liberty Chamber of Commerce presents Big Sky Production's *Last Will & Testament - A Murder Mystery Dinner* Theatre on Sunday, April 29, 2012 7:00pm until 10:00pm at the Liberty Fire Department 256 Sprague Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754. \$25 includes dinner and show.

Liberty Masonic Lodge Hosts Presentation for the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory

Liberty Lodge #521, Free & Accepted Masons will host a presentation by the Cardiac Research Institute at Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) at 20 Eagle Drive in Liberty, New York on April 10, 2012. MMRL representatives will discuss the cutting edge cardiac research conducted at MMRL followed by a question and answer period. The presentation will begin at 8:00 PM and is open to the public. Please RSVP by calling 845-866-4000 due to limited seating.

Founded in 1958, the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) has gained international renown and acclaim in the scientific and medical community as a leading cardiac research center. The hallmark of the institute is its innovative and imaginative approach to fighting heart disease. MMRL's legacy of scientific breakthroughs has helped to generate new heart medications and develop diagnostic procedures for the management of cardiac arrhythmias, and has aided in the advancement of live-saving technologies. MMRL is also one of the top genetic screening centers in the world dedicated to helping families afflicted with sudden death syndromes.

For more information on the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory please visit www.mmrl.edu or Joseph L. Beirne, Public Relations Liaison, Liberty Lodge #521, F & AM, 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York 12754, Phone: 845-866-4000, E-Mail: jbeirne@hvc.rr.com

Calvary Baptist Church

of Sullivan County - at - Loch Sheldrake
Presents
Our 7th Annual Sportsman's Banquet Dinner
-at-
the Loch Sheldrake Fire House - Rte-52, Loch Sheldrake, N.Y.
Saturday - May 5th, 2012
Starts 4:00 p.m. - Ends * 8:15 p.m.
*or until all door prizes are given out.

NOTICE:
Due to limited seating, Donations for Tickets must be made in advance to event date and Children less than New York State Legal Hunting Age, may not be admitted!
Donation \$12.00 / person - Contact Pastor Carl Caskey - (845) -965-7410

Trophy Display, Game Dinner, *Door Prizes
*You must be present during the drawing to win!

Special Guest Speaker
Steve Rocky
Professional outdoorsman
his Seminar Topic
"Voices of the Wild Turkey"
He is also an Author whose articles have appeared in: North American WHITETAIL Magazine, Big Buck Magazine, Whitetail Fanatic Magazine, New York Game & Fish Magazine, Rub Lines, etc.



Art-In-The-Park

Art and Craft Show
LaPolk Park, Liberty, NY
Saturday, May 26, 2012
12pm - 4pm

All Artists and Crafters Welcome!

To reserve your spot or for more information
please contact Jean at 845-796-8946
Or Etta at 845-796-6048
Or email greaterlibertychamber@yahoo.com
Registration Fee \$5

TIME & THE VALLEYS MUSEUM
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY

Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every *Townsmen* printed since the beginning classified by year for anyone to research.

timeandthevalleymuseum.org

The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches
invite you to weekly worship:
9 am in Hurlyeville,
10:30 am in Woodridge.
For more information, call Pastor Susan Woodworth 985-2283

CrossWay Assembly of God

Service Times
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service/ Children's Church 10:30 am
Monday Night Home Bible Study 7 pm
Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm
Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Ismael Berrios
Lead Pastor
P. O. Box 480
507 Hasbrouck Drive
Woodbourne, NY 12788
845-434-8263
Email: crosswayaog@aol.com
www.crosswayaog.com

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION
The Little Church with the Big Heart
Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner
Coffee hour follows service
All are welcome!
For Information: Mother Joan LaLiberté 845-887-4742
5277 State Rt. 42 South Fallsburg

Sundown United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship Service
10:30am
985-2283

Claryville Reformed Church

Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041

Bible Class 9:00 am
Worship Services @ 10:00 am
Rev. Paul Nulton
John Bult, Organist

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Serving Sullivan County Since 1896

66 John Street, Monticello, New York (845) 794-2700
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Route 55, Kauneonga Lake, New York (845) 583-5445

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
(embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

Weekend Mass schedule:
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

Daily Mass schedule:
Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:50 am

Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

Loucks Funeral Home
Geoff and Heather Hazzard & Anthony Perito
79 North Main Street
Ellenville, New York
(845) 647-4343

