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## Introduction to Becoming a Museum Docent at the Time and the Valleys Museum

*Introduction to Becoming a Museum Docent* will be held on Sunday, March 20 at 2 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55, Grahamsville, Sullivan County. Volunteer Docents are needed to help with our two hour educational programs for grade k through 12 students. These two popular educational programs teach students about: 1- The history of the building of NYC's water system and the effect on local residents 2- The importance of water and its impact on our history.

Docents help in a variety of ways, from teaching students, assisting others who teach students, guiding groups, setting up and cleaning up. **No prior teaching experience or knowledge of history is necessary.** All that is needed is an interest in working with students and a willingness to learn, and docents are fully trained and comfortable prior to starting. Docents can help as little as one or two weekday mornings a month, or more - whatever suits their lifestyle.

Anyone interested in learning about becoming a Museum docent should attend the program where they can join current docents for refreshments and discussion and tour the different sections of the educational program. Information on other volunteer opportunities will also be available.

Benefits to being a Museum docent include a 10% discount in the Museum Shop, an invitation to a special recognition luncheon, gaining new skills, meeting new people and making new friends.

"It is an energizing and rewarding experience helping students learn about local history," says Mary Inghrim, Volunteer Chairperson. For more information about the Docent Program and the many other volunteer positions, benefits and training, please call the Museum at 845 985-7700.

Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), the Museum will open for the season Memorial Day Weekend and will be open Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. through Labor Day, weekends from September to October, and other times by appointment. Adults admission is \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. For more information call 845 985-7700 or go to our website: [timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://timeandthevalleymuseum.org).

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations.

For additional information on the Museum please call us at 985-7700 or go online at [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org).



Photo by Dennis Muthig

Karen Coombe and Rebecca Coombe of Grahamsville viewing the farming exhibition

## Something to Roar About!



John Bogaert and Mike Fox of the Bethel Lions Club along with local music icon Mickey Barnett deliver a new powered speaker system to Activities Director Mona Evans at the Sullivan County Adult Care Center on March 8th

The generosity of the Bethel Lions Club was once again demonstrated to the residents of the Sullivan County Adult Care Center on March 8th. On that date, Bethel Lions Club members John Bogaert and Mike Fox, joined by local music icon Mickey Barnett, delivered a new portable sound system to the Center. Mickey Barnett ("he's almost a Lion," quips Bogaert) and his band are often performers at the Center. On his last performance there, Mr. Barnett discussed with Activities Director Mona Evans the Center's need for an up-to-date sound system. He conferred with his friends from the Bethel Lions Club and they agreed to cover the cost. After extensive research, they found a system perfectly suited for the Center. The "powered speaker" not only features ports to connect a CD/DVD player and microphone (both also provided by the Lions Club), but also has ports for digital musical devices, SD cards, and computers. The unit can be transported throughout the facility and even onto the patio- wherever the parties and activities are happening. Ms. Evans informs this is not the first time the Bethel Lions Club has come through for the residents of the Sullivan County Adult Care Center. Each year, for many years running, they have donated equipment and other items to enhance the quality of life for residents at the Center. On behalf of the residents and staff, Mona Evans relayed a heartfelt "Thank You" to Mickey Barnett and the Bethel Lions Club for their many kindnesses, past and present.

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## Ulster County Gearing Up for the Annual Kiwanis Kingston Classic

*The Boston Marathon Qualifier Includes Five Distance Events, Reduced Entrance Fees and More Family-Friendly Starting Times*

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein was joined by City of Kingston Mayor Steve Noble, HITS Endurance CEO Tom Struzziari and Steve Klein President of the Kiwanis to detail race specifics of the popular Kiwanis Kingston Classic presented by HITS Endurance and to encourage local athletes to start preparing for the April 24th race.

"With the continued support of the Kiwanis and under the guidance from HITS Endurance, the Kingston Classic has become a world-class event," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "The varying distances make this race appealing to elite athletes from across the country as well as families looking for a fun, healthy day outside together; and we look forward to welcoming everyone to beautiful Ulster County." (Contd. Pg. 6)



William Spearman representing the Kiwanis Club of Kingston; County Executive Mike Hein; Tom Struzziari, CEO of HITS Endurance; and City of Kingston Mayor Steve Noble.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! How blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel!"  
John 12:13

**OBITUARIES**

**Jean "Gummy" Helthaler** passed away on March 9, 2016, joining her late husband and best friend, John F. Helthaler and much loved late daughter, Alison J. Helthaler McCarthy.

Jean was born July 5, 1930 to the late John and Mary Patryn, in Bayonne, NJ. As a young woman she caught the eye of a tall dark haired man from New York at a wedding they both attended. The smitten young man left his own date to court Jean and they later married.

Jean and John lived with her parents in New Jersey, but dreamed of building their own home in the Catskills. They enjoyed planning their future over pots of coffee and peanut butter and jelly smothered crackers. For over a decade they traveled between Wallington, NJ and Woodbourne, NY on weekends and summer vacations to build a house with their two children. Jean enjoyed creating a home rich with the colonial touches she loved. In later years she spent many happy days shopping and traveling with her daughter, being "Gummy" to her grandchildren, painting with the Studio Monday Art Group, volunteering for the *Townsman*, attending the Grahamsville United Methodist Church and working their thrift sales, playing cards with friends, walking her cat, and sipping hot cups of coffee while reading the paper with her son and daughter-in-law on Sunday mornings.

Jean's smile and penchant for wide-ranging conversations will be greatly missed by her son Chris Helthaler, daughter-in-law Margaret Helthaler, grandchildren Ashley McCarthy (and fiancé Alex Dudek), Gavin DuBois and Julie Helthaler, her nieces and nephews, in-laws Robert and Lillie Helthaler, her many friends, and her cat Teddy. Jean was predeceased by her sister, Wladyslawa Patryn Pelka and her brother Tadewsz Patryn.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, March 20, 2016 at 3 pm at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, State Route 55, Grahamsville, NY 12740. Pastor Peggy Ann Sauerhoff will officiate. Since Jean's favorite color was beige, guests are invited to dress accordingly.

In lieu of flowers the family humbly requests donations be made in her name to the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, PO Box 86, Grahamsville, NY 12740.

**Andrew E. Yaskanich** of Grahamsville, passed away at home with his family at his side on Friday, March 11, 2016. He was 69 years old. Andrew was born in Liberty, NY to John and Marilla Briggs Yaskanich on September 3, 1946.

Andy worked in maintenance for many different places over the years. He loved all things out doors, especially hunting and fishing. He enjoyed watching game shows and old westerns. Most of all, Andy enjoyed helping people. He would do anything for anyone. He loved seeing people happy.

Andy leaves behind his brothers: John and James Yaskanich, both of Liberty; his sisters: Ethel Powell of Madera, CA, Mary Yaskanich of Monticello, and Helen and her husband, Edward Bound of Grahamsville; along with many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his brothers: Edwin, Roy, William and Dwight.

A funeral service will be held in Andy's honor 10:30 a.m. on Friday, March 18th at the Colonial-Bryant Funeral Home, 396 Route 52, Woodbourne, NY. Interment will take place in the spring at Liberty Cemetery

**John Curry Jr.**, of Hurleyville, passed away on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Catskill Regional Medical Center. He was 47. He was the son of the late John Curry and Sandra Hannold, born on April 7, 1968 in Harris, NY.

John worked for New Hope Community for the past 17 years. He was known to be funny and pleasant to work with. He was adored by and will be missed by all his co-workers. In his free time John was an avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting and fishing. Above all he cherished his family and loved every moment that he had to spend with them. John was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend to all that knew him. He will always be remembered fondly and sorely missed by all.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory, his devoted wife Annette at home; his children Garrett Connor and his wife Crystal of Grahamsville, Jonathan Morton-Curry and his wife Sarah, of Grahamsville, and Stephanie Curry and her fiancé Carlos Ramirez of Glen Spey; his six grandchildren: Patrick, Jack, Paul, Lilliana, Amelia and

Samuel; his siblings: Ann Curry and her fiancé Andy Mielnicki of Texas, Georgianna Curry and her partner Joe Smith of Livingston Manor, and James Curry and his wife Ashlie of Youngsville; his niece and nephew: Joshua and Ashley Deck; numerous uncles, aunts and cousins from both sides of the family; and a host of many friends.

Arrangements were under the direction of Colonial-Bryant Funeral Homes. Information call 845-434-7363 or visit [www.colonialbryantfuneral-home.com](http://www.colonialbryantfuneral-home.com)

**Walter F. Cypert**, 91, of Woodbourne left this world to join his wife, Pearl, in heaven on Sunday, March 6, 2016. Walter was born on March 20, 1924 to Anthony and Myrtle Kracht Cypert. He will be dearly missed.

He married the love of his life, Pearl Green, on September 14, 1947 and lived in the house they built sixty-nine years ago. They had three daughters, who will miss him dearly. He lived to enjoy of seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. He made many friends working in the community. He enjoyed working with and restoring antique machines and tools, which he later donated to the Grahamsville Time and The Valleys museum.

He leaves behind his three daughters: Linda Manzolillo (Tom), Mary Lou Jewett (Cliff), and Ruth Dixon (Eric); seven grand-children: Cherie, Jack, Scott (Erin), Kevin (Hollie), Alex (Cindy), Erin (Derek), Rachel, and Tyler; eight great grandchildren: Justin, Jacob, Brody, Dylan, Ella, Kylie, Emma Pearl, and Desmond; his sister Thelma Misko and many nieces and nephews. Walt joins in heaven his loving wife Pearl; his brothers: Paul and David; and his sisters: Mary Mentnech and Rita Hotchkin.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Grahamsville Time and The Valleys museum, P.O. Box 254, Grahamsville NY 12740. A mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Thursday, March, 10, 2016 at 10am at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Woodbourne. Interment followed at Hillside Cemetery in Woodbourne.

**DAYS OF YORE....**

**Today's History**  
**March 14, 1956** - Miss Rose Marie Singer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Singer of Sundown, a senior in Physical Education at the State University Teachers College at Cortland, N.Y., has been named to the Dean's List for the first semester of the 1955-56 school year.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Eck of Napanoch are the parents of a son, Mark Frederick, born at Veterans Memorial Hospital on March 3rd. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eck of Sundown are the grandparents.

Whoever kissed the Blarney Stone upon St. Patrick's Day,  
Would surely have the gift of gab and know just what to say.  
But all us other mortals can wear the Irish green,  
And wish the sons of Erin the best they've ever seen.  
KUM TO KRUM'S

**March 16, 1966** - Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Rich of Litchfield, Conn., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth, to Clemens Bribitzer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Bribitzer. The future bride and her fiancé are both students at State University College at Plattsburgh. A Tri-Valley graduate, he is majoring in Economics. A June wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grey had their daughter, Beth Ann, christened on Sunday, March 13th. Godparents were Miss Cheryl Storms and her brother, Terry of Franklin Lakes, N.J. After the service the Greys entertained Mr. and Mrs. Roger Banta, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Storms, Cheryl and Terry and Rev. James Mills.

**March 24, 1976** - Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hotchkin, Jr. of Ithaca, are the proud parents of a son, Chad Erik, born on March 15th at Tompkins County Hospital, Ithaca. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hotchkin of Parksville and the great-grandmother is Mrs. Myrtle Cypert of Grahamsville.

