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## Fallsburg Robotics Team Competes in Troy

The Fallsburg Comets Robotics Team traveled to Troy, NY on Saturday, January 30th to compete in their first ever VEX Nothing But Net competition. This competition requires teams to design and build a robot that can pick up and launch balls into a goal both autonomously and under driver control. During the competition, teams are paired in rotating alliances that work together to score as many goals as possible. The overall event starts with qualifying rounds, followed by final rounds. The top teams from the qualifying rounds select the alliance teams in the final rounds. The event had a total of 38 teams competing in 76 qualifying rounds and 16 final rounds.



Between each match, lead engineer and captain Mayco Hernandez along with lead programmer Marcos Zelaya directed the entire team through numerous quick adjustments. This included repairing the autonomous operation programming, fine tuning the launch control programming, and repairing or replacing structural components damaged during the qualifying matches. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## Local Students Count Down the Days to All-County Music Festival!



Members of TVCS All-County Middle School Band, from left to right: Samantha Morgan, Vanya Khodakovski, Adam Furman, Bricin McAndrew, Jasmine Irwin, David Allison, Collin Mentnech, Trevor Dibble, and Alexia Cintula (Missing from photo: Lorna Bragg, Noah Jucha, Brandon Kaplan, and Vincent Mingo)

Tri-Valley Central School is pleased to announce our 2016 All-County Music Festival participants! Each year, the All-County Music Festival draws talented students from all over Sullivan County. Weeks of dedicated personal practice, small-group rehearsals, and an intensive-two day "musical boot camp" will culminate in a concert series on Saturday, March 5th, 2016, at Liberty High School.

Each year, the students perform in front of packed audiences, cheering on the musicians from seats booked a month in advance! Band and choral members demonstrate new skills they have learned under the direction of highly-qualified musical conductors from around New York State.

The concerts will take place at 2:30 (Elementary Chorus, Senior High String Orchestra and Middle School Band) and at 5:00 p.m. (Junior High Mixed Chorus, Senior High Band, Junior High Jazz Ensemble, and Junior High Women's Chorus). (Contd. Pg. 3)

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Left to right: Galen Pittman (piano technician); Jim Donaghy (Activities Volunteer); Mona Evans (Activities Director); Barbara Konvalin (Family Council Treasurer)

The Sullivan County Adult Care Center was the recipient of a piano in memory of Lynda Mitchell from a generous donor in the community. Jim Donaghy, a volunteer with the facility's Activities Department, arranged for the delivery of the piano to the Adult Care Center. The Family Council arranged for the piano to be tuned by piano technician, Galen Pittman.

The piano is now ready for use by guest performers, and bears a plaque commemorating the donation.



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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid; yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.  
Proverbs 3:24

**COLLEGE NEWS:**

**Local Residents Named to RIT Dean's List**

The following local residents made the Dean's List at Rochester Institute of Technology for fall semester 2015-2016.

Emily Bockman of Hurleyville who is studying in the ASL-English interpretation program.

Meng Lin of Ellenville who is studying in the graphic design program.

Paulina Kleinberger of Parksville who is studying in the industrial engineering program.

Joseph Kleinberger of Parksville who is studying in the industrial engineering program.

Elizabeth Grese of Liberty who is studying in the international hospitality and service management program.

**Local Rensselaer Students Named to Fall 2015 Dean's List**

Among the 900 students at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute who were named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2015 semester were the following local residents: Alexandria Brooks of Grahamsville and Logan Rotolo of Ellenville

**DAYS OF YORE....**

**Today's History**

**February 29, 1956** - A daughter, Rena Claire, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bullis Jr. of Trumbull, Conn., on February 21st at the Milford Hospital. Mrs. Bullis is the former Miss Barbara Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albro Brown of Lackawack.

The wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Westcott of Ellenville was celebrated at a dinner party at the home of Miss Eunice Terwilliger. Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Westcott of Napanoch, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Miller of Ellenville. Sunday, February 26th was also the wedding anniversary of Miss Terwilliger's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Neal Terwilliger.

John Buswell and Charles Nagel of Grahamsville were among the nine Eagle Scouts who were given special recognition by former county council president, Kenneth Rutherford at a dinner held last Thursday evening at the Grange Hall in Monticello.

**March 2, 1966** - The following members of the Neversink Fire Department were awarded membership pins at a dinner given in their honor at the Neversink Community Hall on Saturday evening, Feb. 26th. Ten year pins were given to French Harris, Milton Kortright, James Marks, George Everett, Walter Harris and Sherm Kortright. Fifteen year pins were given to Herman Huffman, Harry Knox and Leslie Krum.

It was announced last week that John Sherman had received word of his acceptance at the State Univ. College at Geneseo. John, who plans to major in Chemistry, was Tri-Valley's lone Regents Scholarship winner.

**March 3, 1976** - Shirley Marie Dean and Thomas Harold Poley were married December 28, 1975 in the United Methodist Church of Grahamsville with the Rev. George Hunsberger officiating. A dinner reception followed at the Red Barn, Swan Lake. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Dean Jr. of Neversink. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Martha Lee Poley of Liberty, and the late Stephen Poley. The bride is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School and Sullivan County Comm. College. She is a secretary to the administrative assistant for the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors. Her husband graduated from Liberty High School and attended New Paltz State College. He is presently employed by Poley Paving, Inc. of Liberty. The couple are making their home in Liberty.

**March 13, 1986** - Donald W. Kortright, son of VI and Sherm Kortright of Neversink, has been promoted to the rank of Master Sergeant

in the Air Force. Don has served for 17 years in Civil Engineering and is presently stationed at Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark. He is a 1968 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School. He resides in Little Rock with his wife and three children.

Harold J. Dexheimer, a retired garage owner and formerly of Liberty, celebrated his 91st birthday on Feb. 15th with relatives who had gathered for the festivities. Mr. Dexheimer, a long time resident of Liberty, sold his home last fall and now resides with his son, George Dexheimer and his wife, Carol in Neversink.

**Community Success Stories to be Shared - Learn about land banks and transforming distressed properties**

[BETHEL] - Speakers from Newburgh and Hancock will discuss how they made their communities shine at the Sullivan Renaissance Annual Conference on Saturday, March 5 at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel, N.Y. Doors will open at 9:00 a.m.

Alexandra Church, City of Newburgh Planner and Madeline Fletcher from the Newburgh Community Land Bank will discuss the City of Newburgh's multi-faceted approach to addressing vacant and distressed properties, including the creation of a Distressed Property Task Force, improving code enforcement, streamlining project review and establishing a land bank to return vacant and abandoned properties to the tax rolls. Jerry DaBrescia, of Hancock Partners Inc., will share how they purchased a vacant supermarket site in the heart of the downtown and over a 10-year period transformed it into a park. The new town square contains trees, walking paths, lighting, a pavilion, bandstand, and an archway which proclaims "Town Square Hancock New York - Gateway to the Upper Delaware."

The Local Market and Expo will offer exciting opportunities for attendees to improve their community and individual health. Screenings and information will be offered by Catskill Regional Medical Center who will also present their Eat Healthy, Move More, Be Well campaign while Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County will profile their Creating Healthy Schools and Community program. Sullivan County Public Health will be focusing on nutrition and injury prevention. The Sullivan County Division of Planning will showcase Trailkeeper.org and ideas on keeping fit in the outdoors.

Gardening inspiration will be on hand from Monticello Farm, Home and Garden, Story's Neversink Plant Company and Liberty Agway Farm Home and Garden. Local products from Heirloom Botanicals, Java Love Coffee Roasting Company, Northern Farmhouse Pasta, Root N Roost Farm and Thanksgiving Farm at the Center for Discovery will be available for purchase.

Learn how to transform a bland landscape into a WOW garden in the afternoon session Curb Appeal for Homes and Businesses. An Outreach Salon will also be open for visitors to discuss volunteer opportunities and Renaissance en Español.

The public is invited and admission is free. Simultaneous translation into Spanish will be available and the facility is ADA compliant. The morning program, consisting of the Municipal Grant Awards, Keynote Address and Renaissance Awards will be webcast live and can be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NN1Op9Dm5M>

Valet parking will be available.

For details about the conference, call the Sullivan Renaissance office at 845-295-2445. Go to <http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/registration/> to download a conference brochure or to register online.

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

**Catskill Nordic Ski Club**

On Saturday, February 27th the Catskill Nordic Ski Club met at Walnut Mountain Park in Liberty for a winter hike. Due to the most unusual lack of snow this winter, the CNSC has been hiking ever Saturday of this winter season. The next scheduled event is on Saturday, March 5th and will be led by Pat Halprin. Please call for location 856434-3841.



## A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

The local Boy Scouts continue to be very busy. On February 20th, the Klondike Derby was held at Hanofee Park in Liberty. Although there was no snow and temperatures were in the low 50's, the boys really enjoyed the day.

February 21st was the Boy Scout Pinewood Derby. Congrats to William Seward, the Pinewood Derby Champ!

The Tri-Valley PTO Science Fair was held at the school on Friday, February 19th. The Judge's Choice First Place Award went to Caleb Edwards, a 6th grader. Adam Furman, a 5th grader, won the Crowd Favorite Award with his "mouse maze". All students who entered did a great job and received ribbons. Thank you to the PTO for sponsoring this event!

Ashley Exner, a Tri-Valley grad and a student at Roberts Wesleyan, was part of a team that recently spent 4 days in Florida working along with Habitat for Humanity to build a house for a family.

Congratulations to Robert Fiedler, a Tri-Valley and Cornell University graduate, on his engagement to Shannon Crane of Mechanicsburg, PA. Shannon is currently in her second year at Syracuse University School of Law. An October, 2016 wedding is planned.

