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The Easter Bunny brought Smiles and Holiday Cheer to Many Local Children and Families!



Members of the Grahamsville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary who hosted this year's Easter Egg Hunt



All who attended, enjoyed this memorable holiday event. Thank you to the Grahamsville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and all who helped bring enjoyment to everyone at this year's Easter Egg Hunt

This past Saturday, many local children participated in the Annual Easter Egg Hunt that was sponsored by the Grahamsville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. The Easter Bunny stopped by to wish all a bit of holiday joy and took time for a few candid photo shots, too.



Photos by Brianna Worden

The Woodsongs Coffeehouse Presents: Acoustic Masters Concert; Bluegrass, Americana and more! And a special guitar workshop presented by master acoustic guitarist Van Manakas

Join us Saturday evening, April 23rd, at 7pm for a special concert featuring award winning musicians on fiddle, dobro, guitar and mandolin. A guitar workshop presented by Rounder Recording artist Van Manakas will be held from 4:30 - 6pm.



Van Manakas, critically acclaimed artist

The evening will feature master mandolinist Wayne Fugate (<http://www.waynefugate.com>) and multi instrumentalist Van Manakas (vanmanakas.com).

Wayne Fugate is one of the New York area's most versatile acoustic musicians. Making his musical home in the American roots styles of bluegrass, blues, jazz, and old-time music, he can swing gracefully from these styles to any of his other musical loves in the worlds of Classical, Gypsy jazz and Brazilian Choro music.

Van Manakas is a critically acclaimed artist, recognized by the musical press as one of the most versatile and respected guitarists in the country. His Rounder Records release, Love Songs exemplified his artistry and was enthusiastically received.

Van is known for his expertise in indigenous guitar styles, and has toured 50 states and five continents with artists such as Gil Evans Orchestra, Paul Bley, Scott Cossu, Percy Jones, Mark Wagnon, Gift of Eagle Ensemble, Miraslav Vitous, The Nashville Mandolin Ensemble and Butch Baldassari. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Chamber Music at St. Andrew's Offers the New York Jazzharmonic

April 9, 8 pm Free

On Saturday April 9 at 8 pm Chamber Music at St. Andrew's celebrates its 15th season of free concerts by welcoming The New York Jazzharmonic. The group's sextet - double bass, clarinet/saxophone, trumpet, trombone, drums, and keyboard - will perform traditional jazz, new works, and ragtime, centered around the works of Scott Joplin. Be prepared for toe-tapping, rhythmic clapping, and unexpected smiling, but please, no dancing in the aisles! Ron Wasserman, principal bassist of the NY City Ballet Orchestra, is Artistic Director.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is located at 5277 State Route 42 in South Fallsburg, New York. Reservations are required; email pcfriedman27@gmail.com or call: 845-292-8967

Personnel for NY Jazzharmonic: Ron Wasserman, double bass; Miho Hazama, keyboard; Corey A. Wallace, trombone; Henry Conerway III, drums; Jay Rattman, clarinet/saxophone; and Michael Davis, trumpet. (Contd. Pg. 3)

UC Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum Announces NYS Sheriff's Association Institute Membership Drive

The New York State Sheriffs' Association Institute will begin its annual Honorary Membership drive in Ulster County within the next few days according to Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum.

The New York State Sheriffs' Association Institute was established in 1979. It is a not-for-profit corporation, tax exempt organization, and contributions to the Institute are tax deductible.

While the Sheriff's Office is a unit of county government, many of the concerns of Sheriffs' and other law enforcement agencies are best addressed on a statewide level. The Sheriffs' Institute provides centralized training programs and services for all Sheriffs' Offices, where those programs and services would be unavailable or impractical on a single county basis.

The flagship program of the Sheriffs' Institute is the Sheriffs' Summer Camp for economically challenged children. The Sheriffs' Camp, in its 40th year of operation, is located on Keuka Lake, and 840 children from across New York State attend each summer. (Contd. Pg. 6)



Sheriffs' Summer Camp is a very active place as you can see in this photo, which has the look of a Grandma Moses painting. The camper to counselor ratio is 4 to 1. The Sheriffs' Camp is intended to give boys and girls who come from an economically challenged environment an opportunity for a summer camp experience. In many cases it is the only summer "vacation" they get.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Therefore hearken unto me, ye men of understanding; far be it from God that he should do wickedness; and from the Almighty, that he should commit iniquity. Job 34:10

OBITUARY

Melvin "Big Mel" Houghtaling, of Woodbourne, passed away on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at home. He was 57.

He was the son of the late Allie Houghtaling Jr. and Nettie Mae Wright, born on November 27, 1958 in Monticello, NY.

He worked as a funeral home attendant and handy man for many years. In his free time he enjoyed hunting and fishing and spending time playing grandpa. He was a loving father, grandfather, brother and friend to all that knew him.

He leaves behind his son Melvin "Lil Mel" Houghtaling and his wife Venus of Loch Sheldrake; his grandchildren Everett Nolan, Sadie, Gage and Bailey Houghtaling; and his siblings Geraldine Rundle and her husband Delbert of Loch Sheldrake, Glen Shaw and her husband Paul Muhlig of Parksville, Randy E. Houghtaling of Monticello and Lawrence D. Houghtaling of Woodbourne. He is predeceased by his brother Allie "Gene" Houghtaling.

Arrangements were under the direction of Colonial-Bryant Funeral Homes for further information call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com

News from SUNY Oswego - Nicole Rose of Liberty interns through SUNY Oswego

Nicole Rose of Liberty took part in an off-campus internship this fall through SUNY Oswego's Center for Experiential Learning.

A senior majoring in human development, she interned with the Children's Center Of Oswego in Oswego.

DAYS OF YORE.... Today's History

March 28, 1956 - First prize winner in a kitchen contest sponsored by Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corp. at T.V.S. was won by Ila Mae Brooks of Lows Corners. Second prize of \$6 was awarded to Patricia Van Wagner of Claryville, and a third prize of \$4 went to June Hasbrouck of Grahamsville. Honorable mention went to Hulda Brackman of Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Zanetti of South Hill are the proud parents of a second son, Jeffrey, born at the Hamilton Ave. Hospital in Monticello, Saturday, March 24th. He weighed in at 5 lbs. 12 oz. Their other boy, Jason, is staying at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Zanetti.

March 30, 1966 - Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garcia are the parents of a daughter, Jennifer, born last week. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hall of Grahamsville are the parents of a son, also born last week.

Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cross who have been married twenty-nine years on March 28th.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Oland Erath, 21 years on the 2nd; to Mr. and Mrs. E. Velie, 13 years on the 5th; Mr. and Mrs. Andy DuBois Jr., 8 years on the; Mr. and Mrs. William Horton, 13 years on the 4th.

April 7, 1976 - Troop 187 of Grahamsville will hold an Eagle Court of Honor for John Roberts on April 8, 1976. The ceremony will be held at the Tri-Valley Elementary School. All scouts, former scouts and friends of scouting are invited to attend.

Received a report of a 33 1/2 inch trout, weighing in at a little over 14 lbs., that was caught in the Rondout Reservoir on Saturday. Charlie Cross hooked four trout on opening day and Danny McNamara caught five on Saturday..

April 10, 1986 - Airman Andrew M. Knox, son of George M. and Rose Ann Knox of Neversink, N.Y. has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He is a 1985 graduate of Tri-Valley High School.

Thelma H. Raymond of Grahamsville, a 12-year area resident, died Monday, March 31st at Community General Hospital, Harris after a long illness. She was 51. The daughter of the late Alfred and Sophie Johnson Wahl, she was born July 25, 1934 in Hackensack, N.J. She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Liberty. Survivors include her husband, Walter Raymond at home; two sons, Bruce Raymond of Grahamsville and Scott Raymond at home; two daughters, Nancy and Tracy Raymond, at home; one brother and several nieces and nephews.

Assembly Makes Historic \$300 million Commitment to EPF

(Albany, NY) - Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill, (D-Ulster, Dutchess) recognizes the Assembly's ongoing stewardship of our natural environment through an unprecedented \$300 million appropriation for the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF). "With the Governor joining the Assembly's continued support of the EPF this year at historic levels, many important preservation and capital initiatives, especially those concerning the Hudson River and Catskill Park, can regain steam after being stalled by budget cuts following the 2008 economic decline," said Assemblyman Cahill.

Assemblymember Cahill successfully advocated for the inclusion of \$500,000 for the maintenance of facilities and upkeep of trails at Belleayre Mountain Ski Center and \$250,000 for the Hudson River Valley Rail Trail Grants Program. "These investments will work to enhance the scenic beauty of the 103rd Assembly District through the revitalization of our many trails and outdoor recreational destinations that are seeing a continuous upswing of usership," added Assemblyman Cahill. "Further, the expansion and upgrades of Belleayre's ski facilities and other tourist amenities will undoubtedly attract more visitors to the Catskill and Hudson Valley areas while promoting patronage of local motels, restaurants, craft breweries and other small businesses that are essential to the success and growth of our regional economy."

On a larger scale, \$25.5 million of the EPF commitment will be used to directly fund and carry out initiatives under the Climate Change Action Plan, which is being developed by the Assembly Climate Change Work Group, of which Assemblyman Cahill is a member. Specifically, the Plan includes a statewide flood mitigation and coastal resiliency program that involves land acquisition and wetland protection and a comprehensive renewable energy strategy that promotes and incentivizes municipalities to utilize wind, solar and geothermal sources as well as add zero emissions vehicles to their fleets. Assemblyman Cahill and his colleagues further advocated for the extension of a tax exemption for alternative fuels, called for a five-year geothermal rebate program and recommended \$15 million within the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative to support the enhancement and expansion of courses related to renewable energy on SUNY campuses statewide.

"This proposal would better position our coastal communities and those situated in dangerous flood plains to withstand and respond to severe weather events while making sure that New York does its part to reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions by developing and using alternative sources of energy that can be sustained over the long-term," added Assemblyman Cahill.

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

Condolences to the family and friends of Benjamin Musso who passed away on March 18th at the age of 87. Sympathy also to the family and friends of Marilyn "Mickie" Costa who died on March 19th at the age of 81. Mickie was the Neversink Town Clerk for many years.

