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5,000 Mile Horsetrek in the Spirit of Global Peace



Photo courtesy of J. Boggess

Celebrating the 400 year anniversary of the signing of the first treaty between the Haudenosaunee and the Europeans, (the Two Row Wampum Treaty between Dutch settlers and natives) the Dakota Nation Unity Riders came from their homes in Manitoba, Canada and rode their horses across the Walkway Over the Hudson. Over 2000 People participated including Drew and Judith Boggess who were drummers for the event. (Contd. Pg. 6)

Neversink Afternoon of History Set for This Sunday, August 11th

Anyone interested in old photos, records, stories and artifacts from the Town of Neversink including photos and stories from the era of stock car racing, are invited to Neversink Afternoon of History, Sunday, August 11 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Community Room of the Daniel Pierce Library on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville. (Contd. Pg. 3)

134th Grahamsville Little World's Fair Aug16-18 -Car Load Night, Thursday, Aug15, 5:00pm - 9:00 pm

It's fair season again and the Neversink Agricultural Society is making preparations for its 134th fair. For the first time ever, the fair is hosting a car load night on Thursday from 5:00pm - 9:00pm. A carload of up to 8 people may enter the fair for \$40 to ride unlimited rides for that time period. The deal is restricted to rides only and the rest of the fair attractions open to the public on Friday at 9:00am. (Contd. Pg. 3)

CAS Presents NACL Theatre's The Little Farm Show

Livingston Manor, NY - The Catskill Art Society will present the NACL Theatre's "The Little Farm Show," a live musical extravaganza for all ages.



Tannis Kowalchuk (left) and Brett Keyser (right) play the MacDonald Twins, a wacky pair of farmers in the NACL Theatre's "The Little Farm Show."

The event will take place in Renaissance Park off Main Street in Livingston Manor, NY (one block from the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street) on Saturday, August 17 from 1-2pm. This production is presented in association with Main Street Farm, which will have locally sourced and organic food available. Tickets will be available for a suggested donation of \$10. (Contd. Pg. 9)

Come Celebrate Nature's Tasty Healthy Blueberry!



This Saturday, August 10th join in the family fun and celebrate all things Blueberry. The Ellenville-Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring The Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival from 9 am to 4 pm in Ellenville, NY. (Contd. Pg. 8)

NACL Theatre Launches The Weather Project in Eldred, NY



Highland Lake, NY-NACL Theatre, based in Highland Lake, NY will launch The Weather Project on Saturday, August 10 from 2-5 PM in the town of Eldred (Route 55 between 17B and 97). The event is FREE for the whole family. (Contd. Pg. 9)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.
Jeremiah 18:14

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

August 12, 1953 - Chan Dayton Jr. has received notice that he has been awarded a full tuition scholarship for the school year 1953-54 by the University of Chicago where he was in attendance last year. The scholarship is for \$690 and was awarded on the basis of achievement during the preceding school year. Chan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey M. Dayton of Grahamsville.

Mrs. Helmet Roshop, 61, passed away on Monday, at her home in Miami, Florida. She was born August 17, 1892 in Grahamsville, the daughter of George and Viola Dean. Surviving besides her husband, are one sister, Mrs. Grant Sheley of Sundown; two brothers, Mr. Loren Dean of Sundown and Mr. Elisha Dean of Lackawack Hill.

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KUM TO KRUM'S

August 7, 1963 - Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rose of the Woodbourne Road, Grahamsville, announce the engagement of their daughter Linda Ann to Harold Buley Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buley Sr. of Grahamsville. No date has been set for the wedding.

On Friday, August 3rd, seven Junior Girl Scouts and two Brownies hiked to the Red Hill Fire Tower Campsite. Everyone was thrilled with the climb up to the tower and very excited about how far they could see. Mr. DePew, the local fire warden, showed the girls how he used instruments and radio to locate fires. The girls had a picnic lunch and played games before returning. The Scouts who made the trip were: Donna Smith, Kathleen Eidel, Dorothy Horton, Michelle Friedman, Helen Brown, Evelyn Eck and Maryann Murphy. The two Brownie Scouts were: Susan Horton and Susan Smith.

August 29, 1973 - Mr. and Mrs. Karl Allison of Big Hollow Road, Grahamsville, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Martha Lee to Roger TerBush Jr., son of Roger TerBush Sr. of Ulster Heights. Miss Allison graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and Sullivan County Community College. She is employed by the Ellenville Savings Bank. Her fiancé served in the U.S. Army with a tour of duty in Vietnam. He is employed by Charles Low Auto Sales, Ulster Heights. A November wedding is planned.

Fair winners: Mrs. Nancy Seaman of Neversink was an easy winner for the oldest person at the Little World's Fair. She is 102! Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Walter took the prize for the longest married - sixty years! Youngest at the fair was little Rebecca Parker of Thompson Ridge who was born August 14, 1973. Mr. Oshio Mizaguchi of Kobe, Japan traveled the farthest to attend the fair.

August 11, 1983 - Kathy, Larry and Renee Balestra are happy to announce the arrival of Danielle Marie Balestra, born July 29th and weighing in at 7 lbs. 4 oz; 20 inches long.

Magic Mountain Crafts is the name of another new business in Grahamsville, operated by John Williams and Larry Balestra. They specialize in the manufacture of wooden toys, custom kitchen cabinets, furniture and architectural moldings. Good luck gentlemen!

Congratulations are in order for three local athletes: Missy Iatauro for winning the women's open division of the 11th Annual Upper Delaware Regatta Foot Race for the 3rd time; to Jack Jordan who won the Summer Championship Tournament at Lochmor in Loch Sheldrake carding a 1 under par 71; and to Cal Parrow of Sundown who carded a 77 for the best gross score in the Senior Division.

Reconnect & Have A Great Time!

We're Very Excited About The Upcoming Multiclass Reunion in Monticello & We Want You To Come and Enjoy The Great Events We Have Planned For You! This Friday August 9th, Saturday August 10th and Sunday August 11th.

Mr. Willy's Restaurant (or as some of us remember it the Bend N Elbow) Route 42 South Monticello NY- Friday & Saturday: Gates open at 6:30 -Dinner, Friends & Fun; Music -Karaoke; Video - Photos - Photo Booth. Sunday Brunch from 10:00am to 12:00.

We are still looking for classmates, so if you have ANY emails of your classmates please reply to email:

Cindy Gottlieb: energizergirl1@aol.com or
Debbie Morelli Speer: monticello-union@gmail.com

Big Opening Day for Art of Flowers & Fly Fishing

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck reports numerous sales at the August 4th opening reception for an unusual art collaboration.

The watercolors of Jack Yelle shared space with the delicate pressed-flower assemblages created by his wife, Patricia Yelle, to draw an enthusiastic crowd of visitors and buyers. Swept up were Jack's "Winter Tree," a stylized leafless forest scene, and Patricia's "Love," in which that single word is spelled out in tiny flowers and ferns, among other pieces.

Their work remains on display through August 25th, with public hours from 2-4 pm Saturdays, and additional viewings by appointment. The Yelles can be contacted at (607) 498-5918, or by email at yellejp@citlink.net. They are proprietors of Morning Star Creations in Roscoe, NY, where their artwork is also displayed.

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck is at 282 Hasbrouck Rd., easy to reach from Grahamsville, Liberty, Monticello and Ellenville. For driving directions and more information, visit the web site at www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHabrouck.org.

NYS and USDA Webinar Concerning Broadband Opportunities

New York State's Broadband Program Office held an in-depth discussion of program descriptions, for both the USDA Rural Utilities Broadband eligibility, opportunities and activity, as well as New York State's Broadband Program last Wednesday in Monticello.

They explored statewide needs, addressed funding challenges and had further discussion on the best ways to move forward, expanding and strengthening broadband access to rural New York State residents.

A Question and Answer Session followed after the program presentations.

**Caps for Cancer
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Please help by bringing plastic bottle caps, jar lids (examples milk, soda, water, peanut butter, coffee lids, etc.) to one of the receptacles at Carrie D's, Grahamsville Deli and the Town Hall. They will be presented to the Ogdensburg Scouts in October for sorting and recycling.

A Round About Tri-Valley-Carol Furman

The Time and the Valleys Museum's "Old Time Fair" was held on Saturday, July 27 and seemed to be a huge success. The day was just beautiful, Miller's BBQ was delicious and I especially enjoyed the music provided by Paul Lounsbury and Dave Trestyn. The Fair is always a great place to visit with friends and neighbors who you haven't seen in a while.

Condolences to the family and friends of Claude D. Seward of Hurleyville who died unexpectedly on July 20 at the age of 44.

The fourth annual Tri-Valley Central School Retiree Luncheon was held on August 1 at Memorial Hall in Grahamsville. Forty five retirees were present to enjoy the delicious lunch and to take pleasure in each others company. Cal Parrow, former high school principal, attended and was the longest retired educator present, having retired in 1980. Rita Cerato, who retired in 1982 and Lou and Barbara Boncek, who retired in 1986 were also present.

Fourteen Cub Scouts and their siblings participated in a bike rodeo on Friday, July 26 at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. The Cub Master, dressed in cowboy attire, went over the bicycle safety rules and then the children participated in various bicycling activities - an obstacle course, a slow race and some skill activities. All of the youngsters seemed to have a great time!

Neversink Parks and Recreation sponsored a trip to a Scranton - Wilkes Barre Railriders baseball game on Thursday, July 25. The game went into overtime and they played 20 innings! It was the longest game the Railriders ever played! Of course, not all of the fans were able to stay for the entire game.

Vacation Bible School, sponsored by the Grahamsville Reformed Church and the Grahamsville Methodist Churches will be held August 19 - 23 at the Grahamsville Methodist Church. All children of the community are invited to attend. The programs begins at 5:30 pm. For more info, call 985-2283.

The musical "Grease" which was held at the Forestburgh Playhouse was great! One really doesn't have to go to the City to see a great show!

Several ladies from Grahamsville enjoyed lunch at the home of Helen McShane on Wildcat Mountain Road in Claryville on Tuesday, August 6. Everyone brought a dish to pass. Helen resides in Brooklyn, but spends much of the summer in Claryville.

A short time ago, I read an article about some vandals who threw paint on the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. Why someone would do such a thing is beyond belief. A little later, I came across an article which I found very interesting:

Abraham Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846. John F. Kennedy was elected to Congress 100 years later, in 1946.

Lincoln was elected president in 1860. Kennedy was elected president 100 years later, in 1960. Lincoln was assassinated in a theater built by Ford. Kennedy was assassinated in a car built by Ford.

Both presidents were shot in the head and died on a Friday.

Lincoln's killer, John Wilkes Booth, ran from a theater and was caught in a warehouse. Kennedy's killer, Lee Harvey Oswald, ran from a warehouse and was caught in a theater.

Both presidents were succeeded by men named Johnson. Andrew Johnson was born in 1808 and Lyndon

Johnson was born 100 years later, in 1908.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT!

Words of Wisdom: Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen. Courage is also the art of being the only one who knows you're scared to death. (Earl Wilson)

134th Grahamsville Little World's Fair

(From Pg. 1) This year's fair will be just as entertaining, with live music from Hot Rod, Thunder Ridge, the Somerville Brothers, Albi Beluli, the Roller Cats and the Kenny Young Band. We are proud to have back the Catskill Puppet Theater, to perform Friday afternoon. New to the fair this year are Matt Stevens, a local magician and balloon artist who will make rounds with his balloon sculpting talents in between his regularly scheduled stage performances. We look forward to seeing Close Encounters with Birds of Prey on Saturday, sponsored by the Delaware Valley Raptor Center.

