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It's Up to the People -After 50 Years, Legislature Poised to Pass Bill to Allow Casino Gaming in Catskills

State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I - Mt. Hope) and Assemblyman Gary Pretlow introduced legislation (S.5883/A.8101) that is expected to pass the Senate and Assembly this week to authorize up to four casinos across three regions, including the Catskills, if voters approve the plan this November.

In May, Governor Cuomo proposed allowing up to 3 casinos to be spread across 6 upstate regions. Bonacic countered with a bill that would allow up to 5 casinos to be spread across three regions. The legislation expected to pass will allow 4 casinos across three upstate regions.

Senator Bonacic said, "For fifty years, the Catskills have sought gaming as a way to grow our tourism based economy. The gaming bill can create thousands of upstate jobs. New Yorkers now have a choice - keep our money in-state - creating jobs, improving education, and providing resort entertainment experiences; or help Connecticut, New Jersey, and Massachusetts. Now it's up to the people." (Contd. Pg. 4)

FCSD's Night of Honors



For the first time in school history, FCSD installed the new Student Government Association (SGA) Officers and inducted new members into the National and National Junior Honor Societies (NHS and NJHS) on June 4, 2013 in the high school auditorium. (Contd. Pg. 10)

UC Gov Stands Unified in a Bi-partisan call upon Assemblyman Cahill to Stop Playing Politics with UC's Home Rule Request and Hold UC Sales Tax Level



Failure to pass the extension will place property taxpayers at grave risk and force draconian reductions in services at the County, Town and City levels.

In Ulster County like most counties around the State of New York, sales taxes are used to protect property taxpayers. Sales tax lessens the burden on homeowners and is paid by residents and visitors alike. In fact, in 2013, Ulster County had its first property tax decrease in the past decade. Unfortunately, as the New York State Legislature prepares to close its session, Ulster County's Home Rule request is being held hostage in the New York State Assembly. Assemblyman Kevin Cahill is using his leadership position to block the standard bill from reaching the floor for a full vote. Assemblyman Cahill is attempting to set fiscal policy in Ulster County and creating a massive budget hole in the Ulster County 2013 budget and the budgets of every municipality in Ulster County, which will result in draconian cuts. (Contd. Pg. 12)

Tri-Valley Spring Sports Awards

The Tri-Valley Central School Spring Athletic Awards were presented recently at the high school auditorium.

The event also honored legendary coaches Joe and Missy Iatauro who are retiring after completing their thirty ninth and thirty fourth years of consecutive seasons coached.

Robert Hayes and his field maintenance students were given high praise for athletic fields being among the best in Section IX.



Individual awards were as follows:

Field Management by Robert Hayes to Michael Johnson-Rookie of the Year, Mared Ratner-MVP and Kyle Henderson, MIP.

Varsity Baseball by coach John Rusin to Rodney Jester-MVP, Andrew Exner-MIP, Michael Foster, outstanding offensive player

and Alex Brown, outstanding pitcher.

Varsity Girls Track & Field by coach's Joe and Missy Iatauro to Mareena DiMilia-MVP and Autumn Bender-MVP.



Varsity Boys Track & Field by coach's Joe and Missy Iatauro to Aidan Woolsey-MVP.

Varsity Boys Golf by coach Jason Closs to Dion Lynch-Most Valuable, Kyle Rogers-Most Improved and Mark Garigliano-Coaches Award.

Varsity Girls Softball by coach Mary Feusner to Ashley Exner-MVP Offense, Emily DiToro-MVP Defense, K a y l a Yager-MIP and Mikayla Clearwater-Coaches Award.

Varsity Boys Tennis by coach Luis Viornery to Sean Kennedy-MVP and Andrew Raymond, MIP.

Recognizing Success Program at Ulster Regional Chamber of Commerce Breakfast

Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach presents the recipients of his 2013 Recognizing Success Program at the Ulster Regional Chamber of Commerce Breakfast was held at the GARDEN PLAZA in Kingston and acknowledged the entrepreneurial spirit of the student who possesses a propensity for risk, innovation and achievement. (Contd. Pg. 7)



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap what you sow. Galatians 6:7

OBITUARIES

Steven G. Kern of Woodbourne passed away unexpectedly on June 20, 2013 at home. He was 61.

He was the son of Olga Schnauthiel Kern and the late Carl M. Kern, born on July 18, 1951 in Queens, NY.

Steve was a devoted father to his beloved daughter, Kristi. She was clearly daddy's little girl. He was extremely proud of all of her accomplishments. Steve was a partner in Yits Auto Body in Fallsburg for many years. Most recently he worked part time as a manager at Sam's Towing in Liberty. He enjoyed NASCAR and books about any type of car. He was also a big fan of the music from the Woodstock era. Steve had a great sense of humor and enjoyed entertaining friends but especially his family.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his loving daughter, Kristi Kern of Jeffersonville and her boyfriend, Brandon Rubik; his mother, Olga Kern of Chesapeake, VA; brothers, Gary Kern and his wife, Jeanne of Neversink, Carl Kern and his wife, Nancy of Unadilla, NY; his former wife, Nancy Kern Jordan of Jeffersonville; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A funeral service was held on Monday, June 24th at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, Woodbourne with Rev. Ninon Hutchinson officiating. Interment followed at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY.

Donations in Steven's name can be made to the charity of one's choice.

Beverly Mae Youmans of Neversink passed away on June 19, 2013 at Catskill Regional Medical Center SNU. She was 87.

She was the daughter of the late Wilbur and Mildred Lempke Brown, born on July 14, 1925 in Johnson City, NY.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter #443. Beverly was a waitress at Sullivan's Burger Bar and at the Triangle Diner. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and friend to all that knew and loved her.

She is survived by her children: Loretta Strangeway and her husband, Richard of Kissimmee, FL, Charles Youmans and his wife, Abbe of Neversink; her grandchildren: Michael Strangeway and his companion, Renee Johnson, Kristen Stephany and her husband, Andy, Eric Youmans and his wife Stephanie, Jessica and Brett Youmans; her great-grandsons: Michael Strangeway Jr., and Nathan Stephany; siblings: Lynn Brown of Dryden, NY, Arthur Brown of Laurinburg, NC, Joyce Orton of Berkshire, NY, Richard Brown of Richford, NY and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her devoted husband, George E. Youmans.

There was a Service of the Eastern Star followed by a funeral service at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, Woodbourne on Saturday, June 22nd. Rev. Bob Kersten officiated.

COLLEGE NEWS

Brian Edwards Graduates from Alfred State College

On May 19, 2013, Brian Edwards graduated summa cum laude from Alfred State College in Alfred, NY with a 4.0 GPA. He received an AS Degree in Engineering Science.

At the Annual Honors Convocation in April, Brian received the Outstanding Student Award in Engineering Science and the Outstanding Student Physics Award, as well as the Clarkson University Transfer Leadership Award. Last year, he received the Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award.

Brian will be continuing his education at Clarkson University in Potsdam, NY. He will be pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Brian is the son of Kim and Nial Edwards of Neversink, and a 2011 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School.

Days of Yore...

...Today's History

July 1, 1953 - Ed Lewis, veteran fire observer for the Conservation Department, situated at the Red Hill Fire Tower, has reported only eight forest fires this year. This makes it one of the lightest seasons that he can recall in his twenty-three years of duty at his lonely post on Moon Hill.

Camp Laughton on South Hill started its third year of operation today as a camp for deaf and hard of hearing children. Under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Nadoolman, the camp will care for thirty children ranging in age from four to twelve years for a two-month period. Eight trained counselors are employed and teaching by direct voice is a rule here.

June 26, 1963 - Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Houghtaling of Claryville are the parents of a son, Dale Keith, born on June 18th at Maimonides Hospital, Liberty.

Catharine M. Probst, 68, died suddenly at Liberty-Loomis Hospital on Sunday, June 23, 1963. Mrs. Probst, a housewife, had resided in Grahamsville for the past three years. She was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. on February 6, 1895 to Henry and Catharine Schneider. She was married to Herman H. Probst on June 26, 1926, who survives. Other surviving include 2 sons: William H. Probst of Oceanside, L.I. and Herman W. Probst of Grahamsville.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hornbeck was christened at the Sundown Methodist Church on Sunday morning. Miss Linda Greenrose was godmother. Both maternal and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greenrose of Nyack and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hornbeck of Rocky Hill were present.

July 11, 1973 - Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edward VanDover who celebrated 23 years of marriage last week. Saturday evening an outdoor picnic was held at the home of Emma Hamilton to celebrate the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McNamara attended their 20 year high school reunion on Saturday evening at Wenigs. All classmates enjoyed seeing each other once again to talk of old times.

June 30, 1983 - Peter McGinn graduated this week from the Connecticut Police Academy on June 21st. He is a graduate of the University of New Haven with a BS in Criminal Justice. He is now a Park Ranger for the state of Connecticut. Peter is the son of Eileen McGinn and the late Edward McGinn of Moore Hill Road.

Fred, Susan and Katie Booker would like to announce the latest addition to our family: Frederick Jamie Booker was born on June 14, 1983 at Horton Memorial Hospital, Middletown. Mother and son are now home and are doing very well.

FAREWELL TO PASTOR BOB!

The community is welcome to attend a send-off for Rev. Bob Kersten, and his wife, Pastor Sue Woodworth, as he says good-bye to the Grahamsville and Sundown churches and answers the call to a new charge. The celebration of his service to our churches and communities will be on Sunday, June 30th. You are welcome to attend church in Sundown at 8:30 a.m. or Grahamsville at 10:30 a.m. with a covered dish lunch at the Grahamsville Fellowship Hall at 11:45 a.m. Please take this opportunity to say goodbye and thank you to someone who has been such a positive influence in our communities. See you on the 30th and don't forget to bring a dish to pass!

A Round About Tri-Valley-Carol Furman
Frost Valley YMCA recently received the "Eagle Award", a most prestigious honor from the North American YMCA Development Organization. Frost Valley is the first camp to ever win this award! Thanks to CEO, Jerry Huncosky and Development Director, Kathryn Dobbs, and their teams for setting high standards in all facets of their development programs. Congrats, Frost Valley!

Tri-Valley School Cabaret, under the direction of Kevin Giroux, Matt Wyant and John Calabrese was recently held in the TV upstairs gym. Not only did high school students perform, high school Principal, Robert Peters, also performed and, I hear, did a great job!

David Luczyski from Woodridge finished the Rhulen Run and Ramble in grand style last week. Just before the awards ceremony David got down on his knee and proposed to his girlfriend, Kelsi Lockhart. Kelsi is the daughter of Gary and Teri Lockhart. By the way, Kelsi said "yes"! Congratulations to Tri-Valley students Victoria Swett and Jordan Carmody for coming up with the idea for an anti-bullying program which was presented to the students at Tri-Valley School.

The Tri-Valley Lions' Club presented monetary awards to three graduating seniors who demonstrated outstanding community service. The worthy recipients were Keira McHugh, Courtney Kelly and Andrew Exner. Keep up the good work!

Keith Edwards graduated from Tri-Valley Central School in '93, went to college, and then taught for sixteen years at Tri-Valley. He and his wife, Jennifer and their children reside in Neversink. But, not for much longer. Keith has accepted an administrative position at a school in the State of Georgia, and he and his lovely family will be moving there shortly. Keith and Jennifer and the Edwards children will be sorely missed! They have been involved in so many aspects of the Tri-Valley community. We are sorry to see them go, but wish them well as they begin a new segment of their lives in a new State. Our loss is Georgia's gain!

The Tri-Valley Sixth Graders recently spent three days and two nights at Frost Valley participating in the environmental educational program. The three-day program is designed to complement the school curriculum and to provide the students with hands-on natural science experiences. This unique educational experience is something the students will always remember.

My grandson, Adam, and I went to the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop's presentation of the "Miracle Worker" at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. This was a timely presentation for Adam since he had recently studied about Helen Keller while in Mrs. Russell's second grade class at Tri-Valley. The show was great!