The Fresh Air Fund's Friendly Towns Program is looking for volunteers to host NYC children between the ages of 7 - 12 years old for one or two weeks during the summer. If you or your family would like to host a child, contact Lauren O'Connell at 215-805-7541 or visit [www.freshair.org](http://www.freshair.org).

Due to conflicting dates, the Tri-Valley PTO Spelling Bee for grades 2-6 will now be held on March 30th. Two after school practice sessions will be held at the Daniel Pierce Library - one on March 7th and one on March 14th. Your child must attend one of the practice sessions if he or she is going to compete in the spelling bee. Busing from school is available if you send a note to your child's teacher that day.

To assist some of local Boy Scouts with summer camp expenses, a Fish and Chips dinner will be held at the Grahamsville Reformed Church on Saturday, April 16th. Tickets should be purchased in advance from Neil Terwilliger (985-3328) or from any Boy Scout in Town of Neversink Troop 97.

The 100th day of school was 2/18. More than half of the school year is over!

Only about 17 days remaining until spring!

Did You Know?: Lifesavers candy was invented the same year the Titanic sank. (April, 1912).

**Words of Wisdom:** There are tones of voice that mean more than words. (Robert Frost)

Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else. (Will Rogers)

Remember that happiness is more often found in giving than getting.

## Local Students Count Down the Days to All-County Music Festival!

(From Pg. 1) Under the direction of Mr. John Calabrese, Mr. Kevin Giroux, Ms. Regina Hartman, and Mr. Matthew Weyant, the following students will represent Tri-Valley Central School at this week's All-County Music Festival.

### Elementary Chorus:

Karina Klimiuk; Brook Mulholland; Abbigail Mentnech; Samantha Mentnech; Grace Gozza; Kendall McGregor; Keelie Damms; Emily Rusin; Aidan Thomson; Anyah Cato Lawrence; Shayne Durbin; Allyson Guerra; Kaylee Poppo; Kaitlyn Ackerley; Brianna Mulholland; Ashley Miller; Mateo Scanna; Anna Klimiuk; and Dylan Poley

### Junior High Women's Chorus:

Jamie Kessler; Juliana Kessler; Kelsey Shamro; Jenay Wilsen; Alexandra Cossack; Andrea Decker; Rebecca Musa; Christina Reilly; Kelsie Curry; Alivia Kessler; Erin Markle; Julia Moore; and Carley Simpson

### Junior High Mixed Chorus:

Emma Edwards; Victoria Swett; Kaitlyn Polomcean; Samantha Houghtaling; Genna

Donovan; Teresa Conway; Brianna Torrens; Aiyana Brown; Kira Ambrosi; Reanna McGregora; Rebecca Coombe; Juliette Eddings; Kash Palmer; Joseph Detzauer; Michael Babcock; Colby Costa; Devin Mullen; Jared Phillips; and Aidan Healey

### Middle School Band:

Lorna Bragg; Alexia Cintula; Trevor Dibble; Jasmine Irwin; Bricin McAndrew; David Allison; Adam Furman; Noah Jucha; Brandon Kaplan; Vanya Khodakovski; Collin Mentnech; Vincent Mingo; and Samantha Morgan

### Junior High Jazz Band: Jacob Allison

### High School Symphonic Band:

James Alongi; Mikayla Clearwater; Margaret Dembergh; Evan Edwards; Tiffani Foncree; Julie Helthaler; Alyssa McCave; Aidan Mentnech; and Gavin Simpson

## Tri-Valley Lions News January-February 2016

- by Fran Fuller

Our member meeting in January was held at Nardi's in Hurleyville on January 5th.

Lion Carmen Salvemini reported the Sullivan County Vision Screening is doing well.

The Club will not be selling Chocolate Bunnies anymore as a Fund Raiser. We thank Lion Jack Clark for his many years as the coordinator for this project.

We made a \$300 donation to the Albany Eye Institute.

The February 2nd member meeting was held at the Blue Hill Lodge in Claryville.

After the dinner and meeting the 30 nice raffle prizes, names were drawn. We thank everyone who purchased tickets. A big thank you to Lions Paula and Mike Ryan for running the raffle to benefit the Club. A profit of over \$1900 was raised.

President Gene Froehlich appointed a nominating committee for a slate of 2016-2017 officers. They will be read at the March meeting to be voted on at the March 1st meeting at the Blue Hill Lodge member meeting.

Donations were made to the Rhulen Run to Lion Esta Jacob and the Relay For Life to Ruth Curley of \$100 each.

We donated \$150 to the Hearth-a-thon held on February 13th. Lion Carmen Salvemini presented the check and also answered phones at the event as our representative.

Our Journey for Sight Walk is May 7th.

## Town of Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting

All businesses and interested parties are invited to attend the meeting of the Town of Neversink Chamber of Commerce on Monday, March 22nd at 7:00 PM to be held at the community room in the basement floor of the Daniel Pierce Library. Everyone is hereby given notice that those wishing to become members and be active participants in this organization should bring \$40 for initial dues in order to participate in this restart of the chamber and vote on the matters as follows: Election of executive committee to serve until 2017 elections are to be held in the fall of 2016; Decision on keeping the By Laws as is except for meeting date to be agreed upon; Decision to keep the name as is with or without a "doing business as" name of Tri-Valley Area Chamber of Commerce or Neversink Area Chamber of Commerce, or as is with "Serving the Tri-Valley Area."

## New Book Club Members Welcome!

The first Friday of the month book discussion group meets in the Upper Level Conference Room of the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m.

Refreshments are provided by the members.

This month's book discussion: "All The Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr.

## Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

## The honking harbingers of the changing seasons

During the past week there have been several sightings of flocks of geese in and around Tri-Valley. We saw a few ourselves on our weekly trek to Newburgh.



Canadian geese return each spring to renew their love for their mates and create new families.

Whether they are geese that have wintered over (resident geese), or are migrating geese that are returning from the southern United States or Mexico, once back in the Catskills, each pair of geese will begin look for a nesting territory and select a nesting site where they will build a large nest of grasses and downy feathers.

Resident geese are long-lived, especially in urban-suburban areas. Some will live more than 20 years. Most geese begin breeding when they are 2-3 years old and they nest every year for the rest of their lives. They mate for life, however if one member of the pair dies, the remaining goose will mate again. Geese lay an average of 5-6 eggs per nest, about half of which will hatch and become free-flying birds by fall. A female goose may produce more than 50 young over her lifetime.

The annual life cycle for geese begins in late winter when adult pairs return to nesting areas in late February or March, as soon as waters open up. Laying the eggs is not a simple task. Each egg takes the female goose a little over a day to lay. The number in a clutch can range anywhere from 2 to 12. The female goose will incubate the eggs with her warm body for about 26 days while the male goose guards the nesting area.

If you accidentally wander into a nesting area, you could expect a male goose to come after you hissing with his wings spread.

After about a month of incubation, the baby geese peck at their shells with the 'egg tooth' found at the end of their bill. It takes 1 to 2 days for them to free themselves from the egg. Once hatched, the babies and the mother and father move away from the nesting site on foot toward more favorable feeding areas. The newly hatched babies, called goslings, are able to swim immediately. The male and female geese both accompany the babies during their swims. Goslings can dive and swim 30-40 feet underwater eating almost continuously in order to attain an appropriate growth size for their first migration flight in the fall.

Geese have become quite a common sight in city parks and in fact are causing problems due to their overpopulation. Feeding geese in parks is now discouraged. In an attempt to control rising populations some areas have begun egg collection and/or hunting efforts to decrease the number of geese in their area. Natural enemies include the fox, gulls, Bald Eagles, Peregrine Falcons and Snowy Owls.

If you should hear the honking harbingers as they fly past, look up and you should see a flock of geese flying in their familiar 'V' formation. It is another statement that winter is drawing toward an end and spring is on its way.

## Household Hints

### Get Rid of Water Rings on Furniture

To remove white rings left by wet glasses on wood furniture, mix equal parts vinegar and olive oil and apply it with a soft cloth while moving with the wood grain. Use another clean, soft cloth to shine it up. To get white water rings off leather furniture, dab them with a sponge soaked in full-strength white vinegar.





## Echowave

### Mysterious Book Report No. 230

by John Dwaine McKenna

As an avid and long time student of twentieth-century American and world history, I thought myself pretty well versed in World War II lore – until this week's MBR disabused me of the notion. That's because it made me aware of the fact that everything I knew about the war was from the perspective of the main belligerents and the ground they battled on in North Africa, Europe, Russia, Asia and the Pacific Islands – I realized I'd never read much of anything from the point of view of the neutrals; those countries who hadn't declared war. Through a fortunate series of events, which we'll explain at the conclusion of the MBR, I'm happy to report that my personal fog of ignorance started to dissipate as soon as I began reading *Echowave*, (Liberties Press, PB, \$15.99, 323 pages, ISBN 978-1-910742-13-6) by Joe Joyce, who lives and works in Dublin, Ireland.

The novel begins in the early summer of 1941, when an unmarked B-17 bomber on a flight from Washington D.C. to London, England crashes in the remote west of Ireland. Unarmed, the bomber's stuffed full of luxury goods—cigarettes, cigars, wine, whiskey and chocolate—bound for the America Embassy and all but unobtainable in Ireland, even if the poor *culchies*, (country-bumpkins) had money to buy them with. The bomber itself was meant to stay in England as part of America's lend-lease program—designed by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill as an effective way to help the British war effort without violating North America's avowed neutrality. By the time the authorities reach the crash site, the surviving airmen are being cared for at surrounding farms and the wrecked airplane has been ransacked. All the luxury goods—as well as a secret piece of equipment called a *Norden Bombsight*—are gone, and it's up to a young Irish secret service agent named Paul Duggan to find it before one of the many spies who've infiltrated the country can make off with it – or so he thinks – because with plot twists a-plenty, nothing is ever as it first appears to be.