In addition to these on-stage attractions, the Neversink Agricultural Society will host their regular favorites: the garden tractor pull on Friday evening,

the draft horse pull on Saturday afternoon which is run by the New York State Draft Horse Pullers Association, and the classic car show on Sunday. If you own a classic, restored car, drive it into the fair at noon on Sunday to be displayed in the main ring. You will be admitted for free.

Perhaps most important to this agricultural fair are the various small and large animal shows that will take place in the livestock barn and ring. The main exhibitors are the many 4-H youth that spend most of the year raising, training and preparing their livestock, horses and poultry for the fair. There will also be plenty of 4-H still exhibits and demonstrations by Cornell Cooperative Extension in the Vernon Stratton Youth Building, and arts and crafts, flowers, vegetables, baked goods and canned goods on display in their respective buildings. Possibly you have something you would like to enter. Entry forms for our various shows may be found on pages 47-49 in the Premium Book located on our website at www.grahamsvillefair.com.

More information about exhibits, entertainment, admission and ride fees, please see the website. The Directors, volunteers, exhibitors and vendors look forward to seeing our friends, neighbors and all visitors at the fair!

Neversink Afternoon of History (From Pg. 1)

Co-sponsored by the Town of Neversink and the Time and the Valleys Museum, this event is free and open to anyone with an interest in the history or anyone who has historical information to share. It is hoped that local residents will attend and bring special history items to share - whether it be postcards, ledgers or photos. The Methodist Church is loaning some of their early church records for the afternoon, which pertain to the entire area and can be very helpful in research. For further information please contact Town of Neversink Historian Carol Smythe at 985-2452 or the Time and the Valleys Museum at 985-7700.

Admission to the Time and the Valleys Museum is waived for those who attend the program.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville and is open to the public from Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.. The Museum has three floors of exhibitions, a local history research center (open Thursdays and Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and museum shop.

Current exhibitions are: *A History of the Watershed Areas from Geological Times to the 1930's*, *Tunnels, Toil & Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water* and the *Rondout-Neversink Story*, and *The Family Farm 1930 - 1950*. Admission to the Museum is by suggested donation \$5 adults, \$2 children, and children under 6 are free.

For additional information on the Museum or this unique and enjoyable event, please call us at 845 985-7700 or go online at www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org.

Grahamsville Art Show

A current show of 50 original works of art is available for viewing at the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville during regular library hours. The show ends on August 25, 2013. The "Studio Monday Art Group" is comprised of 12 local artists who meet weekly on Monday from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Library. Most of the works on display are for sale. The show is a tribute to the memory of the group's founder and long-time leader and teacher, Evelyn Porter. Featured along the current group's art works are some of Evelyn's lively and varied works of art. For more information on the show or the "Studio Monday Art Group" please contact Pat Wellington at (845) 985-7156.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall and Polly Hill.

BLUEBERRY OR HUCKLEBERRY

By Peggy DeWire

After we picked blueberries that morning, I looked at the three ladies slumped tiredly at my kitchen table and joked, "You all look with purple mouths!"



Betty cracked back, "Peggy, you look funny yourself with all those blueberry leaves in your hair."

As I brought iced tea and a plate of muffins to the table, Mary asked if I put blueberries or huckleberries in them.

And what's the difference anyway? I told her that there was only one difference and she'd notice it herself as she ate up her bucket of berries. Otherwise they were almost the same.

Both plants belong to the Heath family (Erica), a huge one with 3,400 species. Many are hardy woody bushes that grow in cooler zones in acid soil over most of the U.S., Canada and north to the Alaskan tundra.

Six species are true huckleberries (*Gaylussacia*) usually navy blue with ten crunchy seeds in each berry. Some have light blue berries. The fruit is full of flavor and slightly gritty.

By contrast, seven species of true blueberries (*Vaccinium*) are usually cadet blue and each berry is filled with many soft seeds. The flavor is delicious. Some highbush and lowbush produce dark blueberries.

To sort out the confusion you can't tell the difference on the basis of color.

The seed test - crunchy or not - is reliable even on plump cultivated blueberries sold in stores.

Blueberries are a very healthy food containing antioxidants that repair DNA damage and anthocyanins in the blue coloring that improve eyesight.

In the early 1900's plant breeders domesticated the wild highbush blueberry into the plump tasty one we enjoy today. Of the annual 224 million pounds harvested in 30 states and Canada, 90% are sold as fresh. Peak harvest is in July, also known as National Blueberry Month here.

Blueberry growers use special blueberry Bees (*Osmia ribifloris*) for best pollination because they are so good at it. Just two bees can take care of a bush for a whole summer! Blueberry Bees are much smaller than a honey bee, solitary, gentle and a lovely metallic blue.

To attract nesting Blueberry Bees, growers drill little holes in wooden blocks and hang them in bushes and places sheltered from bad weather. In the wild, Blueberry Bees nest in hollow plant stems and empty snail shells.

Blueberries have fewer insect pests than most other plants. I suspect this is because many members of the Heath family have poisonous andromedotoxin in sap and leaves. Interestingly the caterpillar of a beautiful moth is resistant to the toxin and eats its way to becoming a Blueberry Hawk moth with a velvet brown body and apricot wings.

Leaf roller and aphid are controlled with pyrethrin dusting. This natural derivative from chrysanthemums isn't toxic to humans and degrades quickly.

Over refills of iced tea and more muffins, we swapped blueberry cooking hints such as adding lemon juice and cornstarch to pureed berries for blueberry soup. Dusting berries with flour before adding them to cake batter keeps them from sinking to the bottom. Measure out and add still-frozen berries to recipes. Sprinkle a handful of fresh berries on top of a wedge of blueberry pie before serving.

Some favorite recipes were swapped and Gloria gave me her famous Huckle Buckle cake. As the ladies got up to leave, we all agreed to pick blueberries again next week because it was such fun.

Household Hints**Pat away Blueberry stains**

You can lift out most blueberry juice stains from your cotton-blend clothing by patting the spot with a cloth or towel moistened with undiluted white vinegar just before placing it in the wash. For large stains, you may want to soak the garment overnight in a solution of 3 parts vinegar to 1 part cold water before washing.

For older, set-in stains will often come out in the wash after being pretreated with a solution of 3 tablespoons white vinegar and 2 tablespoons liquid detergent in 1 quart (1 liter) warm water. Rub the solution into the stain, then blot it dry before washing.

The Third Bullet - Mysterious Book Report 109 by John Dwaine McKenna



This November twenty-second will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the assassination of John F. Kennedy, the thirty-fifth president of the United States. For those of us who are old enough to remember that horrific day and its aftermath, it hardly seems possible that so much time has passed. In the words of a popular song . . . I just looked around and he's gone . . .

The President is gone, fifty years is gone, the Viet Nam War is gone, our innocence is gone . . . and our youth is gone. Now is the time we become reflective in our lives, with all us Baby Boomers reminiscing, and remembering; thinking about what happened, what went right and what went wrong in our lives. The Kennedy Assassination is one of the monumental events of our collective life and times and as such, we can expect a plethora of shows, books and articles on the subject. MBR No 109 is a fictionalized version of the events of November 22, 1963 without altering or contradicting any of the known and accepted facts of the Warren Commission, which investigated the shooting, or the two best pieces of investigative work about it: Case Closed, by Gerald Posner, and Reclaiming History, by Vincent Bugliosi.

The Third Bullet, Simon & Shuster, \$26.99, 485 pages, ISBN 978-1-4516-4020-5 by Stephen Hunter is a lengthy and complex novel in which his iconic serial character named Bob Lee Swagger tries to solve the mystery of the third bullet, (the missing one) in the Kennedy Assassination. Swagger is of course, the US Marine Sharpshooter we first met in Hunter's novel I, Sniper. Following up on a rumor after the hit and run death of a investigative journalist who was compiling new information about the assassination of JFK, and using an old overcoat found in the Dallas Textiles building next door to the Book Depository in Dallas, Texas from where Lee Harvey Oswald shot President Kennedy, protagonist Bob Lee Swagger opens his own investigation . . . attempting to prove the existence of a second shooter by using ballistics technology not available in 1963, as well as his own unique experience and training as a sniper. What follows is an intense and deadly hunt and chase to catch one of the smartest and deadliest of adversaries and evil misguided geniuses Mr. Hunter has ever conceived. Swagger's narrative is joined by a second, more sophisticated one a little past the halfway point of the novel, and the reader realizes that Swagger the hunter may be instead the hunted: the predator may now be prey. The Third Bullet is full of detail concerning the events of November 22, 1963, as well as enough gun lore to keep even the most ardent armchair soldiers of fortune enthralled. This one will take some time to read, so sit back, dig in and enjoy.

And how about it? Have you taken a few moments to check into some of the great summer reading programs at your local library? What's that . . . no time for it . . . don't want to read? Too busy doing twelve-ounce curls and watching all those re-runs on the telly. So, how do you feel about ignorance and apathy? Don't know and don't care, you say . . . Well, don't it make you wonder friends, about the informed electorate that's the necessary cornerstone of a functioning democracy???

The next time you're out surfing the 'net, stop in and check out our new and improved websites:

johndwainemckenna.com and rhyolitepress.com

They're better looking, easier to navigate and have more features than before. While you're there, please leave a message of your own. We'd love to hear from you.

Have you seen Rhyolite's two newest publications . . .

The Boy Who Slept With Bears, by George Douthit, is being read and loved by ages eight to eighty and Colorado Noir, by John Dwaine McKenna, is entertaining lovers of crime fiction everywhere. Copies are available at any bookstore, Amazon, or as an eReader. A limited number of signed copies are available by sending \$19.00 for The Boy Who Slept With Bears or \$20.95 for Colorado Noir which covers the book plus shipping and handling charges to: Attn: Sally Lemmon at Rhyolite Press, P.O. Box 2406, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

We'll see you next week, with another new Mysterious Book Report. Keep your reading glasses on! --JDM

Collecting Catskill Souvenirs Exhibit Now on Display at the SC Museum

Hurleyville, New York-A collection of antique travel souvenirs of the Catskill Mountains is on display this summer in a new exhibit at the Sullivan County History Museum. The collection, created by Sullivan County native Ginny Brown Davis focuses on souvenirs associated with several communities located in the western part of Sullivan County, New York. Featuring postcards, chinaware, decorative items, and other small tchotchkes, the exhibit contains many examples of the large variety of items that tourists could acquire to remember their visit to the Catskill Mountains, a popular vacation destination of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The exhibit includes Ms. Davis' written analysis of the souvenir items featured in this display with a special focus on the regional attributes that were featured in these souvenirs. The exhibit will be on display through Labor Day.

The Museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, from 10 AM-4:30 PM, and on Sunday from 1PM-4:30PM. Admission is free.

Annual Trout Stocking Program

The District is now offering their annual Trout Stocking Program. If you are interested in stocking your pond with trout or fathead minnows this fall, the District will be accepting orders until Thursday, September 19th, 2013.

Rainbow, Brook, and Brown trout are being offered for sale. Trout should be stocked in cold-water ponds. Anyone stocking a pond with fish must apply for a fish stocking permit through the NYS-Department of Environmental Conservation in New Paltz, NY.