Congratulations to Emma Pompeii, Class of 2016 valedictorian. Mary Conway and Timothy Glinski are the co-valedictorians. Kudos also to Samuel Goldstein and Autumn Bender who have the honor of being selected as Tri-Valley's OCIAA Scholar Athletes.

Feel better wishes go out to Dave Forshay of Willowemoc who recently had shoulder surgery.

If I'm correct, the Grahamsville Methodist will be having a Tuesday luncheon from 11:00 - 1:00 on April 5th.

The Grahamsville Reformed Church will be having a covered dish supper on Sunday evening, April 3rd starting at 5:30 pm. All are invited - bring a dish to pass.

I am looking for a local family of a veteran who would like to have their deceased family member honored at this year's Town of Neversink flag exchange ceremony to be held on Memorial Day, May 30th at 11:00 am. If interested, call me at 985-2918. The family of the veteran who was going to have their family member honored that day had a change of plans and is unable to be present.

Friday, April 15th, the Tri-Valley PTO will be having free hot dogs and entertainment for elementary school students beginning at 6:00 pm. The PTO spring book fair will be held on Monday, April 18th through Wednesday, April 20th. The book fair will be held during the school day. Volunteers are needed to help on those days. If you are available to lend a hand, contact Keri Poley.

I read in the Democrat that in 2015, over 700 students from various school districts have visited the Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville to learn about the importance of water and how it has changed both the environment and our culture over thousands of years. For information or to schedule a guided tour/field trip, contact the Museum at 985-7700.

There is a burning ban in place for outdoor fires from March 16 through May 14th. Also, if you are a Town of Neversink resident, you must have a burning permit for outside burning even after May 14th. Stop by the Town Hall for your free permit.

I have been watching the basketball games during March Madness. Nothing was as exciting as the Wisconsin vs Xavier game. The score was tied with 2 seconds to play. Wisconsin calls a time out and then when the ball is put into play, Wisconsin sinks a three pointer to win the game. Fantastic!

Words of Wisdom: "When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us." (Helen Keller)

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves. (James Matthew Barrie)

Congratulations to Lois Barnum!

Lois Barnum of Sundown was one of the lucky weekly winners at Peter's Market in Naponach. Congratulations Lois!!

Designing Gardens with Flora of the American East

Time and the Valleys Museum will present *Designing Gardens with Flora of the American East* on Saturday April 2, 2 p.m. Members FREE, \$3 non members.

Carolyn Summers will talk about her new book which takes an in depth look at the natural history of eastern native plants and their use in gardens.

Learn about the many reasons why using indigenous plants is important, including helping prevent infestations of invasive plants and preserving our regional identity. Light refreshments are included and books will be available for sale.

Chamber Music at St. Andrew's Offers the New York Jazzharmonic (From Pg. 1) Program will include

Joplin: "Bethena, A Concert Waltz", "Wall Street Rag"; James Reese: "Europe", "Castle House Rag"; "Castle Walk Rag"; Louis Armstrong: "West End Blues", "Potato Head Blues"; Jelly Roll Morton: "Black Bottom Stomp"; Duke Ellington: "Mood Indigo"; Original Dixieland Jazz Band: "Tiger Rag"; Selections by Benny Goodman;

The New York Jazzharmonic is directed by Ron Wasserman, a bassist, conductor, and composer. Equally at home in classical music (he is the principal bassist of the New York City Ballet Orchestra,) world music, (he is a member of the JP Jofre Hard Tango Chamber Band,)

and jazz. His big band presents a four-concert series annually at The Leonard Nimoy Symphony Space and appeared also at the Washington Square Music Festival. The smaller group performs semi-regularly at the Bar Thalia at the Symphony Space, and at various music festivals here and there. Planned appearances include the Verdi Square Festival in the Fall of 2016.



Ron Wasserman leader and bassist of New York Jazzharmonic and Miho Hazama associate director and pianist.

ences. All are invited to come and bring their families and neighbors. The series depends on the generosity of the community, and tax-deductible contributions are always needed. Checks should be made out to: St. Andrew's Mission and sent to Ms. Cynthia Johnston, Treasurer, St. Andrew's Mission, PO Box 55, Woodbourne NY 12788.

This series is made possible in part with funds from the 2016 Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the NYS Council on the Arts, administered in Sullivan County by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance through the Town of Fallsburg as well as by the generosity of local businesses and individuals, and St. Andrew's Episcopal Mission.

The Woodsongs Coffeehouse (From Pg. 1)

The evening will also feature a performance by the host band "Little Sparrow". <https://www.facebook.com/Little-Sparrow-106454596069509/?fref=ts>

Concert admission is \$8. The guitar workshop is \$20, and includes admission to the concert. To register for the guitar workshop please call: 845 671-9548.

This project is made possible in part with funds from the Decentralization Program for Sullivan County, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts, administered by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

The Sullivan County Museum is located at 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, New York.

For directions please visit our website <http://www.sullivancountyhistory.org/> or call 845 434-8044.

SC's Annual Litter Pluck

Sullivan County Legislature has announced that Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck Event will take place from Saturday, April 23 through Sunday, May 1, 2016, and all school and community groups, as well as private citizens are urged to participate. The full legislative board voted to fund the bags and the associated waste disposal fees for this annual litter pluck event, through the Division of Public Works and Solid Waste, at its full board meeting on March 17, 2016.

Public Works Committee Chair Joseph Perrello encourages County residents to check with their local municipalities as there are several organized litter plucks events being planned throughout the County. "Litter is not only an issue in the Route 17 corridor towns; it needs to be addressed county wide and participation in a town or village organized litter pluck event is a great way to combat this ugly problem at a local level" stated Perrello. He continued "as Sullivan County looks forward to anticipated growth and increased tourism the roadsides need to better reflect the natural beauty of the County, not be covered in litter."

All residents and groups who wish to participate in Litter Pluck can pick up their Litter Pluck bags any time on or after Friday, April 15, 2016 at their Town or Village Hall or local Transfer Station. While no coupons are required, all Litter Pluck refuse must be placed in clear bags and participants will be asked register at the Transfer Station at the time of disposal. Roadside refuse will be accepted free-of-charge at all County Transfer Stations during the scheduled event dates.

For more information about Litter Pluck, please call Sullivan County Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Director Kristin Porter at 845-807-0261.

For more information about this press release, please contact Josh Potosek, County Manager, at 845-807-0450.

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, Joyce Lockhart and Jean Helthaler.

Trout Lily Loving the Early Spring Weather

While I knew Trout season will open this week, I was quite surprised to see the little young leaves of the Trout Lily so early in spring in the backyard.

With the sun shining on Sunday in Sundown, we had the family Easter Egg Hunt in the back yard and we saw the little green mottled leaves of Trout Lily (a.k.a. Dog Tooth Violet) scattered exuberantly plentiful through the woods.

The name Trout Lily seems to be more fitting than Dog Tooth Violet, and arises because of the appearance of the plants gray-green leaves that are mottled with brown, resembling the coloring of a brook trout.

The Trout Lily is a herbaceous flowering plant in the family Liliaceae, and is one of our most common spring wildflowers.

A pair of brownish-mottled leaves sheath the base of a stalk that will soon produce a solitary, nodding yellow flower that looks like a wee little lily.

This colony-forming perennial sends up two, 3-6 inch, elliptic, mottled leaves and a slightly taller stalk that will bear the single, nodding, yellow flower. Petals and sepals are bent backwards exposing six brown stamens. Single-leaved, non-flowering plants also occur. They are either too young or too crowded to flower.

Trout lilies produce large colonies of plants for several decades if they are left undisturbed. There have been trout lily colonies that are said to be 300 years old! Their habitat include mesic (containing a moderate amount of moisture) deciduous woodlands and gentle slopes in wooded areas. An abundance of this plant is an indicator that a woodland has not been subjected to the plow or bulldozed over.

The blooming period occurs during mid-spring and lasts about 2 weeks. Each fertilized flower is replaced by a 3-chambered seed capsule that is ovoid and about 1/2" long. Each chamber of the seed capsule contains 2 rows of flattened seeds. The root system consists of a corm that is several inches below the surface of the ground; this corm produces fibrous roots at its base and occasionally sends out underground stolons that can form new plants a few inches away from the mother plant.

The flowers are primarily pollinated by bees, including honeybees and bumblebees, and also by ants. After a seed is planted, it will take up to seven years to make a mature plant. Only plants that have two leaves will flower.

The mature plant has two mottled basal leaves, and will have a small lily nodding from the top of a leafless stem. The lily will open each morning and close each night, but during the middle of a bright day the petals open so far that they will curve backwards.

For as long as I can remember, the Trout Lily has been the first wild flowers to bloom in our woods. If the weather stays like it was on Sunday, it won't be long and we will be able to enjoy a light-hearted splash of yellow, as the blossoms appear.



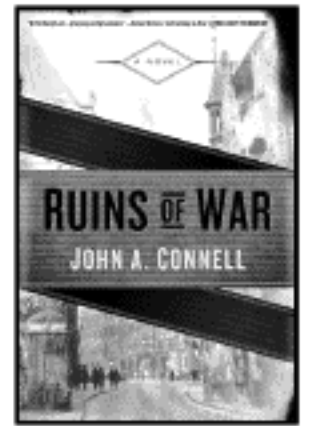
Household Hints

Use Vinegar to Speed Germination of Flower Seeds

You can get woody seeds, such as moonflower, passionflower, morning glory, and gourds, off to a healthier start by scarifying them-that is, lightly rubbing them between a couple of sheets of fine sandpaper-and soaking them overnight in a solution of 1/2 cup apple cider vinegar and 1 pint (half liter) warm water. Next morning, remove the seeds from the solution, rinse them off, and plant them. You can also use the solution (minus the sandpaper treatment) to start many herb and vegetable seeds.



Ruins of War
Mysterious Book Report No. 234
 by John Dwaine McKenna



Every time we start thinking that the deep, thoroughly-explored and fully-drawn well of World War II stories is about to run dry – along comes another author with a whole new, and fascinating point of view, coupled together with a totally original plot to disabuse us of the notion. So move over Ken Follett, make way Alan Furst and brace yourself Philip Kerr-there's a new WW II novelist come to town-and he's got some serious wordsmithing chops to go along with one of the most interesting new detectives since Bernie Gunther was shanghaied into the Nazi SS.