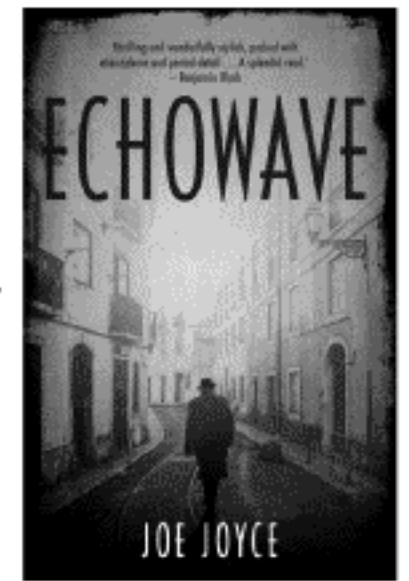
It's a rousing period piece, full of the detail, historic facts and emotions which gripped the world as Hitler's armies were crushing the European continent and Ireland was being pushed by both British and American officials for help in the North Atlantic shipping lanes, where German submarines were devastating the Merchant Marine, sinking thousands of tons of ships and cargo. Meanwhile, the Germans want Ireland to use as a base for invading England. As the search and arm-twisting go from bad to worse, Duggan, pining for the woman he loves, who's in America for her personal safety, gets drawn ever deeper into the deadly spy game being played out in Lisbon, the neutral city that's teeming with espionage – where no one can be trusted – because everyone is spying!

Whether you're a student of history, a World-War II buff, or a lover of intrigue and a well-plotted story—you'll enjoy *Echowave*. It's exciting, educational and entertaining, and the third of a series which began with the novels *Echobeat* and *Echoland*, but each one stands alone, and can be read by itself. Last of all, as promised, many thanks to author Joe Joyce, who contacted us last November to ask if we'd review his new novel, and sent a signed copy. In so doing he's made all of us aware of a dandy new traditional series that's suitable for readers of all ages.

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### Fallsburg Robotics Team Competes in Troy

(From Pg. 1) These efforts paid off, with the Comets winning all three of their final qualifying matches, outscoring the competition by 45-55 points.

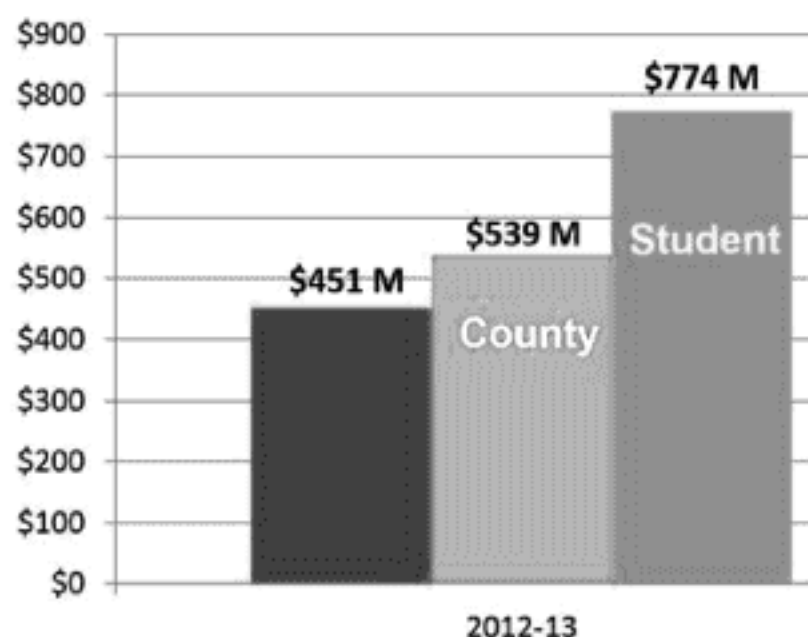
At the end of qualifying rounds the top fourteen teams lined up to begin making their alliance selections for the final rounds. It was here that the team's efforts were truly acknowledged. Several other teams had noticed the Comets comeback, and they were selected in the first round. As it turns out, a tracking App showed that the Comets were statistically among the teams with the highest potential to score big in the finals.

The team didn't win the competition overall. However, they did earn a sense of pride, the respect of the other teams, and friends who found working with them a great experience.

### NYSAC and Community Colleges Call For Increase in State Funding

"Community colleges are the most effective economic and community development solution in the state, and we need to secure our ability to serve the educational needs of our students, both those choosing to attend after high school and adults returning to school for new job skills and careers," said Randall J. VanWagoner, president of Mohawk Valley Community College, and president of the Association of Community College Presidents.

Community colleges in New York State are funded through a three-way partnership: the state, the student, and the sponsor county. Traditionally, this was intended to be an equal partnership. As demonstrated below, that funding formula has shifted considerably since the 1970s. Today's students now fund 43 percent of community college operations while the state picks up less than 25 percent of those costs.



Community college enrollment surged from 2009-2014 in response to the needs of New Yorkers during the great recession, admitting

high school graduates who could not afford to attend four-year college tuition and returning adults laid off and out of work. Last year, enrollment levels returned to pre-recession numbers. Community colleges are experiencing fewer tuition dollars and a decline in state per capita FTE aid.

By keeping FTE aid flat, the proposed Executive State Budget represents an actual year-to-year decrease in direct state support of \$20.6M (-4.3%), with 28 of the 30 colleges losing direct state support in the new academic year. With this drop in community college enrollment it is important to understand that "level funding per FTE" (at \$2,597 per FTE) is actually 2.92% below 2007-08 funding levels per student.

Community colleges had requested an increase of \$250 per FTE, an amount that would have been a projected year-to-year increase of \$22.7M (+4.8%), with 24 colleges increasing direct state support by an average of \$1.0 M and six losing direct state support at an average of \$69K.

This \$250 per FTE increase of 4.8 percent, however, falls short of the average annual increase of 6.2 percent that the colleges have faced in employee benefits costs in recent years. The adjusted request of \$285 per FTE would result in a year-to-year increase of support from the state of approximately \$29 million, and match the historic 6.2 percent level. This will position community colleges to more effectively respond to the complex and substantial needs of our current and future students.

In New York State, 42 counties directly sponsor the community colleges in either the City University of New York (CUNY) or State University of New York (SUNY) systems. As direct sponsors, these counties incur the responsibility of operating and maintaining these colleges. New York's other 20 counties share and contribute to the operational costs of community colleges through a complex charge-back system, designed to keep these colleges affordable to New York State students.

"This request is designed to keep our community colleges strong and our students prepared for the jobs of the future. That is a critical component to keeping New York economically competitive," said NYSAC President Bill Cherry, Schoharie County Treasurer.

Community colleges are also critical to helping the state close the widening income gap in New York, said VanWagoner. "Our community colleges serve the most diverse student populations and represent roughly half of all undergraduate students within the SUNY system – more than 230,000 strong. Community colleges are critical to advancing the Opportunity Agenda in New York, and today we call on state leaders to invest in that agenda by investing in our community colleges."

### Governor Cuomo Announces New Round of Scholarships to Encourage Top High School Students to Pursue Stem Careers in New York

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that the New York State Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Incentive Program application is now available for high school students entering college in fall 2016. The program provides a full SUNY or CUNY tuition scholarship to students in the top ten percent of their high school graduating class if they major in a STEM field and work in a STEM job in New York State for five years after graduation.

"The STEM Incentive awards not only give this state's top high school students access to a first rate education, but it ensures that they and their talents remain in New York to help build our burgeoning high tech economy," Governor Cuomo said. "I encourage every eligible student from the class of 2016 to apply today and begin training for the jobs of tomorrow right here in New York."

The program is a key tool in encouraging the best and brightest high school students to pursue high-demand, high-tech careers and build their future in New York. Since the Program's inception, over 1,400 top scholars have received STEM awards totaling more than \$7.5 million.

Applications must be submitted by August 15, 2016 for June high school graduates planning to enroll in college in fall 2016. Details about the STEM Incentive Program, including eligibility and application requirements, are available at [hesc.ny.gov/STEM](http://hesc.ny.gov/STEM).

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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

### Winter of My Discontent

By the time the paper goes to press, it will be March and this winter will be remembered as the winter that wasn't. The Old Farmer's Almanac predicted that this was going to be the most brutal winter ever. It wasn't. In fact, No-Coat November was followed by an un-white Christmas, followed by a January thaw that lasted through February. There was one really, really cold, sub-zero weekend that preceded temperatures climbing into the sixties. All the blizzards have gone south, like many of our Catskill snow birds, leaving us with rain, thunder and lightning and daffodils and tulips poking through the soft ground.

My husband, the skier, has gone skiing only five or six times and has not had to plow the driveway... YET! The guys at the Deli Dairy no longer tease him about riding around with the plow on the front of the truck that went on way back when in anticipation of a blizzard that spared us and hit Long Island. They now consider it a talisman. "Do not, under any circumstances, take that plow off. The minute you do, it will snow." Last year we could not find a snow-blower to buy, and this year it sits in the garage.

Although I am grateful for lower fuel prices, warmer temperatures, safer driving conditions and all that, I do miss watching the snow pile up, making hot-chocolate and cooking soup and stew. This has, instead, been a lemonade and coleslaw kind of winter.

Speaking of soup, Troop 163 led by Joe Delessio, came up with a nice community event. Last week the Boy Scouts put on a free hearty soup dinner with bread donated by Bread Alone. Over fifty people came out to enjoy each others' company at the Olivebridge Firehouse. They plan to do this often to inspire fellowship and friendship.