For more information, you can go to the District's website at sullivancountyswcd.com or contact the District office at (845) 292-6552, Ext. 101. for a brochure, order form and a permit application.

Community Driver Safety Program

Community Driver Safety Program at the following location: Bethel Senior Center 3594 Route 55 Kauneonga Lake, New York on Saturday, August 17, 2013 from 9:00AM-4:00PM

To Register - Call Manny Safer at 583-7971.

Manny Safer a Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

For information and to register with Manny Safer at 583-7971. The fee is \$25 per person.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer with the Community Driver Safety Program.



SUPERVISOR'S CORNER
By: Mark McCarthy, Town of Neversink Supervisor

Ballfields The proposed site has been purchased and we are in the process of putting together bid specs to make the fields level.

Reminder The Town Hall will be closed on September 2nd in observance of Labor Day and October 14th in observance of Columbus Day.

Cell Tower We have been informed that there is an issue with an underground cable and that they are working on it.

Dept. of Motor Vehicles The DMV will be at the Town Hall from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on August 15th, September 12th, October 10th, November 14th and December 12th. Reminder: the DMV no longer accepts credit card payments at the town hall; they will accept checks only.

General Election Mail Registration-applications must be postmarked not later than October 11th and received by Board of Elections not later than October 16th to be eligible to vote in the General Election. In-Person Registration-to be eligible to vote in the November general election, your application must be received no later than October 11th except if you have been honorably discharged from the military or have become a naturalized citizen since October 11th, you may register in person at the board of elections up until October 25th. Change of Address-Notices of change of address from registered voters received by October 16th by a county board of elections must be processed and entered in the records in time for the general election. Absentee Ballots- Applications must be postmarked by October 29th. In person application until November 4th. Actual Absentee Ballots must be postmarked by November 4th and received by November 12th or delivered in person by November 5th.

Hunting Licenses Hunting licenses for the '13-'14 hunting season will be on sale beginning August 12th. Hunting licenses can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. There are antler point restrictions in some WMUs. Please check the New York Hunting and Trapping Guide which is available at the town hall when you purchase your license. Southern zone hunting season dates are as follows:

- Early Bow Deer Hunting - October 1st - November 15th
Regular Deer Hunting - November 16th - December 8th
Late Bow Deer Hunting - December 9th - December 17th
Muzzleloading - December 9th - December 17th

Town of Neversink History Day will take place on Sunday, August 11th from 1-4 PM at the Daniel Pierce Library Community Room. Everyone is encouraged to bring in things to share relating to the town's history. This should be a fun, exciting and educational way to spend the afternoon "going back in time" to some of the earlier days of our Town. There is no charge for the program. All are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Carol Smythe, Town Historian at 985-2452.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-2262 ext. 301.

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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Pat in the Hat

My granddaughter loves Dr. Suess, and at three can read along because she has memorized many of the sing-song phrases. So I borrowed the title to go along with this column about a friend of mine who is undergoing chemo. After the first treatment, her hair came out in clumps. She donned her white baseball cap and went on with an "Oh, Well." That cap became a symbol to me. It said a line from a favorite song of mine, "Put me in coach, I am ready to play...today."

So Pat wore her white hat to work, and to a baby shower, and to the Democratic Caucus, and to visit her daughter. When we visited her at the hospital, she was wearing her hat and showing us how well she could walk after her three hours of PT and OT that day. Then she showed us the picture her friends at work had given her.

Pat works for the DEP Board of Water Supply in Kingston, and one day last week, everyone wore a hat and declared it PAT HAT day. There were a few dozen co-workers with hats of all colors and styles. With support like that Pat's Hat might be white, but it is not a hat of surrender. It is a hat of courage and determination.

So Pat, here's a "HAT'S OFF TO YOU, GIRL."

5,000 Mile Horsetrek in the Spirit of Global Peace (From Pg. 1)

The Dakota Nation Unity Riders were joined by the Two Row Renewal Campaign for opening ceremonies before traveling together down the Hudson Valley; the Dakota Nation Unity Riders on land and the Two Row on the river. Meeting at several locations as they continued their journey down the river, many communities along the way hosted events giving the public an opportunity to meet these great ambassadors of peace and join them in celebration.

On Saturday, August 3, these Spiritual Warriors taking to the Cause of Unity among all peoples, and delivering their healing message for all living relatives on Planet Earth combined their energies; the Unity Riders going across the bridge on the "Walkway over Hudson" and the Two Row paddling under the Walkway with more than 200 canoes and kayaks led by Hickory Edwards of the Onondaga Nation. The Unity Riders on horseback, led by Chief Gus High Eagle of the western Dakota Nation will continue their journey to the heart of New York City bringing an awareness of this great alliance and spirit of cooperation of these peaceful and giving people who have transported us back in time to a place when Europeans and Indigenous peoples shared this valley in peace.

Spreading a message of peace and healing throughout the entire world, this epic journey of the horsemen will continue, covering thousands of miles from Canada to New York State, reaching millions of people and will peak in NYC at the United Nations on August 9 where the International Code for Sacred Sites will be presented.

Ed Notes: Thank you to Carol LaMonda for making the connections for this great news.

Your Support for Pine Hill Community Center Greatly Appreciated

A few days ago we mentioned the short documentary film, "Inside the Pine Hill Community Center" that Jessica Vecchione made with us. Now you can see the whole 27 minutes, and we know that it is much more powerful than anything we could tell you about our value to the community. So, click <https://vimeo.com/70323360>, enjoy this exciting and moving film, and then please be as generous with your support as you can be. Go to our website (pinehillcommunitycenter.org) and click on "Donate" to contribute with your credit card; or send us a check to the address below, or come by for a visit and pick up a donation form. We will also send you a donation form if you request one.

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At Belleayre Music Festival

Highmount, NY - Keyboard wizardry is in the spotlight when the Belleayre Music Festival presents the Bill Charlap Trio on Friday, August 9 and Kenny Barron's 70th Birthday Celebration with his Platinum Quintet on Saturday, Aug. 10.

The final two shows of this season's Catskill Mountain Jazz Series will showcase the unparalleled talents of two of jazz's preeminent piano masters.

Pianist Bill Charlap has performed and recorded with many leading artists of our time, ranging from jazz masters Phil Woods and Wynton Marsalis to singers Tony Bennett and Barbra Streisand.

Since 1997, he has led the Bill Charlap Trio with bassist Peter Washington and drummer Kenny Washington, now recognized as one of the leading groups in jazz.

A two-time Grammy nominee, Bill is known for his interpretations of American popular songs and has recorded albums featuring the music of Hoagy Carmichael, Leonard Bernstein and George Gershwin. Time magazine wrote, "Bill Charlap approaches a song the way a lover approaches his beloved...no matter how imaginative or surprising his take on a song is, he invariably zeroes in on its essence."

Bill is the artistic director of New York City's Jazz in July Festival at the 92nd Street Y, and he has produced concerts for Jazz at Lincoln Center, the JVC Jazz Festival and the Hollywood Bowl.

One of the all-time great jazz pianists, Kenny Barron will mark his 70th birthday with accompaniment by a "who's who" of some of the most accomplished players on today's jazz scene, including Miles Okazaki, Marcus Strickland, Lee Pearson and Linda Oh.

Kenny Barron's unmatched ability to mesmerize audiences with his elegant playing, sensitive melodies and infectious rhythms is what inspired The Los Angeles Times to name him "one of the top jazz pianists in the world" and Jazz Weekly to call him, "The most lyrical piano player of our time."

Kenny consistently wins jazz critics' and readers' polls,

including Downbeat, Jazz Times and Jazziz magazines. In 2005, he was inducted into the American Jazz Hall of Fame and won a MAC Lifetime Achievement Award. He is a six-time recipient of Best Pianist by the Jazz Journalists' Association and was a finalist in the 2001 Jazz Par International Jazz Award.

Whether he is playing solo, trio or quintet, Kenny is recognized the world over as a master of performance and composition.

Tickets for the Belleayre Jazz Club show are \$26 for general admission. Tickets for Kenny Barron's Platinum Quintet range from \$26-\$66.

Broadway and More

It's Broadway at Belleayre on Saturday, Aug. 17 when song-and-dance legend Ben Vereen takes the stage.

The festival presents Comedy in the Catskills II with Harrison Greenbaum performing on Friday, Aug. 23. Veteran funny woman Rita Rudner headlines on Saturday, Aug. 24.

The season closes in theatrical rock style with The Music of Pink Floyd on Saturday, Aug. 31.

All shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets for all shows are on sale via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: belleayremusic.org

For information on where to stay, dine, shop or to simply enjoy the great outdoors when you're in town for the Belleayre Music Festival, please visit: www.catskillhighpeaks.com, www.ulstertourism.info or www.greatwesterncatskills.com. Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount.

UC's Best Meatball Contest Winners Announced

The second annual meatball cook-off, held at Saint Peter's Church in Rosendale on July 13, 2013, was a huge success with Angela's Pizza of Lake Katrine having the tastiest meatball in Ulster County. Karine Hansen of Gardiner followed up in second place, with Alexandra Gil & Mickey Quinones of Accord sweeping third. Also participating were... Jeanette Dulka, Stone Ridge; the Northern Spy, High Falls; Antonio's Pizza, Rosendale; Benny's Pizza, Stone Ridge; Professor K, Kingston; Deb Tampone, Rosendale. Who would have thought that entering a local church's meatball contest would be so much fun and such a success!

The meatball cook-off was intended as a fundraiser for teens from the parish to go to Camp VERITAS, a local Catholic sleep-away camp in Wurtsboro. We raised almost \$1,000 between ticket sales, raffles, bake sales and 50/50s which funded most of the camp fees. Most of the returning Camp kids are looking forward to seeing friends they made last year. They also said that the best part of the week last year was the closing ceremonies and the feeling of adoration they left with, the strong connection they made to God Himself. It was an amazing experience and they can't wait for this August to do it

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RESERVOIR NOTES- Fred Perry-Owner of

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again. If you are interested in learning more about VERITAS, check out their web site at www.campveritas.com. Here's what one of the camp attendees said about their experience last year: "Camp was a great experience that let me get closer to God and also to other Catholics. I meet some great adults and also teens; one family that I meet invited me to their house a couple months after camp. I'm looking forward to camp this year and seeing all my friends from last year." Mary Sommer

About 100 attendees came out on July 13, 2013 to St. Peter's Church in Rosendale for its second annual meatball tasting contest/fundraiser. Everyone that came through the door had an opportunity to vote for the best tasting meatball in Ulster County. Here's what one of the participants said about the event: "I thought it was a great experience. Loved the idea of your non-typical meatball flavors, something I wasn't expecting. Well worth the trip and already looking forward to the 3rd annual next year!" Laura Battaglino

So, be ready for next year since there are many cooks already in line; get your recipes in order and keep an eye out for next year to see if you will beat this year's winner and compete in the contest or if you are a taster, stop by, eat away and vote for the best meatball in Ulster County! If you are interested, please call Saint Peter's Church at 845-658-3117. Thank you to all who participated and to all who donated the raffles.

ERH Presents Paintings by Artist Franz Heigemeir

Franz Heigemeir's paintings will be on solo exhibition at the Healing Arts Gallery at Ellenville Regional Hospital from August 12 through September 27. The show, titled Realism and Abstraction, is free and open to the public, 8am-8pm daily. A reception is planned for Monday, August 21 from 5:00 - 7:00pm. Ellenville Regional Hospital is located at 10 Healthy Way in Ellenville. For more information about the Healing Arts exhibit or the Ellenville Regional Hospital, please contact (845) 210-3043.