Holy Week at Immaculate Conception Reconciliation Monday, April 2

It is beautiful to hear about the merciful love of God. It is even better to EXPERIENCE it. Personally. No matter how long it has been since your last confession - years, even decades - the start of Holy Week is a fitting time to know the mercy of God in the sacrament of Penance. In hundreds of churches across the New York Archdiocese and two dioceses of Long Island, clergy will be available for confession on the same day and times. At Immaculate Conception Church in Woodbourne, Father Lynch will be in the room from 3 to 3:30, 4:30 to 5:15 and 7 to 8 pm. In addition, anyone showing up between 3:30 and 4:30 and 8 to 8:30 pm is free to ring the rectory doorbell and Father will come to the room and hear that penitent's confession. Seize this moment of grace at the start of Holy Week. Bring a friend: what a marvelous favor!

Holy Thursday:
Mass of the Lord's Supper 8:00 pm
Adoration: following Mass until 10:00 pm

Good Friday:
Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Our Lord
Holy Communion 3:00 pm
Stations and Veneration of the Cross 8:00 pm

Holy Saturday:
Blessing of Easter Baskets 12:00 Noon
Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 pm
Solemn Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday
Masses 9:00 & 11:30 am

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St. Augustine's Chapel
Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY
Sunday Mass - 9:30 am
Holy Days 5:30 pm
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Covered Dish Supper
May 5, 2012
(No April Supper)
5:30 pm
Sundown United Methodist Church
at the Sundown Church Hall

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Apr 21, 2012
Thrift Sale Only
9 am-1 pm

Apr. 3, 2012
Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm
Luncheon 11am-1 pm

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.
Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor
845-985-7480

PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING,
BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
AT GRAHAMSVILLE
TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual budget hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Central High School Upstairs Gym/Auditorium in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

Tuesday, May 8, 2012
at 7:00 P.M. (EDST)

for the purpose of presenting the budget for the 2012-2013 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during the fourteen days preceding the annual meeting (Beginning Tuesday, May 1, 2012).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the VOTE upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2012-2013 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education, and VOTING on any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 between the hours of 11:30 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the term of three members of the Board of Education will expire on June 30, 2012. Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before of 9:00 A.M. on Monday, April 16, 2012. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. The three highest vote getters will fill the three full term positions. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

The 3-year terms of the following Members of the Board of Education expire on June 30, 2012, and are to be filled at this election:

- Michael Brooks
- Brian Edwards
- Donna Schick

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the following proposition shall also appear on the ballot for the voters consideration at the annual meeting:

PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District, is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of addition to, construction and reconstruction of the roof of the Tri-Valley Main Building (High School) and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$350,000: and to appropriate, encumber, and expend existing and unexpended capital funds from the Elementary School Roof Project therefor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the text of the foresaid proposition may appear on the ballot labels in the following abbreviated form:

PROPOSITION

Shall the proposition set forth in the legal notice of this special voter meeting, authorizing addition to, construction, reconstruction of the Main Building High School Roof all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$350,000 to be appropriated, encumbered, and expended from unexpended capital funds therefor all as more fully described in said notice, be approved?

The School District, acting as lead agency to the extent necessary for this purpose under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on March 6, 2012, has duly determined and found the purpose to be a type II action which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to any further environmental review under SEQRA.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 8th, 2012 and Wednesday, May 9th, 2012 in the Main Entrance Area, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 10th, 2012 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 15, 2012. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 8th, 2012) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 14th, 2012), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education
Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk
Dated: March 27, 2012
4/5; 4/19; 4/26; 5/3/12

THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
A Regular Board Meeting
Will be held
On Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
In the Secondary School Lower Library Level,
Grahamsville, New York

Tea Party Meeting

The April meeting of the Sullivan County Tea Party Patriots will be held on Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 P. M. as follows:

Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 PM the monthly meeting of the Sullivan County Tea Party Patriots will be held at Yaun Co. Inc., 240 Chestnut Street, Liberty. All are welcome and refreshments will be served. For further information contact Marta at whrotties@netzero.net.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: FILING of the ANNUAL REPORT:

AS required by New York State Town Law § 29(10-a) the Town of Denning ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT for the year 2011 has been completed and filed with the New York State Office of the State Comptroller. The report is on file with the Town Clerk and available for inspection during normal business hours at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725. Call 985-2411 for further information.