I am still predicting that we might have the one storm that will send me searching for my mittens and snow shovel. With Mother Nature this schizophrenic and off her Global Warming meds, I seriously wonder what summer will bring.

### Coalition of Watershed Towns Concerned About DEP Enforcement of Watershed Rules & Regulations

The Coalition of Watershed Towns (Coalition) for the West of Hudson Watershed represents ninety percent of the land area that provides ninety percent of the unfiltered water consumed by nine million people in New York City and the surrounding areas. New York City has adopted strict regulations controlling our local residents' day to day activities and, in particular, our use of water (including toilets, sinks, laundry, storm water, construction, roof drains, new construction, the additional of bedrooms and bathroom, changes in the use of our premises). In order for the City to avoid spending eight billion dollars or more on installing a filtration plant in NYC, our communities agreed to regulations provided the cost of complying with those regulations (which is far less than eight billion dollars) is funded by the City out of their filtration savings. The Coalition was formed to give our communities a voice and to hold NYC accountable for its obligations to our residents.

The City's watershed regulations have been in effect since 1997. During that 19 year period, we have discovered that the programs that were set up to cover the cost of compliance do not cover every possible scenario and that significant harm has come to individuals and business owners in the watershed where the funding programs have fallen short. Additionally, the way the City enforces their regulations prevents restaurants, inns and other small business from upgrading their facilities to better serve their customers; it delays individuals and business for up to two years when implementing simple improvements to their homes and businesses; and it creates a barrier to new construction/development with costly and excessive paperwork. NYC also uses its staff to prevent and delay reimbursement to local residents to offset the additional cost of their regulations. There is no affordable and timely mechanism for local residents to challenge DEP's position on a design or permit issue.

As with any partnership, there are occasions when points of disagreement arise. The Coalition has reached out to its partners (Catskill Watershed Corporation, NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, NYS Dept. of Health and the City) to negotiate changes to the regulations and funding programs to prevent the decline of our communities. This is particularly important now, as we have reached an agreement with DEP to fund flood mitigation projects in communities. The Coalition is concerned that City enforcement of its regulations will significantly delay and increase the costs for implementation of the projects necessary to protect the communities from future floods.

If we are not able to find a balance between the City's need to avoid the cost of filtration and the need for our communities to be economically viable, our communities will continue to bear this unfair burden and our chance to survive as a community and for our employers to compete with businesses outside the watershed will be further diminished. The cost of protecting the City's water to avoid filtration should not be borne by West of Hudson watershed communities who are among the poorest and most economically distressed in the state. Rather, these costs should be paid by the consumers of that water who are also entitled to the savings from avoiding filtration.

The Coalition executive committee meets on the third Monday of each month at 6:15 PM at the Catskill Watershed Corporation, Inc. office at 905 Main Street, Margaretville, NY. The public is encouraged to attend.

Bruce Dolph  
Chairman, Coalition of Watershed Towns

### Money Monitors Mind Millions - Comptroller's Staff Audit and Certify \$226 Million Of Expenses In 2015

Auditors from the Office of the Ulster County Comptroller asked four important questions nearly 27,000 times last year when auditing and certifying thousands of vouchers for millions of dollars submitted to the County:

1. Is the claim for a valid and legal purpose and does it meet legal and policy requirements?
2. Was the purchase authorized and has the necessary supporting documentation been provided and approved?
3. Are there sufficient appropriations to pay the claim; and
4. Is the claim mathematically correct and sufficiently itemized?

The auditing function, much like the smoke detector affixed to the ceiling, serves as a monitor of impending danger and is often referred to as the "last line of defense for preventing unauthorized, improper, or fraudulent claims from being paid," according to the Office of New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli.

In addition to auditing and verifying requests for payments from 2,228 vendors for \$146M and 2,430 employee reimbursements for \$402K, Ulster County's Claims Auditing Team certified over 30,000 payroll checks for \$80.5M.

During the course of the year, county auditors rejected hundreds of claims amounting to thousands of dollars of savings for Ulster County taxpayers.

The report can be found online at <http://ulster-countyny.gov/comptroller/county-spending-tracker-january-2016>

### The County Sales Tax Puzzle; Putting the Pieces Together -Frequently Referred To But Often Misunderstood

The buzz around Ulster County of late has been all about the sales tax that the County receives and shares with the City of Kingston and 22 of the towns and villages. In a recently released report the Office of the Ulster County Comptroller answers a myriad of questions including:

What is the sales tax revenue?  
What are all of the moving pieces that make up the sales tax puzzle?

How do other New York State counties share their proceeds?

As the report emphasizes, sales tax revenue has a trickle-down effect on local municipalities who are responsible for a large portion of the infrastructure that supports tax generating businesses. While the County pockets the largest share (85.5%), the remaining 14.5% is doled out to local governments who use the revenue to hold the line on property taxes and supplement expenses for essential services such as police protection, road maintenance, insurance costs and infrastructure improvements.

The report also highlights a variety of county sharing agreements including neighboring Orange County that keeps only 73% of the revenue and shares the remaining 26% among its cities, towns and villages and Albany County that retains 60% and distributes 40% to its cities and towns.

The report can be found online at: <http://ulster-countyny.gov/comptroller/understanding-ulster-county-sales-tax-february-2016>

### Understanding Ulster County Sales Tax

**What is the Ulster County sales tax?** The Ulster County sales tax rate is 8%.<sup>1</sup> It is a general sales and compensation use tax, which is levied on all taxable retail sales within the County.

**How is the Ulster County sales tax allocated?** Of the total 8% tax collected by the State of New York, 4% is retained as State revenue and 4% is

returned to the County. In Ulster, the county tax base rate is 3%; however, the County traditionally receives authorization to levy an additional 1%.

### How is the Ulster County sales tax distributed?

Historically and currently, 85.5% is kept by the County while the additional 14.5% is divided among the towns, villages, and the City of Kingston in accordance with the terms of the present sales tax sharing agreement that is set to expire at the end of February 2016.

The City of Kingston receives 11.5% of the revenue with the remaining 3% split among the twenty municipalities based on their equalized value.<sup>2</sup>

Of the three Villages within Ulster County, only Ellenville and Saugerties have a sharing agreement for sales tax revenue; the Village of New Paltz does not have such an agreement in place.

**Where did Ulster County's additional 1% sales tax come from?** In 1965, the New York State imposed a general sales tax and replaced the locally administered sales taxes with a local option that is administered by the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. The statewide sales tax - now at 4% - was initially 2% and has been as high as 4.25%. All cities and counties in the State (except those counties wholly within New York City) can impose their own local sales taxes at a "maximum" rate of up to 3% or higher if authorized by special state legislation. Currently all eligible counties and 20 cities (including New York City) in the State have a local sales tax.<sup>2</sup>

Ulster County has repeatedly requested the State Legislature to authorize an additional 1% sales tax extension. In 2013, the Legislature was unable to vote on a 1% sales tax extension by the November 30th deadline, which caused the County's rate to decline from 4% to 3% for the months of December 2013 and January 2014.<sup>4</sup>

**How much does Ulster County collect in sales tax, and what are the trends?** In 2015, \$107,770,020.24 was generated from sales tax revenue.<sup>5</sup> A recently released report by the Office of the New York State Comptroller confirms that Ulster County enjoyed a healthy increase in sales tax collection for 2015. The multi-million dollar surge placed Ulster County as one of the exceptions among the fifty-seven counties outside of New York City, with collections exceeding 4% from the previous year. According to the State Comptroller, thirty counties experienced losses, plummeting the average statewide growth in local sales tax to only 0.7%. For Ulster County - boasting the third highest increase in collections outside of the metropolitan area - it was a far cry from 2014, which saw only a fractional increase of a few hundred thousand dollars while dealing with a 1% decrease in the sales tax rate for the month of January. However, collections in 2015 jumped in excess of \$4,000,000.00. The final numbers provided by the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance showed Ulster County as having the benefit of an unparalleled increase among Hudson Valley counties as well. Neighboring Dutchess and Orange Counties lagged nearly 3% behind Ulster while Sullivan County trailed by over 2%. Ulster County joins Saratoga, Hamilton and Steuben Counties as one of only four counties outside of the metropolitan area to experience increases above 3%.<sup>6</sup>

### What does the revenue do for municipalities?

Ulster County's healthy increase in sales tax revenue has a trickle-down effect on the twenty towns, two villages, and the City of Kingston who share in the gain. The local governments, themselves responsible for a large portion of the infrastructure that supports tax generating businesses, divide a total of 14.5% of the revenue with the remaining 85.5% being retained by the County. Many municipalities use the revenue to hold the line on property taxes and supplement expenses for essential services such as police protection, road maintenance, insurance costs, and infrastructure improvements.



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Calvary Baptist Churches' 10<sup>th</sup> Sportsmen Dinner  
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**April 14 Common Diseases of Small Ruminants** 6:00- 8:00 pm - Dr. Joseph D'Abbraccio of Catskill Veterinary Services will present this class on identification of different diseases commonly found in small ruminants and how to take and interpret vital signs. Sound management practices will be determined to help keep disease and illness at bay. A light meal will be provided, sponsored by Catskill Veterinary Services.

**May 12 Introduction to Poultry** 6:00- 8:00 pm  
 CCESC educator Michelle Lipari will cover various topics on poultry farming including breed selection, egg hatching, raising chicks and adult birds, feed and nutrition, equipment, healthcare, and the regulations for selling eggs and meat.