Ruins of War, (Berkley/Penguin-Random House, \$26.95, 372 pages, ISBN 978-0-425-27895-6) by John A Connell opens with a gruesome ritualized murder that takes place in Munich, Germany during the month of December, 1945. It's been seven months since the unconditional surrender of the Third Reich; the weather is freezing; the city has been destroyed; people are starving and living like rats in the ruins. The American Army is in charge, trying to maintain order while restoring and putting in place a functioning government. At the same time, the Americans are worried about preventing an outbreak of deadly diseases like typhus or cholera, from the lack of clean water and sanitation. On page one, we meet Warrant Officer Mason Collins of the US Army's Criminal Investigation Division, or CID. He's on his way to a murder scene that's unlike anything he's ever experienced in all his years as a civilian or military detective. When he arrives on-scene he finds a nightmare waiting: an obscenely desecrated human corpse, displayed in so grotesque a manner that it's making hardened combat veterans turn away and gag. Collins realizes he's dealing with a depraved serial killer when a second mutilated body turns up just as his boss-a non-combat experienced colonel who's more concerned with his position and career advancement than catching the killer puts him on such a tight leash that catching the monster would be impossible. The Colonel's in full CYA mode and wants deniability if Collins can't catch the murderer. Collins knows he'll be the scapegoat. In the midst of all the chaos, the task is all but impossible. Thousands upon thousands of displaced persons, along with deserters, former Nazis trying to escape retribution and the survivors of the concentration camps roam about the shattered country and city. Finding a single madman before he kills again seems an impossibility – but Collins is destined to try – or die in the attempt.

Ruins of War has enough pathos and joy, good and evil, drama and moral dilemmas to keep any reader happy. But for lovers of historical crime fiction, like me, this one's a treasure. I expect the author and his character will only improve with age, and, great news! The second Mason Collins novel, *Spoils of Victory* is now out. We'll report on it as soon as we get the copy that's on order. John Connell is as exciting an author as has come down the pike in a good long time. Don't miss your chance to make his early acquaintance. You'll be well rewarded.

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All residents of Sullivan County are Invited

This forum will discuss the New York Health Act legislation, a single payer universal health care plan, and how it will reduce property tax burden, and overall healthcare costs, while greatly expanding health benefits for Sullivan County residents and taxpayers.

Friday April 8, 2016 3-5PM
 Ted Stroebele Recreation Center
 2 Jefferson St., Monticello NY

- Sullivan County ranks second to last in NYS in overall poor health, and it is getting more difficult to ensure that older residents and families get the services they need to thrive and reverse these statistics.
- County taxpayers are already over burdened by the ever increasing county taxes required to pay for essential healthcare services and the ever growing County share of Medicaid.
- With federal funds stagnant and state funds not meeting current needs or cost of mandated services, this Forum will examine how NY Health can deliver expanded health services while reducing overall healthcare costs and provide taxpayer relief.

Together, County leaders and New York StateWide Senior Action Council will provide information on how the New York Health Act will greatly expand access to needed healthcare services and greatly reduce costs for the County and County residents.

New Time-Lapse Video Showcases Project Progress-to-Date

Empire Resorts, Inc. (NYNY) ("Empire") and its wholly owned subsidiary, Montreign Operating Company, LLC ("Montreign"), in conjunction with our Construction Manager LPCiminelli ("LPC"), have installed a time-lapse camera showing construction progress at the Montreign Resort Casino site, documenting the changing Sullivan County landscape as construction progresses.

LPC recently installed the camera to broadcast and document the transition from construction site to casino. The feature-rich interface, accessible from any device with an internet browser, provides high-resolution images, complete with job site weather data, which will document virtually every moment of Montreign construction. Users can zoom in on images from any date and time to see details of construction. Construction progress can be viewed clicking on the "Construction Cam/View our Progress" at these links:<https://www.montreign.com> and <https://www.empireresorts.com>.

"Our new construction camera allows a unique view behind the construction curtain and provides spectacular imagery of our casino

as it rises up from the ground," said Empire Resorts' Executive Vice President Charles Degliomini. "When our guests finally step inside Montreign Resort Casino, I hope they feel like they have been a part of this incredible journey with us since day one. We want everyone who's been supportive of our efforts to revitalize Sullivan County and the Catskills to see the progress anytime they want, with just a simple click of a mouse button."

Become an Intern with Sullivan Renaissance - A Fun Summer Job with Great Experiences

[FERNDALE] - Sullivan Renaissance has paid internship positions available this summer. Interns will help to care for gardens and community projects within different Sullivan County towns and villages while exploring future career paths and gaining leadership experience.

Applicants must be between the ages of 16 and 20 when they submit their application or resume. After the March 29 deadline, final candidates will be contacted for a personal interview. Orientation and training are required for each hired individual. Applications are available by going to: http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/_doc/InternApplication.pdf. Intern salaries will start at \$10.50 per hour.

Sullivan Renaissance interns will help with watering, mulching, fertilizing, weeding, dead-heading of plants and related activities. There may also be opportunities for administrative and organizational tasks. A day of service is integrated into the program along with opportunities to meet with local leaders and engage in discussion on current issues. Interns will also be trained to be positive ambassadors throughout the community.

The Internship program is offered in partnership with the Sullivan County Center for Workforce Development.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers who help with 2016 Sullivan Renaissance projects are eligible to apply for college scholarships. The Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties offers a limited number of scholarships to Sullivan County residents who make a significant contribution to a 2016 Renaissance project. The SUNY Sullivan Foundation awards scholarships of \$1500 to full-time students who volunteer in 2016 Renaissance projects. More information please call Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445 or visit www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

Free Workshops to Empower Caregivers Feeling Stretched

LIBERTY, NY- Powerful Tools for Caregivers is an educational series designed to provide informal family caregivers with the tools needed to take care of themselves. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEC)'s Caregiver Resource Center is offering this free six session program on Fridays, beginning April 8, 2016 from 10:00 am to noon at the Liberty Public Library on 189 North Main Street in Liberty. Refreshments will be provided.

Two experienced class leaders, Bonnie Lewis, RN, dependent care educator at CCEC and Lily Stettner, Licensed Clinical Social Worker will conduct the series. Dates include April 8, 15, 22, and 29, followed by May 6 and 20.

This series helps family caregivers reduce stress, improve self-confidence, better communicate feelings, balance their lives, increase their ability to make tough decisions, and locate helpful resources. "Interactive lessons, discussions, and brainstorming will help you take the 'tools' you choose and put them into action for your life," said Lewis.

Pre-registration for this free event is required. Registration and more information can be completed by calling CCEC at 845-292-6180, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or visiting www.sullivanccce.org.

Caregivers will be encouraged to borrow The Caregiver Helpbook, developed specifically for the class through the Ramapo Catskill Library System. These classes are free, supported by the NY State Caregiver Resource Program.

The Caregiver Resource Center is a co-partnered program between Cornell Cooperative Extension and Office for the Aging of Sullivan County and is supported by a grant from the NYS Office for the Aging's Caregiver Program.

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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Evolving Easter Traditions

Easter is one of those holidays with cultural traditions changing along with the date and year. When I was a young girl, Easter was a day that was celebrated with new clothes. Unlike today, we were only given new outfits for Christmas, Easter, our birthday and the beginning of summer if we had outgrown our bathing suit and sneakers.

Easter outfits were special. Shoes were usually Patent Leather in a MaryJane style with white nylon socks and later with nylon stockings. The special dress or suit was always accessorized with white gloves, a handbag and a hat. If it was cold, a fleece shrug or "topper" finished off the outfit. It was worn to Sunday School or church and then to Nana and Poppop's house in Norseville, New Jersey or YiYia and Grampa's apartment in Brooklyn. Depending on the Norwegian or Greek destination, we had ham or leg of lamb, savory with lemon and garlic and served with Avelegmono soup. There were always dyed eggs. The Norwegians stuck to the pastels, but the Greeks always dyed the eggs red symbolizing the blood of Christ. Red eggs were "fought" until one cracked and the other was declared the winner. Red eggs were also baked into a breaded bread.

When I had my own family, my farmhouse became the destination for the next generation of cousins. To honor both families we had a traditional Easter meal and then celebrated the Greek Easter separately whenever it fell. The new outfit tradition was abandoned, and casual jeans were more appropriate for the Easter Egg hunt (real eggs) and playtime in the fields, pond or barn. I attended the Sunrise Service so we could spend the entire day at home with family.

Grandchildren changed the focus to Easter baskets overflowing with candy and toys and an Easter Egg Hunt with plastic eggs and money and candy hidden all over. There was always one with a dollar bill in it.

Now it is hard to get everyone together at the same time. Half my family is in California looking at colleges for my oldest granddaughter. My grandson had a spring break at college that didn't coincide with Easter.

The Bushkill Rod and Gun Club puts on a community Easter Egg Hunt each year at Davis Park. My youngest granddaughter will gather eggs there for the third time in her five years of celebrating the Easter Bunny. Easter this year is a pot luck at my son and daughter-in-law's home with blended families over-eating and watching the five youngest cousins carrying on yet another Easter Egg Hunt.

The traditions of family and feasts and festive baskets goes on. What is missing is the reason for the season. Churches will compete with families traveling to relatives or families preparing a get-together. Hopefully, someone will say grace thanking God for all we are given at the first Easter that was celebrated without new outfits, ham or egg hunts.

UC Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum Announces NYS Sheriff's Association Institute Membership Drive

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The Sheriffs' Institute pays the entire cost of the camp stay and transportation. Most children attending wouldn't otherwise have an opportunity for vacation travel or a summer camp experience. The Sheriffs' Camp program combines summer recreation with activities designed to teach an understanding of, and respect for, our laws and the men and women who enforce them. The strong camper-to-counselor ratio allows for individual attention with an emphasis on the development of self esteem. "In these difficult economic times we cannot forget our youth who will not have the opportunity for a summer camp experience or a summer vacation," Sheriff Paul Van Blarcum said. "By becoming an honorary member you are supporting the Sheriffs' Summer Camp for economically disadvantaged children."

In addition, the Sheriffs' Institute operates a scholarship program that provides one scholarship to each of New York State's Community College's Criminal Justice Programs. This program is designed to help attract the best and the brightest to the criminal justice vocation.

For more information about the Sheriffs' Summer Camp and other Sheriffs' Institute Programs, visit the NYS Sheriff's Association Institute website, www.sheriffsinstitute.org or simply google "Sheriffs' Institute kids" and it will be your first option.