A Word to the graduating seniors: It's done. Finished. Over. There is nothing you can do to change the past. Take heart from the knowledge that something good can come of it if it teaches you a lesson. Profit from it - then forget it. (Ann Landers) Congratulations to each of you, and remember that no life ever grows great until it is focused, dedicated and disciplined!

Words of Wisdom: People who tell you never to let little things bother you have never tried sleeping in a room with a mosquito. (Katherine Chandler)

Pool Passes On Sale

2013 Pool passes for the Town of Neversink Pool located at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville will go on sale at the Town of Neversink Town Hall on Monday June 17th. The cost of a pass is \$10.00 per person ages 3 and up. Children under 3 are no charge. Forms are available in the Lobby. The Town Hall is open daily from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Town of Neversink residency is required. The Pool is scheduled to open on June 26th. For more information please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

Swimming Lessons Signup

Swimming Lessons Registration has begun at the Neversink Town Hall. Forms are available at the Town Clerk's Counter. Any child who lives in the Tri-Valley School District and/or Town of Neversink is eligible to participate in the Swimming Lessons Program. There is no fee. Lessons will begin on July 1st. For more information please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

Livingston Manor Artwalk/Chalkwalk

On July 6, 2013 (raindate 7/7), 10am-4pm, Livingston Manor's Artwalk/Chalkwalk will be back with over 25 artists, with works ranging from watercolor, acrylics and oils to mixed media and photography- and this year, we'll craft artisans as well.

The tents will be up from WaterWheel Junction to Pearl Street and Renaissance Park, with more art on display at the following locations: Wildlife Gift has watercolorist Bob Lee, Plunk has Claire Coleman's own exhibit along with the Outsider's Studio and Catskill Art Society has its Members' Show plus a demonstrating potter, Jesse Spaethe. RM Farm Realty will host the work of James Karpowicz, LM Library will display illustrations by Lindsay George and the Ambulance Corps will have Ramona Jan's puppetry at 12:30 and 1:30 pm (plan to be in that area for the shows). Jeff Bank will have two photographers stationed outside, Stephen Davis and James Carney, and Rafael Weinstein will also be demonstrating his art alfresco, as many of our other artists will. There will be artists and their work spread from one end of town to the other.

Food will be available as well. Local barbeque and hotdogs by Manor Ink. To keep visitors on track, maps will be handed out and posted in store windows alongside artwork from out participating artists. Directions and other info for the Manor-along with a sneak peek at all of our participants-will be on our website www.livingstonmanor.org by July 1.

ChalkWalk be part of the fun for kids who want to become a "Livingston Manor Artist for the Day" with certificates for all and selected creations to be shown in our YouTube 2013 Artwalk/ChalkWalk video.

AARP Driver Safety Program

The AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the following location: South Fallsburg Community Center, Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York on Saturday, July 6, 2013 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

and on Saturday, July 20, 2013 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM -PLEASE ARRIVE AT 8:45 AM- NO WALK-INS

To Register - Call Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

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

For information, phone Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

The fee is \$17 for AARP members and \$19 for non-members; make checks payable to AARP, and mail to Sonny Smith. Please enclose your phone number with payment. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging & RSVP.

Celebrate summer!

The new Pure Catskills guide is out, produced by the marketing arm of the Watershed Agricultural Council. 60 pages of farms, markets, producers, restaurants, farm lodging, activities, u-pick operations, wool producers, even farm radio shows in the region. View it online at the Pure Catskills website, where you can read farmer profiles, find out about events for and by farmers, and learn more about the connection between healthy farms and clean water.

Electrical Licensing Board Work Session

Cora A. Edwards, Chair of the Public Safety and Law Enforcement Committee will hold a work session in regard to the Electrical Licensing Board on Tuesday, July 18, 2013 at 2:00PM in the Sullivan County Legislative Committee Room. Mrs. Edwards stated, "We want to be responsive to the safety concerns that the electrical community has presented to us". The meeting is open to the public.

For more information, please call Legislator Cora Edwards, Chair of the Public Safety and Law Enforcement Committee at 845.807.0438.

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.

The Soft Fragrance of a Wild Rose

Has anyone smelled the roses by the Grahamsville Post Office? Last Wednesday was a beautiful and the smell of the wild roses coming from the prolific bushes in back of the post office was magnificent.



Although these little showy flowers that create a living fence are very fragrant, they are now considered an invasive species in some states, as they are difficult to contain.

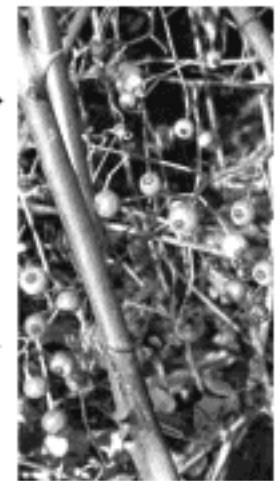
The wild rose, *rosa multiflora*, is a species rose native to Asia. It is a robust perennial shrub with thorny arching stems. Originally introduced to help with soil erosion, hedging and food for wildlife, it's vigor and hardiness has enabled it to spread quickly.



Rosa multiflora blooms once in June, with clusters of white, honey-scented blossoms. These true wild roses are all single with exactly five petals and each flower has numerous pollen containing stamens in the center. The blossoms grow on the small-leaved climbing shrub that often uses other trees and shrubs for their support, and can grow over 15 feet in height.

By fall, the numerous blossoms will mature into a berry-like seed-bearing fruit; bright red rose hips. Wild rose hips persist on the plant during much of the winter. Many birds and mammals depend on the dry fruits when the ground is covered with snow. Their fruits or hips are tasty treats for wildlife and contain Vitamin A and C.

The sharp objects along the stem are commonly called "thorns", but they are technically prickles; outgrowths of the outer layer of tissue of the stem, or epidermis. *Rosa multiflora* prickles are typically sickle-shaped hooks, which aid the wild rose in hanging onto other vegetation when growing over it.



The *rosa multiflora* is truly a Wild Rose. According to the botanical term for a wild rose or "species rose" means the species occurs naturally and needs no help from a human.

Multiflora rose was introduced to the eastern United States in 1866 as rootstock for ornamental roses. Beginning in the 1930s, the U.S. Soil Conservation Service promoted it for use in erosion control and as "living fences" to confine livestock. State conservation departments recommended *multiflora* rose as cover for wildlife. More recently, it has been planted in highway median strips to serve as crash barriers and reduce automobile headlight glare. Its tenacious growth habit was eventually recognized as a problem on pastures and unplowed lands, where it disrupted cattle grazing, and, more recently, it is perceived as a pest of the natural ecosystems. It is designated a noxious weed in several states, including Iowa, Ohio, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

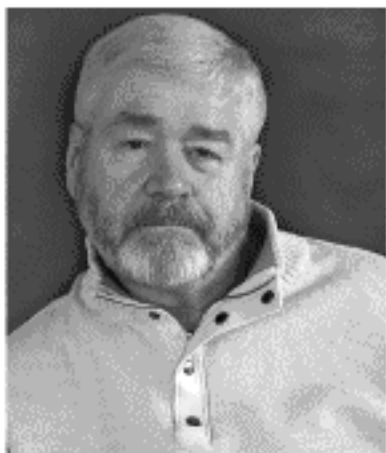
The rose, in all its variety and color, was made the New York State flower in 1955. Roses have been appreciated throughout the centuries and considered the symbol of love and has been mentioned in many writings throughout history. Even though the fantastic new roses in today's world offer almost anything you may desire in color or fragrance, many people continue to believe there is no purer beauty than the true wild rose.

Household Hints

Purge bugs from your pantry

Do you have moths or other insects in your cupboard or pantry? Fill a small bowl with 1 1/2 cups apple cider vinegar and add a couple of drops of liquid dish detergent. Leave it in there for a week; it will attract the bugs, which will fall into the bowl and drown. Then empty the shelves, and give the interior a thorough washing with dishwashing detergent or 2 cups baking soda in 1 quart (1 liter) water. Discard all wheat products (breads, pasta, flour, and such), and clean off canned goods before putting them back.

The Death of Bees - Mysterious Book Report No. 103 John Dwaine McKenna



The novel we're reviewing this week is one of the most talked about this year. After reading it I understand why. It's a mystery that concerns itself not with *who did it*, but instead with *How long can they get away with the crime?* It's written by a native of Scotland named Lisa O'Donnell in the form of three, first-person narratives: Marnie, a fifteen year old who's been hardened by the bleakness of her life and situation. She's trying to protect her younger sister, Nelly. Nelly is a twelve or thirteen year old prodigy who plays classical violin like an angel. Her narrative is self-centered and not much concerned with reality, because Nelly is in an Alice in Wonderland state that's sort of denial and sort of *if I ignore it, it will go away*. The third narrative comes from Lennie, the girls gay next-door neighbor. He's an old man whose narrative is addressed to his dead lover, a man named Joseph.

The Death of Bees (Harper Collins, \$25.99, 309 pages, ISBN 978-0-06-220984-9) by Lisa O'Donnell is a *tour de force* of creative writing in the English language. Each character speaks to the reader in a clear, distinct and unique voice to tell a part of the tale as no other character could possibly do. Then, like a harmonious trio, the three narratives blend together to tell the story in its entirety.

As the novel begins Marnie and Nelly, two abused and neglected children of drunken, drug-addicted parents, are trying to figure out what to do with the dead and putrefying body of Gene. He's their father. He's been dead for a bit over a week after being smothered by a pillow while in a self-induced coma fueled by drugs and alcohol. The darkness of a winter night finds them digging a shallow grave in the

backyard garden. After some initial hesitation, they stuff Izzy, their neglectful mother in too. She's been out in the garden shed since hanging herself the same day that Gene died. After the hole is filled in, the girls plant lavender to disguise the grave. All's well at first. The girls tell anyone who asks, "Gene and Izzy have gone to Turkey" on an extended holiday. The ploy works for a little while, but then problems arise; like that pesky dog, always digging in the yard . . . always sniffing around the garden . . . digging. The suspense intensifies with each passing page as more folks; like Mick the drug-selling ice-cream vendor who's missing a whole lot of cash; and Vlad, the sinister thug Mick owes the missing money to. And all the while everyone and everything is being observed by Lennie, the lonely old man next door. If crime-fiction and intelligent murder mysteries are your bag-do not miss *The Death of Bees*. Lisa O'Donnell writes with intelligent graceful compassion and understanding. Her book is one of the best books this year and will be discussed for a long time to come. It has the hallmarks of a classic; it's unforgettable.

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—JDM

DEP Opens Catskill Lands and Reservoirs for Certified Guided Tours Certified Guides Provide Hunting, Fishing, and Hiking Expertise and will Help Boost Local Economies

New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Carter Strickland announced a new program that will allow New York state-certified outdoor guides to utilize City-owned land and reservoirs in the Catskills for the first time. The program for certified guides underscores DEP's ongoing effort to encourage low-impact recreation on City-owned property in the watersheds that will support the tourism economy in the Catskills. Outdoor guides, long a staple of the Catskills, offer services for hire that include instructing or aiding visitors in fishing, hunting, or hiking.

"Professional guides offer a valuable service for those who are seeking outdoor recreational opportunities in the Catskills," Commissioner Strickland said. "By opening City-owned properties to these outdoor experts, DEP hopes visitors, including New York City residents, will find new places to enjoy the excellent fishing, hunting, and hiking in the scenic watershed."

Outdoor guides that want to offer services on City-owned properties must be certified to do so by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Among other requirements, the state program requires all guides to be certified in first aid, CPR, and water safety. Guides also must pass a state exam. Guides who are interested in utilizing City-owned land can call DEP at (800) 575-LAND. Visitors interested in choosing a guide may also call that number to ensure a guide is certified to offer tours on City-owned properties. DEP will not charge a fee, but guides will be required to complete an application and provide a copy of their state certification. Seasons for guide services will coincide with state hunting and fishing regulations, and the City's recreational rules.