BY ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD
Joy Ann Monforte,
Town of Denning, Town Clerk
April 2, 2012

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org

(845) 985-2262 extension 312

Albi Concert - Sunday, July 15. 5 pm-8pm
Outdoor Stage Town Hall Parking Lot. Rain or Shine. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Hot dogs, soda & water will be for sale for \$1 each.

Mountain Creek Water Park, NJ - Saturday, August 4 Leave Town Hall 8:30 am-return to Town Hall approximately 6:30 pm. \$12 residents/\$36 non-residents must be paid by June 26 this includes motorcoach transportation and admission.

Free mad Science Fire & Ice Show Wednesday, August 8. Grahamsville Fairgrounds at 5 pm. Rain or Shine. Please bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Hot dogs, soda & water will be for sale for \$1 each. Register to attend by July 31.

Liberty Science Museum, NJ Liberty Science Museum, NY Saturday, November 3. Leave the Town Hall at 8 am Return to Town Hall at 6:30 pm. \$22 residents/\$31 non-residents must be paid by July 2

Shop0ing Colonie Center, Albany, NY Friday, November 16. Leave the Town Hall at 8 am return to the Town Hall at approximately 7 pm. \$21 residents and non-residents must be paid by October 16.

Transportation to NYC Saturday, December 1 Drop off near Times Square. Leave Town Hall at 8 am, return at approximately 8 pm. \$21 residents & non-residents must be paid no later than November 8.

Permission slips can be downloaded from our website www.townofneversink.org or picked up in the Parks and Recreation office in the Town Hall on Tuesdays from 3 pm to 6 pm. For more information call 985-2262 ext. 312 or email racelj12d@aol.com.

Don't forget FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.
Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Closed

If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.

AL-ANON MEETINGS -

<http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>

Monday 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
Thursday 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne
Saturday 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

Looking to increase your computer and software skills?

MONTICELLO - The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Business Office Skills with Microsoft Certification Training course. Classes will run Monday through Thursday beginning April 11th from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The fee for the class is \$1,716.00.

This course is a must for individuals who seek to enhance their computer and software knowledge in Microsoft Word,

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- 4/4/12 Town of Neversink Planning Board
- 4/6/12 Town of Neversink Holiday - **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 4/7/12 Sundown Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper Canceled** - next Supper May 5th
- 4/10/12 Town of Denning Audit/Business Meeting - 7:00 pm Town of Denning Town Hall
- 4/11/12 American Legion Cook Taylor Post 111 **Spaghetti Dinner** 5 -7 pm at Post in Ellenville on Rt. 209
- 4/12/12 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 4/12/12 Claryville Fire District Meeting - 6:30 pm
- 4/15/12 Claryville Fire Dept. **Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 4/17/12 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)**
- 4/17/12 Town of Neversink Board Meeting
- 4/18/12 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
- 4/18/12 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 PM, Public Meeting at 8:00 PM.
- 4/19/12 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals
- 4/21/12 Grahamsville UMC **Thrift Sale only** - 9 am - 1 pm
- 4/21/12 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Roast Turkey Dinner** 4-7 pm 985-7480
- 4/24/12 Town of Neversink Parks and Recreation 7 pm Town Hall
- 5/1/12 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - sundown Church Hall 7 pm
- 5/5/2012 **Time and the Valleys Museum Reopens**

GAMES & SOCIALIZING -FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.

Save the Dates!
June 9, 2012 -11 am - Fund Raising Country Auction sponsored by Time and the Valleys Museum (Fairgrounds)
July 28, 2012 Time and the Valleys Museum Annual Old Time Fair and BBQ
August 5 - Halls Mills Covered Bridge Centennial Celebration

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
GRAHAMSVILLE AUTOMOTIVE
CANNIE D'S
BLUE HILL LODGE

ARATI GIFT SHOP (Brickman Rd.)
VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake)
WOODBOURNE CITGO STATION
MO'S GAS STATION (Woodbourne)
P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE (Woodbourne)
AGWAY • J.B. MAK (Liberty)

JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
MATTHEWS PHARMACY
NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
PETER'S MARKET

NEW LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE & SHANDAKEN

Boiceville IGA • J & G Log Homes, LLC • Boiceville Florist • Reservoir Music • Snyder's
Phoenicia Hardware • Phoenicia Pharmacy • Phoenicia Deli • Mama's Boy • Brio's • Emerson Resort

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting every **second Monday of each month**. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.

Town Board meets **every second Tuesday of each month**. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.

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.