Financial support for many of the Sheriffs' Institute programs comes from Honorary Membership dues. Invitations for Honorary Membership are extended on a non-partisan basis, and the invitees are selected at random. Any persons interested in supporting the efforts of the New York State Sheriffs' Association Institute by becoming an Honorary Member should contact the Sheriff if they do not receive an invitation in the mail, or visit our web site at: www.sheriffsinstitute.org to download an application.

All donations made to the New York State Sheriffs' Association Institute are tax deductible. In addition, Sheriffs' Institute is registered with the New York State Attorney General's Charities Bureau.

UC Executive Mike Hein Along with Town Officials and Business Leaders, Secure a Key Component Needed to Expand the O&W Rail Trail in Napanoch

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein, Town of Wawarsing Supervisor Leonard Distel and Rondout Valley Business Association President Richard Travers today announced final approval of an easement from New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision ("DOCCS") to extend the O&W Rail Trail in the Town of Wawarsing. County Executive Hein thanked Governor Andrew Cuomo, Office of General Service Commissioner RoAnn Destito, and DOCCS Acting Commissioner Anthony Annucci for working with the County and Town to finalize the 1.46 mile permanent rail trail easement near the Eastern Correctional Facility and Ulster Correctional Facility in Napanoch.

In a 2010 letter written by Richard Travers in his capacity as the Chairman of the Rondout Valley Rail Trail Initiative, a coalition including the Towns of

Marbletown, Rochester, Rosendale, Wawarsing and the Village of Ellenville, the request was made to utilize the existing rail trail at Eastern Correctional Facility. The trail extension in Napanoch has had strong community and business support since that time. In 2012, County Executive Hein began negotiations regarding the easement with DOCCS due to the importance of the trail easement within the county's interconnected trail system. At the direction of the County Executive, the Ulster County Planning Department worked with the Town of Wawarsing and regional DOCCS officials to delineate, map and finalize the trail easement, which required review and approvals from numerous levels of State government, including the final approval just received from the New York State Office of General Services. The Town hopes to move forward with improvements to the new rail trail segment later this year, which will include the installation of fencing and signage required in the easement agreement.

"We are grateful to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Acting Commissioner Anthony Annucci and regional DOCCS officials for making possible this important connection in the County's growing rail trail network," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "I look forward to continuing to partner with the Ulster County Legislature to achieve our goal of a world-class interconnected rail trail system throughout Ulster County and thank them for all of their continued efforts. I also want to thank Richard Travers and the Rondout Valley Business Association for having the vision and understanding of the importance of this trail and for all of his dedicated work to bring us to this point, as well as officials in the Town of Wawarsing and members of the Rondout Valley Rail Trail Initiative. My administration worked diligently to secure the trail easement in Napanoch that significantly advances us towards the goal of connecting Kingston to Ellenville through a pedestrian and bicycle trail running along the historic O&W Railroad/ D&H Canal corridor. The County will be linking the existing O&W Rail Trail in Hurley to the City of Kingston, and this extension on the southern end of the O&W builds further momentum towards a fully connected trail system from Kingston to Ellenville."

Town of Wawarsing Supervisor Leonard Distel stated, "This is a major step forward to complete our Rail Trail. The Supervisor and the Town of Wawarsing Town Board would like to thank the Honorable Anthony Annucci, Acting Commissioner of DOCCS for his efforts. We also want to thank Ulster County Executive Michael P. Hein and the Rail Trail Committee for their dedication and their assistance for the final approval through the Eastern Correctional Facility property."

"The RVBA is thrilled that the process that began on August 17, 2010 with a letter to the Department of Corrections, based upon an inter-municipal agreement between the Towns of Marbletown, Rochester, Rosendale, Wawarsing and the Village of Ellenville has, with the unwavering support of the Hein Administration, resulted in the NYS DOC giving an Easement to the Town of Wawarsing allowing the Public to utilize the rail trail," said Richard Travers, President of the Rondout Valley Business Association and Chairman of the Rondout Valley Rail Trail Initiative.

The new trail easement begins near the Unity Hall building on Berme Road in Napanoch. The trail winds southwest along Berme Road and the Rondout Creek to the border of the Village of Ellenville. The easement for a crushed stone recreational trail is 20 feet in width to allow for the trail, buffer areas, fencing, and shoulders.

Art Flick Discussion at Phoenicia Library

The Phoenicia Library presents a panel discussion devoted to Art Flick, "Sage of the Schoharie," on Saturday, April 16 from 12.30 - 2.30. This is the second in its series of four "Fishing Fever Forums" in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Jerry Bartlett Memorial Angling Collection.

Panelists sharing stories and remembrances about Art Flick include local anglers, guides and authors: Judd Weissberg, John Hoeko, Bert Darrow, Wendy Neefus, Dave Brandt and moderator, Tony Bonavist. Included is an instructional slide show of a day fishing with Art photographed by Wendy Neefus in 1974 and "show and tell" of Art's Dickerson rods and flies.

Art Flick (1904-1985) was a true Catskill legend. He arrived in Westkill with his parents in 1919, spent his youth on the stream and in the woods, while helping his father run the Westkill Inn. Despite the attention and praise of some of his famous guests at the Inn, he was a humble and shy man who, when confronted with threats to his beloved Schoharie Creek from human or natural causes became an outspoken advocate for regulations, "no kill" fishing, and conservation strategies.

Art was best known as the author of *The Streamside Guide to Naturals and Their Imitations*, a vest-pocket-sized book. First published in 1947, this book combined Art's knowledge of entomology with his expertise as a fly tyer to create a simple and timeless guide to catching trout on a fly that went on to sell 250,000 copies.

The library, located at 48 Main Street, Phoenicia, NY 12464, is fully accessible. Event is free.

The Fishing Fever Forums continue with two more panels in coming months: May 14, 2016 - DEC Catskill Fisheries Tales from Active and Retired DEC Folks; July 23, 2016 - On the River with Authors, Guides and Catskill Characters.

Contact: Bethia Waterman 845-254-4116; bethia.waterman@gmail.com For more information, see www.phoenicalibrary.org or www.catskillanglingcollection.org. This event is made possible with funds from the Catskill Watershed Corporation in partnership with New York City DEP.



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Don't Miss the Most Important Meeting of the Year for the Upper Delaware River! - Come to Hawley, PA on April 5th, 2016 and Let. Your. Voice. Be. Heard!

The fate of the next river management plan that impacts the cold water ecosystem of the Upper Delaware River and the economic and ecological health of the entire river system hangs in the balance.

On April 5, 2016 the entire Delaware River conservation community expects that the 5 key decision makers from PA, NY, NJ, DE, and NYC who must unanimously approve this plan are coming to Hawley, PA to provide us with a progress update and to hear our concerns and ideas about the future of the river.

If you love the Upper Delaware River, there is no more important meeting than this one.

Let's fill the room and make sure the decision makers know that the management of this river affects more than 15 million lives and a transparent process with the full participation of all watershed stakeholders is critical. Tell them we need a plan that protects aquatic habitat, provides for multiple water resource needs from upstate NY to the Delaware Bay, ensures consistent water releases/flows for recreational enjoyment, and enhances tourism opportunities to help those who rely the river for their economic livelihoods.

What: DRBC Regulated Flow Advisory Committee (RFAC)
When: Tuesday, April 5th, 2016 from 1pm to 4pm
Where: Lake Wallenpaupack Environmental Learning Center, 126 PPL Drive, Hawley, PA



Live Music!

Saturday, April 2

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The Jewish Federation of Ulster County's 2016 Spring Events Include:

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Yom Hashoah, candle-lighting Holocaust memorial and prayer service with art exhibit featuring children of survivors. FREE. Visit www.ucjf.org; info@ucjf.org; 845-338-8131.



4th Annual Kingston Multi-Cultural Festival

Saturday, May 7, 5-9pm (through May 31) at Arts Society of Kingston

Opening Reception for "Immigrant Gifts to America" - Art exhibit & month-long celebration in collaboration with the Reher Center for Immigrant Culture & History, James Cox Gallery featuring works by Joseph Garlock & immigrant members of the Arts Society of Kingston (ASK). Programs include a "Coming to America" film series (Thursdays May 12, 19 & 26); migratory mourning workshop, "In the Presence of the Absent" (May 22); and "New Worlds, New Voices" storytelling event (May 29). FREE. www.ucjf.org; info@ucjf.org; 845-338-8131.

Wednesday, May 11, 6:30pm at Congregation Ahavath Israel in Kingston

Yom HaZikaron (Israel Memorial Day) program to honor soldiers who have fallen in defense of Israel, and celebrate Yom HaAtzmout (Israeli Independence Day). FREE. www.ucjf.org; info@ucjf.org; 845-338-8131.

Sunday, June 5, 1:00 to 5pm at Gallo Park at the Rondout in Kingston

4th Annual Kingston Multi-Cultural Festival featuring international foods, dances and music performed by local community groups, hosted by the Reher Center for Immigration Culture & History. www.ucjf.org; info@ucjf.org; FREE.

Monday, June 6, Evening UCJF Annual Meeting, Awards & Scholarship Presentations. FREE. www.ucjf.org; info@ucjf.org; 845-338-8131. Location to be confirmed.

Arlene Gould, Executive Coordinator, Jewish Federation of Ulster County, 1 Albany Ave. Suite G-10, Kingston, NY 12401, 845-338-8131; www.ucjf.org

We are a community-building organization that enriches Jewish life locally, nationally, in Israel, and around the world by helping those in need and fostering Jewish values for the greater good.

New Owners, New Name, New Menu and New Product Products in Neversink



Just like the newness of spring, new owners, Mark McLewin and Cristina Aby-Azar have brought a 'newness' of energy to the Neversink General Store Circa 2016 (formally Cannie D's) located on Route 55 in Neversink.

The menu at the Neversink General Store changes week-to-week with a wide choice of new food options, a full deli with hot and cold sandwiches, panini, homemade soup and chili, and more, 7 days a week. There are weekly dinner special to take out or eat in and Pizza, seven days a week with a special new sauce and almost any topping you desire.

Other new products at the Neversink General Store are beer, Lotto, an ATM and Sinclair Gas! It is also rumored that the Neversink Farmers Market will have a grand opening on Memorial Day on the grounds of the Neversink General Store.