DEP established the program for guides after consulting with tourism agencies and other partners across the Catskill and Delaware Watersheds. In recent years, the City has sought to boost tourism in the Catskills by establishing a recreational boating program at four of its reservoirs, starting a pilot program to use electric trolling motors for fishing on Cannonsville Reservoir, and opening more than 52,000 acres of land that can be used without a permit for hunting, hiking, and other low impact outdoor activities. Opening those properties for outdoor recreation was among 100 initiatives outlined in Strategy 2011-2014, a comprehensive strategic plan to help ensure DEP is the safest, most efficient, cost-effective, and transparent water utility in the nation. At the same time, DEP has continued a rigorous program of water quality monitoring to ensure that recreation activities do not affect the high quality of the City's drinking water.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than 9 million residents, including 8.3 million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam, and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reser-

voirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP employs nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$68 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with over \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

It's Up to the People (From Pg. 1)

Bonacic recently met with the head of Foxwoods, which would like to compete for a casino in Liberty. Foxwoods President, Scott Butera informed the Senator that Foxwoods annually spends \$100 million a year with nearby businesses.

Empire Resorts is currently partnering with EPR to re-develop the Concord hotel site, has already spent tens of millions of dollars and is near having all local approvals in place. The Nevele project in Ellenville would pump nearly a half a billion dollars into Ulster County.

The Senator acknowledged that he would have preferred some changes in the final bill but the changes he preferred were not enough to ignore the opportunity the final agreement presented. "I would have preferred five not four casinos. However, with any number of casinos, the Catskills can and will successfully compete against any other part of the State and nation for gaming and entertainment dollars. We are the closest region to the City. We are an historic tourism destination. We have large gaming vendors ready to go. This is a key opportunity to change our economy for the next several decades," Senator Bonacic said.

Town of Thompson Supervisor Tony Cellini said, "It's here. This is our chance. We can grow the jobs that our residents hunger for, or continue to send money out of State. We need to get this done."

Ulster County Legislator Craig Lopez said, "This creates an opportunity for two casinos in the Catskills, including one at the Nevele. The jobs the Nevele can bring can transform Wawarsing. I look forward to working closely with Senator Bonacic in support of the gaming referendum, and then to work in support of the Nevele project."

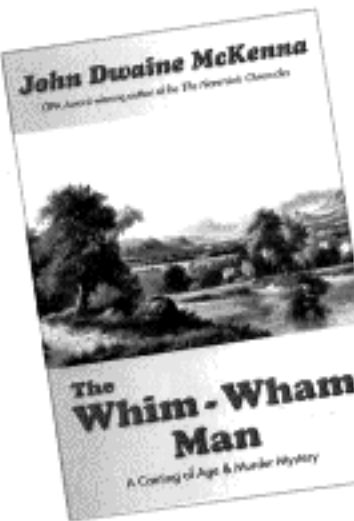
For decades, legislation has been considered by the Senate or Assembly to authorize casino gaming. However, the two passages by two separately elected State Legislatures - which is needed to put the issue on the ballot - has never materialized.

"Governor Cuomo has accomplished what nobody else has in terms of leading both the Senate and Assembly to this point. I look forward to working with him to accomplish the promise of thousands of upstate jobs," Senator Bonacic concluded.

Assemblywoman Gunther Statement on Passage of Casino Gaming Constitutional Amendment and Enabling Legislation

"I'm happy to report that the Assembly just achieved second passage of the Constitutional Amendment that would allow casino gaming in New York, as well as passage of the enabling legislation outlining the process to site casinos and set regulations for their operations. This has been a long-time coming, to say the least.

I have and will continue to fight to bring the two allowable licenses in our region to Sullivan County. Aside from the extraordinary economic benefit from job creation, the economic spin-off to our struggling county would be tremendous for families as well as small businesses. These projects will bring thousands of new tourists who will quickly realize all that Sullivan County has to offer - whether it's hiking through our beautiful area, taking in a concert at Bethel Woods or visiting one of our local distilleries or wineries."



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Political Mathematics

After twenty-six years, Bert Leifeld is retiring. He has provided a sense of political stability as Supervisor for Olive for two and a half decades. The question now is, "Who will follow in his footsteps?" The town government has continued, with little controversy, as the status quo with Bruce La Monda who is both Town Councilman and Deputy Supervisor, and Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk, for most of Bert's tenure. The good news is that both these experienced and veteran office holders have expressed an interest in running for Town of Olive Supervisor. The bad news is that they will have to face each other in the Democratic Caucus on July 11 to see who gets the nomination for Supervisor.

There is also an abundance of candidates who want the nomination for Town Council seats. Three candidates for two seats. Linda Burkhardt, incumbent, and Jim Sofranko and Drew Boggess, Planning Board Chair, will face the same vote for nominations at the caucus.

Another head to head conflict is for the office of Town Clerk since Sylvia Rozzelle is retiring from that office. Sue Horner, Bert's secretary, and Dawn Giuditta, secretary to the Town Justice, are both seeking that job.

Meanwhile, Bruce LaMonda, Linda Burkhardt, Jim Sofranko and Sue Horner have already received The Working Families Party's endorsement prior to the July caucus. Their names will appear on that line even if not selected at the Democratic Caucus.

I remember sitting at the American Legion Hall with a telephone book (remember those things) and calling and begging people to allow us, the Democratic Committee, to let us put their name into a candidate's slot. Republicans had similar difficulty sometimes leaving slots blank or cross-endorsing Democrats.

This year we Democrats have an abundance of candidates seeking permission to run and a paucity of slots on the ballot. Republicans have not yet set their Caucus date and rumors are flying about who will run on that ticket.

Unfortunately, having too many candidates to ADD to the ticket, sometimes MULTIPLIES the controversy and DIVIDES supporters. Let's hope that does not happen in Olive.



RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES- Fred Perry-Owner of Reservoir Music Center

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Music journalism lost one of the great ones last week. Chet Flippo, who wrote for several major music publications, including Rolling Stone, Billboard, Texas Monthly, and The New York Times, and served most recently as editorial director of CMT and CMT.com, passed away in Nashville at the age of 69. His first book, *Your Cheatin' Heart: A Biography of Hank Williams*, remains the definitive bio of the Country Punk Rock n Roll superstar, and was very inspiring to me when I was forming The Brooklyn Cowboys! In fact, The Brooklyn Cowboys got their name when our recording engineer asked me what name to put on the tape reel for our first demos (which, by the way, were recorded in 1996, and featured Larry Campbell on fiddle and steel guitar). With no thought, I blurted out, "The Brooklyn Cowboys", and that was it!

Now, I happened to be reading Chet's Hank bio at the time, and in the millisecond after I said it, my first thought was "Driftn' Cowboys, Brooklyn Cowboys"! Not that I was trying to copy Hank's band name. I did say it came out with no thought involved, but afterwards, this thought affirmed the name! But I digress. Back to Mister Flippo.

Chet's first article for Rolling Stone was about the vastly underrated Doug Sahm, the Austin based Country Blues RnB rocker who clearly should be in every hall of fame there is! Chet was a fierce advocate for Country music and the Country and Rock overlap, early on, when Gram Parson and Chris Hillman, The Grateful Dead and The New Riders, and The Band, amongst others, were trying it on for rock audiences and finding it flew!

Chet was, as they say in England, a lovely man. He was liked by musicians (and everyone), and was just one of those guys who you loved immediately, and who you knew had a good heart! Chet lost his wife, Martha, last December, and may have died of sadness and a broken heart, but the doctors said pneumonia. I'm sure it was the rockin' kind. Chet Flippo RIP!

Of course, everybody knows by now that James Gandolfini also died last week, of a heart attack at the age of 51! While Gandolfini is not really part of the music world, he was such a cultural icon that he crossed all barriers! He was best known for "The Sopranos", of course, and music was featured very prominently in that show. Not to mention that Gandolfini's underboss was Little Steven Van Zandt, Bruce Springsteen's guitar player! The day after his death, Springsteen and The E Street Band gave a full album performance of "Born to Run" and dedicated it to Gandolfini! Thanks for the memories Jimmy! RIP!

Not as many people know that we also lost Joey Covington, former drummer for The Jefferson Airplane, who wrote and sang their last hit, 1971's "Pretty as You Feel"! Covington hit a retaining wall and was not wearing a seat belt! Wear your seat belts kids! Covington was 67.

Now, I must confess, I heard about Joey Covington, but when it came time to write this column, I couldn't remember who died. I just knew that someone noteworthy in the music world had died, but I had forgotten who! So, not wanting to not pay my respects, I researched it, and remembered it was Covington, but a funny thing happened on the way to Joey Covington. I found out that Slim Whitman had also died, at the age of 90 from a heart attack! Now if you don't know who Slim Whitman was, I ain't gonna tell ya, but trust me, he was iconic, mainly because of his late night campy TV commercials where he sold his music catalog. 90 years old! Slim's generation knew how to live...long!

I also found out while researching Covington, that Nigerian musician, Fatai Rolling Dollar, had died at 86. Never heard of him, but you gotta love that name!

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that the verified world's oldest living man is no longer with us, either! Jiroemon Kimuro passed away of natural causes at the age of 116 on June 12!!!

And finally, just as we were going to press, I got the news that Rock and Roll Hall of Famer Bobby 'Blue' Bland, had passed away at the age of 83! Turn on your lovelight Bobby! RIP.

Sorry to have to be the bearer of all this death news, but hey, people die, and a lot of notables have done so recently. I calls 'em as I sees 'em! But now for some good news! The Rolling Stones entire catalog has just been made available on iTunes! Did I say "entire"? Yes, I did. Everything! "Stoned" to

"Doom and Gloom", it's all there! And digitally remastered exclusively for iTunes, so technically, it's new!

In local news that reaches beyond to the world at large, Governor Andrew Cuomo has made it official! The entire length of Route 375, between Route 28 and Route 212, the road into Woodstock, is now Levon Helm Memorial Boulevard! Cool! And in other Levon related news, Amy Helm has started a new music series at The Barn that looks really promising to me. It's called Amy Helm Presents: Friday Nights at Levon's Barn, and I think they've finally come up with the way forward. Ticket prices are set at an affordable \$35, and I think all the elements are there to make this a success, so support it!

So, is that enough news for ya? Well, there'll be more in the live music picks, so here we go.

Wednesday, June 26 - Wow, do we have a lot going on this week! Summertime is music time, USA! Tonight, Brazilian legends OS MUTANTES make their reunited debut at The Bearsville Theater. You can read their extensive bio on the theater's website, so I'll just say that these guys are a very important band. I haven't really heard much of their music, but I know I wanna check 'em out! Last week's Pick of the Week, ROBERT CRAY at Infinity Music Hall, is downgraded to simply highly recommended, which doesn't make it any less enjoyable than it was last week. There's just too much going on to keep it as this week's pick. In the city, MOE at Beekman Beer Garden Beach Club, COURTNEY LOVE at Warsaw in Brooklyn, and at BB King's, the great BUDDY GUY will hold court tonight and Thursday! I'm sure Buddy'll have something to say about Bobby 'Blue' Bland passing over.

Thursday, June 27 - In the city, lots of choices tonight. In Woodstock, not so much. The only show in town is THE GABE BUTTERFIELD BAND with special guest, KAL DAVID! David is a fantastic guitar player, and this band's regular guitarist, Jimmy Eppard, is no slouch! Plus, they've got Rob Papparozi, probably the best inheritor of Paul Butterfield's musical legacy, on harp! Downstate, Americana heroes OLD 97's begin a 3 night run at Brooklyn Bowl, jazz legend ROY HAYNES starts a 3 night engagement at The Blue Note, and PETER FRAMPTON, who, contrary to his teeny bopper image, is a pretty damn good guitar player, brings his GUITAR CIRCUS into The Beacon Theater with special guests ROBERT CRAY, DON FELDER (The Eagles), and ROGER MCGUINN. Sounds pretty good to me!