A graduate of the Kunstschule Augsburg, Germany, Heigemeir has been an active member of the Woodstock Artists Association and Museum (WAAM) since 1976 and an active member of the Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) since 2008.

Heigemeir values creativity over consistency. While he still embraces realism, he is drawn toward abstraction, with its color fields, freedom of movement and the discovery of unexpected possibilities. He strives for a visual conversation with the viewer at a level that a thousand words cannot reach. He does this not to tell a story, but to evoke feelings and emotions that cannot be otherwise communicated.

Heigemeir's many one-man shows include the following local venues: The Emerson Resort & Spa, Mt. Tremper, NY, 2011, Ulster Savings Bank, Kingston, NY, 2011 and 2012, The Dyson Center for Cancer Care at Vassar Brothers Hospital, 2010. Group shows include the Woodstock Artists Association and Museum, ongoing since 1972, the Arts Society of Kingston, ongoing since 2006 and the Kingston Biennial Sculpture Exhibition, 2001 and 2011.

An award-winning artist, Heigemeir has had many honors bestowed upon him including The "International Artists Magazine" Awards 2006 and 2008, The Woodstock Artists Association and Museum's award, Sheila M. Bloodgood Award 2008, the Robert Orsini Award 2008, the Sally Jacobs/Phoebe Towbin Award 2006, the WAAM Sculpture Prize 2001, the Yasuo Kuniyoshi Award 2001.

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"Le déjeuner sur l'herbe" Paintings E. Morisot At DVAA's LOFT Gallery
 "Le déjeuner sur l'herbe" paintings by E. Morisot opens with a reception on Friday, August 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the LOFT Gallery at the Delaware Arts Center in Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit will be on view through August 31, 2013.
 "I have been painting cows for a long time," says artist E. Morisot. "Cows are a symbol of positive Earth. When you see cows on the green it's like a magical consciousness of what Earth is."
 For this show, she created her own interpretation of the famous 1863 painting "Le déjeuner sur

l'herbe" ("The Luncheon on the Grass") by Edouard Manet, which features fully dressed men having a picnic with nude women. "My cows are bold and playful, with a dynamic lightness in a more abstract way. Of course in my cow series appears the bull. Everything has a match: the sun and the moon, the mamelle and the couilles," she says with a smile.
 Morisot studied at La Grande Chaumiere and L'Academie Julian. Her artwork has been shown at the Salon d'Automne and Le Musee d'Art Moderne in Paris, as well as in New York City and Sullivan County. Her paintings were part of the UNESCO "Round the World" project. She had a solo show at the Alliance Gallery in 2009.
 Her work is part of private collections throughout Europe and the United States. The paintings in this show are part of her ongoing cow series.
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 Pies must be homemade; Mixed fruit pies are acceptable so long as the filling is at least 50% blueberries and/or huckleberries; Due to Health Dept. rules, pies containing cream or topped with whipped cream cannot be entered; There is no entry fee. Entries must be received by noon at the Chamber pie tent (near the Hunt Memorial Building, Liberty Sq & Canal St.) An entry card will be given at that time. So, put on those aprons and get out those family recipes!

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"HolyHolyHoly" Premieres SC Museum

The premiere of the play "HolyHolyHoly" will take place on Saturday, August 17 at 2:00 p.m. at the Sullivan County Museum at 265 Main Street in Hurleyville.

Written by Bill Duncan, author of the critically acclaimed and award-winning play "Trust," "HolyHolyHoly" tells of three men, the faith that nourished them and the women who loved them. The values are universal; their struggles are for our time. And then there's the awkward aspect: Avery, Will and Zeke are priests. Or were.

Featured cast for "HolyHolyHoly," which is being performed as a reading, are Bill Moloney as Will, Paul Puerschner as Avery, Albee Bockman as Zeke, Mike Gastwirth as Mac, DeLois House as Flora, Ellen Pavloff as Brenda/Peggy, Carol Montana as Loretta/Lucy, and Adam Dohrenwend as Matthew. The play is directed by the author.

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The Little Farm Show (From Pg. 1)

"The Little Farm Show" is an original musical theatre performance for all-ages created and performed by Tannis Kowalchuk and Brett Keyser. The actors play "The Amazing MacDonald Twins," a brother and sister team of barnstorming performers who tour "The Greatest Show on Dirt!" from town to town.

Where does your food come from? NACL Theatre explores this question with an all-ages musical extravaganza about farming, food, and the environment. From the inception of the solar system, to sunset on Millicent's dream farm, the Magnificent MacDonald Twins give audiences a whirlwind tour of "The Greatest Show on Dirt!"

"The Little Farm Show" kicks up some dirt with live music, and high-spirited performances. The play navigates through the history of agriculture from 10,000 BCE to today, exploring sustainability, local food systems, and organic farming. Steeped in history, philosophy, and a wheel barrow-full of information, "The Little Farm Show" will not only entertain, but will ask people to consider their food choices and the effect those decisions have on their bodies, the environment, and society.

Thriving on spectacle and fun, the show features shadow-puppet dinosaurs, a clothesline, flamboyant hats, hip-hop beats, banners, songs and instruments-including guitar, kazoo, accordion and spoons-in presenting a brief history of the universe and farming, as noted by The New York Times.

NACL artistic director and actress, Tannis Kowalchuk is a mother and an organic farmer on Willow Wisp Organic Farm in the Catskills and Upper Delaware Valley. The farm grows vegetables and flowers for local markets & restaurants, and operates a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program. This play was created not only from an artistic initiative, but also from Kowalchuk's values and concerns as a mother and a farmer. "The Little Farm Show" is an environmentally relevant, informative, and an entertaining presentation for the community.

NACL Theatre is a professional, not-for-profit company that has created over 15 original and ensemble theatre productions since 1997. Founded by Canadian-born Tannis Kowalchuk and American Brad Krumholz, NACL (North American Cultural Laboratory) operates a theatre space and retreat center in Highland Lake, NY, located two hours from New York City in the southwestern Catskills region. The company creates and tours its own original and devised theatre performances, collaborates with an international circle of artists, and presents a performance season that features work by local and visiting artists. Committed to supporting theatre training at all stages in an artist's development, NACL offers artist residencies, professional development retreats, master classes, workshops, and early education drama classes.

About the Catskill Art Society

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. Located in Livingston Manor, the renovated 4,500+ square foot facility includes a designated fine arts gallery, a large multi-purpose space, a pottery studio, a painting studio, and a digital arts lab. For more information, please visit www.catskillartsociety.org.

Funding for CAS is provided in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

The Weather Project (From Pg. 1)

The Weather Project is a massive community arts and science project designed to bring residents, artists, and scientists together around the subject of the weather and climate science. The project will take place over the next 12 months to conclude in August 2014 with a weather and climate science exhibition and a spectacular outdoor theatrical performance in Highland, NY. The project components include:

- 1) The creation and presentation of a large-scale outdoor theatre performance with professional artists and residents directed by NACL Theatre's Tannis Kowalchuk.
- 2) A visual art show of processional banners painted by esteemed local artists, a school poster contest, and umbrellas painted by children in the community.
- 3) A series of scientific lectures, demonstration and events by specialists and scientists in the fields of weather and climate science.
- 4) Community data collecting of meteorology, weather stories and phenology.

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This innovative arts engagement project is sponsored by NACL Theatre and The Town of Highland, with the participation of Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable

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NACL asks local communities to join in and help create a work of science and art about the weather, energy, and sustainability.

Residents of Sullivan, Delaware, Wayne, and Pike counties can take workshops on Stilt Walking and Creativity (every Monday night at NACL), sound-painting, visual art, weather data collecting and energy efficiency. Other initiatives include umbrella-painting workshops, puppet-building, collecting weather stories with the library oral history project, a curated art exhibit, chorus, and historical and scientific research.

Kick-Off in Eldred

The Weather Project kick-off is on Saturday, August 10th from 2 to 5 PM in the main square of Eldred, NY. It will be an entertaining and informative event free for the whole family. The kick-off will feature interactive displays of the community partners' projects, performances, and information on how residents of all ages can become involved in workshops, performance creation, building, making things, writing, and research. Activities will include:

-The Umbrella Forest -- bring an old umbrella and decorate it at the umbrella painting station--we will build a massive

forest of umbrellas on site.
-Live Music by Doug Rogers and the Hoy Polloy
-Stilt Walking Performance by Ottawa Stilt Union
-Sound Painting by Strike Anywhere Performance Ensemble
-"What's in Your Garbage?" and other exhibits by SASD (Contd. Pg. 10)

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The Weather Project (From Pg. 9)

- Oral-History and weather story-catching by Western Sullivan Public Library -- tell and help collect weather stories
- Join the documentary film -- citizens are encouraged to capture weather footage
- Join the chorus -- Highland + Choraleers
- Eldred Central School Data Collecting project
- Hospitality Green exhibit
- SKYWARN, a project of NOAA
- Spiral Q Puppet Theatre -- workshop on building puppets
- Creativity Workshops at NACL
- Learn to stilt walk
- Information and a call for visual artists to join the DVAA curated art show: The Weather Out My Window
- Everybody loves a parade -- The Art of Parade and Procession

For more information go to www.nacl.org or visit [facebook.com/theweatherproject](https://www.facebook.com/theweatherproject) or call 845-557-0694. You can also follow The Weather Project on Twitter at @naclweather.

NACL is a not-for-profit theatre company now in its 13th season in Highland Lake, NY. The theatre has created over 17 original performances, toured internationally, and produces a season of innovative new performance from companies and artists from across North America.

All Tied Up In Knots

Livingston Manor, NY - On Saturday, August 10th, adventurers of all ages will have a chance to gain knotting skills when Morgan Outdoors hosts two Knots for Hiking and Camping classes. Bringing a lifeless rope to life is not only fun, it's useful in everything from jewelry-making to rescuing people. The hour-long children's class runs from 12:00 - 1:00pm and is geared for kids age 9 and up. They will learn several of the key knots useful in camping and hiking, from making a loop to a taut-line hitch. The class for adults runs from 10:30 - 11:45am and will cover additional knots useful in everyday life, like the trucker's hitch that is great for cinching down loads on top of a car. Instructor Mick Wheaton is a graduate of SUNY ESF, working in forestry management, and a former counselor at DeBruce Conservation Camp in Livingston Manor. All materials are provided and prepayment is required to reserve a place, as the class size is limited to 10. The children's class is \$8 per person and the adult class is \$12.

RSVP to reserve a place by calling Lisa at 845-439-5507. Pre-registration is easy: in person with check or cash; over the phone with a credit card. This is the final Outdoor Skills class of the summer. Morgan Outdoors is located at 46 Main Street, Livingston Manor (air conditioned!) www.morgan-outdoors.com

Backpacks for Hope project!

Backpacks for Hope puts stuffed backpacks in the hands of Club kids throughout Orange & Sullivan Counties who need the supplies to be successful, productive students!

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Catskill Regional Medical Center: Markers & Crayons;
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Bethel Woods Center for the Arts & Thunder102 are partnering with the Clubs to host a School Supply Drive at the August 23rd LUKE BRYAN concert. Concert goers can donate supplies or funds on their way IN to the show!