A quote on Facebook from a happy customer, "Awesome store! Perfect place to shop and get gas at the crossroads to the Catskill Park. Visit often; eat, shop, talk, hang out, and say, 'hello'."

Free Gardening Classes Begin in April

Sullivan Renaissance and Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County are pleased to announce a series of three FREE hands-on instructional trainings to teach YOU about gardening.

Learn how to care for a garden from the ground up, start to finish! CCE Sullivan County Master Gardener Volunteers will teach horticulture basics and explain how you can use your skills at a community gardening project near you. Whether you are already involved in a community project or would like to volunteer, you won't want to miss these opportunities:

- Wednesday, April 6 - Gardening 101: Soil, Water, & Sun!
- Wednesday, May 4 - Gardening 102: Weeds, Vegetables, & Flowers!
- Wednesday, June 1 - Gardening 103: Digging & Delegating!

All classes will be held from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center teaching garden located at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Attendees who complete all three classes will receive a certificate and a special gift from Sullivan Renaissance. Inquiring Gardeners Want to Know: Send us your questions!

Each week, Horticulture Coordinator Diana K. Weiner answers gardening questions on our Facebook page.

Q: I want to add more trees and shrubs that will attract the birds to my yard. Can you suggest a few?

A: Some great native woody plants that attract birds are the serviceberries, dogwoods and viburnums. The specific varieties may include Amelanchier 'Autumn Brilliance,' Cornus sericea 'Bailey,' Cornus alba 'Ivory Halo,' Viburnum nudum 'Brandywine' and Viburnum dentatum 'Blue Muffin.' Imagine the combination of white berries if you plant Cornus sericea 'Bailey,' along with the contrasting blue berries of Viburnum dentatum 'Blue Muffin!'

Have a question? Send us a Facebook message or email info@sullivanrenaissance.org.

Weather FORECAST

SUNRISE: 6:44AM SUNSET: 7:18 PM
AVERAGE HIGH: 50°F AVERAGE LOW: 33 °F

THURSDAY



HIGH: 63°F LOW: 51°F

FRIDAY



HIGH: 62°F LOW: 36 °F

SATURDAY



HIGH: 51 °F LOW: 28 °F

SUNDAY



HIGH: 37 °F LOW: 25 °F

MONDAY



HIGH: 42 °F LOW: 30°F

TUESDAY



HIGH: 47°F LOW: 2°F

Summer Is Just Months Away - and so is Day Camp

While it may be hard to think about summer plans when spring has just begun, summer is just a few months away and this the perfect time to start thinking about fun, safe, and active ways for your child or teen to spend their days when school's out.



Registration is in full swing for Frost Valley YMCA's various Day Camp programs and registrars say programs fill fast. Frost Valley provides an enriching summer experience to children ages four-15 from the local community. Counselors experienced in childcare and recreation lead campers through days of adventure and excitement, with a foundation focused on achievement, relationships, and belonging.

Frost Valley YMCA Day Camp runs for various one- or two-week sessions between June 27 and September 2, and registration is available online at FrostValley.org or by calling 845-985-2291. For parents who would like to visit the camp first, or have other questions, Frost Valley is hosting several free Day Camp Open House informational events this spring. During an Open House, families tour the grounds where camp is held; learn about Frost Valley's fun programs, secure environment, and experienced leadership; and discover how day camp can help a child or teen build confidence and character while having fun and making friends.

Day Camp Open Houses will take place April 10, May 1, and June 5 from 10am-1pm. If these Sundays don't work for you, Frost Valley can accommodate a private visit. Families who attend a free open house will enjoy a tour, presentation, Q&A session, lunch in the camp's dining hall, and more. Please contact Daycamp@FrostValley.org for reservations.

Don't forget! Mark your calendars to enjoy an afternoon of family fun and wellness at Frost Valley YMCA on Sunday, May 1 from 1-4 pm during Healthy Kids Day. This annual community event is free to attend, and focuses on inspiring kids and families to develop healthier lifestyles. Healthy Kids Day is the Y's national initiative to improve family health and well-being through games, healthy eating, arts and crafts, and more. Although the event is free, reservations are highly recommended, and can be made at 845-985-2291 or FrostValley.org/Contact-Us.

Sullivan Renaissance to Host Volunteer Open House- Learn how Sharing Your Skills can Benefit Your Community

Sullivan Renaissance will host a Volunteer Open House on Wednesday, March 30 between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the CVI Building at 165 Sullivan Avenue in Ferndale. Every Sullivan County resident is invited to attend to learn how to make a difference in their community.

Potential volunteers will learn about the many ways in which they can participate not only in gardening, but also in capacity building, teaching, outreach, program support and more. Interested volunteers will have the opportunity to meet current Volunteer Corps members and learn about their experiences with community groups and the Sullivan Renaissance program. Information about assisting with multicultural outreach, including opportunities for bilingual volunteers to help with Spanish / English translation while working in the community, will be shared.

"There are a lot of ways to get involved, it's not just gardening," says returning Volunteer Corps member Daniel McCormack, "and it doesn't require a huge commitment of time. You can choose how to help based on your interests and availability. It's a great way to meet new people and learn more about our county."

Information about Sullivan Renaissance initiatives, grant recipients, opportunities for youth and upcoming gardening trainings will also be available. The Renaissance Collection, a selection of annual and perennial plants, trees and shrubs that grow successfully in Sullivan County, will be displayed in the CVI atrium.

Refreshments will be served. Everyone attending will be eligible to win a fabulous gardening gift door prize.

Pre-registration is requested. To register, visit SullivanRenaissance.org or call the Sullivan Renaissance office at 845-295-2445. Event details can also be found on the Sullivan Renaissance Facebook and Twitter pages.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

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Easter Greetings from Cooper

Bob took Cooper for an Easter drive in the 'Wayback Machine' on Sunday and stopped at the Sullivan-Ulster County line along the Rondout Reservoir on Route 55.



Cooper is not only enjoying the spring-like weather, but seems to really be enjoying the scene where many anglers will be gathering this Friday casting out their lines, hoping to catch the first big one of the season!

Volunteer Drivers Needed for Seniors for Transportation to Medical Appointments

One of the obstacles to health care in Sullivan County is the lack of public transportation. RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) works to alleviate that problem. Our volunteers drive county seniors without any means of transportation to medical appointments they would otherwise be unable to make. Unfortunately, we have a severe shortage of drivers and are forced to turn away requests for help every day.

Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and provided insurance. Our passengers are mobile and very grateful.

Are you over 55 years of age? Do you have one hour a week of free time? One hour a month? One hour every other month? Take a small, but important, step to help your neighbor and Sullivan County toward better health. Please call Caryn Mathews, RSVP Coordinator, at 845-807-0251 or e-mail her at Caryn.mathews@co.sullivan.ny.us with any questions or, we sincerely hope, to volunteer.

At Governor's Direction, Stepped Up Security from National Guard, State Police, Port Authority and MTA at all Major Transit Hubs Downstate Including JFK, LaGuardia, and Penn and Grand Central Stations

"The senseless attacks that struck the people of Belgium ... have left us all stunned and heartbroken. These were acts of pure evil that have claimed the lives of people who were doing nothing more than going about their days. My heart grieves for all those who have been impacted, and as we learn more about these attacks, New York will continue to stand shoulder to shoulder with the international community against terrorism - as the world has done for us in the past. And as we have seen time and again, when we are united, terror has never prevailed and never will. On behalf of all New Yorkers, I offer my thoughts and prayers to the people of Belgium on this tragic day."

"I have directed state law enforcement officials to step up security at high-profile locations around the state, including our airports, bridges, tunnels and mass transit systems. Public safety is paramount, and I want the people of this state to know that we are working with all local and federal partners, remaining vigilant and taking all necessary measures to keep New Yorkers safe."

While there is no known credible threat to New York State at this time, and the federal threat level has not been elevated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the following actions are being taken out of an abundance of caution to ensure the public's safety:

- The New York National Guard...activated its quick reaction force from Fort Hamilton to provide additional security detail at JFK International Airport. The National Guard has 400 service members on duty in the NYC area. The Guard is adding an additional service members to transportation infrastructure hubs downstate, including JFK and LaGuardia airports.
- The New York State Police will have State Troopers assigned to Penn and Grand Central Stations as well as the Queens Mid Town Tunnel and the George Washington Bridge.
- The Port Authority is increasing its police presence at all of its airports, bridges, tunnels and the World Trade Center, as well as the PATH and Port Authority Bus Terminal.
- The MTA is coordinating with New York State Police and the Port Authority to elevate its police presence at subway and rail stations in NYC, Westchester and Long Island.
- The State is also in active coordination with local and federal partners, including the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force and the New York City Police Department.

Now for the NEWS....

Many of you have asked for Marcus to take you hiking on the trails! And that is what's happening on Sunday April 3rd.

But we added a twist. We see an opportunity to turn this into a fund raiser.

It's \$10 a person and includes a beer (or something else for non-beer drinkers) back at Aroma Thyme. The proceeds will benefit the trails.

We are going to hike the Long Path/SRT from Cox Rd. It's a 3 mile hike with about 500 ft of incline. It's not too difficult except the first mile. That is where most of the incline is.

We will meet at Aroma Thyme at 9am and then go to the trail head. It's a short drive up the mountain.

www.TrailandAle.com

Thunderbash Lineup Announced

Thunder 102, Monticello Casino and Raceway, The Sullivan County Visitors Association and the Sullivan County Partnership is proud to announce ThunderBash will take place Saturday, May 7, 2015 "Tony Cellini Day". Headlining this year's entertainment will be country music group Trailer Choir, a duo consisting of vocalists Marc Fortney and Vinny Hickerson, known by their respective stage names Butter and Big Vinny. Trailer Choir is known for their chart topping hit "Rockin' the Beer Gut". The band was discovered when Toby Keith



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showed up at one of their original performances on "The Billy Block Show" and were signed to his Show Dog Nashville record label. Big Vinny was also a participant on the television show "The Biggest Loser" in 2011, where he went on to become one of the final four contestants.

"It seems like everybody knows "Rockin' the Beer Gut... Trailer Choir will bring a whole new level of fun and excitement to ThunderBash" said Paul Ciliberto Market Manager/General Manager of Thunder 102.