Friday, June 28 - Guitarist's guitarist, RICHARD THOMPSON, returns to The Bearsville Theater and AMY HELM kicks off her FRIDAY NIGHT AT LEVON'S BARN series, while down in the city, immortal songwriter JIMMY WEBB (check out his catalog on Wikipedia. It's freakin' unbelievable!) stops by The Cutting Room, and jazz giant, WAYNE SHORTER, celebrates his 80th birthday at Town Hall! Are you serious? Wayne Shorter's 80?! I know he cut his teeth with Miles and Art Blakey, and helped invent fusion with Weather Report in the 1970's, but 80?! Already?! Didn't know he was that much of a senior citizen. Well, happy birthday Wayne. You're in rarified company.

Saturday, June 29 - TONY BENNETT. UPAC. Nuff said, okay? Levon's Barn is hosting CONNOR KENNEDY for his record release party. I'm sure there will be many surprise guests at this event, and you can get in for only \$20. Pretty sure it will be money well spent. In the Big Apple, OS MUTANTES are at The Prospect Park Bandshell, a great place to see anyone, master acoustic guitarist TOMMY EMMANUEL is at BB King's, rocker GARLAND JEFFRIES at Highline Ballroom, and the Hudson Valley's own LARA HOPE AND THE ARKTONES ARE AT The Rodeo Bar, so if you're in the neighborhood, stop by and support Lara. No cover.

Sunday, June 30 - THE NEW RIDERS OF THE PURPLE SAGE bring Country-Rock to the former jazz club Iridium, but the really big shoe tonight (as Ed Sullivan used to say) is BIG STAR THIRD, performed by an all star house band with a 20 piece orchestra and special guests, in Central Park! Big Star was one of the most influential bands of their time. Peter Buck of REM says, "Big Star served as a Rosetta Stone for a whole generation of musicians"! Core band for this event is Mike Mills (REM), Richard Lloyd (Television), famed producer Mitch Easter, Chris Stamey (DB's), Ken Stringfellow

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CWC awards 22 Education Grants

Twenty-two education grants totaling nearly \$125,000 were recently approved by The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) Board of Directors.

Twenty awards will go to schools and non-profit organizations serving students and their teachers in the Catskills and in New York City. Two more grants were approved under the Special Program Fund for projects to extend Watershed lessons to general and adult audiences.

The intent of both programs is to heighten awareness and understanding of the New York City water system and its vast Watershed West of the Hudson River.

CWC grants are provided in partnership with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection. The Round 16 grants approved at the May 7 CWC board meeting will send students to the Ashokan Center and to Frost Valley YMCA Environmental Education Center for direct experience at the source of the water supply for nine million people. Other grants will support Arm of the Sea Theater and Catskill Tales & Tunes water-related performances, as well as equipment for raising Trout in the Classroom.

Three schools will purchase classroom models to allow them to "see" the impacts of non-point source pollution on surface waters and the way groundwater works.

Sullivan County Cooperative Extension will receive two awards -- a regular education grant to teach stream concepts to county teachers, and a Special Program grant to explain stream management issues to creekside Watershed residents with primary homes in New York City.

Other projects include a second water mural planned for a New York City street by an organization called Groundswell that teaches and employs city youth to produce thematic public art; and a Special Program grant to Olive Free Library to provide water-related theater, music and poetry programs.

Another grant will support an exciting new venture by the NYC-based HarborLab to maintain a fleet of kayaks and canoes on the Neversink Reservoir for use by city students and their Watershed peers in conjunction with lessons about water quality and environmental protection.

Other recipients of CWC Education Grants this year include, from the Watershed: Walton and Franklin Central Schools, Phoenicia Elementary School, and Woodstock Day School.

New York City-based recipients are Friends of PS 166, Rocking the Boat, PS 11, PS 144Q, Eltingville Lutheran School, Columbia Secondary School, Brooklyn School of Inquiry, IN-Tech Academy, Earth School, PTA of the Neighborhood School and Family Life Academy Charter School. (Contd. Pg. 14)

Liberty Free Theatre Presents a Slight Ache Rarely Performed Play by Nobel Laureate, Harold Pinter

The Liberty Free Theatre, in collaboration with the Liberty Museum & Arts Center, will start its fundraising campaign to create a new state-of-the-art theatre. The inaugural event will be a reading of Nobel Laureate, Harold Pinter's rarely performed comic masterpiece, *A Slight Ache*. Featured performers are Paul Austin and Karen Young. Performances are Friday and Saturday, June 28 and 29 at 7:00 P.M. Reservations are recommended. The audience is invited to gather after the performance for food and drink. The performance will take place at the Liberty Museum and Arts Center at 46 South Main Street in Liberty. Suggested donation is \$25. Call 845 798-1527 or email libertyfree1@verizon.net for reservations and information.

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... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. As summer approaches, the story of a carefree vacation in the Catskills should be added to your summer "must-read" list. The memoir is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to amazon.com or barnesandnoble.com and type in *Prosilio* in the search to order your copy of *Prosilio*

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Recognizing Success Program
(From Pg. 1) The Recognizing Success program identifies that student who is willing to launch a creative new venture, enterprise or approach for the public good. The program seeks to honor students who are:

- Social entrepreneurs whose initiatives improve and transform social problems.
- Environmental entrepreneurs tackling an environmental concern from an a typical perspective.
- Educational entrepreneurs who challenge academic custom with stellar results.
- Economic entrepreneurs who start businesses or earn income despite traditional economic limitations.

The 2013 Recognizing Success recipients are: Ellenville Logan Rotolo; Highland Saige Greenwell; Kingston Allie Hite; Marlboro Jessica Dirago; Mount Academy Veronica Domer; New Paltz Eric Januszkiewicz; Onteora Jordan Bock; Rondout Valley Meghan Roosa; Saugerties Maureen Ball;

Wallkill Meghan Graham; and Woodstock Day School Elizabeth Struzziere

"The nominations we received spoke beautifully about these young people," said the Comptroller. "It gives us needed hope for the future to know that these students understand the challenges of leadership and are unafraid to practice it."

Roscoe Independence Day Parade and Festival

Roscoe Independence Day Parade and Festival will be held on Saturday, July 6th.

Parade Line up at Roscoe Central School - 10:00 am
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Local entrepreneurship generally involves taking on greater than normal financial risks, and locally owned businesses recycle a large share of their revenue back into the local economy, thus enhancing the value of the whole community. Entrepreneurship fuels America's economic innovation and prosperity, and serves as a key means for families to move out of low-wage jobs and strengthen the middle class.

Having a marketplace shared by thousands of small businesses is a means of ensuring innovation and in the long-term, lower prices. Small businesses select products based on the needs of their local customers. Throughout the Catskills, there are many small and unique businesses, guaranteeing a much broader range of products.

This busy summer season, plan to shop locally. You will be glad you did!

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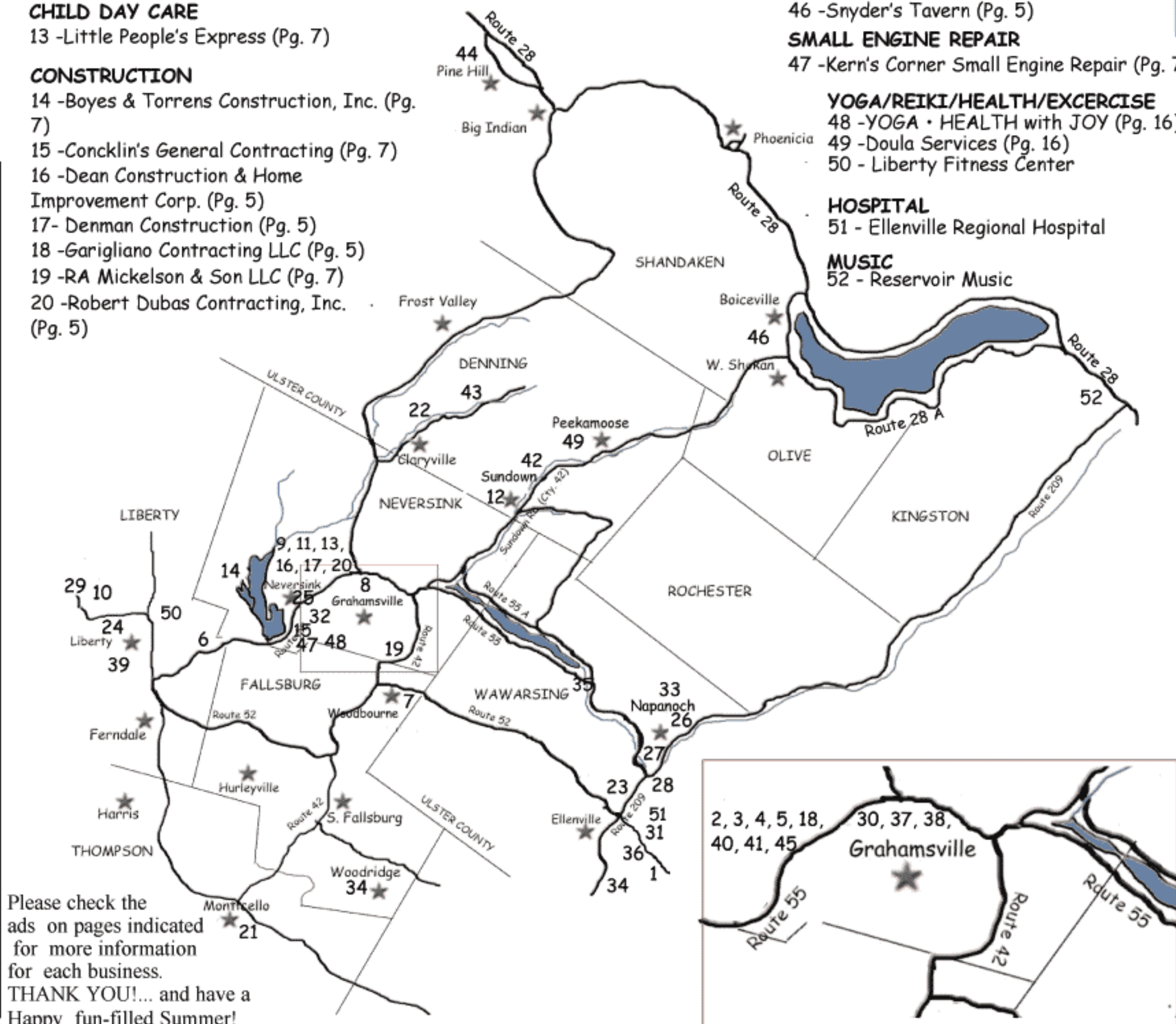
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ASK Prepares to Launch their 10th Kingston Sculpture Biennial in July!

This year's Kingston Sculpture Biennial, Texture of Place, will take place in the Historic Rondout District of Kingston. The sculptures will be placed all along lower Broadway starting at the Art Society of Kingston (ASK), down around the Visitor's Center and along the waterfront. The biennial opens July 6th with a reception from 5-6 p.m. at ASK, 97 Broadway, where folks can meet the participating artists. The biennial will be on view through the end of October.

Curated by Sarah Bachelier, this year's biennial will show approximately 20 artists responding to the theme Texture of Place all in unique and remarkable ways. The sculptures range from more traditional materials such as marble and metal, to larger installations using mixed materials.

A self-guided walking tour and map of the biennial will be offered at ASK, as well as free public tours for all ages on the first Saturday of every month while the biennial is presented.

Sarah Bachelier grew up in the Hudson River Valley and attended Sarah Lawrence College receiving a BA in Liberal Arts in 2003 and Bard College where she received her MA in Curatorial Studies in 2008. Sarah currently works for Sawkill Co. in Rhinebeck and also consults as a museum educator, art archivist and curator.