**June 8 Vegetable Farm Tour** 6:00- 8:00 pm  
 John Gorzynski, local farmer of Gorzynski Ornerly Farm in Narrowsburg, NY, will offer a tour of his farming enterprise which consists of vegetables, fruit trees, high tunnels, and bees. Gorzynski will discuss his diversified farming operation, with lessons on techniques in crop rotation, pest control, and tillage with tractor implements. This class takes place at Gorzynski Ornerly Farm.

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

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

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

**CCE Sullivan Hosts Farming Classes for Beginners**

LIBERTY, NY- A four-part, educational series of Beginning Farmer classes will kick off with a general Introduction to Farming class in March, 2016. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) is offering this popular program series at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty, unless otherwise noted. The public is not required to attend all classes in the series.

**March 10 -Introduction to Farming** -5:30 - 7:30 pm - CCESC educators Michelle Lipari and Melinda Meddaugh will present this introductory session covering the rules and regulations associated with farming. Discussion will include getting started with a farm, zoning and lease options, agriculture assessment and business plan development, and various marketing considerations.

**Leadership in the "FIGHT FOR 15" and Other Progressive Legislation**

ALBANY, NY - Assemblyman Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) regrets that he could not join local labor leaders and activists when the "Fight for 15" came to the Hudson Valley. He released the following statement in conjunction with the rally in Kingston:

"I am and long have been a proud co-sponsor of progressive legislation raising the minimum wage, expanding family medical leave and restoring progressivity to our state income tax system. It is gratifying to see communities across New York State joining in with us in the Assembly to advance an agenda that will truly get working families back on their feet. I join you who are calling upon the State Senate to stop blocking these important measures."





### TRIVIA NIGHT

Kick your cabin fever and grab a team of 4 for a fun night of trivia, prizes and good eats, Saturday, March 5. The first 8 teams to register are guaranteed a table. Contact the café or visit our website or Facebook events page for info.

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SIGN-UP: \$52 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley School Students/\$80 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, March 8.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department



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Jamie Dymond Brooks, Director  
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## Weather FORECAST

SUNRISE: 6:32 AM SUNSET: 5:45 PM  
AVERAGE HIGH: 34°F AVERAGE LOW: 23°F

### THURSDAY



HIGH: 31°F LOW: 14°F

### FRIDAY



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### SATURDAY



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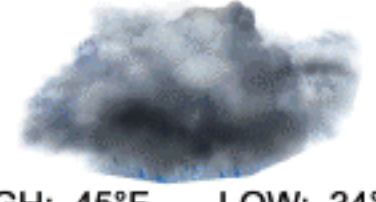
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### MONDAY



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### TUESDAY



HIGH: 45°F LOW: 34°F

## Senator Bonacic Meets with Delaware Valley Arts Alliance



Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) met today with representatives from the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, in his Albany office. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss funding for the Arts in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 State Budget. The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance was founded in 1976,

and serves as Arts Council for Sullivan County. They present programs in the visual, performing, literary and media arts, and service a county and valley-wide constituency of artists, art-groups, and the general public.

## Creative Year at New Hope

It's been a very creative year at New Hope Community. The Artists of New Hope Community will be exhibiting new artwork when the Catskill Art Society in Livingston Manor hosts their 6th Annual Art Exhibit. The opening reception is Thursday March 3rd from 6-8pm and will include over 100 interesting new pieces such as linear work enhanced by brightly colored chalks, vibrant watercolors, geometric fractured acrylics and a new line of beaded jewelry. Join us for the evening, meet the Artists and enjoy the unique sounds of Bright Woods, New Hope Community's new musical group. A delicious assortment of finger foods will be provided by our Bistro. All of the artwork and jewelry are available for sale, as well as Bright Woods' CDs. The show runs through March 13th.

The Catskill Art Society is located at 48 Main Street in Livingston Manor. Gallery hours are Thursday through Saturday and Monday 11-6pm and Sunday 11-3pm. The Gallery is wheelchair accessible via parking in the back of the building. The CAS phone # is 845-436-4227. Their website is www.catskillartsociety.org

## Siren Baroque

West Shokan, NY - The all-female early music ensemble will present "PLAYFUL MYSTERIES" -- vivacious instrumental music of the high baroque at the Olive Free Library March 26, 2016 at 2pm. \$15 suggested donation

The women of SIREN Baroque are pleased to present their signature "impassioned performances" (Early Music America) in a concert of instrumental music from the high baroque era at the Olive Free Library. The program features playful and intricate music for violins, cello, and harpsichord by Bach, Couperin, Purcell, Geminiani, and other masters, performed on authentic early instruments.



SIREN Baroque is an all-female early music ensemble from New York City. Presenting passionate and historically informed performances on authentic instruments throughout the States and overseas, the women of SIREN are committed to infusing historical accuracy with a tinge of modern dynamism. Always aspiring to beguile audiences with unusual and beautiful sounds, the group commissions new works for historical instruments from contemporary composers, as well as performing both classic and rarely-heard masterworks from the baroque era.

Critics praise SIREN Baroque's "unusual freshness" (Seen and Heard International) and "secure and stylish" playing (New York Times). New York's Gotham Early Music Scene wrote after a recent concert, "Like Odysseus, you should lash yourself to the mast before listening to this performance by SIREN Baroque; it is irresistible."

For more information visit : www.sirenbaroque.com or call (646)512-2076 or please call the Olive Free Library at 845-657-2482, or email programs@olivefreelibrary.org

## Trivia Night comes to Grahamsville!

Eureka Market is hosting Trivia Night on March 5, which will be emceed by Greg Goldstein. Teams of four will compete for prizes and bragging rights. So grab your team and reserve your spot today! This is expected to be a very popular event. You can call ( 845-985-5116) or email to snag a table. Full details are also on our website and our Facebook events page.

## 28th Annual Shamrock Run & St. Patrick's Day Parade

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Ulster County with the Shamrock Run on Sunday, March 13th at the Academy Green in Kingston, NY. Pre-Registration: \$20.00 or on Race Day: \$30.00 Check in and Race Day Registration is from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., across from Academy Green at Governor Clinton Apartments, 1 Albany Avenue. Support the quest to set a Guinness World Record for most runners in kilts!

At 1:00 pm on March 13, 2016 celebrate the "Wearing of Green" down Broadway at the St. Patrick's Day Parade with numerous bands, floats and marchers at this fun-filled Irish celebration. Starts at 1:00 p.m.

Special guests include the Parade Grand Marshall, Christine Hein and Mayor of the Day, Rose Ferraro Bruck.

Location: Kingston Plaza (Plaza Rd, Kingston, NY 12401), finishes in Roundout Waterfront District.



**Free "Healthy Kids Day" Event at Frost Valley**



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. During this event, kids participate in activities that promote learning, fitness, and healthy living in fun and interactive ways. The goal is to educate and motivate families to develop their own active, healthy routines at home.

By developing physical fitness and learning healthy habits, kids are more likely to get ahead academically and experience better overall health year round. Although the event is free, reservations are highly recommended, and can be made at 845-985-2291 or FrostValley.org/Contact-Us.

In celebration of YMCA's Healthy Kids Day, the Y offers the following tips to help families develop healthy habits:

1. High Five the Fruits and Veggies: Make sure kids get at least five servings a day, the minimum number nutritionists recommend to maintain healthy childhood development.
2. Foster an Early and Ongoing Passion for Books: Read to and with your kids. Help children read at every age and every stage of their development.
3. Team Up for Athletic Events: Set a family goal of great health by teaming up for community or charity events like races, walks, fun runs, bike rides, etc.
4. Volunteer Together: Find a cause that matters to the kids. Open their eyes to a world beyond themselves and the rich rewards that come from making a difference.
5. Lead By Example: Be a good role model. Seeing how hard their parents work, and how rewarding that experience can be could influence kids.

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**Join Our Local Artists at the North East Watercolor Society's on Sunday March 6**



*Earliest Light - Ann Higgins*

Ann Higgins and Elise Hornbeck of Grahamsville and Kate Hyden and Valerie Taggart of Livingston Manor invite you to join them on Sunday, March 6th for the 2016 NEWS Annual Member Show in the SUNY Orange Hall/Gallery at 24 Grandview Avenue in Middletown NY.

One-hundred ten watercolors are presently on display until March 24. Free and open to the public from 1 pm to 4:15 pm, refreshments will be served while pianist Geoff Hamburg entertains. At 2:30 award-winning signature watercolorist Pat Morgan will demonstrate her