This is the eleventh annual ThunderBash and is a way to celebrate and thank the listeners and community for their support of Thunder 102. It is a free event with tickets available

across the area and is an 18 and over event. Thunder 102, joining with Suburban Propane, are asking attendees to bring non-perishable food items to benefit local food pantries.

ThunderBash is sponsored in part by Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, Crystal Run Healthcare and Johnstons Subaru and Johnstons Toyota and will also feature performance by Dave & Whitney, Iron Cowboy featuring Cathy Paty, Somerville, 40 Lb. Head and The Shots & Bergen County Firefighters Pipe Band.

Thunder 102 serves the Sullivan County Catskills and can be heard in Sullivan County and parts of Orange, Ulster and Delaware County, NY plus Wayne and Pike County, PA on 102.1 FM. Thunder 102 is also available worldwide on the FREE RadioBOLD app. Thunder 102, a Bold Gold Media Group station, is a Music Row reporting station.

Opening Day in Roscoe!!

Friday, April 1st @ 7:30 am - Everyone is welcome to join the Roscoe Chamber of Commerce and friends at Junction Pool for Opening Day of fishing on Friday, April 1st at 7:30 am at Junction Pool. Refreshments will be served. Rain or Shine

ANNUAL TWO HEADED TROUT DINNER

Saturday, April 2nd @ 6:00 pm - The Roscoe - Rockland Chamber will be holding their annual Two headed Trout Dinner which will be held at the Rockland House on Saturday, April 2nd starting with appetizers at 6:00 pm Delicious prime rib dinner to follow.... Raffles, 50/50 tickets, Silent Auction...Door Prizes.... Guest Speaker. Tickets are \$45.00 Ea. Please contact Marge at 607-498-5464.

ROSCOE KIWANIS ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 3rd 7:00 am - 12:00 pm - Come have breakfast at Roscoe Kiwanis Club's annual pancake breakfast at the Roscoe Community Center on Sunday, April 3 from 7AM to 12PM. There is a free will offering for pancakes, eggs, sausage, real local maple syrup, OJ, coffee or tea. All proceeds benefit the youth of our community.

Act Underground Theatre in Narrowsburg NY is holding a General Open Casting Call

Act Underground Theatre in Narrowsburg NY is holding a General Open Casting Call at the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, Krause Hall, 37 Main Street in Narrowsburg on two dates and times: Saturday April 2, 2016 @ 3:00pm - 5:00 pm and Wednesday April 6, 2016 @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm. This General Casting Call is for anyone and everyone interested in acting with Act Underground Theatre. You do not have to be an experienced actor.

This will be a fun two hours and nothing is required for you to prepare. We will have scenes for you to read and the General Call will give us a chance to get to know you and you can get to know us.

For more information: email info@actundergroundtheatre.com or call Kyoshin @ 845-252-9915.

"The Shawangunk Garden Club is holding its "Open to the Public"

"The Shawangunk Garden Club is holding its "Open to the Public" on Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Community Room, next to the Ellenville Public Library on 40 Center St. Ellenville, N.Y. 12428.

Guest speaker, Barbara Fornal a certified herbalist, will discuss "Weeds as Medicinal Herbs, and how local plants can help us heal. Refreshments will be served. Free to all.



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<p>Date: Saturday, May 21st Raindate: Sunday, May 22nd Time: 9am to 3pm Location: Joseph Y. Resnick Airport 199 Airport Rd. Ellenville, NY 12428</p> <p>For more details or to register online visit: www.wingswheelsforwarriors.com</p>	<p>Join us for: Food, Beverages, Plane Rides, DJ Brian, Family Fun, Face Painting, and So Much More! SPECTATORS ARE FREE! (Donations to DAV encouraged)</p>
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Assembly Budget Puts Families First with Proposals that Enhance Temporary Assistance, Career Opportunities and Paid Family Leave

Proposals advanced by the Assembly would provide a phased-in increase of the minimum wage, establish a comprehensive paid family leave plan and support temporary assistance and other programs important to New York's working families, according to Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess).

To ensure that all in our state who are working one or more jobs to support their family or are pursuing a college degree in order to further their career can continue to pursue these goals, the Assembly proposes that \$83.7 million be earmarked for family initiatives and affordable day care programs. Specifically, \$75 million will be used to create 10,000 new childcare slots and \$8 million is targeted for the state's Facilitated Enrollment Program which expands eligibility for affordable childcare to working families with incomes up to 275 percent of the federal poverty level. To help those who are out of work or who are experiencing a time of crisis get back on their feet, the Assembly restores \$19.5 million to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, including a \$4 million allotment to assist victims of domestic violence and a \$7 million commitment to job search and training programs.

"Preserving temporary assistance and employment opportunity programs goes a long way to help people across the state endure a rough patch in their lives, while connecting them with educational and career resources that will put them on a path to long-term success," Assemblymember Cahill said.

The Assembly responded positively to Assemblyman Cahill's request to reject the Governor's proposal to move administration of Agri-Business Child Development (ABCD) program from the Office of Children and Family Services to the Department of Agriculture and Markets. In addition to that, Assembly proposal would restore \$1 million in prior year funding for the program. "Keeping these child care centers across the state under the auspices of the Office of Children and Family Services will ensure that these vital daycare programs continue to be properly managed and regulated," added Assemblyman Cahill. "Additional support for temporary assistance programs and housing projects will also help organizations such as Family of Woodstock, Inc. and RUPCO in their important missions."

The Assembly proposal further supports a phased-in increase to the minimum wage that will bump the hourly rate to \$15 in New York City, Nassau, Suffolk and Westchester counties by 2018 and statewide by 2021. The Assembly continued its leadership regarding a 12-week paid family leave plan that allows employees to receive a portion of their income when they take off from work to care for loved ones. Specifically, some employers would be required to offer a benefit plan where workers would contribute up to 45 cents per week toward the policy and be guaranteed up to 12 weeks of paid family leave with an assurance of job security during this break from employment.

"As basic cost of living expenses come dangerously close to and even outpace wages and earnings in many circumstances, it becomes more and more essential to not only raise the hourly pay rate, but to invest in and support critical assistance programs so that hard working New Yorkers are able to adequately provide for themselves and their families," added Assemblyman Cahill.

Negotiations will continue over the coming weeks, and a final budget is expected to be approved by the Assembly, Senate and Governor by the April 1st deadline.

Governor Cuomo Announces NY's Statewide Trout and Salmon Fishing Season Opens April! Early Season Angling Looks Promising Across the State-New investments in fish hatcheries and fishing access points open new opportunities for state anglers and visitors

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced today that trout and salmon fishing season will open on April 1. Ahead of the season opening, anglers can start planning their first outing on the I LOVE NY website, which features information on freshwater, saltwater and fly fishing and highlights ideal locations for fishing.

"New York is home to some of the best fishing in the country and through our NY Open for Fishing and Hunting initiative, we are making it easier for anglers to enjoy this proud tradition," Governor Cuomo said. "I encourage residents and visitors alike to take advantage of these opportunities and start planning their first fishing trip of the season right here in New York State."

"I'm excited to announce the opening of the 2016 trout and salmon season, and celebrate the success of our efforts to sustain our popular and economically important recreational fisheries," said New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Acting Commissioner Basil Seggos. "Through Governor Cuomo's NY Open for Fishing and Hunting Initiative,

we are making important investments to improve access to fishing opportunities and upgrade our fish hatchery system, and combined with the current favorable weather conditions and stream flows, 2016 should be a great fishing year."

Unlike last year, when most of the state was languishing through an extended winter with much ice and snow, prospects for the 2016 opener look very promising. Even with the expected fishable stream flows, trout will still be relatively lethargic until stream temperatures warm. Anglers will have best success using bait and lures such as spinners that can be fished slow and deep. Fishing will improve markedly once water temperatures move into the sixties later in the spring. The warming also encourages aquatic insect activity, which improves opportunities for those preferring to use fly fishing gear.

DEC recommendations on where to fish

A head of the season opening, anglers can start planning their first spring outing on the I LOVE NY website. Anglers can also download DEC's official New York Fishing, Hunting & Wildlife App on the Apple App Store or Google Play store, or by going to the Pocket Ranger website. This app provides up-to-date information on fishing, hunting and wildlife watching and serves as an interactive outdoor app using today's leading mobile devices.

Best early season angling opportunities for trout are typically in lakes and ponds, with some of the best fishing found immediately after ice out. Long Island, where anglers can enjoy a year-round trout season, provides some of the best early season trout fishing with most waters receiving at least a portion of their annual stocking allocations prior to April 1. Early season trout fishing recommendations by DEC staff in each region can be found in the 2016 Coldwater Fishing Forecast at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/63598.html. The DEC website also includes a map of recommended fishing locations at www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/42978.html and specific locations on streams where DEC has purchased fishing easements at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/9924.html.

Stocking efforts on track

DEC plans to stock over 2.3 million catchable-size brook, brown and rainbow trout in 314 lakes and ponds and roughly 2,850 miles of streams across the state. Spring stockings will include 1.76 million brown trout, 431,555 rainbow trout and 130,000 brook trout. Approximately 97,000 two-year-old brown trout 13-14 inches in length will also be stocked into lakes and streams across the state. Nearly two million yearling lake trout, steelhead, landlocked salmon, splake, Chinook salmon and coho salmon will be also be stocked by DEC this spring to provide exciting angling opportunities over the next several years.

For those who prefer a quieter, more remote setting, more than 320,000 brook trout fingerlings will be stocked in 339 lakes and ponds in the Adirondacks this spring and fall, providing unique angling opportunities for future years. For a complete list of waters planned to be stocked with trout this spring, go to www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/30465.html. A listing of waters stocked with trout last year can be found at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/30467.html.

DEC's stocking program traditionally commences in late March and early April with the stocking of catchable-size trout in the lower Hudson Valley, Long Island and western New York. It then proceeds, as weather and stream conditions permit, to the Catskills, Adirondacks and other portions of the state. Given this year's favorable weather conditions, stocking should occur according to schedule, or in some cases, ahead of schedule. Anglers are encouraged to check the DEC website for approximate stocking dates and locations.