For more information please contact the curator, Sarah Bachelier at: Kingstonsculpturebiennial2013@gmail.com

15th Year Celebrated by Literacy Volunteers of SC

Literacy Volunteers of Sullivan County celebrated its 15th Tutor-Student-Volunteer Recognition Dinner on Sunday, June 9th, in the Community Room of the Monticello Fire House.

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther and Linda Cellini, as Senator John Bonacic's representative, spoke in support of literacy and congratulated everyone.

All tutors, students and volunteers were individually recognized. A tutor spoke about her extremely satisfying experience tutoring her adult student and three students spoke very emotionally about what their improvement in English literacy skills has meant to them. Twelve new tutors just finished their training and are being matched one-to-one with students.

The next Tutor Training will be in the fall. If you are interested in finding out more about the mission of Literacy Volunteers or about becoming a volunteer tutor, please e-mail us at lvascny@gmail.com or call 845-794-0017.

If you know an adult who needs to improve his or her reading, writing or speaking skills in English to have a better quality of life, please tell them about Literacy Volunteers. All services are free and confidential.

Take Language Classes At LVSC This Summer!

Literacy Volunteers is pleased that a professor and friend of Literacy Volunteers will be offering language classes at The Literacy Center this summer.

Classes will be offered in July and August (8 weeks). Italian, Spanish, French and Arabic will be available. 32 hours of instruction in each language will be given for a charge of \$100 per person. The minimum age requirement for any class is 15 years of age.

In addition, individual tutoring will be offered in French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese and Hebrew.

These one hour tutoring sessions will be offered on Tuesdays (time to be arranged with the teacher). The minimum age requirement for individual tutoring is 10 years of age and the charge is \$15 an hour.

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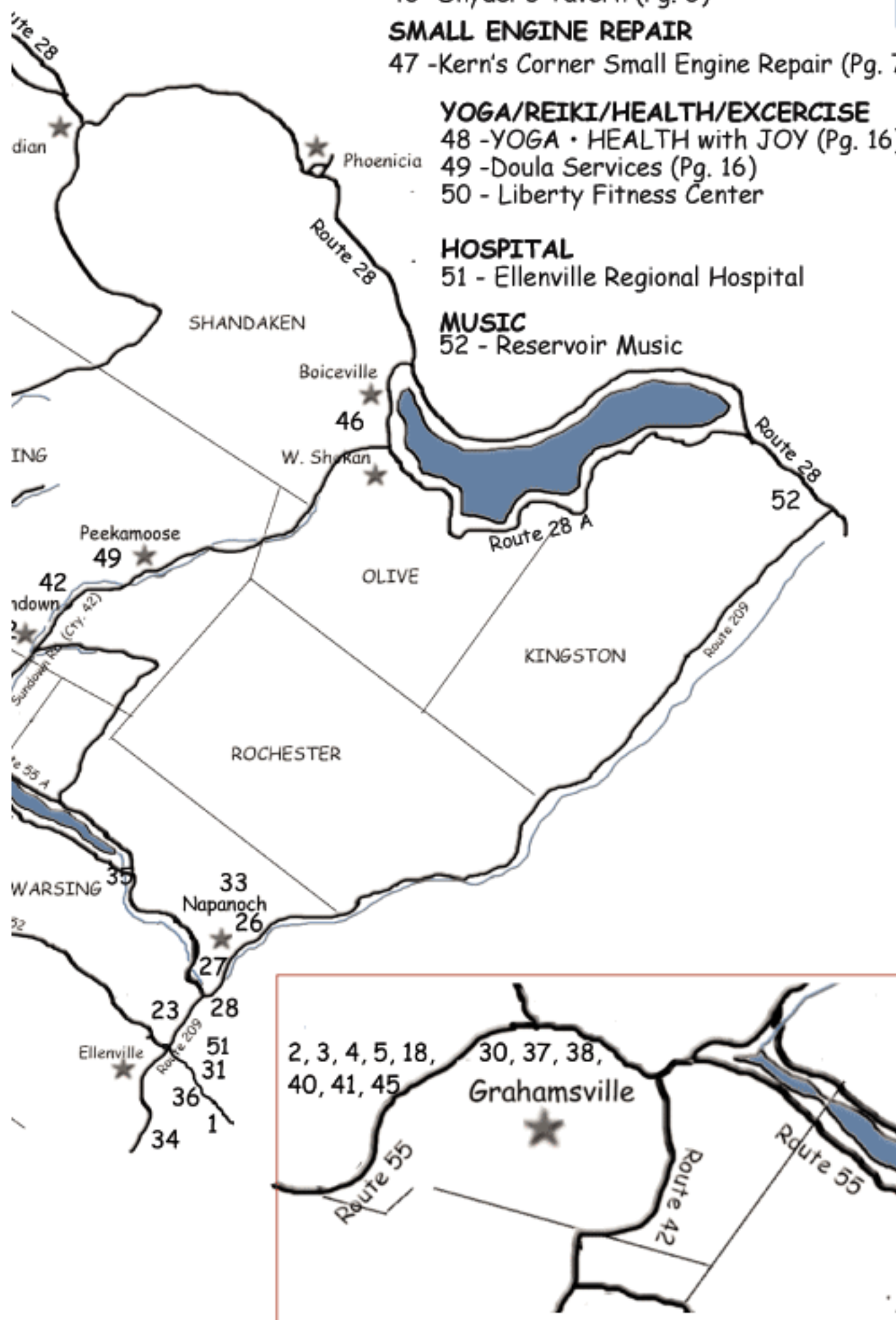
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Belleayre Music Festival July 2013 Calendar of Events

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Saturday, July 13 at 8 p.m. World's Most Reknown Vocal Group Manhattan Transfer. Tickets: \$66/56/46/36/26 lawn.

Saturday, July 20 at 8 p.m. Classic Rockers The Doobie Brothers. Tickets: \$95/76/66/56/26 lawn.

Saturday, July 27 at 8 p.m. Belleayre Festival Opera Bizet's "Carmen." Tickets: \$76/66/56/26 lawn. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountain, Route 28, Highmount, NY. (800) 942-6904, ext. 1344. belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com o belleayremusic.org

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Attendees at the Roast will be able to unmercifully skewer Bill Sipos, with the help of Master of Ceremonies Greg Goldstein, who will be assisted by Gordon MacAdams.

Entertainment will be provided by Perry Gips
The event will be held this Friday, June 28th At 6 p.m at Mr. Willy's Restaurant Route 42 S, Monticello, NY. Seating Is \$65 Per Person. Discounts Available For Tables of 10. Journal ads & donations are also being accepted

Help a local kid enjoy a great camp experience this summer!

4th of July Parade and Fireworks in Ellenville

Come celebrate Ellenville's biggest annual public event, their old-fashioned 4th of July Parade with marching bands, floats and fireworks.

There are plenty of vendors and things to do.

The parade begins at noon on Canal Street in Ellenville, NY. Fireworks are at dusk at the Resnick Airport in Wawarsing.

FCSD's Night of Honors (From Pg. 1) In a solemn ceremony before dozens of family members, friends, and staff, SGA Executive Officers and social studies teachers Michael Weiner and Elisa Baum presided over the installation of the 2013-2014 Officers: President Logan Mednick, Vice President Carly Leventoff, Treasurer Giselle Caballero, Secretary Allie Weiner, and Chief Justice Cody Vegliante.

NHS inductees were: Ida Dumbuya, Heath Elliott, Charley Gips, Nyasia Harris, Maegan Hurwitz, Jordan Laguio, Carly Leventoff, Madison Levine, Shane Luczynski, Wendy Mendez, Ashlyn Nardi, Sorrina Negru, Amber Randle, Kali Seastrand, Brianna Simms, Courtney Stack, Tiffani Suhm, Natalie Tejada, Allison Weiner, and Ilyssa Weiner. Staff Advisors Penny Esposito and Kasey Conrow welcomed the new students.

New NJHS members are: Sierra Barbiani, Julia Batista, Sadie Caballero, Rachel Collura, Jennifer Davila, Benjamin Drillings, Diamond Fannings, Neida Flores-Ramirez, Wendy Fuentes, Brendan Hooks, Mirza Javed, Mary Elizabeth Kellerman, Elizabeth Lake, Brittany Leventoff, Michael Lucyk, Brittany Mackiel, Jacqueline Maxwell, Justin Mednick, Isabel Margarita Morales, James Murray, Mekayla Perneszi, Destinee Ramos, Aliza Santos, Grace Strauss, Andres Tamayo, Jenna Vairo, and Anastasia Vinogradov.

NJHS Advisor Elisa Baum watched proudly as the new students took their vows.

SGA Class Officers for the coming year are for Class of 2014 in order from president, to vice president, treasurer and secretary are Samantha Wiles, Tiffani Suhm, Cody Vegliante, and Ilyssa Weiner. Class of 2015, Madison Levine, Ashlyn Nardi, Brittany Spinelli, and Sorrina Negru; Class of 2016, Brooke Sapolsky, Brendon Sapolsky, Stephanie Perna, and Morgan Williams; Class of 2017, Brendan Hooks, Liliana Moody, Mirza Javed, and Grace Strauss; Class of 2018, Jenna Vairo, Jennifer Davila, Shyam Patel, Kaitlyn Simms; Benjamin Cosor Elementary School SGA Officers are Amanda Zeno, Tulsi Patel, Kimberly Mahler, and Britney Morales. Their Staff Advisor Peter Dworetzky stood proudly by as the youngest officers took the oath of office.

After the ceremonies, the entire auditorium made the short walk to the school cafeteria where they enjoyed a sumptuous Chinese dinner, courtesy of the Student Government Association. Fortunes are promising for the future Fallsburg leaders.

Back by Popular Demand! Learn the Basics: Canning at Home

LIBERTY, NY- Food preservation at home CAN be easy and fun with a little instruction! A workshop on how to successfully and safely can foods at home is being offered again by popular demand on Wednesday, July 3, 2013 by the Master Food Preservation Team of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.

SueAnn Boyd and Erica Ferber, CCE Nutrition Educators, will guide the workshop with topics including why and when "hot pack" is preferable, canning safety, and the proper procedure for hot water bath canning. Participants will be sent home with a prepared food sample. The workshop will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty, NY.

All class materials are covered with a registration fee of only \$25.00. Class size is limited so pre-registration with payment is required in advance. No refunds will be issued. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling 845-292-6180.

New York Lawmakers Pass Critical Legislation On Invasive Wild Pigs

Importing, possessing, selling or releasing wild pigs would be illegal in New York under a bill that now awaits Gov. Andrew Cuomo's signature. The measure, which covers non-native Eurasian boar, wild pigs and their hybrids, would ban high-fenced shooting preserves and breeders from stocking these animals. Violators would be fined \$500 to more than \$1,000.

A.3767/S.5733, sponsored by Assemblymember Deborah Glick, D-New York, and Sen. Betty Little, R-Queensbury, passed the House with a 136-5 vote and the Senate with a 62-1 vote.

Brian Shapiro, New York state director for The Humane Society of the United States said: "For too long, these invasive species have been escaping fenced enclosures and wreaking havoc on our environment. We are grateful to our sponsors and the legislature for recognizing the importance of protecting our native wildlife and livestock and strongly urge Governor Cuomo to sign this critical legislation right away."

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and United States Department of Agriculture actively pursued this vital legislation and conducted educational campaigns across the state, which greatly aided in its passage.

Also known as wild pigs or feral swine, Eurasian boars are notorious for escaping their fenced enclosures, and establishing breeding populations throughout New York. Eurasian boar can spread diseases to native wildlife populations and livestock, threatening the agriculture industry. The rooting behavior of wild pigs can also damage sensitive ecosystems and farmland. The animals have been found in 38 states around the country, and eradication efforts through hunting have been largely unsuccessful.