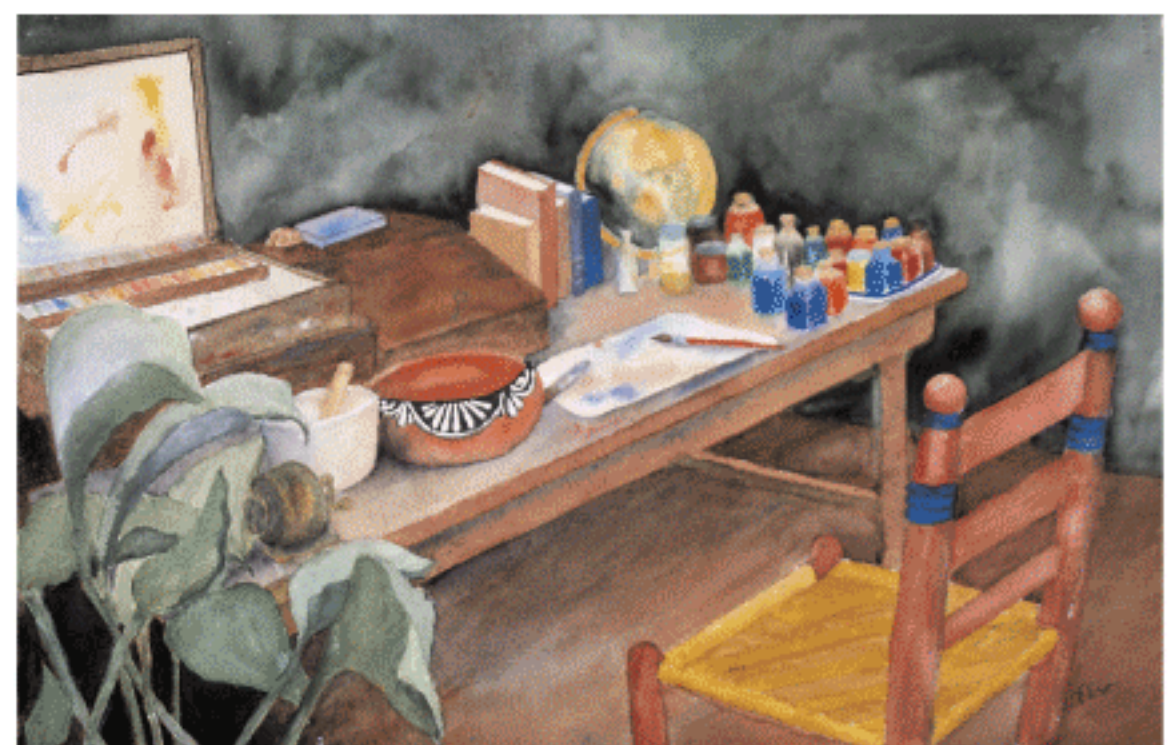
technique and at the conclusion of the afternoon, awards will be bestowed on winners of the 2016 exhibition.

To view both Pat Morgan's watercolors and our prize-winning artists go to <http://northeastws.org> (Events Page.) And for more info on Orange Hall including directions go to SUNY Orange March Events.

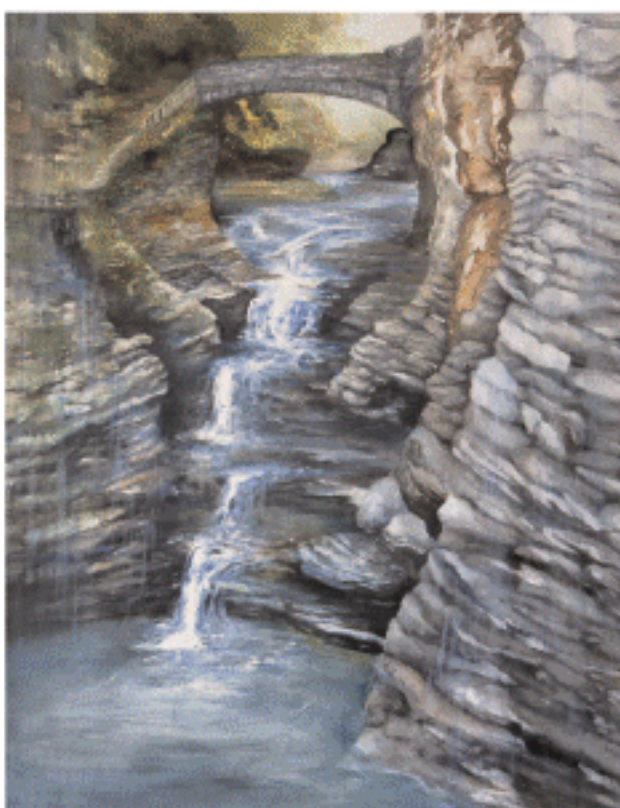
AND.... Sunday, Mar. 13

Sullivan County Audubon Field Trip for ducks and other waterfowl, led by Ruth McKeon & Renee Davis. Meet at 9 am at the DEC Parking Lot in Grahamsville (7870 NY-42)

We will car pool to where there is open water and return about 11 am. Call Ruth at 845-434-4629 for more info.



*Interior - Elise Hornbeck*



*Watkins Glen Falls - Kate Hyden*



*Beaverkill View - Valerie Taggart*



## Calling all Those Custom Car Lovers!

The Sprague & Killeen Team pride themselves on giving back to the community. Last year we participated in over 20 events locally as a team. Our efforts this year have been dialed in to focus on the Disabled American Veterans with our 1st Annual Wings & Wheels for Warriors Event.

This show welcomes all rides including, muscle cars, antiques, customs, planes, trucks, jeeps & bikes. This family friendly event will offer Food, DJ Brian, Face painting, Raffles, and Plane rides with Fly with Kate. Please join us on Saturday, May 21, Armed Forces Day with a rain date of Sunday, May 22 from 9 am to 3 pm at the Joseph Resnick Airport. Mark your calendar for Wings & Wheels for Warriors a not to be missed event that will benefit our disabled veterans.

The Sprague & Killeen Team members are busy preparing for this celebration to recognize the many contributions our veterans have made and ask that you set aside a portion of that day to thank those who have given us so much!

For more information please visit [www.wingsnwheelsforwarriors.com](http://www.wingsnwheelsforwarriors.com)

## RENAISSANCE AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED

### Awards for dedication, transformation and spirit

[BETHEL] - Eight Renaissance Awards will be given to individuals, businesses, organizations and youth for their outstanding commitment to Sullivan County at the Sullivan Renaissance Annual Conference on Saturday, March 5 at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel, N.Y.

Renaissance Award categories are reflective of the activity, spirit and time of great revival. They acknowledge transformation and create a sense of pride and community. This year's Renaissance Awards will be presented in the following categories:

The Spirit Award for outstanding dedication and community service will be presented to:

- David Harrington, community volunteer - David volunteers to care for the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless vegetable garden which provides food for the pantry and kitchen. Families are able to take home produce or enjoy meals made with the harvested vegetables from the garden.

The Transformation Award for substantial renovations that demonstrate best practices and result in a major aesthetic enhancement will be presented to:

- Beaverkill Studio, Parksville - RJ Baker purchased a 10,000 square foot building in Parksville expecting one day he would open a green screen stage studio.

The Beaverkill Studio is the first of its kind in the Catskills and offers a fully equipped production and post production studio, conference center and place to stay - a working retreat for creatives who need to get the job done!

- Catskill Mountains Resort, Barryville - William Zaccari and his family identified the need for fine dining and lodging to accommodate the influx of part time homeowners in this scenic Delaware River Valley. With this in mind, they purchased the property formally known as the Sokol Gymnastics Camp. The Main House has been renovated to include seven charming rooms, a private party space, The Mountainside Restaurant and Zac's Wilderness Lounge.

The Collaboration Award in recognition of leadership in building partnerships to accomplish positive community goals will be presented to:

- A Friend In Need, Sullivan County - the organization encourages everyone to do what they can to help their neighbor. They rely on the good intentions of its many volunteers who offer donated goods, transportation and professional services and skills.

The Spark Award for "making a difference" in the community and helping germinate volunteerism will be presented to:

- Maura Kelly, a junior at Tri-Valley Central School is an active member of the FFA, she served as a class officer and on the student council while volunteering in the elementary school, Sunday School, Daniel Pierce Library and more. Maura is a member of the Olancho Aid Society and traveled to Honduras to volunteer in orphanages, missions, and clinics to help youth.

- Erin Sumfleth, a senior at Sullivan West Central School has completed more than 270 hours of community service in just over one year. She has served as President of the Student Council, treasurer of the National Honor Society, Secretary of the High School Band and is a member of Students Against Destructive Decisions. Erin participates in soccer

and track, the school musical, drama club and jazz band. She is also active with her church as the Catholic Youth Organization President and a Sunday School Teacher.

The Revival Award for outstanding efforts and focus on appearance, commerce and tourism for a renewed sense of place will be presented to:

- The Center for Discovery, Hurleyville - The Center has purchased and renovated several buildings on Main Street in Hurleyville. These buildings are now the Hurleyville Market, the Maker's Lab and the Walter and Vera (WAVE) Scherr Learning Center. They also lease a renovated building to the "Pickled Owl", and are working on a soon-to-open salami/cured meats store and a Hurleyville Arts Centre. Additionally, they have built walking paths, parks and creative centers. The efforts of The Center for Discovery allow people with disabilities to be fully integrated in the fabric of the community.

The Earth Award for commitment to environmental stewardship through education and sustainable practices will be presented to:

- Homestead School, Glen Spey - The Homestead School enriches the body, mind, and spirit of children through experiential learning, while holding high standards in academics and character development. The school instills the value of being a good steward of the Earth through farming and the generation of solar energy. They also encourage student involvement in protecting our natural resources.

The public is invited and admission is free. Simultaneous translation into Spanish will be available and the facility is ADA compliant.

For details about the conference, call the Sullivan Renaissance office at 845-295-2445. Go to <http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/registration/> to download a conference brochure or to register online.

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

## Kingston Stockade FC Appoint George Vizvary First Coach in Club History; Stockade Also Name Rory Becker Assistant Coach, Chuck Wilder as Goalkeeper Coach

KINGSTON, N.Y. -- Kingston Stockade FC, a semi-professional soccer team based in the Hudson Valley that will play in the National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) for the 2016 season, is delighted to announce the appointment of local coaching legend George Vizvary as the club's new head coach. With the appointment, Vizvary becomes the first coach in club history.

Vizvary is probably best known for his successful run as head men's soccer coach at Ulster County Community College from 1968 to 2010. Vizvary amassed an extremely impressive 534-28-159 (Wins-Draws-Losses) record at SUNY Ulster, which is the most wins by a coach in Junior College history. Vizvary won two National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association (NJCAA) national championships and led his team to 17 appearances in the national tournament.