New investments in hatcheries and fishing access Under the New York Open for Fishing and Hunting initiative, DEC recently announced significant improvements to DEC's fish hatchery system and waterway access facilities. In 2014 and 2015, a total of \$8 million in NY Works funding was provided for hatchery improvements. Projects completed to date include: repaving and painting at Caledonia Hatchery, the acquisition of 16 new large stocking trucks and associated fish transport equipment, the installation of new water treatment and heating equipment (Chautauqua and Oneida hatcheries), the replacement of the roof at Salmon River Hatchery, and the installation of a new spring dam wall at Rome Hatchery. Other projects are currently underway including: replacement of fish-rearing raceways at Chateaugay Hatchery and pond renovations at South Otselic Hatchery. Additional hatchery projects to be addressed include pond and raceway renovations at Catskill, Caledonia, and Randolph hatcheries, and an emergency generator replacement at South Otselic Hatchery.

Anglers will find new or upgraded boat launches at Forge Pond (Peconic River) in Suffolk County, Upper and Lower Saranac Lake in Franklin County and Lake George (Lake George Beach) in Warren County. A new accessible fishing pier will also be ready for public use April 1 on Wiscoy Creek (Town of Pike) in Wyoming County. Reconstruction of the fishing pier on Lake Erie at Dunkirk should also be completed by early summer. Work is also underway on a new boat launch at

Meacham Lake in Franklin County which should be ready for use later this summer. Over \$6 million dollars have been invested in boating and fishing access facilities over the past 5 years.

Anglers urged to help stop the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

DEC reminds anglers to be sure to take appropriate measures to stop the spread of aquatic invasive species in New York State. Adirondack anglers and boaters should be particularly vigilant. The Spiny Waterflea, a recent invader in the region, has slowly spread from its initial site of detection, Great Sacandaga Lake. This species can attach to fishing and anchor lines, downrigger cables and can also be found in the remnant water in a boat's bilge, livewells and bait wells. Boats, boating accessories and fishing gear should be completely dried and/or disinfected with hot water before being used in a new body of water. Methods to clean and disinfect fishing gear can be found at www.dec.ny.gov/animals/50121.html.

Boaters should take the following steps to ensure that their boat, trailer and equipment are free of aquatic invasive species:

- o Visually inspect the boat, trailer and other fishing and boating equipment and remove all mud, plants and other organisms that might be clinging to it. Dispose of the materials in one of the Nuisance Invasive Species Disposal Stations installed at many DEC boat launches, in the trash or at an upland location away from the launch ramp.

- o Drain the boat's bilge and any other water holding compartments such as live wells, bait wells and bilge tanks. This does not apply to water associated with sanitary systems or drinking water supplies.

DEC also highly recommends drying boats. Boaters who are unable to dry their boats between uses should flush the bilge and other water holding compartments with water, preferably at a temperature of 140 degrees Fahrenheit. Microscopic larval forms of aquatic invasive species, such as zebra mussels and spiny waterflea, can live in as much as a drop of water. Anything holding water should be dried, flushed or disinfected with hot water to ensure that these aquatic invasive species are not spread.

Fishing license requirements

Anyone 16 years of age and older who desires to fish in New York must have a New York State fishing license. Anglers can purchase their license and print them for immediate use by visiting <http://www.licensecenter.ny.gov/sporting-and-recreational-licenses>. Anglers can also purchase their license by phone by calling 1-866-933-2257, or from the numerous license issuing agents across the state. Those purchasing by phone will receive a confirmation number that can be used as proof of purchase until they receive their actual license by mail. Fishing licenses are now valid for one year from the date of purchase. When buying a fishing license, please consider also purchasing a Habitat/Access Stamp to help fund important access and habitat projects. For more information on the Habitat/Access Stamp Program go to www.dec.ny.gov/permits/47452.html.

Anglers interested in purchasing a lifetime fishing license should consider a New York State Adventure license which is incorporated on their NY Driver's License and provides a free fishing-themed license plate. Additional information can be found at: www.licensecenter.ny.gov/.

Free Fishing Weekends and Clinics available

To further encourage fishing in New York State, Governor Cuomo signed legislation in 2012 expanding the opportunity for free fishing clinics, allowing more New Yorkers to experience fishing for the first time by enabling DEC to increase the number of free clinics that can be held throughout the state. The Free Fishing Days program began in 1991 to allow all people the opportunity to sample the incredible fishing New York State has to offer.

In addition, New York State residents and visitors may fish for free without a fishing license in any of the state's 7,500 lakes and ponds and 50,000 miles of rivers and streams during the weekend of June 27-28. For additional Upcoming Free Fishing Dates, visit DEC's website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/89821.html>.

Governor Cuomo has expanded recreational opportunities for residents and tourists, positioning New York State as a recreation destination, connecting communities to state lands, and improving the quality of life. Governor Cuomo's NY Open for Fishing and Hunting Initiative is an effort to improve recreational opportunities for sportsmen and women and to boost tourism activities throughout the state. This includes streamlining fishing and hunting licenses, reducing license fees, improving access for fishing and increasing hunting opportunities in New York State. Under the initiative, the 2015-16 Enacted Budget included an additional \$8 million for state land access projects and an additional \$4 million for the state's hatcheries in NY Works funding.

DEC operates 12 fish hatcheries and raises and stocks more than 15 species of fish into New York waters. Visit the Fish Hatcheries webpage for more information on DEC's website.

Congressman Gibson announces passage of Older Americans Act Reauthorization Bipartisan bill supports Meals on Wheels, health, transportation services for NY seniors

Washington, DC - Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) announced the passage of the Older Americans Act (OAA) Reauthorization Act of 2016, which supports a host of home- and community-based programs for seniors and their caregivers.

With unanimous support, the House adopted S. 192, the Senate's bill to reauthorize the OAA through 2019.

Congressman Gibson, who authored a previous bill to renew the OAA, led a recent letter signed by 65 Members of Congress urging the House Committee on Education and the Workforce to prioritize consideration of this legislation.

"Bipartisan, bicameral action to comprehensively reauthorize the Older Americans Act is an important step in keeping the promises we made to the generations that raised us and have made this country great," said Congressman Gibson. "Working to protect our nation's seniors in Washington is an honor, and I am especially proud to have partnered with our county offices of the aging and seniors from around the 19th District to spread awareness of this critical legislation. I deeply appreciate their guidance and advocacy."

The OAA supports a wide range of programming for seniors, including meals served at

group sites like senior centers, churches, and senior housing, Meals on Wheels, family caregiver support, community service employment, resources for families to secure home-based care, and services to prevent the abuse and neglect of seniors.

The OAA Reauthorization Act also strengthens the Administration on Aging's Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, which investigates and resolves resident complaints in nursing home facilities and other adult care homes.

With regard to transportation, which can be a significant hardship for many seniors in rural areas, this legislation directs the Administration to provide technical assistance to states and localities to make more rides available to seniors.

General Open Casting Call at the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance

Act Underground Theatre in Narrowsburg NY is holding a General Open Casting Call at the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, Krause Hall, 37 Main Street in Narrowsburg on two dates and times: Saturday April 2, 2016 @ 3:00pm - 5:00 pm and Wednesday April 6, 2016 @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm. This General Casting Call is for anyone and everyone interested in acting with Act Underground Theatre. You do not have to be an experienced actor.

This will be a fun two hours and nothing is required for you to prepare. We will have scenes for you to read and the General Call will give us a chance to get to know you and you can get to know us.

For more information: email info@actundergroundtheatre.com or call Kyoshin @ 845-252-9915. First Friday Book Discussion Group

First Friday of the Month

Book Discussion

The first Friday of the month book discussion meets in the Upper Level

Conference Room of the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m.

New members welcome!

Refreshments are provided by the members.

This month's book discussion: "The Catcher in the Rye", by J.D. Salinger.

Sullivan County Philatelic Society

The Sullivan County Philatelic Society will have a 15 Lot Auction on Saturday, April 2nd at 1 pm in the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center, 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY 12701.

All members are asked to bring something to sell.

Next month we are going to have a well known stamp collector as well as a person who sets up stamp exhibitions., Mr. Colin Fraser.

Any information you want to know on this subject will be answered.

Please be advised the club meets in Room Two of the Stroebele Center.

We will have our regular door prizes, giveaways and refreshments donated by a club member.

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Grahamsville Reformed Church
Roast Pork Dinner
 Saturday, April 9, 2016
 4 pm to 7 pm

Menu: Roast Pork, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, Salad, Homemade Apple Sauce, Breads, Assorted Desserts, & Drinks

Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00 under 5 free

Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
 For more information please call: 845 985 7480

We look forward to seeing you! Thank you for your support. God Bless you!


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Sunday, 8:00am Service of Holy Communion

Music by Fred VanWagner
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www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

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 Claryville, NY 12725
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Bible Class 9:00 am
 Worship Services @ 10:00 am
 Rev. Paul Nulton
 John Bult, Organist



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 Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm
 Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

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

Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm
 Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor: 434-7643.

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


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 Woodbourne, NY 12788
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Sundown United Methodist Church
 Peekamoose Rd., Sundown
 Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School - after worship (9:40 a.m.)
 Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
 Pastor: Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff
 845-985-2283
 e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
 Rte. 55, Grahamsville
 Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m.
 Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available!
 For information contact Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff 845-985-2283
 e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

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 April 2nd
Covered Dish Supper
 5:30 pm
 at the **Sundown United Methodist Church Hall**


Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Third Saturday Thrift Sale
 Apr 16 • 9 am- 1 pm

Thrift Sale & Luncheon
 Apr 5th
 Thrift Sales 9 - 1
 Luncheons 11 - 1

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of The Neversink General Store for the purpose of review of a Special Use Permit Application relating to signage. The property is located at 4 Schumway Rd. Neversink, NY (SBL# 35.-1-8.4).

Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

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

Schneiderman & I.G. Leahy Scott Obtain Groundbreaking Agreement with Government Contractor that Illegally Outsourced NY Jobs to India - Focused Technologies Imaging Services And Its Officers Unlawfully Shipped Personal Data of Over 16 Million People To Indian Contractor And Illegally Denied Work To New Yorkers With Disabilities. - Company And Its Officers Required To Pay \$3.1 Million, Increase Hiring Of Disabled Workers, And Submit To An Independent Monitor

NEW YORK - New York State Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman and New York State Inspector General Catherine Leahy Scott today announced a groundbreaking \$3.1 million agreement with Focused Technologies Imaging Services, LLC ("FTIS"), its sole owner Charles "Chuck" Tobin, and its former co-owner Julie Benware, for unlawfully outsourcing government-funded work to a subcontractor based in Mumbai, India in 2008 and 2009. The outsourcing was illegal because even though FTIS was required to perform the work at a warehouse in Albany, New York, FTIS unlawfully sent personal information of over 16 million people to a foreign business that was unauthorized to receive this information. The outsourcing also resulted in the failure of FTIS to adhere to a requirement that over 50% of the labor hours of the contract be performed by individuals with disabilities.