**March 27, 1986** - William M. Hotchkin, son of William Hotchkin and Pearl Grant of Fairfield, Alabama and formerly of Neversink, N.Y., passed away at his home. He was 78 years old. Survivors include his wife, Edith Cross Hotchkin, at home; two daughters, Audrey Currey of Fairfield, Ala., and Lois Freeman of Birmingham, Ala.; two brothers: George of Bradley and Earl of Parksville; four sisters: Philena Heisler, Mary Kahn, and Pearl Asthalter, all of Liberty and Nellie Asthalter of Parksville.

**A Round About Tri-Valley**

-Carol Furman

Sympathy to the extended Cypert Family on the passing of Walter Cypert of Woodbourne. Walter, who passed away on March 6th, would have celebrated his 92nd birthday on March 20th. Walt enjoyed restoring antique machines and tools and donated many of them to the Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville. He was predeceased by his wife, Pearl. His family and friends will surely miss him.

Boy Scout Pack 87 held their Blue and Gold Dinner at the Neversink Fire House on Sunday, March 6th. Nine Weblo II's received their awards, crossed over the bridge and are now Boy Scouts in Troop 97. The Order of the Arrow Dancers were special guests and performed for all of those present. Another special guest, Elvis Presley, hosted a game show where contestants had to listen to a theme song and match it to the correct TV show. Thank you to Terry James for organizing and preparing the delicious meal. It was a fun evening!

The Broadway Music Concert featuring grades 5-12 was held in T.V.'s Bernstein Theater on March 15th. The concert was held in March because March is the month set aside to celebrate Music In Our Schools. Tri-Valley has the good fortune to have very talented music teachers and the students did a fabulous job!

Tri-Valley PTO spelling bee practices were held on March 7 & 14 for students in grades 2-6. The Bee will be held on March 30th at the Daniel Pierce Library.

Grahamsville United Methodist will hold a thrift sale on Saturday, March 19th from 9:00 am-1:00 pm.

Neversink Parks and Rec still has a couple of seats left for the trip to the Cloisters Museum and Gardens on April 23rd. See Jamie soon if interested. It should be a fun day!

The Grahamsville Ladies Auxiliary will play host to the Easter Bunny on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am at the Fairgrounds. Plan to bring the little ones to hunt for eggs and have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny!

Sign up has begun for the Daniel Pierce Library Spring Children's Storytime Program. Tri-Valley children between the ages of 12 months and 5 years are eligible to attend. The program is free and begins at the end of March and runs through May.

Remember to get your tickets early for the Boy Scout fish and chips dinner which will be held at the Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall on Sunday, April 17th from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Only a limited number of tickets will be sold at the door. Contact Neil Terwilliger or see a Scout for tickets.

Start to force branches of forsythia inside now for bright yellow blooms at the end of March.

**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY !**

**Words of Wisdom:** I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve. (Albert Schweitzer)

**Learn how to Respond to Situations Rather than React**

Monticello - The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Power of Words course at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello. Classes will run on Mondays, March 28th through April 18th, from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. The cost is \$50.

Do words have power? One might say that words have no power at all and they're just words. If that is true, then why do people use words to manipulate, hurt, tear down, empower, express love or praise? The Power of Words is a course designed to encourage participants to engage in a group setting using words to find ways to respond in situations rather than react. Please anticipate intense topic discussions leading to your learning new ways to do an introspection of self-using words.

To register or for more information, please contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4915 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:30 pm or visit us at scbores.org. For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCES on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

**Defensive Driving Class at Wawarsing Town Hall**

Sprague & Killeen Insurance Agency is sponsoring a Defensive Driving Class on Saturday, April 2 from 9 am to 3:30 pm at the Town of Wawarsing Town Hall Courtroom. Cost is \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. It is an excellent way to refresh your safe driving knowledge. By attending the class you will receive an insurance rate reduction for 3 years. This class also removes up to 4 points from your NYS DMV driving record. Please stop by the Sprague & Killeen office 116 Canal Street, Ellenville to reserve your seat.

**Free Classes to Empower Smart Consumers in Sullivan County**

LIBERTY, NY- An educational "Smart Consumer" series begins this month, intended to empower the public to make informed financial decisions that can improve their lives. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEESC) offers these classes from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

**March 15-Online Security** -Participants will learn techniques for a safe online experience, with tips for increased confidence when browsing the web and using basic online etiquette.

**March 24-Credit & Debt Management Strategies** - Workshop will equip participants with debt repayment strategies, informed by research, to help rebuild credit and successfully manage credit accounts.

**April 21 -Creating a Family Spending Plan**-Families will receive information to create a home budget and work confidently with it to set goals and utilize resources available to those in need.

This workshop series is free to the public. Participants need not attend every class in the series. Space is limited and pre-registration is required in advance. Registration and more information can be completed by calling CCEESC at 845-292-6180, emailing [sullivan@cornell.edu](mailto:sullivan@cornell.edu), or visiting [www.sullivan-ccesc.org](http://www.sullivan-ccesc.org).

This series is made possible through a partnership between Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County, Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Services, and Sullivan County Department of Family Services.

Anyone can enroll in CCEESC with an annual contribution of \$25 per household. Additional donations for CCEESC programs are appreciated. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCEESC office.

**Local Leaders are "Digging Deeper" in Sullivan Renaissance Launches Municipal Partnership Grant Program**

"It's a kick in the pants for everybody," said Monticello Village Manager Dave Sager. Battered buildings will be demolished in and around Monticello. Graffiti will be erased in Thompson. Littered gateways to Liberty, Fallsburg, Bethel and Thompson will be replaced with corridors of green shrubs and bright flowers. And people will be hired to enforce local building codes. What's more, walking trails will be created and improved, farmer's markets will bloom, and Sullivan County residents will be encouraged to eat healthy and exercise.

This is just a sampling of what Bethel, Fallsburg, Liberty, Monticello and Thompson will do in the next few months as part of Sullivan Renaissance's new Municipal Partnership Grant Program. Each town was awarded a \$15,000 grant this past Saturday at Renaissance's Annual Conference at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. The aptly titled event - "Building Beautiful, Healthy and Active Communities"-- marked the public kickoff of the new grant program.

The five municipalities chosen will utilize a combination of public funding, government grants and in-kind donations of goods and services totaling nearly \$1 million to address care of public spaces, enhancing gateways, code enforcement and building healthy communities to compete for a \$100,000 capital grant, secured by Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther. (Contd. Pg. 4)

**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, Polly Hill and Joyce Lockhart.

**It's St. Patrick's Day!**

There is a bit of green everywhere! You may even have a little pot of green shamrocks sitting in your window.

Whoever knew there was such diversity of opinion as to what a real shamrock was.

Back in 1597, John Gerard, an herbalist, defined the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense flore albo*, meaning Red or White Clover.

Then in 1726, the Irish botanist Caleb Threlkeld, wrote in his work entitled *Synopsis Stirpium Hibernicarum or A Treatise on Native Irish Plants* identifying the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense*, or White Field Clover.

In 1737 botanist Karl Linnaeus claimed the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense*, which is purple field clover. By 1830, London botanist James Ebenezer Bicheno added to the confusion, proclaiming that the real shamrock was indeed *Oxalis acetosella* or Wood Sorrel.

According to a survey taken in 1893 by Nathaniel Colgan, an amateur naturalist the results were that there was no 'true' species of shamrock. Almost one hundred years later, in 1988 a comparable survey was carried out by E. Charles Nelson, Director of the Irish National Botanic Gardens. Both surveys involved, asked people from all across Ireland to send in samples of a shamrock, which were then potted up and allowed to flower so that their botanical species could be identified. The results of both surveys were very similar, showing that the conception of the shamrock in Ireland had changed little in almost a hundred years; there is no one "true" species of shamrock.

The *Trifolium dubium* (Lesser clover) is considered to be the shamrock by roughly half of Irish people, and *Trifolium repens* (White clover) by another third, with the remainder split between *Trifolium pratense*, *Medicago lupulina*, *Oxalis acetosella* and various other species of *Trifolium* and *oxalis*.

The little potted shamrock plants that you have seen in the shops are probably none of those mentioned above, but are most likely wood sorrel that is shipped from Ireland in great quantity for St. Patrick's Day. But, they are green and look like a shamrock, so to us, the must be shamrocks!

Shamrocks have been symbolic of many things over the years. According to legend, the shamrock was a sacred plant to the Druids of Ireland because its leaves formed a triad, and three was a mystical number in the Celtic religion. St. Patrick used the shamrock in the 5th century to illustrate the doctrine of the Holy Trinity as he introduced Christianity to Ireland.

The shamrock became symbolic in other ways as time went on. In the 19th century it became a symbol of rebellion, and anyone wearing it risked death by hanging. It was this period that spawned the phrase "the wearin' o' the green".

Today, the shamrock is the most recognized symbol of the Irish, especially on St. Patrick's Day, when all over the world, everyone is Irish for a day!

*Begorrah* - that's a truth we can rely on!

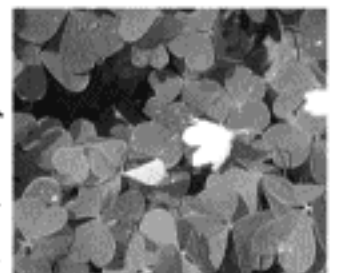
**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

**Household Hints**

As if a winter's worth of ice, slush, and snow wasn't rough enough on your shoes and boots, the worst thing, by far, is all the rock salt that's used to melt it. In addition to leaving unsightly white stains, salt can actually cause your footwear to crack and even disintegrate if it's left on indefinitely. To remove it and prevent long-term damage, wipe stains with a cloth dipped in undiluted white vinegar. Let the shoes and boots air dry. Then you can put them away until next winter and get out those spring shoes!



ing Red or White Clover. Then in 1726, the Irish botanist Caleb Threlkeld, wrote in his work entitled *Synopsis Stirpium Hibernicarum or A Treatise on Native Irish Plants* identifying the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense*, or White Field Clover.

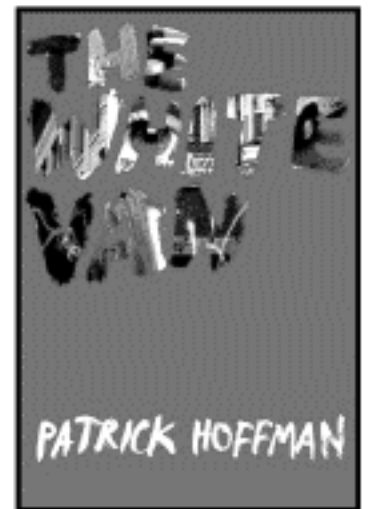




## Last Words

### Mysterious Book Report No. 231

by John Dwaine McKenna



We've all been guilty, at some time or another, of staying at the party just a wee bit too long, or succumbing to the exhortations of one of our Good Time Charlie pals, to *Awwwgoahead, one more won't killya* . . . and awakened the next day feeling like hammered doggie doo-doo. But it's a pretty sure bet that not a one of us awakened more than a week later with a crooked cop, the FBI and the Russia mafia all searching for us. For a young down-and-outer named Emily Rosario however, it's a nightmare come true in this week's MBR number 232 entitled, *The White Van*, (Atlantic Monthly Press/Grove Atlantic, Inc., \$24.00, 240 pages, ISBN 978-0-8021-2304-6) by first-time author Patrick Hoffman.