You can also aid the Backpacks for Hope Drive at: McDonald's in Liberty (Purchase Helping Hand Cards for \$1) or JCPenney in Middletown (Round up to the nearest \$ on purchases)

"Blue Jasmine" Directed by Woody Allen at Callicoon Theater

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and the Callicoon

Theater present Woody Allen's latest release, *Blue Jasmine* starting Friday, August 23, 2013.

After everything in her life falls to pieces, including her marriage to wealthy businessman Hal (Alec Baldwin), elegant New York socialite Jasmine (Cate Blanchett) moves into her sister Ginger's (Sally Hawkins) modest apartment in San Francisco to try to pull herself back together again. Also featuring Louis C.K., Bobby Cannavale, Andrew Dice Clay, and Peter Sarsgaard.

"*Blue Jasmine* is one of Woody Allen's best films in recent years, a work of intense pathos and humor that hits on all cylinders," says Rick Marianetti of the Examiner.com.

Blue Jasmine is rated PG-13 and will screen Friday, August 23 - Thursday, September 5, nightly at 7:30 p.m., with matinees at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The Callicoon Theater is located at 30 Upper Main St, Callicoon, NY. Admission is \$10 (\$8 admission on Mondays and matinees. \$7 for children under 12 at all shows).

CineArt is a partnership between Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and the Callicoon Theater that promotes and screens independent, foreign, and art films. A percentage of the profits and \$1 per person from ticket sales benefit the programs and services of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County. For more information, call (845) 887-4460 or visit

Judges Pick Beautiful Winners Awards Ceremony

[BETHEL] - Teams of experts from outside Sullivan County will spend August 7 to 10 visiting almost 50 locations around Sullivan County before selecting winners in several beautification categories and honoring project for the best showings of flowers. For the first year, a panel of judges will also select the winner of the Community Mitzvah Award from five summer camps and bungalow colonies.

Judges will also acknowledge projects with stewardship awards for excellence in historical preservation and youth involvement. All participants will receive completion grants.

The fourteen experts include individuals with horticultural, planning, community and international knowledge. This year there are two groups of judges.

COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION PANEL

-Nicole Franzese - Director of Delaware County Planning Department since 2000 (with the department since 1990); provides technical assistance on comprehensive plans, main street revitalization, zoning review, grant writing, SEQRA compliance, watershed management issues.

-Donna Harrison - Has a decade of judging experience including Communities in Bloom (Canada), Communities in Bloom (Ontario), America in Bloom and the National Winter Lights Program; extensive municipal experience with City of St. Catharines including 25 years as manager of cemeteries and golf; past president of the Ontario Parks Association; current chair of the Ontario Parks Foundation.

-Michael Newhard - Life-long resident and four-term Mayor of Warwick; artist and partner in Main Street retail store; is an advocate of community re-vitalization, historic preservation, farmland and environmental protection; Warwick was 2003 national winner of America in Bloom and is the 2010 international winner of Communities in Bloom.

-Linda Onofry - Retired Montessori school teacher at the Homestead School in Glen Spey; an active 22 year member of the Garden Club of Orange & Dutchess Counties; holding may leadership roles, including past president and co-chair of the horticulture committee; an avid lifetime gardener; grew up and resides in Port Jervis.

- Peter Patel - Horticulturist/arborist for the Orange County Arboretum in Montgomery; Certified Arborist - International Society of Arboriculture, Cert. Nursery/Landscape Professional, and member of the Tri-County Nursery Association; owns ArborHeights Designs, LLC.

-Odette Sabourin-Dumais - Horticulturist from St-Bruno-de-Montarville, Québec; acts as national and international judge for Communities in Bloom since 1995; has evaluated more than 140 communities in Quebec, Canada, United Kingdom, France and Japan; secretary-treasurer of the Communities in Bloom Executive Committee and chair of the Symposium and Awards.

-Claudette Savaria - With a degree in horticulture from McGill University, she has taught at colleges, worked at nurseries and designed landscape projects throughout Canada. Since 1990, she is the Parks and Grounds Manager for the City of Westmount, Quebec. She is also a founding member of Communities in Bloom, and a founding member and judge for International Awards for Liveable Communities.

-Karen Schneller-McDonald - Ecologist and writer for Hickory Creek Consulting LLC in Red Hook, NY. She

provides natural resources planning, environmental impact assessment, and public outreach and education services to municipalities and organizations.

- Ann Smith - An avid gardener for over 35 years; member of New York Botanical Garden, Friends of Boscobel and the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation; past board member of Cornwall Garden Club; garden associate specialist for Devitt's Garden & Supply, New Windsor.

- Deborah Sweeton - President and co-owner of Techni-Growers Greenhouses Inc.; published books in Common Sense Gardener series; past OFA board member; chairs Cornell Floriculture Advisory Committee; chaired Warwick in Bloom in 2004; won 1st and 2nd prize in Kathy Puhfal container competition at Cornell University in 2007 and the international challenge in 2010.

- Michael Sweeton - General manager/marketing director for Techni-Growers (clients include Brooklyn Botanic Gardens); NYS Certified Nursery Professional; Town of Warwick Supervisor; President of the Orange County Association of Towns, Villages and Cities; serves on Orange County Citizens Foundation Board and Orange County Planning Board.

COMMUNITY MITZVAH PANEL

- Rabbi Moshe Frank - Currently Rabbi Emeritus at Congregation Ezrath Israel in Ellenville. He was senior rabbi from 1989-2011. He is the Jewish Chaplain at Eastern New York Correctional Facility and Ulster Correctional Facility. He is also active with the Hebrew Day School of Sullivan and Ulster, the Wawarsing Clergy Association, and the Rabbinical Council of Sullivan and Ulster Counties.

-Mary Lewis - Founder of the garden design firm Barncroft, she served as a Sullivan Renaissance judge for nine years and a garden design consultant for two years. The Cornell University graduate is past president of Garden Club of Orange and Dutchess Counties, past Zone Representative of Visiting Gardens Committee for Garden Club of America (GCA), and currently co-chairs GCA flower show "A Woman's Hardy Garden" on October 4-5 in Beacon.

-Yossi Toiv - "Country Yossi" is the name of an English-language Orthodox Jewish magazine, radio show, collection of musical albums and children's books created, composed, authored, and published by Yossi (Joseph) Toiv. The radio show has been on the air continuously since 1986. The monthly magazine has printed over 3 million copies since 1988.

Community Beautification projects are judged for aesthetic improvement, collaboration, youth involvement, permanence and an ability to be maintained. Community Mitzvah projects are judged for cleaning-up and maintaining their grounds and beautifying the look of the facility.

Winning communities will be announced at the Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony on Monday, August 12 in the Seelig Theater at SUNY Sullivan in Loch Sheldrake. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with light refreshments; the program begins at 6:45 p.m.

Communities selected as the most successful in completing their Category A and B projects will receive additional grants between \$1000 and \$10,000. The Golden Feather Grant of \$25,000 will go to one of four Category C projects. Judges will also award separate grants for "Showing of Flowers" including a special prize to communities that received maintenance support. The Community Mitzvah Award of \$10,000 will go to one of five seasonal communities.

Young people will be acknowledged for participating in the intern leadership program. Scholarships will be announced by SUNY Sullivan Foundation and the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties.

For information, contact 845-295-2445 or www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

"Le déjeuner sur l'herbe" Paintings E. Morisot At DVAA's LOFT Gallery (From Pg. 7)

Originally from Paris, France, Morisot moved to New York and now lives in North Branch, NY with a view of cows.

Free and open to the public, the exhibit is sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY, and is made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

The LOFT Gallery at the Delaware Arts Center is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibit call (845) 252-7576 or visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org.

Congressman Gibson Leads Bipartisan Group of Members in Letter to President Obama on Syria Expresses opposition to arming rebels; Asks tough questions on strategy moving forward

Washington, DC - Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) led a bipartisan letter to President Barack Obama declaring opposition to the Administration's plan to arm Syrian rebels. Joining the Congressman in writing the letter are Representatives Peter Welch (D-VT), Tulsi Gabbard (D-HI), Rick Nolan (D-MN) and Senator Rand Paul (R-KY). Additionally, the letter asks the President for more details on what the Administration's plan in Syria is moving forward, including what the long-term goals and outcomes would be, what the U.S. role in the country and region should be, and the wisdom of spending additional federal resources - particularly in light of sequestration.

"As a 24-year veteran of the United States Army, it is my belief that any decision to engage militarily overseas must be made with the utmost caution and with a full understanding of the dynamics. I am extremely concerned that our country is entering into a dangerous engagement in Syria absent Congressional approval and a clear understanding of the conditions on the ground. As we saw in Libya, entering complex situations can be costly, both in terms of U.S. lives and taxpayer dollars, and I respectfully request the President to answer the questions we put forward in this letter about his Administration's strategy moving forward," said Congressman Gibson.

"At a time when across-the-board sequestration cuts are hurting our middle-class families, our working parents, our tribal communities, and our nation's veterans, spending hundreds of millions of dollars on another war of choice is, quite frankly, irresponsible and reprehensible. This is just another example of our misplaced priorities; instead of focusing on rebuilding our nation's crumbling infrastructure, coming to a deal on student loan rates, or strengthening our middle class by investing American manufacturing, we're choosing to become involved in yet another costly war where it is not wanted and not needed. While we recognize and condemn the tragic violence in Syria, we must get over this false notion that the enemy of our enemy is our friend. U.S. military involvement in Syria would demonstrate we have learned nothing from engaging in previous similar situations - which have resulted in tremendous loss of life, costs us trillions of dollars, and earned us the resentment of peoples around the globe," said Congressman Nolan.

"The decision to intervene in any military conflict has wide-ranging and long-lasting implications that must be considered. Having served in Iraq with the Hawai'i Army National Guard, I understand the true cost of war. Before we commit to engaging in another conflict, we need to learn from the hard lessons of the last 12 years we have been at war. The American people must have a clear understanding of what our objectives are and what the end state is prior to U.S. involvement. There are many unanswered questions regarding Syria that concern me, such as the infiltration of al-Qaeda into the rebel forces and what the effects of U.S. intervention will be, with no clear explanation of what happens next," said Congresswoman Gabbard.

"The humanitarian situation in Syria is heartbreaking but the willingness to help does not mean there's a credible way to help. America cannot become entangled in yet another sectarian civil war. Arming the Syrian rebels will draw us into Syrian infighting and score-settling and Americanize this tragic civil war," said Congressman Welch.

Text of the Letter is as follows:

Dear President Obama,

We write to express our concerns over recently announced plans to intervene in the ongoing civil war in Syria by providing lethal assistance to Syrian opposition forces. The conflict in Syria, which has claimed tens of thousands of lives, is an unspeakable human tragedy, and deserves our attention and deliberation. We will continue to support diplomatic efforts to reduce the violence in the region. However, despite our strong desire to see the fighting end, we believe that providing weapons to opposition forces will represent a dangerous escalation of U.S. involvement.