This is a first-of-its-kind agreement obtained by Attorney General Schneiderman concerning a government contractor illegally shipping jobs overseas.

"The agreement announced today sends a clear message: if you are a government contractor and you illegally ship jobs overseas, you will be held accountable," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "Contractors have an obligation to follow the law and keep the promises they make to the State of New York."

"This Capital Region company entered into a covert and unauthorized outsourcing that swelled its profits while disregarding its commitment to employing individuals with disabilities, as required by its contract with the State. In doing so, the company circumvented virtually all contract provisions governing the handling of sensitive records to which they were entrusted," said Inspector General Leahy Scott. "I will use all the resources at my disposal to relentlessly pursue State contractors who violate the law, and I thank Attorney General Eric Schneiderman and his office for their partnership in bringing this matter to justice."

FTIS is a small business located in Menands, New York that employs many individuals with disabilities and veterans as part of its operations. The agreement announced today arises from a \$3.45 million contract in 2008-09 between the New York State Industries for the Disabled ("NYSID"), a non-profit, and the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("DCJS"), to digitize and index approximately

**Tri-Valley Central
School District
Board of Education**
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM
In the Intermediate
School Library
For info: www.trivalleycsd.org

22 million fingerprint cards into a searchable database. Fingerprint cards must be provided to the State by all New York State law enforcement officials, prisoners, parolees, arrestees, and personnel undergoing background checks, among others. In addition to fingerprints, the cards at issue contained, among other things, a unique New York State identification number that DCJS assigns to any individual it fingerprints, the individual's Social Security number, the reason that the individual was fingerprinted, and other personal information such as date of birth and basic physical characteristics.

Because of the confidential nature of the information of the fingerprint cards, FTIS was, among other things, required to perform all of the work in Albany, New York and it could only use employees that had passed a criminal background check. Additionally, FTIS was prohibited from subcontracting any of the work to any other entity.

In October 2008 and continuing to about September 2009, in violation of these security requirements, FTIS and Tobin secretly solicited and retained a document-handling business located in Mumbai, India, to perform the indexing of more than 16 million of the 22 million fingerprint cards. Tobin, and other FTIS personnel acting at his direction, including Julie Benware, secretly arranged for scanned images of the DCJS fingerprint cards to be uploaded onto a server to be accessed by employees of the Indian company in Mumbai for indexing. At all times DCJS and NYSID remained unaware of the outsourcing to India. In fact, FTIS and Tobin produced false records to conceal the outsourcing.

The outsourcing was also illegal because it resulted in less than a majority of the labor hours of the contract being worked on by individuals with disabilities. FTIS had obtained the DCJS contract from NYSID as part of the state's so-called "Preferred Source Program." Under this program, the state provides no-bid contracts to NYSID, a not-for-profit, which subcontracts the actual work to qualified for-profit companies that must perform a majority of the labor hours (over 50%) of the contract using individuals with disabilities. FTIS was the for-profit vendor that obtained the subcontract and, because of the illegal outsourcing to India, it only performed approximately 31% of the work with such individuals.

FTIS paid the Indian company just over \$82,000 for this indexing between October 2008 and September 2009. Overall, the Indian company performed approximately 37.5% of the work on the contract. There is no evidence that the Indian company, nor any of the employees of the Indian company, knew that it had obtained the work illegally. Nor was there any evidence that the Indian company sent personal data of any individual to any third party or otherwise utilized the data. The Indian company fully and voluntarily cooperated with the investigation.

Under the agreement, FTIS, Tobin, and Benware admit to violating the New York False Claims Act by illegally outsourcing the work to India. FTIS and Tobin will pay \$3.05 million in penalties, fees and costs, and Julie Benware will pay \$50,000. FTIS has also agreed that it will perform 69% of the work of certain new preferred source contracts it obtains within two years with individuals with disabilities. Finally, FTIS will have to pay for an independent monitor for five years to ensure FTIS's compliance with government contracts.

This Assurance of Discontinuance is the latest recovery under the New York False Claims Act. The Act is one of the state's most powerful civil fraud enforcement tools because it allows whistleblowers and the government to take legal action against companies or individuals that defraud the State or local governments. Persons found liable under the False Claims Act

must pay treble damages, penalties and attorneys' fees. Under the False Claims Act, whistleblowers may be eligible to receive up to 30 percent of any money recovered by the government as a result of information they provide.

The joint investigation that led to this settlement was a direct result of the prompt and helpful reporting of the possible outsourcing by the NYSID. The Attorney General and the Inspector General recognize and commend NYSID for its actions in this matter.

The investigation was led by Gregory M. Krakower, former Senior Advisor & Counselor to the Attorney General, assisted by Legal Support Analyst Emilie C. Schwarz of the Attorney General's Taxpayer Protection Bureau.

Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman formed the Taxpayer Protection Bureau to handle False Claims Act cases in 2011. Bureau Chief Thomas Teige Carroll and Deputy Bureau Chief Scott J. Spiegelman oversee the Bureau within the Criminal Division of the New York Attorney General's Office, which is led by Executive Deputy Attorney General for Criminal Justice Kelly Donovan.

Special Report: Promoting Public Health on the Local Level

The New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) today called on State Lawmakers to renew their commitment to public health issues with a special report that addresses the role that counties play in promoting public health in communities across the state.

The report, Counties Promoting Public Health: A Special Report, is available on the NYSAC website at www.nysac.org/health.

"Too often, our Local Health Departments (LHDs) are taken for granted, under-appreciated, and in the past few years, underfunded," said NYSAC President William E. Cherry, the Schoharie County Treasurer. "This report shines some light on the critical public health programs that our county LHDs provide at the local level."

LHDs are the front line of defense for diseases like influenza, Ebola, and the Zika Virus. They work closely with the New York State Department of Health to encourage healthy behavior, protect New Yorkers from communicable diseases, prepare of weather-related and environmental for emergencies, and develop community health assessments.

The report highlights the disparity of state funding for counties that deliver core health services. The State Budget includes funding through Public Health Law, Article 6 - known as Article 6 funding - which provides full or partial reimbursement for mandated public health services that are delivered at the local level.

"The Article 6 funding cuts imposed in 2010 during the Great Recession significantly compromised our ability to deliver these critical public health programs," said Linda Wagner, executive director of the NYS Association of County Health Officials. "Those mandates are still there, and they are very important to the general health of our communities, but none of the funding has been restored."

With the release of this report, NYSAC is also calling on state leaders to increase Article 6 funding in the 2016-17 State Budget to offset the state funding cuts to local health departments in 2010. Specifically, NYSAC calls on the state to:

- o End administrative actions that will result in further erosion of state aid to LHDs,
- o Reimburse counties for 100% of any new state mandated activities required of LHDs,
- o Requiring NYSDOH to provide one-year advance notice to municipalities of administrative limitations on state aid, and
- o Provide 100% reimbursement of expenses due to emergency declarations in the first year of such declarations, using funds appropriated in the current or subsequent year.

"Local health departments (LHDs) are at the forefront of New York State's public health issues, serving as the first line of defense against all new and potentially wide-spread public health crises. We need to make sure that they have all the resources they need to keep New Yorkers in good health," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario.

**Town of Neversink
Parks & Recreation**

www.townofneversink.org

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

Cloisters Museum, April 23 - Adults \$51; Children under 17-\$36. **Must be paid A/S/A/P**

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.**



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Closed
If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

**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

All Aboard!
Join the Fun!
Play Mexican Train
FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1-4 pm in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall
Also **WANTED:** People for card games

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- 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
- 4/7/16 TVCS Board Meeting - 7 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
- 4/16/16 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** Grahamsville UM Church 9-1
- 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
- 4/21/16 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 5/7/16 **Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk** - 8:30-9:30am Sign-in First Aid Building
- 6/1/2016 **Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic** 6-8 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds

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. Grahamsville Fairgrounds • FREE Admission to the Fair

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Unless otherwise noted, all **Town Board meetings** are held at the Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Road, Shokan at **7:00 pm.** Town Board Meetings are the **second Tuesday of each month** with the **audit/workshop meetings** being held the **Monday preceding the second Tuesday.**

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.

**Tri-Valley Community!
Your attention, please!**

The Neversink Renaissance Committee is conducting a survey

Are you interested in a **Farmer's and/or Artisan's Market** to be held at the Neversink General Store during the summer months including **September?**

If so -- Send an email to tvangus@hvccr.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?

Boy Scout Troop 97 Bottle Run

From March 1st to June 1st

Drop off redeemable cans and bottles



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Bottle and Can Redemption Center



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Or contact Neil Terwilliger at (845)-798-3328 or Chris Morgan at (845)-985-9952

The business hours are
Tuesday-Friday 10am to 6pm
Saturday 9am to 2pm
Closed on Sunday and Mondays

**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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Crafters and Vendors wishing to sell their wares at the Yard Sale **RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW!**
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Contact Jamie at 845-985-2262 ext 312 or send her an email at Racerj12@aol.com

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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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What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood?
Please see Page 13 -Holy Week and Easter Services at local churches

GRAHAMSVILE

The first Thrift Sale & Luncheon of the season will be held on Tuesday, Apr 5. Thrift Sale 9am -1pm; Luncheon 11am-1pm and The Third Saturday Thrift Sale at the United Methodist Church in Grahamsville will be held on Saturday, Apr 16 from 9 am to 1.

The Grahamsville Reformed Church will hold a **Roast Pork Dinner** on Saturday, April 9, 2016 4 pm to 7 pm at the Reformed Church Hall (opposite Tri-Valley School). See Page 13 for details and the menu.

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.

ELLENVILLE

Sprague and Killeen will be sponsoring a **Defensive Driving Course** on Saturday, April 2 from 9 am to 3:30 pm at the Wawarsing Town Hall. Lunch will be provided. See page 6 for details.

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