Vizvary is also well known in the soccer community for being named the 20th recipient of the prestigious Walt Chyzowych Lifetime Achievement Award, an award presented annually to the most accomplished soccer coaches in the U.S. Past winners of the award include former USMNT coach Bob Gansler, current Los Angeles Galaxy coach Bruce Arena, and current Seattle Sounders coach Sigi Schmid.

Kingston Stockade FC chairman and founder Dennis Crowley praised Vizvary's success on the pitch and connection to the local community.

"George is beloved by both the local soccer community and the Hudson Valley community at large, which made him the perfect first coach in club history," said Crowley. "It's hard to envision someone who has such deep local roots who has also accomplished as much on the pitch."

Joining Vizvary on the Stockade bench will be newly hired Assistant Coach Rory Becker. Becker, who has his USSF A Coaching License, previously spent six years as an assistant coach at SUNY New Paltz and five years as an Olympic Development Program coach. After playing soccer at Ithaca College, Becker went on to play German Hungarian Metros in Queens. Becker, a two-time New York state soccer champion at Highland High School, is currently the assistant state boys soccer coordinator and

Section 9 boys soccer coordinator.

"Rory's the type of coach that players will respect based on what he's previously accomplished as a player, but he also takes the coaching profession very seriously, as proven by the coaching licenses he's amassed over the years," said Crowley.

The third coaching hire announced by the club is Goalkeeper Coach Chuck Wilder. Wilder is highly regarded in the Hudson Valley for both his playing and coaching career. Wilder coached at the professional level for the Rockland Glaciers of the PDL, as well as the storied New York Fever of the A-League. Wilder also played professionally for the Tucson Amigos, Albany Alleycats and the New York Fever.

Wilder is the first goalkeeper coach in the history of Kingston Stockade FC, and his ties to the local community made him a natural for the club, according to General Manager Randy Kim.

"Wilder's experience both on the pitch and off immediately made him a top candidate, but his connections to storied local sides like the Fever make him a tremendous fit for the club's inaugural season," said Kim.

"Between George, Rory and Chuck, we think Kingston Stockade FC is well positioned to make the greater Hudson Valley region proud this season, both on and off the pitch," said Kingston Stockade FC's Lead Scouts, Dan Hoffay and Nick Hoffay, who have been instrumental in scouting local talent.

Kingston Stockade Football Club is a men's semi-professional soccer team based in Kingston, NY. Kingston Stockade will play its first season at Dietz Stadium in Kingston, N.Y. starting in the spring of 2016. The club will be representing the Hudson Valley in the NPSL, which is the 4th division of the U.S. soccer pyramid.

For more information on Kingston Stockade FC, visit <http://stockadefc.com>.

## Senator Bonacic Supports Legislation to Cut Taxes for Farmers

(Middletown, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pleased to announce that the Senate passed two bills this week, which would cut taxes for farmers bringing them millions of dollars in tax relief. The bills, S.6706 and S.6707, would continue to help preserve the future of family farming in New York and boost the agriculture economy.

"Agriculture is one of New York's most important economic sectors," said Senator Bonacic. "In order to ensure that our local farmers can keep providing fresh food every day, we must take the necessary steps to support them. I'm pleased to have supported these two bills."

Senator Bonacic and members of the Senate Republican Conference unveiled their 2016 Planting Seeds initiative earlier this month which builds upon key elements of the Senate Republicans' successful Young Farmers and Grown in New York programs that have been enacted over the last five years. It would: restore funding to 40 agricultural programs that were cut in the 2016-17 Executive Budget; provide research, education, and marketing assistance; create new tax and regulatory relief; advance initiatives to expand markets, promote quality, and increase food safety; and create job opportunities for veterans and others interested in farming.

Legislation passed last week includes:

**Estate Tax Reform (S6706)** - This measure would speed up the full phase-in of the estate tax reform enacted in 2014 as part of the Senate's Young Farmers initiative to allow farmers to claim the federal exclusion amount. This bill accelerates and increases the savings to farmers, making it easier to keep farms in the family and transition farm businesses to the next generation; and

**Farmer Personal Income Tax (PIT) Exemption (S6707)** - This bill would reduce taxes on family farmers with incomes up to \$350,000 a year by raising the PIT exemption for small and mid-sized family farms. The exemption would increase from the current 5 percent to 20 percent, making even more farmers eligible.



### Industry Task Force to Create Proposals to Regulate Retail Sales of Alcoholic Beverages via Third Party Providers

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo launched the Alcoholic Beverage Control E-Commerce Task Force - a group created to develop a clear framework for regulating sales of alcoholic beverages through third party providers. Third party providers are currently unregulated entities that function as intermediaries between licensed retailers and their customers. This new and rapidly-growing segment of the industry will help increase sales, provide more consumer choices, and assist small craft beverage manufacturers that often lack significant marketing resources.

"This administration has worked tirelessly to cut red tape and reduce burdensome regulations in order to solidify New York's role as a leader in the craft beverage industry," Governor Cuomo said. "This task force will continue our efforts to modernize laws in order to encourage investment and expand opportunities for small businesses and craft retailers across this state."

The task force, led by State Liquor Authority Chairman Vincent Bradley, will hold an inaugural meeting on February 29th to begin gathering industry input on drafting legislation concerning third party providers. The meeting will begin at 10:00 am in the Full Board room of the SLA's Harlem office located at 317 Lenox Avenue, with video conferencing in Albany and Buffalo. Members of the public and other industry experts are encouraged to attend, comment or provide written statements. Additionally, the meeting will be webcast live and archived on the SLA's website at <http://www.sla.ny.gov/>.

E-commerce retail sales of alcoholic beverages in the U.S. totaled nearly \$88 billion in the third quarter of 2015 and offer tremendous opportunities for New York businesses. By working directly with industry members, the SLA will develop clear rules that will enable retailers to innovatively grow their businesses with assurance of legal compliance. These rules will allow New York retailers to partner with third party providers without fear of regulatory violations and strengthen New York's position as a leader in craft manufacturing.

The task force will make recommendations and propose statutory changes for this legislative session to address current issues related to third party providers including:

- o How to identify and define third party providers;
- o Clarifying which functions retail licensees may delegate to third party providers;
- o Developing a legal framework, consistent with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law, regarding compensation for third party providers; and
- o Issuing permits or licenses for third party providers.

SLA Chairman Bradley said, "This is another example of the Governor's continuing effort to make the State a better place to do business by helping New York retailers and producers reach new markets and providing clear direction for large and small businesses, including hundreds of family owned craft manufacturers."

Members of the ABC E-Commerce Task Force include: Vincent Bradley, Chairman, New York State Liquor Authority; Kevin Kim, Commissioner, New York State Liquor Authority; Michael Arton, Associate General Counsel, Anheuser Busch; Michael Corra, Executive Director, Metropolitan Package Store Association; Sean Croman, Associate General Counsel, Amazon; Keven Danow, Partner, Danow, McMullan & Panoff; Lester Eber, Vice President, Southern Wine and Spirits; Thomas Edwards, President, New York State Liquor Store Association; Kevin Fortuna, Founder, Lot 18; Elke Hofmann, Elke Hofmann Law; Mark Koslowe, Managing Partner, Buchman Law Firm; Paul Leone, Executive Director, New York State Brewers Association; Brian McKenzie, President, New York State Distillers Guild; Connie Oehler, Chief Operating Officer, Verity Wine Partners; Lynne Omile, General Counsel, Distilled Spirits Council of the United States; Nicholas Rellas, Founder, Drizly; Kristin Techel, Partner, Strike & Techel, Beverage Law Group; William Tomaszewski, General Counsel, Wine.com; Jim Tresize, President, New York Wine & Grape Foundation; Jeff Saunders, President, New York State Retailers Alliance; Brock Wanless, Assistant General Counsel, Groupon; and Scott Wexler, Executive Director, Empire State Restaurant & Tavern Association.

Since Governor Cuomo took office in 2011, both the number of farm based businesses manufacturing wine, beer, spirits and cider using ingredients grown in New York and the total number of manufacturers producing alcoholic beverages have more than doubled, spurred by state actions that support the alcohol beverage industry.

### Governor Cuomo, 1199 SEIU, Kingston Mayor Steve Noble & Ulster County Executive Mike Hein Continue 'Drive for \$15' Bus Tour; Urge State Legislature to Pass \$15 Phased-In Minimum Wage this Legislative Session - New Yorkers Encouraged to Visit [www.ny.gov/Fightfor15](http://www.ny.gov/Fightfor15) to Get Involved and Learn More about the Mario Cuomo Campaign for Economic Justice

The Mario Cuomo Campaign for Economic Justice rallied with labor leaders and state and local elected officials in support of raising the minimum wage to \$15 for all workers. The groups rallied in Kingston, the fourth stop along the "Drive for \$15" bus tour, which kicked off yesterday, making stops in Manhattan, the Bronx and Long Island.

The renewed push comes on the heels of the Governor's recently released minimum wage report which found that raising the minimum wage to \$15 would benefit more than 2.3 million workers and boost direct spending power by more than \$15.7 billion in New York State. The Governor is urging the State Legislature to pass his phased-in minimum wage proposal this session.

### Press-Republican Editorial: Guidelines Could Curb Opioid Abuse

Press-Republican "strongly supports" bipartisan legislation introduced by Senator Gillibrand "that would require the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to issue guidelines for safe prescribing of opioids for acute pain."

"... having official guidelines from an agency as respected as the Centers for Disease Control will clear up any questions about how these drugs are being handled."