While we sympathize with the tremendous suffering taking place in Syria, we believe providing arms to Syrian opposition forces will exacerbate the conflict, embolden extremist forces, and potentially require further U.S. involvement. Despite the incredible skill and dedication of our military and intelligence personnel, we are not confident that the administration can effectively vet, deliver and maintain the chain of custody on arms to groups in Syria given the circumstances and composition of opposition forces. Many of the groups and individuals involved are known to be affiliated with al-Qaeda, and adversaries of the U.S. and our interests in the region. We are equally concerned with the long-

term political and strategic outcome should the rebels successfully overthrow government forces. In the event President Assad is defeated, what role would the U.S. assume in the aftermath? What would our options be if rebel forces splinter and take up arms against one another? How will we control the transfer, and use of, the U.S.-supplied weapons? How can we be assured that any vacuum created by a rebel victory in Syria will not result in the escalation of U.S. involvement? In a recent letter to Chairman Levin, General Martin Dempsey, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, echoed these concerns, writing:

We have learned from the past 10 years; however, that it is not enough to simply alter the balance of military power without careful consideration of what is necessary in order to preserve a functioning state. We must anticipate and be prepared for the unintended consequences of our action. Should the regime's institutions collapse in the absence of a viable opposition, we could inadvertently empower extremists or unleash the very chemical weapons we seek to control.

We share the concerns expressed by General Dempsey and ask that you inform Congress and the American people on long-term political options and goals for any potential undertaking in Syria. We are extremely troubled by the prospect that any failed action could lead to an escalation of U.S. involvement.

In addition to the concerns addressed above, we are also alarmed by the potential cost of these efforts, as outlined by General Dempsey. As he noted, intervention options range from \$500 million per year, to as much as \$1 billion a month. We question both the Administration's ability to locate these funds and the prudence of additional overseas spending in light of sequestration. Furthermore, we request that any funding you do seek to provide be approved through the normal authorization and appropriations process, subject to the same statutory restrictions and debate that governs nearly all other federal funding. A decision of this importance requires a fully transparent process that results in an informed and deliberate consideration by both houses of Congress.

Finally, we strongly believe that any effort to train, fund, or arm Syrian opposition forces, or otherwise engage in Syria, must first be authorized by Congress pursuant to the Constitution and the authorities outlined in the War Powers Act. Providing arms, training, logistical and intelligence support to opposition forces is an act of war that requires approval by the American people through their elected representatives. In accordance with the Constitution, these activities require the full debate and authorization of the Congress.

We thank you for your attention, look forward to your prompt response, and hope to work with your Administration on this important issue.

Statement from UC Deputy Executive Ken Crannell

Kingston, N.Y.-"There has been much controversy surrounding Assemblyman Kevin Cahill's failure to allow Ulster County's Sales Tax Extension Bill to proceed in the New York State Assembly. By engaging in Albany style politics, the Assemblyman prevented even a vote on the measure, which had already passed the State Senate. There is a growing concern that the New York State Assembly will not reconvene prior to the December 1 deadline to extend the sales tax, thereby putting millions of dollars for our County, Towns, City of Kingston and services to our residents in jeopardy. It is critically important that he focus his energy in getting the Assembly to reconvene.

"We have been dismayed to learn that over the past two days there have been several reports that the Assemblyman and his staff are directing their attention to calling various counties throughout the State in an attempt to only now learn about the Safety Net Program and better understand the consequences of his actions in Albany. Instead of doing his due diligence after the fact, he needs to fix what he has broken.

"The Safety Net program is a New York State-mandated program which is not required or funded by the Federal Government. It provides assistance to those in need who are not eligible for Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Traditionally, the State paid 50% of the cost of the program but in 2011 the State reduced its contribution to 29% and increased the municipalities' share to 71%, once again placing financial strain and burden on local governments and taxpayers.

"Assemblyman Cahill portrays himself as having used his position to help Towns and the City of Kingston. However, by blocking the Sales Tax Bill from passing the Assembly, his actions had the exact opposite effect. In fact, he voted to increase the local share of the Safety Net Program from 50% to 71% on March 31, 2011. In spite of the increased New York State mandates, Ulster County was still able to provide unscheduled relief to the Towns and the City of Kingston in 2011, 2012 and 2013.

"To provide the Towns and the City of Kingston relief from the costs associated with Safety Net, support of County Executive Hein's Safety Net relief plan, which had already begun and providing relief from State man-

dates would have truly assisted those municipalities. The Assemblyman's actions with respect to the County's sales tax bill threaten to undo the very thing for which he claims he was fighting.

"The posturing must stop. Focus on the task at hand. No more excuses, no more claiming to fix a problem that had already been solved. It is time to act in the best interest of the residents of Ulster County. Assemblyman Cahill, fix what is now broken, and get the Assembly to reconvene in Albany and pass the necessary sales tax legislation as the Senate has already done."

POLITICAL SLANT- Frank Comando

DOES DETROIT DESERVE A BAILOUT

YES, BUT THIS TIME PAY FOR IT BY ONLY TAXING THE MAJOR CORPORATIONS NET PROFITS WITH A "BAILOUT TAX," 75% OF THE HIGHEST QUARTERS INCOME. It's only right to save their own.OH YES !THE SURPLUS PUT BACK INTO SOCIAL SECURITY TO REPLACE THE BILLIONS RON REAGAN TOOK OUT FOR DEFENSE.

A WORD OR TWO ON SCHOOL TAXES

Suggestion: School Taxes should be taken off property and placed on income. Then, we will all pay for education, as it should be, instead of just the homeowners footing the bill.

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATORS TAKEOVER OF THE ENTIRE LOCAL SHARE OF SAFETY NET WELFARE COSTS

Ulster County legislators establish policy regarding the county's takeover by 2015 the entire local share of Safety Net welfare costs. However, it was said that their unanimous vote on Tuesday could be meaningless, if the Assembly doesn't convene a special session before the year's end to approve a two-year extension of the extra 1 percent sales tax the county charges. County lawmakers were forced to go on the record with a plan to take over the Safety Net costs or face the loss of the 1 percent sales tax levy when Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, D-Kingston, linked the county takeover of the welfare costs to state approval of the tax extension. Without the extension, \$22 million per year in revenue will be lost. The county's 20 towns and the city of Kingston would lose a combined \$4 million in revenue, if the 1 percent tax is lost to the county.

REPUBLICANS SPLIT ON HOW TO DEFUND

OBAMA CARE - By Michelle Jamrisko - Aug 4, 2013
12:00 PM ET mjamrisko@bloomberg.net

Shutting down the U.S. government to starve President's health-care system overhaul is the wrong solution pushed only by a "few extreme people" in Congress, lawmakers from both major parties said. As Congress prepares to negotiate the federal-budget for the fiscal year that starts Oct. 1, a faction of Republican senators -- led by Ted Cruz of Texas, Marco Rubio of Florida and Mike Lee of Utah -- has said it will force a government shutdown if funding continues for the \$1.3 trillion Affordable Care Act.

I appreciate Senator Cruz's passion, his intent to want to defund Obamacare -- I'd love to do it, too, but shutting down the government and playing into the hands of the president politically is not the right thing to do," Senator Saxby Chambliss, a Georgia Republican, said today on NBC's "Meet the Press" program. "Plus, it's going to do great harm to the American people if we pursued that course."

About 25 million people who lack health insurance are expected to gain coverage from the Affordable Care Act by 2016, through provisions that include government subsidies and an expansion of state Medicaid programs. The complexity, reach and cost of the bill, which Republicans opposed when it passed Congress in 2010, has spurred efforts to derail or defund the core provisions before they take hold Jan. 1.

Senator Richard Durbin of Illinois, the chamber's No. 2 Democrat, said on "Meet the Press" that Cruz's efforts have held up otherwise bipartisan appropriations bills.

"Senator Cruz is part of the few extreme people in the Senate when it comes to this subject, calling for shutting down the government of the United States, even shutting down the American economy to make his political point," Durbin said on the program.

Cruz, who won his first political race in 2012, said on July 30 "if we do not stand on principle now, it is likely that we never will repeal "Obama care."

This space is also for you; To have your comments and/or questions, space allowing, and townsman guidelines adhered to, as listed in the masthead, Email politicalslant@yahoo.com

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Ladies Aid Bake Sale

 Saturday, August 31, 2013
 9 am till sold out!
 Homemade pies, cakes, cookies, brownies and assorted goodies!
 Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
 845-985-7480
 God Bless you and thank you for your continued support!

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Chicken & Biscuits Dinner
 September 7, 2013
 Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm
Menu: Chicken & Biscuits, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, Assorted Cakes, & Drinks
 Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00 under 5 free
 *Takeouts Available!
 Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
 For more information please call: 845 985 7480
 Thank you for your support and God Bless You

Greetings from CrossWay Assembly of God

Pastor Berrios has been deployed to NYC/Metro area in response to Super Storm Sandy with Convoy of Hope for the last 8 months. Now that he is back, he reports that they are making a huge investment for the community, and doing a huge capital campaign, trying to get rebuild the old sanctuary (which is not in use, only for storage) opened to be used as a Children's Center. The goal is to have an After School Mentoring Program that will serve Tr- Valley/ Fallsburg School District. They are shooting for a start up of late spring/Fall of 2014).

Pastor Berrios will be at the Grahamsville Fair, and asks you to please stop by and say hi where he and members of CrossWay Assembly of God will be promoting their new kid fire bible which will blow your mind.

Below are some of their upcoming events they are doing in response to a survey that was done and identified some needs in this area.

On Sept 2nd from 12 to 4pm there will be a Labor Day Open House Car Wash and Picnic with food, music, happy faces, and more...

On Sept 6 and 7 at 7 pm nightly and Sept 8 at 10:30 am Crossway presents God's House Party, for kids of all ages. There will be music, games, crafts, prizes, etc. Both events will also be held at 507 Hasbrouck Drive, Woodbourne, NY.

Starting Sept 18, 2013 at 7 pm. Crossway Assembly of God Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University will present a

nine week course that takes you through a biblical financial journey that will bring enrichment and restoration to your financial challenges.

For more info they can email info@crosswayaog.org or

Lobby of the SC Government Center

As you may recall, the Sullivan County Clerk's Office, partnering with the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce and the Sullivan County Veterans' Service Agency, unveiled its local FAVOR program in the latter part of 2010. FAVOR is the acronym for Find and Assist Veterans of Record. Its primary purpose is to identify and encourage honorably discharged veterans to file his/her DD214 within the County. This would enable the Veteran to become aware of the programs and benefits to which they are entitled. The program further allows participating businesses to express their heartfelt thank you to all honorably discharged veterans in the form of discounts, and proudly display their involvement in the program. Promotion of our outstanding local businesses and merchants is but another segment of the program and we ask they be patronized and acknowledged for their contribution. There are two of the integral partners are making this program such a success; Terri Ward of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce and; John Crotty of the Sullivan County Veterans' Service Agency. We owe them a great deal of gratitude for their endless hours and con-

Neversink Fire Department
54th Annual Chicken BBQ
 Saturday, August 10, 2013
 4pm - 7pm
 Adults \$10.00
 Children 5-12 \$5.00
 under 5- free
 1/2 chicken, macaroni salad, corn on cob, vegetables, ice cream
 take outs available
 50/50 raffle
 Cash raffle - See any Neversink Firefighter
Thank you for your support!

tributions toward making our FAVOR program successful.

This is how the process works. Each veteran is encouraged to check in the Veteran's Office to either confirm the filing of his/her DD214, or to actually file the form. Next would be to make an appointment with the County Clerk's Office to obtain a picture ID card enrolling them in the FAVOR program. Cards issued in each of the participating Counties will be able to be used in the other Counties in the Hudson Valley region of the County Clerks' Association which include Albany, Rensselaer, Columbia, Dutchess, Schoharie, Greene, Ulster, Sullivan, Orange, Putnam and Rockland.