Emily's a human wreck-addicted to drugs, drinking like a fish, living in squalor in San Francisco's seedy Tenderloin District-she knows she's got to escape the lifestyle, or die. In her thirties, she still has her youth and looks . . . all she needs is a stake, money to ride and she'll get clean and sober . . . then start her life over. It'll be like nothing ever happened. Sure it will. As Emily's drinking shots of cheap whiskey in a dive bar one night and contemplating her future; a Russian man sits down on the stool next to her and buys her a drink. Several shots and a few hits of Oxycotin later, Emily thinks her prayers are answered when her new friend asks if she'd like to help him and two others in a simple identity theft. No one gets hurt, and they'll split a million bucks three ways. She agrees. It's the last thing she'll remember when she wakes up a week later under some bushes in a remote part of the city wearing someone else's clothes. She's groggy and massively hungover, pill-dependent, strapped to a canvas bag stuffed with cash and handcuffed, with a loaded gun in her pocket and no recollection of how she came to be there. Emily stumbles toward the city, where she discovers that she's wanted for bank robbery. There's also a desperate, alcoholic and crooked cop who's hoping to find her before anyone else, seeing Emily as the solution to his debt problems. And then too, there's those mad-as-hell Russians in the white van . . . who'll stop at nothing to get their hands on her.

But that's only a hint of the diverse, jaded and low cast of characters who inhabit the underbelly of one of America's greatest cities. If you've ever wondered what all the fuss over the *Noir* genre is about-here's a chance to get acquainted with excellent example. *The White Van* is a rock-n-roll thriller from start to finish. There's not a shadow of a doubt in my mind that Patrick Hoffman is an author to watch. I can't wait to see what he comes up with next!

Like the review . . . let your friends know, You saw it in the *Mysterious Book Report* . . . The greatest compliment you can give is to like us and share it with others on *Facebook*, and follow us on *Goodreads*, *Pinterest* or *LinkedIn*.

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### Local Leaders are "Digging Deeper" in Sullivan (From Pg. 3)

"It's a really big deal for us," said Town of Liberty Supervisor Charlie Barbuti as he stood in the lobby of the Bethel Woods Event Gallery Saturday, where healthy foods like yogurt parfaits and fresh fruit sticks were served and a mini-farmer's market offered everything from locally grown dried herbs to fruit smoothies. Barbuti said Liberty plans to welcome folks to its village by planting greenery and flowers in its roundabouts, as well as enhancing the rail trails that "very few people know about."

"It looks the way it does because we let it get that way," Barbuti said. "But this grant is going to help start to change that."

"We'll get Monticello turned around," said Village Manager Dave Sager. The village plans to remove at least three blighted structures and install four new welcome signs.

"It's making a lot of magic happen," summed up Town of Fallsburg Supervisor Steve Vegliante, who mentioned adding new plantings and signage to the entrance of Woodbourne as examples of what his town will do with the grant money.

The Municipal Grant Partnership Program is a natural next step for Sullivan Renaissance, the 15-year old program of the Gerry Foundation that New York State Senator John Bonacic called "the best organic beautification program for a county in the U.S."

The goal is "to put a new face on the county," said Sandra Gerry, founder and chair of Renaissance, who added, "We need to roll up our sleeves and dig a little deeper."

On Saturday, folks from across Sullivan County learned how to start doing just that from several hands-on experts, including keynote speaker Mark Fenton, a former host of PBS-TV's "America's Walking" and a public health, planning and transportation consultant.

"We have to build communities that build health," he said, urging the officials and their constituents to encourage exercise by building more walkable, bikeable communities. He also showed how specific areas in Monticello, Wurtsboro, Liberty, Fallsburg and Bethel could be made more inviting through zoning, planting and planning.

Conference-goers also heard from the people behind two nearby community initiatives: the transformation of an abandoned, polluted supermarket site in Hancock in Delaware County into a welcoming town park, and the renovation of dilapidated, unlivable buildings in Newburgh into clean, livable spaces.

#### SIDEBARS

Organizations and businesses interested in being part of the 2016 Sullivan Renaissance Community Beautification Grant Program still have time to plan projects and submit an application for funding. Applications are available at <http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/grants/applications/> and are due by March 16, 2016.

Video presentations from this past weekend's Sullivan Renaissance Annual Conference can be viewed at <http://www.youtube.com/user/SullivanRenaissance>. Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

### Gunther Introduces Legislation to Expand Empire State Film Tax Credit to the Hudson Valley

Hurleyville, NY - To boost film production outside of New York City, the 2013-14 State Budget included language to create an additional 10% film tax credit for "Upstate" counties. However, bizarrely, Hudson Valley counties, including Sullivan, Ulster, Orange, and Dutchess, were not considered "Upstate" for the purposes of the credit and have been unable to tap into this lucrative economic development opportunity.

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D, I,W,F-Forestburgh) has introduced legislation (A.9415) to include Hudson Valley counties in the 10% Empire State Film Production Credit program.

Sponsored by Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther, D-100, and Assemblyman Frank Skartados, D-104, the bill would expand the Empire State Development Film Tax Credit Program to allow previously excluded counties to offer a 10 percent tax credit for companies working in the film industry.

Sen. George Amedore, R-46, said the Senate is working on this as well. If passed, the tax credit would come at no cost to municipalities and local taxpayers across the state.

There is around \$400,000 worth of funding in the current budget being set aside for the tax credit program. Supporters of the legislation are hoping to attract more film companies to the region.

Amedore said he has already spoken to Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and Greene County Legislature Chairman Kevin Lewis, R-Greenville, about getting the legislation off the ground.

Production companies could be eligible to receive a "fully refundable credit of 30 percent of qualified production costs and post-production costs."

From now through 2019, productions with a budget of \$500,000 or more may be eligible to receive an additional 10 percent tax credit for labor costs.

During Ulster County Executive Mike Hein's State of the County Address in Kingston recently, he spoke of the growing interest of filmmakers looking to create major production facilities in Ulster County.

### NYSAC Details State Budget Priorities - Mandate Relief and Targeted Infrastructure Funding Top County Lists

The New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) and its member county leaders have identified a series of 2016-17 State Budget priorities that will provide property tax relief and improve the delivery of critical programs and services at that local level.

County leaders are encouraging state lawmakers to fight for:

1. A takeover of county indigent defense costs
2. Increased community college funding
3. Lowering and expanding the E 9-1-1 surcharge
4. Targeting bank settlement funds for upstate road and water infrastructure projects
5. E-Waste Grants
6. Clean Water Infrastructure

"County officials from across the state have been communicating concerns to their state legislators. A projected property tax cap growth at basically zero in 2017, combined with stagnant sales tax revenues, counties will not be able keep up with the rising costs of state mandated programs provided at the local level.

We need State Lawmakers to assist their local taxpayers and provide mandate relief, and dedicate bank settlement funds to local roads and water projects," said NYSAC President Bill Cherry, Schoharie County Treasurer.

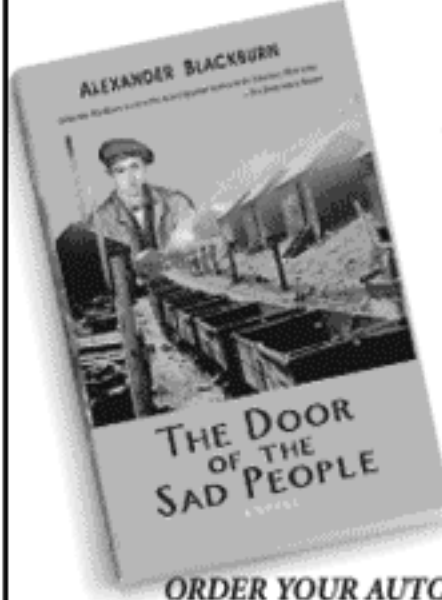
The State Senate and Assembly are working this week on developing priority initiatives for their one-house budget measures expected to be released next week.

"Items not in the Governor's proposed Executive Budget have to be added at this point in the budget process," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "Local officials are elected to serve their local community, not to just serve the state's programs. We have to strike a balance so that community-based needs, like providing E-911 to protect our citizens, can be adequately provided. County officials will continue the call for mandate relief to alleviate the burden on the local taxpayers. A multi-year phased in state takeover of indigent legal defense service costs would provide that mandate relief and improve the quality of the program across the state."

Last year, nine state mandates consumed 99 percent of the county property taxes levied statewide, outside of New York City.

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TANF - Family Assistance	\$ 92,000,000	\$ 91,000,000	-
Safety Net/TANF	\$ 204,000,000	\$ 215,000,000	373,294,006
Child Welfare	\$ 270,000,000	\$ 270,000,000	291,832,200
Special Education Pre-K <sup>2</sup>	\$ 193,900,000	\$ 207,240,882	250,744,099
Early Intervention <sup>1</sup>	\$ 60,000,000	\$ 64,600,000	75,708,792
Indigent Defense	\$ 125,000,000	\$ 131,900,000	157,100,400
Probation	\$ 116,000,000	\$ 123,200,000	156,668,359
Youth Detention	\$ 29,000,000	\$ 31,000,000	38,581,897
Pensions*	\$ 461,978,835	\$ 687,481,228	1,162,903,116
9 for 90 Estimated Costs	\$ 3,632,878,835	\$ 3,956,422,110	4,762,483,652
Statewide Levy (w/o NYC)***	\$ 4,516,741,102	\$ 4,528,799,053	\$4,832,672,795
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"When State Lawmakers enacted a property tax cap in 2011, they said that mandate relief would follow. They capped Medicaid and reformed the pension system, but they did nothing to lower mandated base costs for local taxpayers. This year, we need mandate relief and support for our aging infrastructure and 9-1-1 communication services," said Cherry.



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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

### Quilting

Thanks to my friend MaryAnn Shultis, Marie Pantliano and I learned how to cut, sew, quilt and create a lovely handbag. We were taught, step by step, what to do first, what to do next, and what not to do (Do not let go of the thread!). I am sure it took great patience of the part of our mentor, who previously taught 4-H Girls to sew, to be dealing with two "newbies" who asked dumb questions and wise-cracked along the way.



Three days of sewing, pressing, and piecing resulted in a product that I was proud of and eager to show off. However, this column is not really about sewing and quilting except as a metaphor.

Like a quilt, our fabric of society has been cut into many different pieces. Politically, we are Democrats, Republicans, Tea-Partiers, Independents and Do-not-like-any-government anarchists. Philosophically we are glass-half-full, glass-half-empty, and pour-me-another glass of anything thinkers. We are graduates of high school, college and the School of Hard Knocks. We are Christians, Jews, Muslims, Buddhists, agnostics and worshipers of the Almighty Dollar and Apple iPhone. We come in skin shades of white, pink, browns, yellows and blacks. We come in all sizes from petite to Weight Watcher big, from short to Shaquille O'Neal. We range in income from pay-check to pay-check existence to owning a few houses with a jet to commute from one to another. We Americans are pieces of a quilt.

The first step in quilting is to arrange the diverse colors and patterns into a pleasing pattern. Contrast and variety add to the design. The color of one square is enhanced by the hue and decor of the adjacent one. Next, the stitching binds one to another in purpose and direction. Then rows join to form a fabric that is more beautiful and stronger than its individual parts. Perhaps the Founding Fathers, or at least the sewing-bee quilting Founding Mothers, knew this when they adopted the saying, "E Pluribus Unum" which means "From Many, One."

I feel like, as we approach the primaries and election of our President, we might learn from the quilting process. Right now we are in step one of that process. We are cut shapes searching for a pattern that can be stitched together into one proud nation that honors all the colors and designs of our modern society.