Facts:

- The USDA estimates that feral pigs inflict more than one billion dollars in damages every year.

-Wild pigs can spread diseases such as pseudorabies and brucellosis, which threaten domestic livestock populations.

-Vermont Gov. Peter Shumlin signed a bill June 7, 2013 that would prohibit the importation and possession of wild pigs. Michigan and Kansas also recently took action to prohibit captive hunting of wild pigs.

-Eurasian boars are often bred for captive shoots, where they are stocked inside fenced enclosures for hunting targets.

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NYS Senate Passes Legislation to Restore \$90 Million to Office for People with Developmental Disabilities

The New York State Senate has passed legislation (S.4777D) that will restore up to \$90 million to the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD). This funding helps nonprofit programs who provide services and opportunities for some of New York's most vulnerable people.

This year, the Governor's office proposed \$240 million in state and federal cuts to OPWDD funding. The legislature worked to restore \$60 million of those cuts in the 2013-2014 New York State Budget. However, this restoration fell short of what was needed.



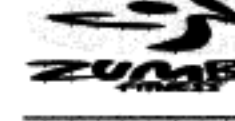
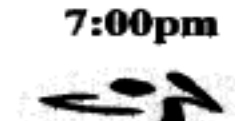
"Despite the restoration of \$60 million in funding to OPWDD in the budget, there was still a 4.5 percent cut totaling \$90 million. This bill finally closes that gap and gives programs for the developmentally disabled the necessary funding they need to keep doing the good work they do," said Senator Bonacic.

The legislation passed both the Senate and Assembly unanimously this week. The bill now will be sent to the Governor's office to be signed into law.

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Schumer, Gillibrand Announce over \$200,000 in Federal Funds to Bolster Food Hub, Create Jobs in SC Funds will be used to Cultivate, Distribute Local Farm Goods across the State and Create Nearly 20 Jobs

U.S. Senators Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand today announced \$213,400 for the Sullivan County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) to launch a satellite Food Distribution Hub Project, providing Sullivan County farmers an effective distribution line to move their goods to local and regional markets, an effort that is expected to create up to 19 new local jobs. The federal funding is allocated through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program.

In a letter to U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, Senator Gillibrand personally advocated for Sullivan County's effort to strengthen the local agriculture industry.

"Stores, markets, and restaurants throughout the Hudson Valley-and-beyond should be filled with Sullivan County's locally-grown products," said Senator Schumer. "With the Sullivan County Industrial Development Agency leading the way, and the USDA funding behind them, the Food Distribution Hub Project will grow the partnership between local organizations and community farmers, and serve as an economic boost to the region, all while providing delicious, high-quality food."

"Connecting more of our local farms with local markets is good for business, and good for the health of our families," said Senator Gillibrand, the first New York Senator to serve on the Senate Agriculture Committee in four decades and a leading advocate for developing food hubs. "Farms of the Hudson Valley are growing some of the highest quality produce. And when we help these farms reach new markets in the region, we can connect families, businesses and schools with food that's grown right in our community, and help strengthen the local economy."

"We are very pleased and excited to receive this Rural Business Enterprise Grant from the USDA to support Sullivan County's farms and agricultural community," said Ira Steingart, Chairman of the Sullivan County Industrial Development Agency and Sullivan County Legislator. "The funding will be used to create a local food hub in Sullivan County that will provide much needed marketing support to farms throughout the region. This grant will help boost the economy of Sullivan County."

"Developing solutions for gaps in our local foods distribution is a critical step which can support our regional food systems and ensure that our farm families can make a living as viable partners in a sustainable economic future," Executive Director of Hudson Valley AgriBusiness Development Corp., Todd M. Erling said. "HVADC appreciates the collaborative efforts of local businesses, the Sullivan County IDA, Ginsberg's Foods and the USDA programs in creating long-lasting opportunities to expand the available farm products in the Hudson Valley."

"We could not be more thrilled with the award of this grant for our local food hub/distribution project in Sullivan County and the Mid-Hudson Region. The idea of providing the pick-up and delivery for our local providers and connecting them directly with end users with the subsequent ability to distribute regionally is a huge win for all," said Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Scott Samuelson. "The agricultural community is such an important part of our economic future and anything we can do to help our farmers sell and distribute their products is a positive step forward. We want to thank all parties involved that helped make the application such a success and are very grateful to Senator Gillibrand for her always constant support of Sullivan County, our residents and the Mid-Hudson Region."

The Sullivan County IDA will specifically use the federal funds to launch a satellite Food Distribution Hub Project that will help enable farmers and food producers in the Sullivan-Wawarsing REAP Zone to efficiently access thriving local and regional markets. The IDA will develop a centrally located aggregation and distribution facility to meet demand for Less Than Trailer Load (LTL) freight service, enabling transactions between farmers and wholesale buyers within the county while also opening up local producers to the larger Hudson Valley and New York City markets.

Senator Gillibrand was successful in securing the reauthorization of Rural Economic Area Partnership (REAP) designation for the Sullivan-Wawarsing Zone in the recently-passed Senate Farm Bill. The measure would extend a designation that helps give the region priority access to federal funding from the USDA to help grow the local economy and revitalize rural communities. The current Sullivan-Wawarsing REAP Zone designation expires September 30, 2013. Senator Gillibrand's measure would extend the designation another five years. After clearing final passage in the Senate, the legislation now awaits passage by the House of Representatives.

Assembly passes Safe Patient Handling Act
Albany, NY – Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther today announced Assembly passage of the Safe Patient Handling Act. The measure calls for health care facilities to develop a Safe Patient Handling policy – protecting patients, health care workers and, in the long term, reduc-

ing costs for health care facilities.

The bill (A.2180-B), carried by Assemblywoman Gunther, creates a statewide Safe Patient Handling Task Force to develop recommendations for policies in hospitals, nursing homes, and other healthcare facilities.

Each facility would then create a Safe Patient Handling committee to develop and implement a facility appropriate policy.

"This bill has been a long time coming," said Gunther. "Today, we've taken a huge step forward for the nursing profession and improved the delivery of healthcare in New York. Demonstration programs around the state have been extremely successful. In three years, one hospital saw a 76 percent reduction in Worker's Compensation claims and another decreased lost days due to injury by 95.8 percent."

Safe patient handling provides training and, in some cases, can replace manual lifting and moving tasks with assistive devices to properly and safely transfer patients without injury to the patient or the health care worker.

While a safe patient handling program may require an initial capital investment, healthcare facilities were able to quickly recoup their costs through decreased Worker's Compensation claims, a reduction in staff time to review and act on injury reports, and, ultimately, a decrease in Worker's Compensation premiums.

UC Gov Stands Unified (From Pg. 1)

51 of 57 counties across New York State have filed similar Home Rule requests in the Senate and the Assembly for an extension of their sales tax. Ulster County currently has active companion bills in the Assembly and the Senate, A5130 (sponsored by Assemblyman Skartados) and S4516 (cosponsored by Senator Larkin and Senator Tkaczyk). On April 16th and again on June 18th, Ulster County unanimously passed bi-partisan resolutions supporting these critical bills.

Ulster County has a 4% sales tax rate which is continued through Home Rule legislation passed by the New York State Legislature every 2 years. Since 1993, this legislation has been routinely passed by the New York State Legislature.

This dangerous game being played by Assemblyman Cahill may result in the loss of \$22,000,000 in annual sales tax revenue for Ulster County, and \$3,031,060 for the City of Kingston. A loss of this magnitude would result in a 29% property tax increase for the County property taxpayers and a 20% property tax increase for the City of Kingston or massive cuts to services. Additionally, the towns would lose \$790,712 in sales tax revenue.

"I first want to thank Senators Larkin and Tkaczyk and Assemblyman Skartados for their bi-partisan support of the County's Home Rule request," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "It is unconscionable that an individual member of the State Assembly would be able to block a local Home Rule measure that will have unimaginable negative consequences for the taxpayers he represents."

"Passing the sales tax extension before the end of the State legislative session is critical to our fiscal solvency," said Comptroller Elliot Auerbach. "In this difficult economic environment, failure of the State Legislature to extend our sales tax rate would have a devastating impact and would likely result in substantial property tax increases and service cuts to cover the revenue shortfall."

"The taxpayers of the City of Kingston cannot and should not stand for this reckless endangerment of our welfare," said City of Kingston Mayor Shayne Gallo. "Assemblyman Cahill is putting the people, the employees and the services of the City of Kingston at risk."

"If the Assembly chooses not to act on this routine extension, the financial fall-out will have a devastating effect on the economy of Ulster County and have negative impacts across the region," said Ulster County Legislator Rich Gerentine. "I urge the Assembly to do the right thing for Ulster County taxpayers."

"The 1% sales tax extension brings in a significant amount of revenue to our local municipalities and takes the burden off of our local property taxpayers," said Legislator Hector S. Rodriguez. "To hold local taxpayers hostage is simply unacceptable and the Assemblyman should stop playing politics with peoples lives."

"State lawmakers who use this practice of blocking local sales tax bills do a disservice to their constituents and county government partners," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "In a climate where counties are struggling to survive under the crushing burden of State mandates these actions only add insult to injury."

What he's trying to do is extort us for a takeover of election cost or a takeover of Safety Net or both," said county Legislator Kenneth Ronk. "Kevin Cahill is trying, as a New York State assemblyman, to dictate fiscal policy to County government and that is simply unacceptable."

"It is disturbing," said Ulster County Legislator Jeanette Provenzano. "Ulster County is the only one having problems with a representative who refuses to support its home-rule request. That's outrageous. It's unacceptable."

"This is a bipartisan plea from the leaders in Ulster County: do the right thing for Ulster County," said Legislator Wayne Harris. "We spend a great deal of energy trying to attract tourists to Ulster County. This generates sales tax and allows us to keep our property taxes in line."

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Press Release:

A MESSAGE FROM GOV. ANDREW CUOMO

Dear Friend,

Yesterday morning, Governor Cuomo and state legislators wrapped up another successful session – including the most aggressive economic development agendas in our state's history and extraordinary achievements to restore New York as the progressive leader of the nation – furthering the Governor's work to bring integrity to Albany, and to prove that government can work and produce results for its people

During his first year in office, the Governor closed a \$10 billion budget deficit with no new taxes, cut middle class income tax rates to the lowest rate in 60 years, enacted a property tax cap, created the Regional Economic Development Councils as part of a new economic development paradigm and achieved marriage equality. His second year was equally productive. He enacted a national model teacher evaluation system, enacted a Tier VI pension system that will save tens of billions of dollars, undertook the NY Works infrastructure program including the replacement of the Tappan Zee bridge, expanded the DNA database to better protect New Yorkers from crime and protected vulnerable

Continuing his commitment to growing this state's economy and creating jobs, this year the Governor created bold job initiatives, particularly focused on upstate, that will change the face of job creation in New York, including:

- **START-UP NY:** Designed to jump start the upstate economy, this bold jobs program creates tax-free communities linked to State University of New York (SUNY) and private college campuses.

- **High-tech Job Programs:** Including the innovative "Hot Spot" incubators, the Venture Capital Fund, and job linkage initiative, these programs will transform the face of job creation in New York by better commercializing our state's ideas and innovations, creating new businesses, and training our workforce for the jobs of tomorrow.

- **Upstate NY Jobs From Gaming:** If passed by voters in November, world-class destination gaming resorts will drive economic growth by attracting tourists, generating economic activity for local businesses, and creating thousands of good-paying jobs.

- **Reducing Taxes on Businesses and Families:** Nearly \$800 million in tax relief for New York businesses over the next three years, and provides relief for middle class families with a targeted tax credit of \$350 per year for three years, beginning in 2014.

- **Financial Assistance for Local Governments:** Establishes a Financial Restructuring Board for local governments & reforms the binding arbitration to help eligible distressed cities and local governments manage their finances and provide public services in a more cost-effective manner.