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TIME & THE VALLEYS MUSEUM
 GRAHAMSVILLE, NY
2013 Hours - Memorial Day to Labor Day
 Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.
 September and October-Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.
 Other days and times by appointment.
2013 Admission Fees
 Adults suggested donation: \$5
 Children (6 to 17) suggested donation: \$2
 Children under 6: FREE
 Town of Neversink Residents: FREE every Thursday
 Town of Denning Residents: FREE first Saturday of the month
 Call: 985-7700
 Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) 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 845-794-6325

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!
 5277 State Rt. 42
 South Fallsburg
 845-436-7539
 Rev. Ninon Hutchinson
www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

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

COVERED DISH SUPPER
SUNDOWN METHODIST CHURCH
 Church Hall
 Aug. 3, 2013
 5:30 p.m.

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
 Aug 6, 2013
 Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm
 Luncheon 11am-1 pm
Thrift Sale Only
 Aug 17, 2013
 9 am-1 pm

RAMSAY'S FUNERAL HOMES, INC
 Serving Sullivan County Since 1896
 66 John Street, Monticello, New York (845) 794-2700
 275 S Main Street, Liberty, New York (845) 292-7100
 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)- 8:30 am
Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.
 Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

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

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

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:**REPUBLICAN
CAUCUS NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Republican Caucus will be held in and for the:

Town of: Denning

Time/Date: 10 am - August 24, 2013

Place: Claryville Fire Dept.

For the purpose of nominating Republican Candidates for Town Offices for said Town to be voted for at the November 5, 2013 **GENERAL ELECTION**

DATED: 6-4-2013

Signed: 

Russell Better, Chm.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THERE BEING NO BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD, THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK PLANNING BOARD, SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 7, 2013 HAS BEEN **CANCELLED**.

BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD

TOWN OF NEVERSINK

JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

HELP Committee Passes Key Provisions From Gillibrand "Urban Jobs Act" As Part Of Workforce Investment Act Reauthorization- More Than One-Third Of Minority Youth Unemployed - Workforce Investment Act Provides Critical Resources For Non-Profit Groups To Prepare At-Risk Youth For New Employment And Educational Opportunities As Proposed In the Urban Jobs Act

Washington, D.C. - With more than 16 percent of youth unemployed, including about one-third of the nation's minority youth, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced key provisions from her legislation to help increase employment among at-risk youth have passed the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee (HELP) as part of the reauthorization of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). Senator Gillibrand's Urban Jobs Act would provide federal funding to nonprofit organizations, allowing them to carry out programming to prepare youth for employment, particularly those who have dropped out of high school or have been subject to the criminal justice process.

"Supporting education and training for our youth is a smart investment that can help rebuild local economies and pay dividends over the long term," said Senator Gillibrand. "This effort would give organizations the tools and resources they need to help our youth prepare for future jobs, find employment opportunities, and reach their full potential. The skills they would acquire through this program are invaluable. Helping our youth compete in this difficult economy will have a lasting, positive impact on our community."

"We are thrilled with the bipartisan passage of the Workforce Investment Act, and we especially applaud Senator Kirsten Gillibrand for championing the crucial provisions that will help address the needs of disconnected youth," said Marc H. Morial, President and CEO of the National Urban League. "Senator Gillibrand's leadership in this effort is a clear demonstration of her commitment to helping disconnected youth rebuild their lives by giving them the tools they need, including educational preparation, job training, and mentoring, to become contributing members of society and enable their upward mobility-goals

that are completely aligned with our Jobs Rebuild America campaign.

At more than 16 percent, the youth unemployment rate is more than twice the unemployment rate for people of all ages. The average unemployment rate for minority youths in June was approximately 43 percent for African Americans and 30 percent for Hispanics. Of the estimated 10.6 million youth under the age of 25 who are not fully employed, 1.6 million lack a high school diploma, facing significant barriers to employment, with the labor force participation rate for youth without a high school diploma about 15 percentage points lower than the labor force participation rate for high school graduates.

Lengthy periods of unemployment early in a young person's work life can have lasting negative effects on future earnings, productivity, and employment opportunities. Developing policies such as those under the Urban Jobs Act would assist youth in obtaining the education and skills necessary for success in the labor market, helping reduce youth unemployment and strengthen the economy.

The Urban Jobs Act proposals contained within the reauthorization of WIA include awarding competitive grants to national and regional non-profit organizations, in partnership with local affiliates and workforce investment boards, to provide programming focused on improving the education and training of youth. Funding would be used to provide a comprehensive set of services that includes educational programming, such as skills assessment, reading and math remediation, educational enrichment, General Education Development (GED) credential preparation, and post-secondary education and well as employment and job readiness activities, including mentoring, internships, on-the-job training, occupational skills training, job placement in unsubsidized jobs, and personal development.

After passing in committee with bipartisan support, the WIA bill will move next to the full Senate for consideration.

Beetle Now Confirmed In Cattaraugus, Ulster, Greene, Livingston, Monroe, Steuben, Genesee, Erie, Orange, Albany, Niagara, Dutchess, Tioga, Delaware and Otsego Counties in New York State- Invasive Beetle Could Destroy 7 Percent of NYS Forests - 7.5 Percent of All Trees in U.S.

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry Committee, today urged for additional funding to help research, control and eradicate the Emerald Ash Borer, an invasive insect threatening the 900 million ash trees in New York and throughout the country. There are no known methods to control the Emerald Ash Borer.

"New York State is home to some of the world's most beautiful forests that today are at a major risk," Senator Gillibrand said. "Unless we take action, this harmful insect will continue to spread and eat away at trees and forests. We need to make the right investment and bring this harmful insect to a halt before it's too late."

The infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer, native to China, was first reported in New York State in 2009 when it was found in Randolph, Cattaraugus County. It has since been found in 14 other counties, including Ulster, Greene, Livingston, Monroe, Steuben, Genesee, Erie, Orange, Albany, Niagara, Dutchess and Tioga, and has now spread to Delaware and Otsego Counties.

New York's forests are also a strong economic driver. The state's forest industry employs more than 60,000 workers and generates approximately \$4.6 billion to the state's economy, according to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. "The insect is suspected of first entering the U.S. near Detroit, Michigan, in 2002, where it led to the killing of millions of ash trees in the Midwest, then making its way to 19 states. The beetle has the potential to destroy upwards of 7 percent of the state's forests and 7.5 percent of trees across the United States." In a letter to U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, Senator Gillibrand is advocating for the proper resources to control the invasive species and protect New York's forests. Senator Gillibrand's complete letter: I am writing concerning the recent news that the Emerald Ash Borer is now confirmed to be present in fifteen counties in New York State. As I am sure you are aware, the Emerald Ash Borer, which has the potential to destroy 7.5 percent of trees across the United States, is a small insect that infests and eventually kills ash trees, is continuing to spread, causing serious devastation to our trees, and potential harm to some of our wood industries. The insect was first reported in Western New York over four years ago, threatening nearby state parks and forests. The most recent news that Otsego and Delaware Counties have been added to the list of counties in New York State does not give me confidence that the spread of this harmful insect will be subsiding any time soon. According to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), New York has

more than 900 million ash trees. Several counties in Western New York and the Finger Lakes have a highly concentrated Ash population that makes up nearly a third of their overall forest. As the Emerald Ash Borer continues to invade states that contain ash trees, there is concern that businesses, such as the logging industry and the wooden baseball bat industry, will be severely impacted. For example, the Adirondack Division of the Rawlings Sporting Goods in Dolgeville, located in Herkimer County, is sitting in the middle of a State and Federal quarantine area designed to prevent the Emerald Ash Borer from spreading. These conditions have limited the supply of ash wood, which is the desirable material from which to make a baseball bat, putting the company's production of those bats in danger. Due to the pervasive nature of this issue, I am asking for funding to be made available to assist the research, control and eradication of this population of insects that threaten the ash tree in New York and throughout the United States. If we are going to seriously address spread of the Emerald Ash Borer, it is critical for the federal government to provide the necessary resources to reverse this trend.

NYS Christmas Tree Farmers Meeting Held in Monticello

MONTICELLO, NY- The 60th Anniversary of the Christmas Tree Farmers Association of New York (CTFANY) summer meeting was held in Sullivan County on Friday, July 19, 2013. The purpose of the summer meeting is to provide information and opportunity to its members that include education, quality production, preservation, marketing, and promotion.

The meeting hosted a variety of vendors associated with Christmas trees from across the region and boasted over a dozen classes to keep farmers educated. Some notable classes included machine wreath-making, chemical mowing, Christmas shop business plan, media outreach, and insect identification. Demonstrations on wreath-making and farm walk-throughs were well received. In Over 200 people attendance were over 200 people from across New York State.

Suzanne Stokoe of Stokoe Farms in Scottsville, NY made the trek to the summer meeting. Suzanne comes from a 200 year-old family farm with 4 generations of Cornell Graduates. When asked about one of the biggest challenges related to the Christmas tree industry, she said, "The biggest challenge is in educating new customers. A lot of misinformation is put out by the artificial tree industry, misinformation that non-renewable trees are cut in the forest. The reality is that live Christmas trees are the epitome of the green industry. Good for the environment, recyclable, and renewable".

Karen Rapp, local business and Maplehorst Farm Nursery owner, hosted this successful event which she, along with her father and brother, was on hand talking about their passion for Christmas Trees.

Co-host of the CTFANY summer meeting was Maplehorst Farm Nursery of Monticello, NY and Bells Christmas Tree Farm of Accord, NY. Maplehorst Farm Nursery is owned and operated by John Rapp, along with the help of his children, John Jr. and Karen. Bells Christmas Tree Farm is owned by Gordie and Brian Bell.

Schumer, Gillibrand Announce Over \$200,000 for Joseph Y. Resnick Airport - FAA Awards will be Used to Improve Airport Lighting and Infrastructure

U.S. Senators Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand announced \$211,486 in federal funding is being awarded to Joseph Y. Resnick Airport to improve airport lighting. The funding is allocated through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Airport Improvement Program. "I am pleased to add this federal investment to the list of 'arrivals' at Joseph Y. Resnick Airport," said Senator Schumer. "We should always strive to achieve the highest standards of airline safety, and this funding will support that goal by improving airport lighting."

"This is an important investment for Joseph Y. Resnick Airport and the Hudson Valley," Senator Gillibrand said. "Improving the airport's infrastructure can help provide better, safer service for travelers and businesses, and help strengthen the local economy."

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein said, "I thank Senator Schumer and Senator Gillibrand for this critical investment in the airport's infrastructure. The greater Ellenville area is prime for economic development and private sector investment and these much needed federal dollars will only enhance Wawarsing and Ellenville's potential for growth and continued revitalization." Wawarsing Town Supervisor Scott Carlsen said, "This is an important grant for the Joseph Y. Resnick Airport which is operated by the Town of Wawarsing. The taxi way and runway lighting, as well as the rotating beacon and wind cone have come to the end of their usefulness, so this grant is critical for airport safety. I want to thank Senators Schumer and Gillibrand for their continued support, it is greatly appreciated."