### Ulster County Gearing Up for the Annual Kiwanis Kingston Classic (From Pg. 1)

"We are excited to have the Kiwanis Kingston Classic in Kingston," said Mayor Steve Noble. "It is a great economic development opportunity to showcase uptown Kingston and the surrounding area. Good luck to all of the participants."

"We are thrilled to offer runners a variety of events so each participant can customize their race as well as their experience in our beautiful region," said HITS Endurance CEO Tom Struzzi. "This year's race will showcase some of the county's most compelling landscapes and landmarks. From the historical uptown section of New York State's first capital - Kingston - to the scenic rail trails and the Rosendale Trestle, participants will see some of the most breathtaking sites our region has to offer."

Ulster County Director of Tourism Rick Remsnyder detailed some of this year's race enhancements, "This year will see a compressed morning start schedule as well as reduced entrance fees, making this a family event not to be missed."

"No matter which race distance participants are competing in, every event starts and finishes at the grandstand at Dietz Memorial Stadium in Kingston, with spectators, friends and families cheering on each runner," Struzzi said.

The event is managed by HITS Endurance, Saugerties, a special events management company focused on producing endurance sports events and hunter/jumper horse shows, and organized by the Kiwanis Club of Kingston. It features five distance events: A "Friends & Family Mile," 5K, 10K, half marathon and full marathon which is a qualifier for the Boston Marathon.

This year, early registration (by April 16) entry fees are \$30 per person for the 10K race and \$25 for the 5K. Entry fees will increase one week before race day. The marathon and half-marathon registration fees are the same (Marathon: \$95 up until April 23 event expo, \$105 after; Half-marathon: \$80 up until April 23 event expo, \$90 after).

While the 5K and 10K races remain participant favorites, the different distance options are expected to draw beginners, those looking for a tune-up race and elite athletes as well.

Many of the race's enhancements are designed to appeal to local families. For example, the new race-day schedule has all events taking place in the morning. This will allow families to race different distances while starting and finishing their events at similar times. Additionally, the Kiwanis Club will host family-friendly activities so relatives and friends of participants can stay entertained while cheering for their favorite runners.

Runner training and support is available in advance of the race and on race day. "We have arranged with Lyle Schuler at MAC Fitness to create a training program, which will be available for those runners who need or want the support," said Struzzi. "We have also renewed our relationship with HealthAlliance to continue as the official Health & Wellness Partner for the race and manage the medical tent and medical stations along the course."

Registration for the Kingston Classic is currently open through April 22 at noon. For more information or to register, visit [www.kiwaniskingstonclassic.com/registration](http://www.kiwaniskingstonclassic.com/registration). There is also registration at the event expo and on race day.

Maps of the races can be accessed at [www.kiwaniskingstonclassic.com/race-info/courses](http://www.kiwaniskingstonclassic.com/race-info/courses)

Schedule (times subject to change)

- Saturday, April 23 - Robert Dietz Memorial Stadium
- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Athlete packet pick-up for all distances
- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Fitness Expo
- 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Athlete meeting for all distances
- Sunday, April 24 - Robert Dietz Memorial Stadium
- 7 a.m.: Half-marathon and Marathon start
- 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Fitness Expo
- 9:30 a.m.: Half-marathon awards ceremony
- 10 a.m.: 5K start
- 10:30 a.m.: Friends and Family Mile start
- 11 a.m.: 10K start
- 11:15 a.m.: 5K awards ceremony
- 12 p.m.: Marathon awards ceremony
- 12:45 p.m.: 10K awards ceremony

### Rejuvenary River Circus Coming to Phoenicia April 3

The Phoenicia Library and the Phoenicia Elementary School are bringing a circus to town! On Sunday, April 3, at 2 PM Arm of the Sea Theater will perform The Rejuvenary River Circus, a story about the life of a river, on stage at the elementary school. The hour-long, family-oriented performance is free and open to the public. The Phoenicia Elementary School is located on School Lane & Route 214, about a half mile north of Main Street, Phoenicia, NY 12464. This event is free of charge.

This circus is an allegory featuring gorgeous masks and puppet characters, a unique hand-made set and live original music. The story follows Malakai, a messenger and water carrier who travels between Mountain Peaks and The Deep Blue Sea. Along his journeys Malakai encounters a host of creatures including a lyrical sea turtle, a fast-talking crow, a pair of industrious beavers, beds of filter-feeding oysters, and schools of migrating fish. Each animal offers insights into their particular role in a watershed's ecosystem services. When the old man falls ill his granddaughter Rachel must rise to the challenge and help restore her grandfather, the River, back to health.

Circus runs one hour in length. This event is made possible with funds from the Catskill Watershed Corporation in partnership with New York City DEP. For more information, see [phoenicalibrary.org](http://phoenicalibrary.org).

### Paintings by two local artists will be on display at the Olive Free Library to coincide with and complement the Piano Plus!

Paintings by two local artists will be on display at the Olive Free Library to coincide with and complement the Piano Plus! concerts in March, April, and May. Artists Calvin Grimm and Kathy Yacoe's colorful abstract paintings will provide a visual dimension to the musical offerings of the concert series. The series opens on Saturday, March 12, at 2:00 p.m. with pianist Rami Saredidine playing Robert Schumann's, Fantasy Op.17 in C major and selections from Schubert's Winterreise.

The two established artists will show their work during the Piano Plus! chamber music concert series which will kick off its third year with a recital by pianist Rami Saredidine on Saturday, March 12 at 2:00 p.m. Abstract expressionist Calvin Grimm's large colorful compositions have been commissioned in very visible places such as San Francisco's A T & T Park Baseball Stadium. The Woodstock artist's work is colorful, playful, musical and pas-

sionate, a perfect pairing with the exciting and expansive piano solos offered in this concert series. For this showing Grimm will hang a large, 46" X 60" oil on canvas titled The Secret Lives of Fungi.

Artist Kathy Yacoe of West Shokan has taught art for the past 30 years and will show six large colorful abstract paintings for the concert series. Both of these artists have extensive experience being in nature, working as guides, spending many years closely observing the natural world.

"As an Abstract Expressionist painter, Calvin Grimm, marks his coordinates on canvases informed by years of exploration into pristine environments of intimate immensity. He was a wilderness sea kayaking expedition leader on the Alaskan and Yucatan coasts, and a backpack and horsepack leader in Wyoming for years, absorbing and contemplating what art historian and curator, Robert Rosenblum, reflects upon as "experiences of the spiritual...of the transcendental, mysterious...on a par with 'the great unknowables' of the universe". (From the artist's website)

"Grimm does not render the flower; he renders the force that drives it...The beauty of nature is not so much to be found in the individual stone or tree or stream, but in the dynamic and unceasing exchange of energy between them."

- Mikhail Horowitz. Woodstock Times

Kathy Yacoe, reflecting on her artistic process says, "I create paintings, collages and assemblages that represent fragments of time and place. All of my work refers to an implied larger world existing outside of the picture frame. The totality of the universe is reflected in individual fragments of time and space and I would like my images to act as a testimony to this mysterious interrelation of all things. I am searching for a visual equivalent for the frozen moment of time that is timeless and the vivid iconographic image, which cannot be forgotten. The individual works may represent sudden emotion or memory, fragments of landscapes or artifacts from an earlier era."

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**Political Forum Scheduled for March 16**

On Wednesday, March 16, the Division of Social Sciences & Sustainability Studies at SUNY Sullivan will host a panel discussion to examine the issues and candidates involved in the upcoming presidential primaries. The event, entitled All About That Vote, is free and open to the public. The forum begins at 6:30 pm in the college's Seelig Theatre and will coincide with a voter registration drive.

The non-partisan panel will explore the issues surrounding top candidates' economic and social platforms, and will provide historical context and ongoing analysis about the upcoming elections, as well as emphasizing why it is important to vote. The distinguished panel includes: Thomas Lambert, professor of sociology, who will discuss the political parties and the rise of "charis-

matic" candidates; Dani Weber, a professor of English at SUNY Sullivan, who will discuss the speeches and rhetoric of the candidates; Arthur Riegel, a long-time professor of Economics, will analyze the economic platforms and proposed tax plans of top candidates; Political Science instructor Liza MacEntee, will review what's at stake and how this election can impact the nation; and Jack Leschner, former professor of Political Science & History, will discuss super pacs and campaign finance and why they matter. The moderator for the evening will be Anne Ruszkiewicz, a professor in SUNY Sullivan's Liberal Arts and Humanities Department.

"We're so lucky to have individuals with the education and expertise at SUNY Sullivan who can speak knowledgeably on this panel," notes Susan Rogers, Ph.D., Division Chairperson of Social Science & Sustainability Studies, an associate professor of Psychology and the event organizer. "I encourage all members of the community to make time for this important, non-partisan forum on the upcoming primary elections, and to take the opportunity to register to vote!"

In addition to the forum, a voter registration drive is being held so that community members can make sure they are registered and ready to vote in the New York State primaries by the March 25 registration deadline. The voter registration portion of the evening is being conducted in connection with Rock the Vote, a non-partisan group that focuses on educating and registering young voters and getting as many as possible to turn out to the polls.

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**WHAT'S IN A NAME?  
... that which we call a rose, by any other name would smell as sweet.**

Shadowland Theatre updated its name to Shadowland Stages and unveiled a brilliant new logo in a deep aubergine color. We sat down with Producing Artistic Director Brendan Burke and Executive Managing Director Jon Wojciechowski to discuss these exciting changes.

**Q. WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO UPDATE THE NAME OF SHADOWLAND?**

B. (Brendan) Shadowland is an exciting time in its evolution. With the addition of Jon on staff, and a renewed focus on growth and marketing, we want to make sure we are branding ourselves in an accurate and contemporary way, reflecting our mission and programming. Shadowland has a long and rich history as a movie theatre; even today, people reminisce about movie nights and stealing their first kiss in the balcony. We want to brand ourselves to highlight what we do now: live professional theatre.

**Q. WHY SHADOWLAND STAGES?**

J. (Jon) Now that we have our second stage space on Market & Center Streets, it seemed logical to include that space in our name. We will begin construction of our black box theatre there in the fall and this seemed like the best time to start a conversation about what we're doing. We want to respect the past, but keep our focus towards the future.

**Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE BLACK BOX THEATRE?**

B. That space will serve multiple purposes. First, it's a home for our Acting Academy, hosting classes for young people in the community. Second, it's rehearsal space for our mainstage productions. Lastly, it will be a smaller house where we can perform new work, experimental work, and more intimate pieces.

J. We also see it as an economic driver for the community. Just as the success of Shadowland has brought new restaurants and new energy to Canal Street, we hope to see a similar resurgence on Center Street.

**Q. THE NEW LOGO IS BEAUTIFUL. TELL ME ABOUT IT.**

J. We wanted a logo that showcased Shadowland as a modern, contemporary "legitimate (meaning live) theatre". But, we also wanted to honor the building's past, particularly its art deco architecture. The designer accomplished this with a modern font for the type, and a deco-inspired 'S' to signify Shadowland.

B. For me, the logo represents all the intertwined parts of theatre and all the many pieces that have to come together to create the tapestry of the finished product. All great stories are a conglomerate of varied perspectives and conflicting forces. But, I like that it can say different things to different people.

**Q. WHAT IS IT THAT YOU HOPE THE NEW LOGO EXPRESSES?**

J. Our new marketing theme, which is 'Professional Theatre. Made in the Hudson Valley.' We are the premier Equity theatre in the region and we want everyone - locals and visitors - to share that pride.