The Governor's achievements this session also helped New York reclaim its role as the progressive capital of the nation, such as:

- He tackled one of the most difficult and politically challenging issues facing the nation – gun violence – with the NY SAFE Act.

- Continuing to put our students first, the Governor's nationally-recognized education reforms will ensure we are creating a world-class education system that prepares the next generation for the future.

- To align with the standard of living in this state, this year's budget included a minimum wage increase from \$7.25 to \$9 per hour over three years.

- \$1 billion affordable housing program to preserve and create 14,300 affordable housing units, which will also create jobs and stabilize distressed areas.

The Governor also proposed sweeping legislation that would combat public corruption, give voters a greater voice at the ballot and end the corroding influence of money in politics. He made it clear to the Legislature that he would not compromise and was prepared to use his authority under the Executive Law to create a commission to investigate corruption among public officials in Albany. This would include addressing our state's weaknesses and proposing reforms in such areas as elections, campaign finance, and the abuse of public office or public funds for personal gain.

In the wake of Superstorm Sandy, the Governor worked tirelessly to help our state recover and rebuild, helping secure approximately \$30 billion in federal aid for our state. This will enable New York to build back smarter and stronger and ensure that the state is better prepared for the future.

For two and a half years, the Governor has been working to bring efficiency and integrity to Albany, and to create a government that offers the promise of a prosperous future for all.

This session's success would not have been possible without the support of the people.

Thank you for all that you do,

The Andrew Cuomo Committee

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

Katie's Café Celebrates Independence Weekend with Free Lunch

Katie's Café, sponsored and hosted by St. Paul's Lutheran Church, will be offering a free community lunch on July 6th at 31 Erie Avenue in Narrowsburg, NY. It will be an old-fashioned cook-out with burgers and hot dogs served hot off the grill from 11:30am to 12:30pm. Cold drinks and homemade desserts will top off this summer meal. The public is invited. St. Paul's has been in the neighborhood for over 140 years. Opportunities for worship are Saturdays at 4:30pm; Sundays at 9:30am. This summer, the church is hosting a week of Vacation Bible School from August 5 - 9 for children up to 11 years old. For more information, call 845-252-3919.

Ellenville Hospital 7/5/13 Drive Release/PSA

The American Red Cross and Ellenville Regional Hospital will join together for a community blood drive on Friday, July 5, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Ellenville Regional Hospital at 10 Healthy Way. The Red Cross blood drive will take place in a traveling donor center outside of the hospital in their parking lot.

The Red Cross is asking all eligible donors to donate blood during the Fourth of July holiday week. Although the holiday is a time to enjoy family and friends, the Red Cross asks donors to remember that the need for blood never takes a holiday. Nearly every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. Your blood donation will help ensure that an adequate blood supply is available to your fellow Americans at all times.

Your donation could help save the life of a real person in your community. It is the blood on the shelves today that helps save lives tomorrow. All presenting donors during the month of July will receive a coupon redeemable for \$2.50 off the purchase of a 48oz. container of Turkey Hill's All Natural Ice Cream.* Walk-ins are always welcome, but donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment in advance by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or by visiting redcross-blood.org.

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

UCMC Bake Sale

On Thursday, Friday & Saturday, July 11, 12 and 13 there will be a Yard and Bake Sale at the Ulster Heights United Methodist Church, 1264 Ulster Heights Road, Ellenville, NY from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday. The fair consists of home baked goods, odds and ends, clothing and more.

Lunch will also be served. For info, please call 647-7680, 647-5389 or 434-4220.

Neversink Ladies Auxiliary Community Yard Sale

The Neversink Ladies Auxiliary will hold a Community Yard Sale on July 27, 2013 from 10-3 pm at the Neversink Fire Dept Pavillion. For more information call Marsha 985-7802.

Roscoe-Rockland Ladies Auxiliary 4th Annual Social/Tricky Tray

Will hold the 4th Annual Basket Social/Tricky Tray at Roscoe Community Center on Saturday, July 6th. Doors open: 5:30; Calling: 6:30 Admission: \$5.00. Roscoe Community Center. For info call: Karrie: 607-498-4985

Grahamsville Reformed Church Ladies Aid Bake Sale

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PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALIS:**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:****NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

For the Initial Time Warner Cable Franchise Agreement for the Town of Denning.

Please Take Notice that the Town of Denning will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 2nd, 2013 at 7 pm at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 regarding granting a cable television franchise agreement by and between the Town of Denning and Time Warner Cable.

A copy of the agreement is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Town Clerks' office, at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725.

At such public hearing any and all interested person(s) will be given the opportunity to be heard. Written and oral statements will be taken at that time.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD

Joy Ann Monforte
Town Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of D&D Real Estate, Inc. for the purpose of review of an application for a Special Use Permit located at 218 Main Street, Grahamsville, New York (SBL# 27.-2-8).

Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Wednesday, July 3, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD
TOWN OF NEVERSINK
JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

6/27

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

The Town of Denning Planning Board will hold a **Public Hearing** on Thursday, July 11th, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 scheduled to begin at 7 pm prior to the start of the regularly scheduled meeting.

The **purpose** of Said Hearing for the proposed sub division of the property owned by Kimball Parker located at 4035 Red Hill Road and an adjoining property. The SBL for Said property is 51.-4-11 would be divided into 3 lots and a vacant parcel, SBL 50.2-2-11.110.

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

By the Order of the Town of Denning Planning Board

Joseph Sibiga, Chairman
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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Time Warner Cable has filed with the New York State Public Service Commission a request for approval of renewal of its cable television franchise in the Town of Neversink. A copy of the materials constituting the application are available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, the Commission and the Company during normal business hours. Interested parties may file comments or objections with the Commission at Agency Building Three, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350. The renewal may not take effect without prior approval of the New York State public Service Commission. 6/27; 7/4

Levon Helm Memorial Boulevard Bill Signed by Governor

Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) announced that the Governor has signed into law legislation he sponsored which designates New York State Route 375 as "Levon Helm Memorial Boulevard". Levon Helm Boulevard spans from New York State Route 28 in West Hurley to New York State Route 212 in Woodstock. This legislation enjoyed wide public support from those who knew and loved Levon as well as people locally and nationwide who were inspired by his music.

"Levon Helm was not just a worldwide musical talent, but a pillar of the Woodstock community. This legislation is a testament to Levon's life and work. This road travels from farmland in the heart of the Catskills in Hurley right into the Village of Woodstock. This beautiful, productive countryside has long been the backdrop for Levon's amazing lyrics. I'm pleased that this designation has been issued," said Cahill.

Levon Helm Studios, which was opened in 1975, brought legendary musicians to our area including Muddy Waters, Bob Dylan, Emmylou Harris, Elvis Costello, Phil Lesh, Kris Kristofferson, The Black Crowes, and many others. With his Midnight Rambles, he was able to return the music culture of Woodstock to levels for which it was once known.

"Thank you Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator John Bonacic, Senator Cecelia Tkaczyk, Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack, Ulster County Comptroller Elliot Auerback, Hurley Town Supervisor Gary Bellows, Hurley Councilman John Gill and Woodstock Town Supervisor Jeremy Wilber for your support! Having this honor bestowed upon him would make Levon extremely proud. He was ALL ABOUT his community. This has been his home for the majority of his life and nothing brought bigger smiles to his face than to be able to do things for what he considered to be his hometown. Thank you for recognizing his accomplishments and contributions. Thank you for contributing to his legacy. This is a perfect example of why he came here and why he stayed here; this is the greatest community to live in," said Barbara O'Brien of Levon Helm Studios.

"This is a simple memorial to a simple man who possessed great talent but greater yet a love for our community," said Jeremy Wilber, Woodstock Town Supervisor. "Levon was blessed with two incredible musical voices: a singing voice and a drumming voice. Those beautiful voices had a profound impact on many generations. He was such a driving musical force it's only fitting that a highway leading to Woodstock would be named in his honor," said Garry Kvistad, percussionist and founder of Woodstock Chimes®.

"The weight has been lifted! I'm thrilled this bill has ultimately come to fruition," said Gary Bellows, Hurley Town Supervisor.

"Calls, e-mails and letters came in to support this bill from local residents and all over the country. Levon Helm was a true inspiration to millions of fans and to our community," said Cahill.

New Art, Ballet Classes for Summer at Old Stone House of Hasbrouck

An extensive array of exciting new classes for kids has been scheduled for July and August at the Old Stone House of Hasbrouck.

There'll be Tuesday and Saturday morning ballet classes for ages 3-10, plus Tuesday afternoon art classes for ages 4-8. These classes come in addition to the long-standing and extremely popular Thursday evening classes, for children ten and up, offered by art expert Paulina Tracz.

Ballet instruction, by local resident and certified Dance Therapist Alana Sherman, uses a "no-pressure" system that still follows the customary ballet class structure -- warm-up exercises, then use of the horizontal railing known as the barre, plus so-called "center" work, with students learning how to adjust their positions and movements in relationship to all their classmates. A total of 14 sessions are set, and kids can opt for all of them, or select those fitting into a busy schedule of other summer activities.

Each of the four new summer art classes will focus on a different fun subject, such as "Fake Snakes" or "Underwater Art."

Individual ballet and art classes cost \$10/session. Multiple ballet classes cost \$110 for all 14 Tuesday (starting July 9) and Saturday (starting July 13) sessions, \$65 for all eight Tuesdays, or \$45 for all six Saturdays. Multiple art classes (starting July 9) are priced at \$32 for all four, including materials.

For a complete schedule and additional information about the new classes, check out the web site at www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org, email Alana Sherman at sherman_alana@yahoo.com, or call her at 845-436-0070. For details about the Thursday evening art classes, email Paulina Tracz at design@simplepea.com.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR**I'M MAD AS HELL FOR THE GRADUATES OF 2013**

I am Mad as Hell for the Graduates of 2013! I live in the country, the rural area of New York, and have attended several graduation parties. Parties for smart, ambitious, multi-talented, cultured and outstanding athletic students - all with high averages.

And most all of them and their fellow graduates are planning to attend local State University of New York (SUNY) Colleges or second rate colleges below their intellectual abilities. I think their high SAT scores, dreams and challenges indicate they should be given the opportunity for greater educational challenges. (This is not to criticize SUNY Schools.)

Why? Because their ordinary middle class hard-working family can't afford the money to pay today's increased tuition. (This includes families with misfortunes.) Also, because it is downright stupid and crazy to take out a student loan or a family bank loan or mortgage which they can never, if ever, pay back.

The attitude, and common sense philosophy of middle and lower class families is: "Let's go to a cheaper, local school for two years, and then we'll see what happens." At least our graduate won't be burdened with a \$40,000.00 debt without a prospective good job, a big outstanding loan, lousy credit, inability to financially get married, have children, obtain a mortgage to buy a home, and have a lien against their income tax refunds.

Would it be better to join the army for an education and risk getting killed?

This is not what I and my parents got sick worrying about years ago when I graduated high school, college and professional graduate school.

What are those high falutin' commencement speakers talking to the graduates about? : "Don't get discouraged - get up and fight!" ?

Why are we spending billions of dollars on foreign wars, military products, foreign aid to win friends and influence, and for utter political bull?

As every foreigner who immigrated or escaped to America in the 1910s, 1920s, 1930s and 1940s, most of which couldn't speak much English, knew, our only chance, wealth and future legacy was our newborn children's education and opportunity.

They, and the educational core of New York and others, need help and assistance NOW!

One solution would be to either forgive outstanding student loans, or have the government assume student related loans, or at least, cut them some slack.

Respectfully submitted,
William A. Brenner
Grahamsville, NY
Tri-Valley Central School, Class of '58
Grahamsville, New York
St. Lawrence University, Class of '62
New York University School of Law, Class of '65

CWC awards 22 Education Grants (From Pg. 6) Trout Unlimited will also receive a grant to assist dozens of schools participating in its Trout in the Classroom Program.