The federal funding for Joseph Y. Resnick Airport will be used to replace the current rotating beacon and wind cone that are currently obsolete, additionally the current taxiway lighting will be replaced to ensure safety and that the airport operates at its highest efficiency.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department
for details and information:
www.townofneversink.org
(845) 985-2262 extension 312

Mad Science Show - Aug 7, Grahamsville Fairgrounds 5 pm-\$3 residents; \$10 non residents; p/p by Aug 6

Frost Valley Tour of the Castle & Dinner Wednesday, September 11. \$15 residents/\$30 non-residents; p/p by Tuesday, August 6,

Family Game Night & Pizza Friday September 20. \$5 family of 4 residents; /\$12 family of 4 non-residents p/p by Tuesday, September 10.

D & U Railroad Saturday, September 28. \$12 residents/\$26 non-residents; p/p no later than Tuesday, August 20.

Water Gap Trolley Show Lunch Wednesday, October 2. \$40 residents/\$59 non-residents; p/p no later than Tuesday, August 6.

Kids Expo - Sunday, October 6. \$12 residents/\$26 non-residents; p/p by Tuesday, August 6.

Ice Skating, Ice Time - Saturday, November 2. DETAILS: \$10 residents/\$23 non-residents; p/p by Tuesday, September 24.

Transportation to NYC - Saturday, December 7. \$21 residents/non-residents; p/p by Tuesday, November 5.

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.

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS - <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>
Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne
Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

The Neversink Association's 2013 Annual Meeting, Program and "Bring Your Own Picnic"

This year's annual event will be on Sunday, September 1, 2013, at noon in Claryville. The site is the field next to the big red barn on the Hunter Road property of Paul and Susan Ten Eyck.

Program speakers will cover the topics of the recently formed Watershed Advisory Group/WAG, the health of the river for fishing and an update on the Stream Management Plan (river restoration and property concerns). Attendees can purchase native plants offered at a benefit sale organized by new Board member, John Byron Kuhner. After the meeting attendees are free to walk a

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- 8/7/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting
- 8/7/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm (CANCELLED)
- 8/8/13 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm Town Hall
- 8/10/13 EWCOB Blueberry Festival (see pg 9 for information)
- 8/11/13 Neversink Afternoon of History from 1 to 4 at the Daniel Pierce Library community room
- 8/11/13 The SC Historical Society, Hurleyville- Sullivan County Hotels 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m (845) 434-8044
- 8/14/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 8/15/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 8/17/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale Only (9am-1pm)
- 8/18/13 Claryville Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon
- 8/19/13 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 8/20/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)
- 8/20/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 8/21/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
- 8/21/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 8/25/13 The SC Historical Society, Hurleyville- Memories of Woodstock 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m (845) 434-8044
- 9/2/13 Town of Neversink Holiday - LABOR DAY
- 9/7/13 Grahamsville Reformed Church Chicken and Biscuits Dinner
- 9/10/13 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - Denning Town Hall- 7 pm
- 9/18/13 Tri-Valley PTO Meeting SS LL Library - 6:30 pm

Save the Dates!

Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival sponsored by the EWCOB -Saturday August 10th- Now - Aug 25 - Studio Monday Art Group presents, **Grahamsville Art Show** - Daniel Pierce Library. Info. (845) 985-7156.

134th Grahamsville Little World's Fair - Aug. 15-18, 2013

Rondout Neversink Antique Machinery Show -Grahamsville Fairgrounds Sept. 21-22

2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sunday, Methodist Church Hall - Date to be announced
Ye Olde In-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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- LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Liberty) • J.B. MAK (Liberty)
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- MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
- ELLENVILLE CITGO
- ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
- PETER'S MARKET

LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE & SHANDAKEN

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.

short distance to the Halls Mills Covered Bridge to inspect the recent repairs.

Go to: www.neversinkas-sociation.com for dues information and details on how to join.

Contact Pat Wellington, President, at (845) 985-7156 with questions.

Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443, Order of the Eastern Star is serving a "Breakfast Buffet"

Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443, Order of the Eastern Star is serving a "Breakfast Buffet" Sunday, August 11, 2013. Serving is from 8:30 AM to Noon at the Masonic Lodge at 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York. Take-Outs are available. Breakfast Buffet will consist of Assorted Egg Casseroles, Home Fried Potatoes, Home Made Breads, Coffee, Tea and Juice.

Price for the Breakfast Buffet- \$7.00 for Adults. \$4.00 for children under 12

Scams Target Seniors

LIBERTY, NY- Caregivers, seniors, and the community are encouraged to be aware of the signs of elder abuse and to know how to prevent and report it. Scams Seniors Face is a free web seminar presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Caregiver Resource Center on Wednesday, August 14, 2013 from 1 to 2 pm. This program will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Participants in this seminar will learn to define the eight most common scams targeting older adults, identify eight signs that an older adult may have been victimized by a scam, and list five ways to prevent and report suspected scams against an older adult. The "hows" and "whys" of senior scams will be examined, and attendees will learn the top scams to watch out for.

Registration for this seminar is requested by August 13 by calling 845-292-6180 or emailing bjl25@cornell.edu.

The presenters of the webinar are Dr. Amy D'Aprix, PhD/MSW (Gerontology), Executive Director of the DAI Foundation, a nonprofit organization established to meet the needs of caregivers, and Mary Alexander, Director of Strategic Alliances with Home Instead Senior Care. Dr. D'Aprix is also President of Dr. Amy Inc., a company dedicated to family caregiver wellness by providing access to information and education, services, support with emotional and family issues, and legal and financial support.

The annual financial loss by victims of elder financial abuse is estimated to be at least \$2.9 billion dollars. This live web seminar will offer plenty of advice on how to protect a senior loved one for caregivers worried an older adult they know could become a victim.

The Caregiver program is made possible through a partnership between Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Office for the Aging in Sullivan County.

Rabid Fox in Bethel

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office is alerting citizens that a rabid fox was captured in the northeast section of the Town of Bethel last week.

On July 24, 2013 at approximately 10:30 AM, a resident on School House Road, which is just off of State Route 55 between Swan Lake and Kauneonga Lake, noticed a fox acting aggressively toward his dogs. The animal was subsequently destroyed and sent to a lab in Albany where it tested positive for rabies. This incident highlights the need to vaccinate your pets and remain on alert for any animals that could come in contact with humans and spread the disease. Sullivan County Public Health is working closely with the Sheriff's Office on this issue and would like to remind residents of the following:

-Pets must receive regular rabies vac-

cine or a confrontation with a rabid animal will lead to a six month strict confinement under observation at your expense or euthanization of your pet.

-Pets should be kept inside and when outside be under observation in an enclosed area or on a leash at all times. -Keep children away from wildlife even if it appears tame.

-The rabies virus is carried in saliva and nervous tissue, not in blood. If your animal has a confrontation with a fox or other wildlife, once you and your pet are safe, you should check your animal for wounds. It is very important that you wear latex gloves while checking to avoid being exposed to possibly infected saliva.

-A vaccinated pet is a safety buffer between rabid wildlife and you.

-Do not attempt to confront a wild animal acting aggressively or of the type that is not normally out during the day: go inside and call 911 immediately.

Call Sullivan County Public Health for information about rabies clinics and for literature or advice about rabies.: 845-292-5910.

Mt. Airy Lodge & Casino Bus Trip

Woodridge Kiwanis Club will sponsor a bus trip to Mt. Airy Lodge on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2013. Included in the trip, Table Games; Dining for Every Palate and a shuttle bus will also be available to "The Premiums" Outlet Mall. The bus leaves from Rock Hill at 8:00 A.M. and eaves Mt. Airy at 3:00 P.M. The \$35.00 per person fee includes \$25.00 in Slot Play plus a \$10.00 food coupon.

Reservations and payment must be received no later than September 24th. Mail payment to: Kiwanis Club of Woodridge, PO Box 722, Woodridge, NY 12789. Contact Diane at 434-7023 for further info.

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- 3+ BR., 2 baths, 2 acres, Tri-Valley Schools in Divine Corners, \$99,900. Owner financing w/25%
- Mini Estate Loch Sheldrake near college. 4+ BR, 2 baths. Unique.
- Handyman Special - 1500 sq ft. Loch Sheldrake. New roof. New Foundation. Needs interior. \$50K
Please Call Teresa 845-321-1919.

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- NEW** Private 3BR/2BA home w/cathedral ceiling, deck, finished walk-out basemt, on 2+acres \$249k
- NEW** 2-4BR/1 BA home w/fpl, on 7+ open & wooded acres (2 lots), steps from hundreds of State acres. \$239k
- Bright 5 BR/3BA contemp on 3.5 acs in N'sink. \$349k
- UNDER CONTRACT** 2BR/1 BA cabin along the N'sink. \$179k
- 2.3 ac level lot with septic designs & drilled well. \$43k
- NEW** Delightful 4BR home & sep cottage w/87 acs. \$299k
- 4BR/2BA colonial w/lg garage on 5 quiet acs \$269,k
- Tasteful 4 BR home with sunroom, bar, fpl, formal DR, lg deck, 2 car garage, on 1.58 acres. \$219,000
- 4BR/2.5 BA eyebrow colonial w/fpl, screened porch, sep dining rm on 15+ acs nr State Land. \$354,000.
- **UNDER CONTRACT** 2BR/1BA log cabin on 20+ acs \$249
- Cute 2BR seasonal cabin on 3 acs w/fpl, screened prch \$99k

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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia

DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE
(Horror, 1941)



A scientist's investigations into the nature of good and evil turn him into a murderous monster. Directed by: Victor Fleming Cast: Spencer Tracy, Ingrid Bergman, Lana Turner, Donald Crisp, Ian Hunter, Barton MacLane, C. Aubrey Smith, Sara Allgood. Tracy and Bergman are excellent in thoughtful, lush remake

of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic, which stresses Hyde's emotions rather than physical horror. Also shown in computer-colored version. **See it on TCM Saturday, August 10, 2013 at 9:00 AM, BW-113 min, Rated TV-PG.**

Quiz: 1. Who played Ivy Peterson? 2. Who played The bishop?

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ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2013... THE 4TH ANNUAL HUMAN LINE OF HOPE & CONGA AGAINST CANCER ACROSS AMERICA FUND RAISING EVENT FOR ST. BALDRICK'S WILL TAKE PLACE IN ELDRED, NY.

If you'd like to be part of this event in your state on this day please contact me by email at **lineofhope@hvc.rr.com**.

The New York event will encompass plenty of entertainment throughout the day, the Human Line of Hope across America, the Conga Against Cancer traveling dance line, and the shaving of heads in solidarity for all kids with cancer. All these events will take place simultaneously all across America.

We also will have our second nationwide message of our cause. Each state that participates will be given one word from our 50 word message to display on Sept. 8th. The state organizer will then email a picture of the word to me where I'll combine it with the other 49 states to reveal our message for this year. We need at least 1 person from every state to complete this message.

The donation to be part of the Human Line of Hope is only \$10.00 per person per letter. Letters can be formed into names of loved ones lost or words of inspiration. The nation will then come together on 9/8/13 to stand in line for all kids lost and still battling cancer. Please join us and make a difference for all kids with cancer.

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CONCERTS IN NAPANOCH

August 14: BREAKAWAY; August 21: SJP;
August 28: RIVERS EDGE

All concerts are held at Southwyck Square located at the Shawangunk Senior Center, 70 Main Street, Napanoch. In the event of rain, concerts will take place at the Elks Pavilion in Napanoch. Bring your own chair or blanket. Refreshments and rest rooms are available.

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