B. I want the logo to reflect the professional plays and musicals we perform on the stage. It takes many people, many weeks to get each show ready for opening. It's important to me that our logo is a reflection of that professionalism and pride.

Expect to see the new Shadowland Stages logo on marketing materials, billboards, signage, and (we hope) hats and t-shirts as the new season rolls out. The 2016 brochure mails on March 18 so look for it arrive in your mailboxes shortly thereafter.

**CCE Agri-Business Workshop Series Continues**

LIBERTY, NY- Farmers and agricultural businesses can access the expertise of professionals for a range of ag business topics in the workshop series, Taking Care of Business: Developing Your Farm Operation, continuing in March. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County is offering this unique opportunity at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

**March 30 - Agricultural Business Planning**- 6:00- 8:00 pm A business plan is an essential road map for business success. This workshop will give participants pragmatic, straightforward tools for setting goals, developing action plans for achieving them, measuring progress on an ongoing basis, and adjusting accordingly.

**April 18 - Understanding Farm Leases & Accessing Land** - 6:00- 8:00 pm - Jerry Cosgrove will present on the basic farm lease structures, the dos and don'ts, and expectations from the lease. Cosgrove is a consultant who combines a farming background, legal experience, and a long history of non-profit work and public service. He consults on a range of agricultural, conservation, farm transfer, and rural development issues. He was formerly the associate director of the Local Economies Project. He has served as deputy commissioner of NYS Ag and Markets as well as the Northeast regional director of American Farmland Trust. Participants are asked to bring a copy of any existing farm leases, if available. We welcome landowners with any size parcel of land- from half acre to hundreds of acres- who want to explore the rewarding possibilities of

making their land more productive by leasing it to a sustainable farmer. Farmers of all levels of experience who are planning a new farm or wish to expand an existing farm business can benefit from this class. Resources to access or post land will also be covered.

**May 9 - Funding Opportunities for Your Farm**- | 6:00- 8:00 pm - Topics will include the Sullivan County Agri-Business Revolving Loan Fund, County of Sullivan IDA Agri-Business Revolving Loan Fund, US Department of Agriculture (USDA) FSA funding programs, and USDA NRCS funding programs, along with information on NYS Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) programs, NYS Electric and Gas (NYSEG) programs and other regional funding opportunities. Representatives will be on hand to answer questions and to begin the application process.

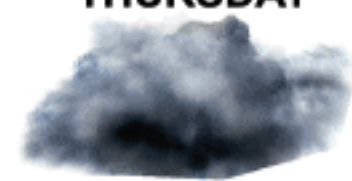
Cost is \$15 per person per class, \$10 per CCESC enrollee per class, or \$30 per enrollee for the entire series. Anyone can enroll in CCESC for an annual contribution of \$25.


Scholarships are available for this educational program, made possible through generous donations from Sullivan Renaissance. In the event of financial hardship or special needs, the public should contact the office.


Space is limited and pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required in advance. Seats are only guaranteed with payment. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailing [sullivan@cornell.edu](mailto:sullivan@cornell.edu), or visiting [www.sullivanccesc.org](http://www.sullivanccesc.org). Payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

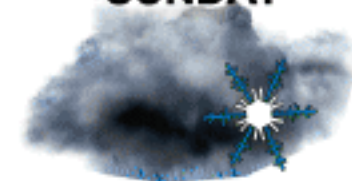
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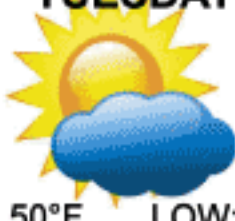
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**Meet Governor Andrew Cuomo at the Executive Mansion - Easter Sunday Egg Hunt Marks New Open House Tradition**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo is inviting New Yorkers to an Open House at the Executive Mansion on Sunday, March 27, 2016 to celebrate Easter Sunday. Visitors and their families will be welcome to tour the Executive Mansion, meet the Governor, and participate in an inaugural Easter egg hunt to commemorate this new tradition.

All adults over the age of 16 wishing to attend must have a ticket. Individuals who receive tickets will be allowed to bring one guest and any under-age children from their household - children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets to the Open House are required and space is limited.

New Yorkers wishing to attend should visit [www.governor.ny.gov](http://www.governor.ny.gov) to register. The registration period takes place from Friday, March 11th at 9AM to Friday, March 18th at 5PM. The Open House will be held from 1:30PM to 3:30PM on March 27th.

Space is limited and tickets are non-transferable. In the event that the number of requests exceeds available space, attendees will be selected by lottery. Guests will be notified of their selection via email on Thursday, March 24th.

Guests are reminded that weapons and controlled substances as well as bags, backpacks, luggage, parcels, briefcases and similar articles are strictly prohibited from the event.

Photography and videography devices will not be allowed on the premises. Guests with prohibited articles will be turned away. There will not be a storage or "check-in" area provided for such items.



### Frost Valley Offers School-age Child Care at Tri-Valley

Frost Valley YMCA is now offering a School-age Child Care program at Tri-Valley Central School for students in grades K-6. The new program runs school days until 5:45 pm and is designed to provide parents with the reassurance that their child will spend after-school time in a safe and supportive environment.



Why is this new after-school program important? According to the National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center (NYVPRC), two-thirds of parents say they have trouble finding local programs after the school day ends - the time when most juvenile crimes and risky youth behaviors take place. NYVPRC found that children who do not spend any time in after-school activities are 49 percent more likely to experiment with drugs, and are also at the highest risk of becoming a victim of violence, especially between the hours of 2-6 pm.

Children who participate in School-age Child Care will enjoy a healthy snack, time for homework or reading, age-specific activities, and structured programs such as physical activities, sports, crafts, games, and more. The cost of the program is \$13 per day. Limited bussing is available at a small additional fee (the bus leaves at 5 p.m.).

"School-age Child Care is so important for our community. While there are already great local child care centers, there are simply not enough to meet the need," says Frost Valley's Community Programs Director Katia Martin. "Our program will help bridge the gap and provide quality programming. Parents will be able to complete their workday without the stress of wondering, 'Who will be watching my kids?'" Parents can contact Katia Martin at kmartin@frostvalley.org or 845-985-2291 for information.

Don't forget: Frost Valley's Spring Break Day Camp takes place March 21-25. Campers spend their days enjoying crafts, games, hiking, and other fun programs. Weather permitting, they'll have the opportunity to take an offsite trip to a local indoor pool, enjoy a tour of the Maple Sugar House, and visit the Frost Valley Farm. Lunch, snacks, and transportation are all included. Visit FrostValley.org to learn more or call 845-985-2291 to register in advance.

### Senator Bonacic Attends and Delivers Remarks at Sullivan Renaissance Annual Conference



State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) joined political, business, and community leaders from Sullivan County, and delivered remarks, at the Sullivan Renaissance's Annual Conference this past Saturday, at Bethel Woods Performing Arts Center. The annual conference brings together local leaders to discuss ways to continue to improve the lives of the residents of Sullivan County. Eight Renaissance awards were also given out to individuals, businesses, organizations, and youth for their outstanding commitment to Sullivan County. The mission of Sullivan Renaissance is to "enhance the appearance of Sullivan County, while building a sense of pride and spirit in the community."

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### Senator Bonacic Invites Nominations for New York State Senate Veteran's Hall of Fame

(Albany, NY) - Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) invites nominations from the 42nd Senate District for induction into the New York State Senate Veteran's Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame represents extraordinary New Yorkers whose heroism in the United States Armed Forces is complimented by their service to the people in their community.

The New York State Senate Veteran's Hall of Fame was created to pay tribute and celebrate exceptional veterans from the Empire State who have distinguished themselves, both in the military and civilian life.

"This program provides an opportunity to acknowledge and honor the efforts of men and women who demonstrated tremendous courage during their time in the military," said Senator Bonacic. "The Veteran's Hall of Fame recognizes their sacrifice and commitment to help secure the freedoms we enjoy today."

The selected veteran from the 42nd District will participate in a ceremony followed by a luncheon on Tuesday May 24th in Albany. The photograph and biography of each honoree across the state will become part of a special online exhibit which tells the stories of the many contributions veterans make during and after their time in military service.

Veterans residing in the 42nd State Senate District are eligible to be nominated. The 42nd Senate District includes the following communities: all of Sullivan County; the following Towns in Delaware County: Masonville, Tompkins, Walton, Hamden, Delhi, and Colchester; the following Towns in Orange County: Deerpark, Goshen, Greenville, Hamptonburgh, Minisink, Mount Hope, Tuxedo, Wallkill, Warwick, Wawayanda; Cities of Middletown and Port Jervis; and Ulster County: the Towns of Denning, Gardiner, New Paltz, Rosendale, Shawangunk, and Wawarsing.

If you would like to nominate a veteran, please send an email to Senator Bonacic's office at tdowns@nysenate.gov, or call 845-344-3311, explaining the reason your nominee should be inducted into the New York State Veteran's Hall of Fame. Nominations must include a brief biography of approximately 250 words along with the veteran's rank and file at the time of discharge or end of military service. Please remember to include the town or city of residence and phone number of the nominee. Those making nominations should also include their own name and contact information. Nominations must be received no later than April 17, 2016.

### Governor Cuomo Statement on the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation's Tower Climb

"This event is very important for New York and for the families who were impacted by the tragedy of September 11, 2001. That day we saw the true spirit of New York - the spirit that led first responders and volunteers to put aside fear and rush into danger in order to help those in need. Those brave men and women saved lives, and it is important that we continue to honor their service and sacrifice.

"Today, I am happy to announce that all parties involved in this important event have agreed to come together, and I am confident that remaining issues will be resolved so the event can happen again this year."

**“Intricate Realities” Group Show Continues CAS 2016 Exhibition Season**

LIVINGSTON MANOR, NY - The Catskill Art Society presents “Intricate Realities,” a group exhibition featuring artwork by Hannah Raine Brenner-Leonard, Patrick Duffy, and Jayoung Yoon at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY from March 19 through April 17.

Flowing repetition of form and precise attention to detail form a unifying link between these three artists. Intensely designed pieces, sometimes simple, sometimes complex, all draw the viewer into another sense of reality. These artists present patterns in a multitude of mediums from cultures around the world, so get ready: it's about to get complicated.

Hannah Raine Brenner-Leonard employs repetition in her self-directed artworks created using a combination of drawing mediums, found images, and vintage maps. Her focus on the imagery of “home” is used to evoke places both real and imagined. Her Minimalist-inspired work proclaims that more is more, as the simple icon of a house grows into a village, a sloping valley, a cluster of bees or a roaring gust of wind. Drawing on impressions of place and memory her work is created with patience and sensitivity, transforming a tradition, symbolic depiction of home and place into something foreign.

Patrick Duffy creates multi-scaled works that seek to realize patterns through the usage of process, form and color, building a relation to an illusory depth of real space. Images of fractal processions allow a kind of rhythm to develop, connecting elements that have their own state of individuality, but are still translated and re-translated to fit within balanced works. Duffy's work can be seen as a reflection on influences and experiences of growing up in a small fishing culture on the ocean. Nautical themes represent a sense of time and place that are imagined in an accretive, but flattened way, pertaining to have a sense of continual motion.