Excel, Access, Power Point, Publisher, in addition to the Internet. Participant will receive training in common office practices and procedures, including file management, accurate record keeping, business correspondence, editing and the use of office equipment.

To register and find out more information contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 or 791-4070 between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm or log on to scbores.org, like us on facebook and follow us on Twitter.

The Adult Program at BOCES enhances our community, one family at a time.

PLANT A SEED, INSPIRE INTEREST
Training for Garden Educators by Master Gardeners Program

[FERNDALE] - The Master Gardener's Program at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County is holding a new garden training series for county educators and youth workers. The first session is from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9 at Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center, 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Ferndale. The \$50 cost includes lunch. Educators can earn up to .5 Continuing Education Units per session.

The first session is an introduction to garden based learning entitled "Plant a Seed, Inspire Interest." All the information is research based and connects gardens to all sectors of work and education. In this class, educators will learn how to develop a garden program that promotes positive youth development, opportunities for community leadership and volunteer participation, and review tips on effective teaching methods. An in depth overview of Cornell Garden-Based Learning (CGBL) will be reviewed. Groups new to garden-based learning or groups struggling to get participants involved in their efforts and program structure will particularly benefit from this session.

The second session will be titled "Tend the Garden," while the last session will be "Building Capacity/Train the Trainer." These will be offered at a later date.

The fee of \$50 must be included with registration, which should include name, address, phone, e-mail and school district. Checks should be payable to "CCE Sullivan County/MGP" and sent to Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center, 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty, NY 12754. For more information, call 845-292-5250.

LPN Program at Sullivan BOCES Holds Open Enrollment for Sept. 2012 Session

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held on April 16th and May 8th. The Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Program prepares both high school and adult students for career opportunities in a variety of settings including: home health care agencies, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, outpatient clinics, nursing homes, dialysis centers, and doctor's offices. The New York State LPN to RN articulation provides students the opportunity to receive college credit towards a registered nursing degree upon successful completion of the LPN program and licensure.

The BOCES LPN Program provides students with both the theory and the clinical experience needed to pass the National Council Licensing Exam for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). Students enrolled in the program must pass each content area of the program and all practical clinical requirements. In addition, students must complete a minimum of 1,188 hours of instruction and be recommended by the LPN faculty for entrance to the licensing examination.

For more information on the programs available through the Career and Technical Education Center browse our website at www.scbores.org or call 295-4152. For program updates, like us on facebook and follow us on Twitter.

SUNY Ulster Fine Arts Instructor Exhibits Works in Two Local Exhibits

SUNY Ulster Drawing and Fashion Instructor Kristin Flynn's art work will be exhibited at two local shows this month: "E-Equals" in Stone Ridge and "Defining Connections" in Kingston.

E-Equals will run from April 7 to 28 at ProjectSpace, 209 3670 Main Street. An artists' reception will be held on April 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. Flynn will be showing two paintings and an installation in this show that recalls themes in the life and work of Emily Dickinson, honoring both the small and the daily while at the same time illuminating the spiritual, sexual and universal in woman's work.

Installed in a historic setting that suggests the poet's home, the exhibit includes photography, paintings, sculpture, video, installations and artists books, providing "a survey of current art practices and displaying the quality and depth of contemporary art in the Hudson Valley today," according to its organizers.

The second show where people can see Flynn's work is Defining Connections at Kingston Museum of Contemporary Art, 103 Abeel St. Opening with an artists' reception on April 7 from 5 to 7 p.m., the show will be open on Saturdays during April from 12 to 4 p.m.

Flynn will be showing four large graphite and ink paintings that use light and dark to form contradictions of pattern. "Tangled weeds are layered with flowers, surrounded by snakes and set with narrative phrases of text," she says of the works.



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MONTICELLO - If you just love stamps the **Sullivan County Philatelic Society** will have as its Guest speaker **Lewis Kaufman** well known stamp dealer at our next meeting scheduled for Sunday April 15 2012. At 1:00 p.m. In the **Ted Stroebel Recreation Center**, which is located on Jefferson Street Monticello N.Y. MR. Kaufman's talk, is entitled, saving stamps in the world wars. This meeting is open to the public as well as stamp society members. We will also have our regular door prizes, and give a ways. A short business meeting will be held with refreshments to be served by Art Rosenzweig at the meeting. This June 10 will be our first stamp and coin show, admission is free with ample parking, and building is air-conditioned.

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