The CWC is a non-profit, local development corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. For more information, go to www.cwconline.org, or call toll-free 877-928-7433.

Teachers, parents and school administrators will find information on Watershed and environmental education resources and programs at www.watersheducators.org.

The 20th Annual Liberty Festival celebrating Liberty on the 4th of July

The celebration begins at 10:30 am on Thursday, July 4, 2013 on Main Street in Liberty, NY. Schedule of Events include: 10:30 am - Classic Car Show; 10:35 am; Tribute to Walter Keller, Liberty's Poet Laureate; 11:00 am; Carl Richards Band with Mr. Phil and Mark Bloat & Company on the Main Stage; 11:00 am - Gary Cormier Instrumentals on South Main St.; 12:05 pm - Parade Kicks off at 12:30 pm on South Main St.

Highlights include: Get your frustrations out...take a shot at our DUNKING BOOTH!; Pamela Murphy and the Hudson Valley Fine Arts Singers; Art-Picnic For All ages! Finding your creative side with Paulina.

There will be food and vendors and lots of fun for the whole family! The event is sponsored by the Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce. For information call: 845-292-9797 or visit www.LibertyNYChamber.com

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org

(845) 985-2262 extension 312

Trolley Tour - Luncheon-Entertainment-Shopping Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2013. \$40 pp residents; \$59 pp non-residents.

Zoom Flume - Saturday, Aug 3 -Leave Town Hall at 8 am return 6 pm. \$12 residents/\$36 non-residents. **Must be paid by June 25.**

Create a one-of-a-kind Vase & Flower Arrangement Tuesday, August 6 & 13. 6:30 pm Town Hall. Class \$20 residents/\$35 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, July 30 this includes both classes and all supplies. Refreshments will be served.

Mad Science Show - Aug 22 Grahamsville Fairgrounds 5 pm- \$3 residents; \$10 non residents. Must be paid by Aug 6

Grease-Forestburg Playhouse - Aug 4 Lunch @ 1:30 pm Show & Lunch; residents \$36/ \$49 non residents. Must be paid by June 25

Shopping Cabelas Sept 14 Leave Town Hall 8 am \$21 residents/\$31 non-residents. Must be paid by July 9.

Frost Valley Tour of the Castle & Dinner Wednesday, September 11. Leave Town Hall 6pm and return approximately 9 pm. Includes dinner and tour of the Castle. \$15 residents/\$30 non-residents. Must be paid by Tuesday, August 6,

Jesters Comedy Club Saturday, September 14. Leave Town Hall 7 pm by Motor coach; must be 21 years old to attend. Please bring proof of ID. There is a 2 item minimum purchase per person. So please bring money to make food pub and drink purchases. \$15 residents/\$27 non-residents must be paid no by Tuesday, July 30.

Family Game Night & Pizza Friday September 20. Bring a favorite game to share or play one of ours! Daniel Pierce Library Community Room 5:30 pm. Pizza & Soda will be provided. \$5 family of 4 residents; /\$12 family of 4 non-residents Must be paid by Tuesday, September 10.

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

Walking Club Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 Grahamsville Fairgrounds



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

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- 7/2/13 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00pm Sundown Church Hall
- 7/3/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm
- 7/4/13 Town of Neversink Holiday - **INDEPENDENCE DAY!** Happy 4th of July!
- 7/6/13 **Grahamsville Reformed Church -Ladies Aid Bake Sale - 9 am until sold out!**
- 7/6/13 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall**
- 7/9/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)**
- 7/10/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 7/10/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting
- 7/11/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 7/12/13 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm Town Hall
- 7/13/13 **Breakfast - Sundown Church Hall - 7:30 am - 9:30 am**
- 7/13/13 **Grahamsville Reformed Church Chicken BBQ Dinner**
- 7/15/13 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 7/16/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 7/20/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale Only (9am-1pm)**
- 7/21/13 Claryville Fire Dept. **Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 7/24/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 7/21/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
- 7/27/13 Neversink Ladies Auxillary Community Yard Sale 10-3 pm Neversink Fire Dept Pavillion. 985-7802.

Save the Dates!

6/14-30/13 **13th Annual Members Art Exhibition** Liberty Museum & Arts Center 46 S Main St, Liberty, NY (845) 292-2394
July 14- The second annual Matthew R Bertholf Horseshoe Tournament Neversink Firehouse
July 27, 2013- Time and the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ
(2-5 pm) - Grahamsville Fairgrounds 11 am - 5 pm

Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival sponsored by the EWCOG -Saturday August 10th- Vendor applications are available now. Coordinator is Dianne E Turner ("aka "Mother Blueberry")
2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Date to be announced.

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

- SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
- GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
- EUREKA MARKET & CAFE
- CANNIE D'S
- BLUE HILL LODGE
- 3 GOLDENS
- WOODBOURNE - CITGO STATION
- LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS
- Joma Cafe (West Shokan)
- Phoenicia Hardware
- Big Indian Market & Deli
- VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake)
- MO'S GAS STATION
- CHARLIE'S PIZZA
- Boiceville IGA
- Phoenicia Pharmacy
- Colonial Inn Pine Hill
- P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE
- AGWAY (Liberty)
- J.B. MAK (Liberty)
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- Boiceville Florist
- Mama's Boy
- Brio's
- Emerson Resort
- JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
- DR. LONSTEIN'S OFFICE
- MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
- ELLENVILLE CITGO
- ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
- PETER'S MARKET

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.

Yankee Stadium Trip
Saturday July 27th, 2013 - To see Yankees vs. Rays - 1:05 Game

Coach Bus Leaving Grahamsville Fair Grounds at 8:45 am and arriving at stadium 11:00 am.

Fans will have 2 hours before game to eat, shop and see Monument Park. Coach leaves stadium at 5:00 pm and arrives back at Grahamsville Fair Grounds at 7:15 pm.. Cost: \$69.50 which includes ticket for game and air-condition coach bus to stadium and back to Grahamsville.

There is a total of 55 tickets available; call Gary Ter Bush at 985-7628 for tickets and more information.

Come enjoy a great day in New York City and see the new Yankee Stadium with a local group.

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) course and two CNA Exam Prep Courses.

The Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) course on will run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from July 5th through September 13th from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. The cost of the course is \$1,680, which includes registration, textbooks, workbooks, uniform, nametag, blood work, physical exam and 30-hours of clinical experience. Students are responsible for the fees of two clinical tests. Classes are held at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello.

This program provides students with the necessary training to meet the requirements of the New York State Nurse's Assistant Certification. Upon successful completion of the 130-hours (including 30 hours hands-on clinical experience) and the passing of New York State Department of Health Certification Exam, students will be qualified to work in hospitals, nursing homes and residential health care facilities.

Individuals interested in the course, must have a HS Diploma/GED or actively working on GED and have a 7th grade reading level. Registrants will be required to go through an interview and take a reading-

INFORMATION WANTED:

Any natives of the area that can shed any information as to the road system of Old Neversink up around either side of the river, the Big Bnd Country, to the bridge at Halls Mills and then into Claryville, please contact Robert LaPolt at 845-255-6345 or robertlapolt@hotmail.com

6/13-7/14

skill assessment prior to the start of class. The reading assessment is free and performed at St. John Street Education Center.

CNA Exam Prep Courses:

The CNA NYS Exam Review course is being offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays July 29th through August 7th from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The fee for the course is \$79.

The Clinical Exam Preparation course is being offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays July 29th through August 7th from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm and August 9th and 12th from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. The fee for the course is \$139.

Register for both components of CNA Exam Review and save! The cost for the combined 28 hours of instruction is \$199.

For more information and/or to register, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:30 pm or visit us at scboeces.org.

Loan Workshop

CWC Economic Development Director Barbara Puglisi will be among the presenters at two upcoming workshops intended to help improve local small businesses' chances of getting their next loan.

The "Financing Your Business" workshops are sponsored by the Watershed Agricultural Council. The sessions are geared toward farmers, food-based businesses, and forest products manufacturers, but any small business owner will find the information useful.

The same workshop will be held twice: at the Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation District building at 64 Ferndale Loomis Road in Liberty on Wed., July 10, and at Brooks House of BBQ in Oneonta on Thurs., July 11. Both workshops run from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Registration is \$20 and includes dinner. Register online by June 28 by clicking preferred site above. FMI: Josh VanBrakle at 607-865-7790, ext. 112.

Spanish for Professionals

Monticello: On July 8th, the Adult and Continuing Education Program at BOCES is offering a class on Spanish for Professionals. Classes will be held at the St. John Street Education Center on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from July 8th through August 26th from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The cost \$375.

This 40-hour class is a must for business owners, supervisors, managers and staff of any industry including governmental, public, not-for-profit, or private business. Learning how to communicate in Spanish will increase your productivity, performance and profitability. This course can also be customized for an individual business.

For more information or to register, please contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am



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For Rent: **1 Bedroom Apartment.** \$650.00 a month plus utilities. No pets. Call 845-434-8926. Hasbrouck Road. rtf-p096

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BARN SALES

BARN SALE: June 28th, Friday, 2pm - 6 pm; June 29th, Saturday 8 am - 6pm; June 30, Sunday, 2 pm - 6 pm. 199 Spook Hole Road. Questions and directions: 845-428-2096

HANDCRAFTED ITEMS FOR SALE

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- NEW** 2BR/1 BA cabin on 2.75acs along the Neversink. \$179k
- 2.3 ac level lot with septic designs & drilled well. \$43k
- 2BR/1BA reno 1937 log cabin on 20+acs. \$249,000
- 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.
- 2BR/1BA authentic log cabin on 20+ acs with fpl, skylights, woods that end at the Neversink River. \$275k
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A British buccaneer holds the Spanish fleet at bay with the covert approval of Elizabeth I. Directed by Michael Curtiz. And starring, Errol Flynn, Brenda Marshall, Claude Rains, Donald Crisp, Flora Robson, Alan Hale, Henry Daniell, Una O'Connor, Gilbert Roland. Top-notch combination of classy Warner Bros. costumer and Flynn at his dashing best in adventure on the high seas; lively balance of piracy, romance, and swordplay, handsomely photographed and staged, with rousing Erich Wolfgang Korngold score. Has nothing to do with the Sabatini novel, which was filmed faithfully in 1924. Restored for home video, with additional final scene intended for British audiences, in which Queen Elizabeth I offers morale-building war-time message. Beware of shorter prints. See it on TCM, Saturday, June 29, 2013 at 6:45 AM, 128 min, Rated TV-G.

Quiz: 1. Who played Captain Lopez? **2.** Who played Don Jose Alvarez de Cordoba?

What's Going On In The Gnome NeighborhoodTM This Week? - ELLENVILLE/WAWARSING

Get ready for another great celebration. The **Annual 4th of July Parade and Fireworks** will be held in Ellenville on Thursday, July 4th. The parade is scheduled to start at noon and fireworks at dusk! There will be vendors with plenty to eat and plenty to do.

PHOENICIA LIBRARY

Saturday, June 29 3-5 PM Workshop: Writing About Your Ancestors -- For those that want to go deeper -- \$10 (sliding fee available)

SAVE THE DATE FOR

THE GARDEN TOUR SATURDAY, June 29th Sat., June 29. Garden Tour: This town favorite is back. Come tour hidden treasures tucked away in private gardens all over Shandaken. To benefit the Phoenicia Library, hosted by the Friends of Phoenicia Library \$20 ticket in advance, \$25 day of event at the Phoenicia Gazebo. Phoenicia Library, 9 Ava Maria Avenue, Phoenicia NY 12464 845.688.7811 <http://phoenicialibrary.org/>

- PINE HILL -

Some of the best food along the Route 28 corridor is at the Saturday Grand Buffett at the Colonial Inn in Pine Hill; ask for Steve, or Heather, for great service. And choose a room with character for those who need an overnight stay.

PS Reminder - there will be a **Townsmen** next week!

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