Jayoung Yoon draws upon diverse spiritual practices and texts to create sculptures and paintings made of human hair, conveying a unification of body, mind, and the moment. Because hair is simultaneously tactile and ephemeral, it becomes a visual nexus for the intersection between the physical and spiritual realms. As her pieces move organically and subtly with the air currents in the gallery space, they evoke natural wonders such as spider webs and render the invisible forces of the shared environment. Delicate and intricate, Yoon's sculptures and paintings encourage viewers to draw closer, to step out of the relentless stream of modern life and become still.

**Biographies:**

Hannah Raine Brenner-Leonard can count from the number 10 to the number 1, and assure that all supplies are in neat little piles and all eyes are on her. She can guarantee that a student from the table that does it best will be able to draw a house on the board. As a teaching artist she has the unique opportunity to be inspired by children's artwork, which is how the omnipresent square and triangle house became the foundational component of her drawings. Hannah examines concepts of home and place using sumi ink, watercolor, maps and Rives BFK. She is a graduate of Pratt Institute and currently resides in Brooklyn, NY.

Patrick Duffy, born in Blue Hill, ME, is an artist living and working in Brooklyn, NY. He received his B.F.A. from Pratt Institute in 2006 in Painting. His work has been included in shows throughout New York, mostly within the Chelsea and Soho art districts.

Jayoung Yoon is a New York-based artist born in Korea. Her solo exhibitions have been shown in venues such as Here Art Center, Delaware Center for Contemporary Art, and the Museum of New Art. She was awarded the BRIC Media Arts fellowship, Franklin Furnace Grant Fund, and Artist Residencies by Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Lower Manhattan Cultural Council's Swing space, Anderson Ranch Arts Center, and Sculpture Space. Most recently, she was awarded the Vermont Studio Center Fellowships and The Artist in the Marketplace program at Bronx Museum. She received her M.F.A. degree from Cranbrook Academy of Art in Michigan and her B.F.A. from Hongik University in Korea.

Gallery hours at the CAS Arts Center are Thursdays - Saturdays 11am-6pm, Sundays 11am-3pm, and Mondays 11am-6pm. The CAS Arts Center is wheelchair accessible.

March 19, 2016 - Artist Talk and Opening Reception

CAS will host an Artist Talk on Saturday, March 19 at 3pm, followed immediately by a free Opening Reception from 4-6pm. All are welcome and light refreshments will be served.

**About the Catskill Art Society**

The Catskill Art Society is a non-profit cultivating public interest, participation, and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists. Located in Livingston Manor, the renovated 4,500+ square foot facility includes a designated fine arts gallery, a large multi-purpose space, a pottery studio, a painting studio, and a digital arts lab. For more information, please visit [www.catskillartsociety.org](http://www.catskillartsociety.org).

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

**Trout Season Begins on April 1st!**

As always, the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum has a host of activities to bring in the new season. Join us for the Catskill Legends on April 1st and the Season Opener on April 2nd.

**CFFCM Catskill Legends 2016 April 1, 2016**

Who is a Catskill Flyfishing Legend? They are the fly fishing pioneers who: discovered and appreciated the richness of the rivers and streams in the Catskills; the champions of our waters who protected every inch that flowed; authors and historians who shared the romance of the Catskill experience; they are those who have kept the Catskills alive for future generations to enjoy. On April 1, 2016, this year we will recognize: Stan Cooper Jr., Ray Smith and Tom Satterthwaite

Tom Satterthwaite- A jeweler by trade, but a fly fisher at heart. An educator, fly tyer, artist, craftsman and writer dedicated to the enhancement of fly fishing. Although home based in PA, fly fishermen and tyers of the time were immersed in the history, techniques and fly fishing style so studied as the Catskill traditions. As a fly tyer, Tom found a great appreciation of hackles through a close relationship with Harry and Elsie Darbee. Like many, he polished his patterns and skills on the Beaverkill and Willowemoc.

Ray Smith- The Schohaire and the Esopus, the weaker sisters of the Catskill rivers of the charmed circle often get little recognition. Two stalwarts of these fine streams were Ray Smith and Art Flick. Everyone knows Art Flick, but few know Ray. With the emphasis on Catskill Dry Flies and Catskill Dry Flytying, there is definitely a lack of presence of wet flies and wet fly fishing. The windows of dry flies are often open and closed in short periods, but those who fish wets can always score in the stream. Ray Smith, reverently referred to as the Dean of the Esopus, was one of those men who not only tied perfect wet flies, but fished them with great results.

Stan Cooper Jr. A testament to the art of fly tying, Stan Cooper Jr. has commercially tied flies as a full time career for over 70 years. His talents on the vice have lead him to create flies for Abercrombie & Fitch, Orvis and other stores in addition to tying flies for noted anglers, Ted Williams and former President Jimmy Carter. Stan's unsurpassed skills in the tying industry continue today. He has tied well over two million flies to date and currently makes about three to five dozen flies each day. He is a living connection to the Catskill great Rube Cross, who learned his techniques from the father of American dry fly fishing, Theodore Gordon.

These inductees will be honored at dinner at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center on April 1, 2016 at 5:30. Seating is limited; to make a reservation please visit our Program and Event page on the [www.cffcm.com](http://www.cffcm.com) website and under the Catskill Legends page you can make a

reservation or call 845-439-4810 to make a reservation. \$50 for members and \$65 for non-members.

**Catskill Fly Fishing Center Season Opener April 2, 2016**

9:00 AM Celebrate Members First Cast - Join us at the DEC pull-off just upstream of the Center for our Official First Cast of the 2016 NYS Trout Fishing Season. All members are welcome as we usher in the Center's 35th year of trout fishing.

10:00AM Soups On! - Enjoy warm soup and tasty treats made by Agnes Van Put in the Gift Shop

10:00AM The Beaverkill A History of a River and It's People book signing by Ed Van Put in the Museum. Ed will be happy to sign your books and answer questions.

10:00AM Catskill Fly Tyers Guild Rendezvous We welcome the Guild back for the second year as we host the Rendezvous here in the Wulff Gallery. Stop in, chat and learn from some of our greats in fly tying.

11:00AM Can your Bamboo Rod be Repaired? Bring your rods in for assessment by Mike Canazon. The beauty of bamboo is that the most likely answer is yes, but how much will it take to bring that rod back to life? Mike will be able to give you that answer in the Heritage Craft Workshop.

12:30PM Kids Crafts in the Tying area in the Heritage Craft Workshop. Introduce a kid to fly tying! Volunteers will be on hand to help your child tie their first fly or maybe get some practice in at the vise. Also the kids can decorate a trout, cookie that is! A chance to make a trout look like the real thing or be imaginative and make any color of the rainbow trout they would like.

1:00PM Museum Tour with Terry Shultz. Join Terry on an interactive walk through the history of fly fishing.

2:30PM Mike Canazon Bamboo Rod Building Demonstration Wonder how the bamboo rod is made, ever think about making your own? Join Mike back in the Heritage Craft Workshop for splitting cane, staggering nodes, roughing and planning strips. Don't know what these terms mean, come and find out!

The Museum, Gallery and Heritage Craft Workshop are open for Self-Guided Tours throughout the day. The Center is located at 1031 Old Route 17, Livingston Manor, NY 845-439-4810 [flyfish@catskill.net](mailto:flyfish@catskill.net) [www.cffcm.com](http://www.cffcm.com)



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## From the Office of: Congressman Chris Gibson

Dear Friends,

The scourge of opioid addiction has reached every corner of our region, killing our young people, wreaking havoc among our families, and taxing our police and public safety personnel in ways we could never have imagined just a few years ago. Please be assured that my staff and I are taking action, partnering with stakeholders at every level to stop the flow of drugs into our communities, raise awareness of this crisis, and get treatment for people who are addicted to heroin or abusing prescription drugs.

As the father of three school-age children, and as the husband of a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, combating drug use is a responsibility I take extremely seriously. I want to take this opportunity to provide you with more information on our work to strengthen prevention, enforcement, and treatment. While we have seen some results, I know that we have quite a ways to go. This is my message to you: We will not relent in our efforts in Washington and New York to see that our law enforcement, educators, parents, and healthcare professionals have the resources they need to keep us safe.

During my time in Congress, I have, among other initiatives,

- Authored and successfully passed an amendment to the Commerce, Justice, and Sciences Appropriations bill to transfer additional funding to the Interagency Crime and Drug Enforcement account to improve coordination between federal, state, and local agencies to target high-level drug trafficking (click here for video of my remarks on the House floor: <http://www.c-span.org/video/?c4499460/gibson-anti-heroin-amendment-cjs-appropriations>);

- Partnered with seven fellow members of the New York Congressional Delegation to call on the White House to host one of its upcoming community forums on opioid addiction in Upstate New York, citing the fact that 12 Upstate counties saw the number of heroin overdoses jump by 417 percent between 2009 and 2013;

- Supported amendments and legislation to increase funding for critical drug court accounts, which provide treatment programs for individuals convicted of non-violent drug crimes to help turn their lives around;

- Attended drug court graduation ceremonies in our district to support and encourage people in recovery;

- Co-sponsored H.R. 4229, the Protecting Our Youth from Dangerous Synthetic Drugs Act;

- Voted for S. 799, the Protecting Our Infants Act of 2015, which requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop recommendations for preventing and treating prenatal opioid use disorders;

- Supported a \$100 million increase in funding to address the opioid epidemic, providing a total of \$400 million to expand community-based initiatives, including the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services;

- o Co-sponsored H.R. 3465, the Second Chance Act Reauthorization, which provides grants for drug treatment programs as part of a broader package of reforms that improve the re-entry of prisoners into our communities;

- o Joined police and local teachers for DARE program presentations to teach students about the dangers of drugs and how to make good decisions;

- o Co-hosted public training sessions with Catholic Charities and county sheriffs to see that our neighbors are prepared to use Narcan, a medication that saves the lives of people who overdose on heroin;

- o Hosted a summit in Kingston with police and district attorneys from around the 19th District to identify and address the many challenges facing law enforcement personnel confronting the heroin epidemic;

- o Participated in public meetings with Senator Sue Serino and the Council on Addiction, Prevention, and Education of Dutchess County to provide families with information on how to keep drugs out of their homes and neighborhoods and be a resource to people coping with drug addiction;

- o Provided testimony to the New York State Senate Task Force on Heroin and Opioid Addiction; and

- o Co-sponsored H.R. 2536, the Recovery Enhancement for Addiction Treatment Act, which amends the Controlled Substances Act to increase the number of patients that a qualifying physician dispensing drugs for maintenance or detoxification treatment is initially allowed to treat from 30 to 100 patients per year.

This week, the Senate approved the bipartisan Comprehensive Addiction Recovery Act, which allows the Departments of Justice and Health and Human Services to offer grants for states to expand treatment efforts and access to drugs like Narcan. I am hopeful a House version of this bill will be taken up as soon as possible.

Current restrictions leave too many people waiting or searching for treatment, which is simply unacceptable given the fatal consequences of heroin and opioid

abuse. In recent months, I have been encouraged to see the Administration review its efforts on this front.

By some estimates, the rate of first-time users of heroin increased by 300% between 2004 and 2013. We have a moral obligation to reverse this trend, and I pledge to do everything in my power to see that we make real progress this year.

Thank you for taking the time to read this report. I also want to express my gratitude to the brave and loving New Yorkers who are working to lift people from despair and stop drug abuse in our communities. May God bless you!

Sincerely,  
Chris Gibson  
Member of Congress

## NY Governor Cuomo, Vt. Governor Shumlin and NH Governor Hassan Urge US Environmental Protection Agency to Review and Issue new PFOA Guidelines for Safe Drinking Water

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo of New York, Governor Peter Shumlin of Vermont, and Governor Maggie Hassan of New Hampshire officially requested that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency conduct a review of the best available science regarding perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), in order to assess and ensure the safety of drinking water exposed to the contaminant. Additionally, the Governors called for full federal funding of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and the Clean Water Revolving Fund, which are critical tools for supporting state efforts to upgrade drinking water infrastructure.

The text of that letter is available below:

Dear Administrator McCarthy,

We write as Governors whose states are all in the midst of addressing local drinking water contamination involving the federally unregulated chemical perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA). We are deeply concerned for the health and well-being of our communities grappling with this contaminant. In New York and New Hampshire, tests have indicated the presence of this chemical in public drinking water systems, and in New York and Vermont the chemical has been detected in several private wells. It is clear that PFOA contamination is not a state problem or a regional problem - it's a national problem that requires federal guidelines and a consistent, science-based approach.

The EPA's PFOA health advisory was recently lowered in one village in New York by the EPA's Regional Office, though the higher advisory remains in the rest of the country. We urge the EPA, under your leadership, to expeditiously review the best available science on this contaminant, and provide uniform guidance to states that our health and environmental officials can use in assessing the safety of our drinking water. In addition, we seek your help and support for additional drinking water testing and analysis in communities exposed to PFOA.

We also are all strong supporters of full federal funding for water infrastructure. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund is a critical tool for states to invest in modern and safe drinking water upgrades. Unfortunately, over the last six years funding for this program, and its companion Clean Water Revolving Fund, have been flat or declining. This comes even as the American Society of Civil Engineers points out massive gaps between our water infrastructure needs and our investment. We should invest more in both the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and the Clean Water Revolving Fund, and we look forward to working with you to make that happen.

We respectfully request your personal attention to the challenges created by PFOA contamination in our states. Consistency, accuracy, and uniformity are paramount. We look forward to your response and assistance as we work to identify the polluters responsible for this contamination, and hold them accountable for their actions. It is unacceptable to us that any community should have to be concerned about the safety of their drinking water. Families in our states are worried about potentially tragic short and long-term health impacts, not to mention the potential loss in property values for homes in affected areas. It has been our priority to ensure that residents are being provided clean and safe water immediately, and that our infrastructure be modernized to eliminate these concerns in the future.

## Assemblyman Cahill Regarding the Capital Grant to HAHV

Kingston, NY - HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley announced its receiving of \$88.7 million in state support to aid in the transformation of its Mary's Avenue Campus into the city's only full-service inpatient hospital and the Broadway Campus into a "Medical Village."

This is the second highest single award in the state, totaling at \$88,756,441.

"The granting of 88.7 million dollars in capital funding for Health Alliance is more than just money. It represents

a significant step, perhaps the most significant step, in bringing health care for our community firmly into the 21st century," Assemblymember Kevin Cahill said. "This award will allow not only the consolidation but the vast improvement of the physical campus of this venerable institution," he added.

A next step HealthAlliance needs is approval by the Kingston Planning Board of their architectural and construction plans and the issuance of a state Department of Health Certificate of Need.

Throughout the transformation, all current HealthAlliance services will remain available.

The expansion of the HealthAlliance Hospital will provide technologically sophisticated surgical, diagnostic and therapeutic services for acute and critical care inpatients, expanded capacity and life-saving equipment as well as an enlarged Fast Track walk-in care center. The Hospital will also have an Emergency Department, which is projected to be larger than the current Emergency Department on Broadway, allowing it to meet the growing needs of the community.

The new complex is expected to be completed two years after approvals.

The Medical Village will provide advanced health services. Plans are in the works to provide primary care, behavioral health and other support services. HealthAlliance also intends to offer a new Outpatient Center for Rehabilitative Care and other facilities.

HealthAlliance expects to open the Medical Village in phases beginning as early as two years following approvals.

Congratulations and the gratitude of our community should be extended to David Scarpino, John Finch and President Kevin Ryan of the Board of Health Alliance of the Hudson Valley for their tenacity and hard work. Thanks also to Governor Cuomo and Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker for listening and responding to our local needs.

This transition does not come without significant sacrifice and adapting on the part of our health care community. The good news is that there will continue to be a health community here in Kingston, Ulster and the Mid-Hudson Valley for our children and their children.

## NYS Police Reminds Drivers to Not Drink and Drive this St. Patrick's Day Effort began Saturday, March 12 and will run through Thursday, March 17

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the New York State Police and local law enforcement will initiate special St. Patrick's Day traffic enforcement efforts as celebrations begin this weekend. The effort will begin on Saturday, March 12 and run through Thursday, March 17. During this time, drivers can expect a number of sobriety checkpoints, additional DWI patrols, and underage drinking and sales to minors details during the campaign. State Police will also be ticketing distracted drivers who use handheld electronic devices.

"State Police and local law enforcement will be out in full force over the coming days to help ensure a safe holiday," Governor Cuomo said. "This state has zero tolerance for reckless and impaired driving and I encourage all New Yorkers to celebrate responsibly in order to help prevent senseless tragedies."

During the 2015 St. Patrick's Day weekend enforcement effort, Troopers made 264 arrests for DWI and issued more than 14,000 tickets.

## Senate Passes Teresita's Law to Protect New Yorkers: Assembly Needs to Act!

(Albany, NY)-State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pleased to announce that his bill, S.1600, has passed the Senate. The bill, known as "Teresita's Law," would elevate the charge of causing the death of another, while negligently operating a motor vehicle with a suspended, revoked, or otherwise withdrawn license, from a misdemeanor to a Class E Felony.

This legislation was introduced in honor of Teresita "Grace" Solano, who was killed in Middletown, New York, when she was hit while crossing a street by a negligent driver who was operating a vehicle with a suspended license. The driver's license had been previously suspended multiple times, and he had charged with possession of marijuana, however under the current law he could only be charged with a misdemeanor, which carries a maximum jail sentence of 30 days and a \$500 fine.

"When a driver with a suspended license kills another person, he or she must be held accountable for their actions," said Senator Bonacic. "Those who drive without valid licenses should not be on the road, and when they kill an innocent person they cannot walk away with only a slap on the wrist. It is past time that the Assembly move to pass this bill, and I urge them to vote on it immediately."

The bill now moves to the Assembly.

**Holy Week Services**  
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 Phone: 845-292-4626

**Palm or Passion Sunday**  
 Sunday, March 20, 2016 - Service Starts at 9:00 AM. A Christian feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter. The feast commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem

**Maundy Thursday** - Thursday, March 24, 2016. Service Starts at 7:00 PM. It commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles

**Good Friday** - Friday, March 25, 2016 Service Starts at 7:00 PM. The Crucifixion of Jesus Christ and his death at Calvary

**Easter Sunday** - Sunday, March 27, 2016; Early Service starts at 7:00 AM - Late Service starts at 9:00 AM. The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

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**Easter Week Schedule**

Monday, March 21st  
**Reconciliation**  
**Monday - 3:45 - 5:00 pm**  
**& 7:00 - 8:00 pm**

Thursday, March 24th  
**Holy Thursday - 8:00 pm**  
 Friday, March 25th

**Good Friday services - 3:00 pm**  
**Stations of the Cross - 8:00 pm**

Saturday, March 26th  
**Easter Vigil - 8:00 pm**

Sunday, March 27th  
**Easter Sunday**  
**Mass at 9:00 am & 11:30 am**

Join us at **Grahamsville and Sundown United Methodist Churches** as we observe a reverent **Holy Week** and a joyful **Easter**

**Palm/Passion Sunday Worship - March 20**

Sundown United Methodist Church - 8:30 a.m.  
 Grahamsville United Methodist Church - 10:30 a.m. - Covered Dish Lunch at GUMC following service

**Holy Thursday Communion Service - March 24**

Grahamsville United Methodist Church - 7 p.m.

**Good Friday Prayer Vigil - March 25**

Grahamsville United Methodist Church - Sanctuary will be open for quiet prayer from 12 noon - 3 p.m.

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service - March 25**

Grahamsville United Methodist Church - 7:30 p.m.

**Easter Celebrations - March 27**  
**Early Community Easter Service**

On South Hill - 7:00 a.m.

**Easter Worship Service**

Sundown United Methodist Church - 8:30 a.m.  
 Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Breakfast following the worship service.

**Easter Worship Service**

Grahamsville United Methodist Church - 10:30 a.m.

Call 845-985-2283 for further information.

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Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm

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April 2nd

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Joy Monforte  
Denning Town Clerk

February 23, 2016

## Town of Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting

All businesses and interested parties are invited to attend the meeting of the Town of Neversink Chamber of Commerce on **Monday, March 28th at 7:00 PM** to be held at the **Community Room** in the basement floor of the **Daniel Pierce Library**. Everyone is hereby given notice that those wishing to become members and be active participants in this organization should bring \$40 for initial dues in order to participate in this restart of the chamber and vote on the matters as follows: Election of executive committee to serve until 2017 elections are to be held in the fall of 2016; Decision on keeping the By Laws as is except for meeting date to be agreed upon; Decision to keep the name as is with or without a "doing business as" name of Tri-Valley Area Chamber of Commerce or Neversink Area Chamber of Commerce, or as is with "Serving the Tri-Valley Area."

## Paving the Way for Increased State Funding for Local Roads, Culverts and Bridges

Over 750 county and town highway superintendents, public works commissioners and highway industry professionals converged at the New York State Capitol and Legislative Office Building in Albany on March 9th for the "Local Roads Matter" advocacy campaign. The groups urged the governor and state lawmakers to make the maintenance and repair of local roads and bridges a top priority in the state budget.

By joining forces, the New York State County Highway Superintendents Association (NYSCHSA) and the New York State Association of Town Superintendents of Highways (NYSATSOH) will pave the way for increased budgetary funding and secure programs to assist local roads, culverts and bridges.

Both groups strongly support the governor's proposal for a five-year Highway Capital Program for the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) and urged the Legislature to support it as well.

"Having a long-term funding plan is essential to the planning process," said Tracy Eldridge, president of the NYSCHSA and commissioner of public works for Hamilton County. "With a five-year plan in place, municipalities will be provided more financial clarity that is absolutely essential when dealing with roads and bridges."

The current conditions of New York's infrastructure are problematic, with 34 percent of local bridges being deficient and 48 percent of road pavements rated fair or poor and getting worse. "When the safety of New York residents is at stake, our leaders need to be wise and invest in CHIPs," said Jeff Griswold, NYSATSOH president and highway superintendent for the Town of Preble, Cortland County, whose groups handed out a visual reminder of Wise brand potato chips throughout the day.

Local governments are responsible for 87 percent of New York State's 112,500 mile highway system and half of the 18,000 bridges. A safe, efficient statewide highway infrastructure is necessary for trade, economic development and revitalization, schools, businesses, health and

Tri-Valley Central  
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Regular Board Meeting  
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To: Sullivan BOCES Recruitment Service,  
6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754 or  
e-mail [recruitment@scbores.org](mailto:recruitment@scbores.org)  
Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE 3/10/17

hospital facilities, emergency responders, and the traveling public.

The groups also brought attention to the issue of funding parity to state leaders. Currently, the agreed upon 2015-19 five-year capital plan the Metropolitan Transportation Authority is \$26.1 billion, with the governor pledging \$8.3 billion toward closing its funding gap. The proposed Department of Transportation's program is funded at \$20.1 billion, a record \$6 billion gap between the two programs.

"True parity allows CHIPs and Marchiselli aid to be funded at appropriate levels consistent with need," said Griswold. "While we support the investment in downstate transit, our roads, culverts and bridges throughout the state need equal and fair funding. The Legislature now has the opportunity to fix this inequity and restore parity between these programs by funding both at \$26.1 billion."

The NYSCHSA and the NYSATSOH were pleased to voice their support for the PAVE NY program and a modified BRIDGE NY program. The PAVE NY program is a proposed new \$1 billion program that will split funding between state and local pavement projects over the remaining four years of the five-year NYS DOT capital program. The associations recommend the PAVE NY monies be distributed through the CHIPs formula and be added to the base funding level.

The newly proposed \$1 billion BRIDGE NY is to be distributed via a competitive solicitation in which local governments will be able to apply directly for a part of the approximately \$100 million expected per year. "Modifications are needed in the BRIDGE NY program to make clear that this process will assure a 50-50 percent funding split between state and local projects, include culverts, and be distributed fairly throughout the state," said Eldridge.

To address the critical condition of local transportation infrastructure, both associations urged the Legislature and the governor to include, as part of the final 2016-2017 State Budget, the following program enhancements:

- o Five-Year Capital Plan for the NYS DOT;
- o Parity funding between the NYS DOT and the MTA Five-Year Capital Programs, funding both at \$26.2 billion;
- o Support PAVE NY, a new \$1 billion pavement program;
- o Support an additional \$100 million in CHIPs above PAVE NY for a total of \$690 million annually for the next four years; and
- o BRIDGE NY split evenly between state and local projects, expanded to include culverts and funded at \$150 million annually.

Local roads are a crucial part of the state's infrastructure. As much as half of all vehicle miles traveled in New York State are on local roads. The maintenance, repair and strategic replacement of existing transportation infrastructure are required for safety, mobility and for the state to remain economically competitive.

Providing much-needed funds for local roads and bridges also sustains jobs -- both public and private -- in highway-related industries and professions.

## Governor Cuomo Directs Four State Agencies to Perform Independent safety risk assessment, urges FERC to Halt Construction on Algonquin Incremental Market (AIM) Pipeline

Governor Cuomo urged the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to halt all construction on Spectra's controversial Algonquin Incremental Market Expansion (AIM) Pipeline while the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES), Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), Department of Health (NYSDOH), and Department of Public Service (DPS) perform an independent safety risk assessment. The four agencies sent a letter to FERC requesting that "FERC stay and reconsider its prior determination to grant a certificate of public convenience and necessity to ensure that the health and safety of all New Yorkers is adequately protected."

Catskill Mountainkeeper strongly supports the Governor in this action. The AIM pipeline, opposed by many local communities and their elected officials, would have disastrous effects on New York State, surrounding areas, and the planet.

It would bring toxic fracked gas through New York communities, threaten the Indian Point Nuclear Facility, and exacerbate climate change, wreaking havoc on communities and the environment throughout the construction process.

"We are especially encouraged by the joint agency approach to the independent safety risk analysis," said Jessica Roff, Programs Manager for Catskill Mountainkeeper. "We hope this signals the administration's understanding that all fossil fuel infrastructure decisions have wide-ranging implications that go well beyond just energy access or environmental impacts. That, in fact, a comprehensive and cumulative assessment of such decisions is necessary, and that to perform an appropriate assessment the government must consider public health, safety, and environmental issues together. We will be watching the process closely to see how the agencies implement this incredibly important task."

## Sullivan County School Boards Association's A Prospective School Board Member Workshop

Liberty: On April 11th, the Sullivan County School Boards Association is hosting a FREE orientation for community residents interested in becoming a local school board member. The workshop will take place at Sullivan County BOCES' Administration Building in Liberty from 6 to 8 pm, in Conference Room One.

The orientation will provide individuals with information regarding what it takes to become a school board member, board responsibilities, time commitments, and the decision making process of the school board.

This workshop is something you don't want to miss. Registration is required by April 8th. To reserve your seat, call (845) 866-6949 or e-mail [tdefrank@libertyk12.org](mailto:tdefrank@libertyk12.org).

Make a difference on the future of tomorrow by becoming a school board member today!

## Basic Business Office Skills Course Offered

MONTICELLO - The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Basic Business Office Skills/Career Readiness Course from March 28th through April 22nd. Classes are held Mondays through Fridays from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello.

This 60-hour class will orient students with little or no experience to a professional work environment. The class includes hands-on computer skills along with work readiness skills. Students will learn the basics of keyboarding, word processing, using office equipment, communication at the workplace and learn skills to develop situational judgment. Upon completion, students may, at an additional cost, take the National Work Readiness Credential Test developed by the National Chamber of Commerce. This Business Office Skills Course is offered every other month throughout the year and is NYSED ACCES approved for current Literacy Students.

The cost is \$495, plus credential fee. The National Work Readiness Credential fee for one test and one retest is \$100.

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4915 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm or visit us at [scbores.org](http://scbores.org), like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation**

[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)

Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Cloisters Museum, April 23 - Adults \$51; Children under 17-\$36. **Must be paid by March 8.**

Happy Days Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre Thursday, May 5 -\$40 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley School Students/\$70 non-residents **must be paid no later than Tuesday, February 9** this includes the show, lunch, dessert and transportation.

Intrepid: Sea, Air, Space Museum Complex Saturday, June 4. \$28 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley School Students/\$50 non-residents **must be paid no later than Tuesday, March 8.**

Pizza Hut Fundraiser Thursday, June 23.

Explore Fort Delaware, Narrowsburg, NY July 8. \$2 Neversink Residents/Tri Valley School Students/\$5 non-residents **must be paid by Tuesday, June 7.**

4th Annual Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair Saturday, July 9.

Red Lion Lunch & Norman Rockwell Museum Stockbridge, MA - July 6; \$52 Neversink Residents/Tri-Valley Students; Non-residents \$8. **Must be paid by March 8.**

- 3/17/16 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 3/17/16 TVCS Board Meeting - 7 pm
- 3/19/16 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** Grahamsville UM Church 9-1
- 3/20/16 **Become a Museum Docent** Time and the Valleys Museum 2 p.m.
- 3/25/16 Town of Neversink Holiday - **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 3/28/16 **Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting** - 7 pm -Community Room -Daniel Pierce Library
- 4/2/16 Sundown United Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm
- 4/5/15 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Luncheon Thrift Sale 9am-1pm. Luncheon 11am- 1 pm
- 4/5/16 Town of Denning Board Meeting 6 pm - Sundown Church Hall
- 4/6/16 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
- 4/7/16 Claryville Fire Dept Commissioners Meeting 6:30 pm
- 4/12/15 Town of Denning Business Meeting 7 pm
- 4/13/16 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 4/14/16 Dept of Motor Vehicles -Neversink Town Hall 10 am-2:30 pm
- 4/14/16 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
- 4/19/16 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
- 4/20/16 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc Meeting 7:30 pm

**Save the Date**

Sat., May 7, 2016 **Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk**

**Neversink Parks & Rec 4th Annual Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair** Saturday, July 9. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds from 10 am to 3 pm \$15 per space.

**Matty Bertholf's Fifth Annual Horseshoe Tournament** Sunday, July 10, 2016 at the Neversink Fireman's Pavilion

**Time and the Valleys Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ** Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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**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.



**Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation**

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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.

**2016 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle Schedule**

March 10	August 11
April 14	September 5
May 12	October 13
June 16	November 10
July 14	December 15

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

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

**The Ellenville Wawarsing Youth Commission Annual Spring Fling**

**Saturday April 16, 2016 11am-1pm**  
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**Tri-Valley Community! Your attention, please!**

**The Neversink Renaissance Committee is conducting a survey**  
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**Farmer's and/or Artisan's Market**  
**to be held at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds during the summer months including**

**September?**

If so -- Send an email to [tvangus@hvcr.com](mailto:tvangus@hvcr.com) or call 985-7530

and let us know:

- 1) As a local consumer, would you attend a farmers'/artisans' market at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds?
- 2) What types of products would you like to find there? (fresh vegetables, canned goods, meats, handmade crafts, etc.)
- 3) Would you be interested in selling your wares at this type of venue?
- 4) What, specifically, would you sell?
- 5) How often would you like to shop/sell? Weekly, bi-weekly, monthly?

**Town of Neversink Parks & Rec 4th Annual Community Yard Sale**  
**Saturday, July 9**  
**Grahamsville Fairgrounds**  
**from 10 am to 3 pm**

**Super Saturday of Sales**

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**must be paid no later than Tuesday, June 7**  
Contact Jamie at 845-985-2262 ext 312 or send her an email at [Racerj12@aol.com](mailto:Racerj12@aol.com)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PARTY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF MERCHANDISE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ HOW MANY SPACES NEEDED

CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

\_\_\_ HOME PARTY DEMONSTRATOR

\_\_\_ CRAFT VENDOR

\_\_\_ YARD SALE

Set up starts at 8 am -Clean up by 4 pm; Under Pavilion: New Items Only Space for Crafters, Home Demonstrators; There will be no duplicate home party demonstrators; One item from each vendor is required for raffle to benefit Parks & Rec for all those under pavilion; Out in Lawn: Yard Sale Space marked & assigned; Food will be available for sale throughout the day; Fee is \$15 per 8' space; Must supply your own table & tents if needed; No more than 1 family per space

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Answers:  
1. Gertrude Lawrence  
2. Elsa Lanchester

**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"  
The Picture of Dorian Gray**

(Drama, 1945)



A man remains young and handsome while his portrait shows the ravages of age, and a record of his sin. Directed by Albert Lewin; Starring, George Sanders, Hurd Hatfield, Donna Reed, Angela Lansbury, Peter Lawford, and Lowell Gilmore; narrated by

Cedric Hardwicke. Haunting Oscar Wilde story of man whose painting ages while he retains youth. Young Lansbury is poignant, singing "The Little Yellow Bird" (and her real-life mother Moyna MacGill is the Duchess). Sanders leaves indelible impression as elegant heavy. Several color inserts throughout the film. Harry Stradling's cinematography won an Oscar. Remade in 1970 as DORIAN GRAY and for TV in 1974, with Nigel Davenport, *See this film Monday March 21, 2016 starting @ 10:00 PM, B/W 110 min. TV-G*

**Quiz:**

1. Who played Sibyl Vane?
2. Who played David Stone?

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**GRAHAMSVILE**

The Third Saturday Thrift Sale at the United Methodist Church in Grahamsville on Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 9 am to 1. And the first **Thrift Sale & Luncheon** of the season will be held on Tuesday, Apr 5. Thrift Sale 9am -1pm; Luncheon 11am - 1pm.

Mark your calendar for March 20th. **Time and the Valleys Museum** will present "Become a Museum Docent" at 2:00 pm at the museum.

**SUNDOWN**

Meet friends and neighbors and welcome Spring at the next **Sundown Church Covered Dish Supper** that will be held on April 2nd at 5:30 pm in the Church Hall.

**THE EASTER BUNNY  
IS COMING TO TOWN**

The Easter Bunny is expected to stop by Claryville Fire Dept's All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 20th. Fun and good food for everyone! See ad on page 13 for details.

The Easter Bunny will also be at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds to help celebrate the Grahamsville Fire Dept. Auxiliary's Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 11 am on March 26. See page 13 for details.

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