The Press-Republican strongly supports legislation that would require the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to issue guidelines for safe prescribing of opioids for acute pain. The bipartisan legislation was introduced Tuesday by U.S. Sens. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV). The effort is not directed toward prescriptions for people who are coping with chronic pain. The CDC already has guidelines for physicians regarding those cases.

Despite the frightening rise of narcotics addiction, too many doctors and dentists automatically write prescriptions for possible temporary pain, even if it isn't certain that someone will need the medication. Certainly no person should be deprived of pain relief when it is necessary, but it's clear that narcotics abuse is a serious issue across the North Country, as it is around the nation.

Local law-enforcement officials say a prime source of illegal drugs is the medicine cabinet of relatives or friends, where unused prescription drugs present a temptation to people with substance-abuse issues. The narcotics are sometimes there because people had a tooth pulled or some kind of surgery and were given a prescription for a painkiller. They fill the prescription automatically but then don't need the medication or take only part of it. The rest sits around, inviting theft.

The medical-records network makes it easier to catch users who try to hop from doctor to doctor to get multiple prescriptions, so that means of securing opioids has pretty much dried up. People are turning to other ways to get the drugs they crave, and that has led to break-ins around our region.

Another danger is that narcotic prescriptions given to young people can set them on a path toward dependency, Gillibrand and Capito warn. A study using data from the National Institute on Drug Abuse found teenagers who received an opioid prescription by grade 12 were 33 percent more likely to abuse opioids after high school. The risk was even higher among teenagers who reported little to no previous use of illicit substances.

"Many individuals become addicted to opioids after taking prescriptions for acute pain," the senators said, citing examples such as pain following a broken bone, wisdom tooth extraction or other surgeries.

"Many people with acute pain haven't had previous opioid exposure and may be at heightened risk for addiction, and opioids prescribed for acute pain frequently end up being inappropriately given or sold to other individuals for recreational use."

"By updating the prescribing guidelines for acute pain, we can minimize the initial exposure to opioid medications and further limit the number of opioid prescriptions."

Many area physicians are aware of the dangers and are showing restraint in prescribing these drugs. But having official guidelines from an agency as respected as the Centers for Disease Control will clear up any questions about how these drugs are being handled. The effort won't, by itself, stop the drug crisis that is eating its way through local lives, but it can remove some of the temptation.

### Daines, Gillibrand, Gibson, Valadao Urge VA to Clarify Decision Against Providing 'Blue Water' Veterans VA Benefits

U.S. CONGRESS - U.S. Senators Steve Daines (R-MT), Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Representatives Chris Gibson (R-NY) and David Valadao (R-CA) today are urging the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to clarify their misguided decision against providing "Blue Water" Navy veterans with the disability and health care benefits that they deserve for diseases linked to Agent Orange exposure.

In a letter to VA Secretary Bob McDonald and Deputy Secretary Gibson, the members request the VA to clarify how they came to their conclusion ruling against providing care to "Blue Water" Navy veterans. On February 5, Daines and Gillibrand received a letter from VA Secretary Bob McDonald refusing to reverse the VA rule without an explanation.

"We are greatly concerned that these Veterans have long been overlooked since the 2002 regulatory change, which excluded them from presumptive coverage for illnesses connected to Agent Orange exposure," the members wrote. "Unfortunately, in our view the VA did not comply with the intent of this court ruling and doubled down on their regulations excluding thousands of Navy sailors and Marines from coverage."

During the Vietnam War, the U.S. military sprayed approximately 20 million gallons of Agent Orange in Vietnam to remove jungle foliage. This toxic chemical had devastating effects for millions serving in Vietnam. In 1991, Congress passed a law requiring the VA to provide presumptive coverage to Vietnam veterans with illnesses that the Institute of Medicine has directly linked to Agent Orange exposure. However, in 2002 the VA determined that it would only cover Veterans who could prove that they had orders for "boots on the ground" during the Vietnam War. This exclusion affects thousands of sailors who may have still received significant Agent Orange exposure from receiving VA benefits.

### Governor Cuomo Directs an Immediate Independent Safety Analysis of the Algonquin Pipeline Near Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant - Four state agencies request that Federal Energy Regulatory Commission halt construction of the Algonquin Pipeline until the independent risk review is completed

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo directed state agencies to issue a letter calling on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to immediately halt construction of the Algonquin natural gas pipeline until a comprehensive safety review is completed. The Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Public Service Commission, Department of Environmental Conservation, and the Department of Health issued the letter on Monday.

"The safety of New Yorkers is the first responsibility of state government when making any decision. Over the past several months there have been a series of serious incidents at the Indian Point Nuclear Facility, which my administration is investigating," Governor Cuomo said. "At the same time, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has approved a natural gas pipeline in close proximity of Indian Point. I am directing my administration to commence an immediate independent safety analysis of the natural gas pipeline project and until that occurs, we urge the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to suspend the project."

At the direction of Governor Cuomo, these agencies are currently conducting a full investigation into several recent failures that could pose a risk to the health and safety of those who live and work in the vicinity of Indian Point. This investigation is examining multiple unplanned shutdowns, a transformer fire that triggered the declaration of an unusual event level emergency, and most recently, a radioactive tritium leak that has caused groundwater radioactivity levels to rise more than 65,000 percent.

Although the project applicant has agreed to more stringent construction measures near Indian Point, ongoing State investigations will assess the adequacy of these measures and may also reveal new information about the environmental, health and safety risks posed by the project's siting. The State therefore urges the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to cease the construction of the Algonquin natural gas pipeline until the State's analysis is complete and it can be determined that the project will not impact the health and safety of surrounding communities.



**6th Annual Rock Hill St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
**Saturday, March 12**  
**at 2 PM**  
 Activities kick off at 1PM  
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 or call 845-866-3783.

**PRAYER TO ST. CLARE**  
 Ask St. Clare for three favors: One Business and Two Impossible. "Say 9 Hail Marys for 9 days with Lighted Candles."  
 Pray, whether you believe it or not. Publish on the 9th day. "May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be Praised, Adored, Glorified and Today and Everyday."  
 Request will be granted no matter how impossible it seems. Publication must be promised.

**Loch Sheldrake Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sunday, March 6, 2016 · 7am til 12 noon**  
 Please join the members of Loch Sheldrake Fire Dept. & enjoy a delicious breakfast of Buttermilk Pancakes · Fresh Eggs made to order · Sausage fresh from the butcher · Orange Juice, Coffee or Tea  
 \$ 7.00 Adults, \$5.00 kids under 12 Under 5 years of age FREE  
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Claryville Fire Dept.  
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**Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council to Meet**  
 The Sullivan County Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council (LEICC) will meet Wednesday, March 9th, 2016 at 11AM at New Hope in Loch Sheldrake. Early Intervention (EI) provides in-home services like physical, occupational and speech therapy to children with disabilities and or developmental delays.  
 The LEICC is an advisory board to the Local Early Intervention Official with regard to services provided in Sullivan County. Parents and other interested parties are invited to the session. The LEICC will be touring the New Hope Facility as well as reviewing services and local data for the current and previous program years.  
 For more information, contact Lisa Wissman, Early Intervention Manager at 292-5910, Ext. 2202.

**Corned Beef & Cabbage Supper**  
 Saturday, March 12  
 Serving from 4:00 to 7:00 PM



Adults \$13.00  
 Beverage included  
 Children under 12, \$8.00, under 5 yrs. free

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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.**

March 5th  
**Covered Dish Supper**  
 5 pm  
 at the  
**Sundown United Methodist Church Hall**

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

**Third Saturday Thrift Sale**  
 March 19  
 9 am  
 to  
 1 pm

**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](mailto: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.  
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**PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:****NOTICE**

The Town of Neversink **ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT** for the fiscal year 2015 has been completed and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk.

The above-mentioned report is available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

LISA GARIGLIANO, TOWN CLERK  
TOWN OF NEVERSINK  
DATED: February 25, 2016

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### **DEP Encourages College Students to Apply for Watershed Internships** *Twenty-one watershed internships available for science, engineering and other fields of study*

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on Friday encouraged college students to apply for one of 21 summer internships at offices throughout the watershed. The vast majority of these opportunities are paid internships in the fields related to science and engineering. Those accepted into the summer internship program will have the chance to work alongside scientists, engineers, planners and other professionals who help run the water supply for the largest city in the United States.

"Our summer internship program is a great opportunity for college students to explore their field of study by working alongside world-class engineers and scientists who operate, maintain and protect New York City's water supply," DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd said. "I encourage college students from the watershed and surrounding regions to apply for these excellent internships."

The intern positions available include summer work associated with upstate water quality laboratories, water quality field operations, engineering, wastewater facilities, community water connections, wildlife biology, natural resources, stormwater management, and science and research. The internships are located at DEP's offices in Delaware, Sullivan, Ulster and Westchester counties.

Information about these internships, including online applications, can be found on the DEP website at: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/job\\_opportunities/icims\\_internships.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/job_opportunities/icims_internships.shtml).

Prospective interns are encouraged to carefully read the qualifications for each job to determine whether they meet the enrollment, GPA, coursework and other requirements. Candidates must submit applications by April 1.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of high quality water each day to more than 9 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council—that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit [nyc.gov/dep](http://nyc.gov/dep), like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/nycwater](https://www.facebook.com/nycwater), or follow us on Twitter at [twitter.com/nycwater](https://twitter.com/nycwater).

**Tri-Valley Central  
School District  
Board of Education**  
Regular Board Meeting  
Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 7:00 PM  
In the Intermediate  
School Library  
For info: [www.trivalleycsd.org](http://www.trivalleycsd.org)

### **Reps. Gibson, Hanna, Moulton Introduce Legislation to expand Broadband Access Among Small Businesses**

In an effort to expand access to broadband technology among small businesses and start-ups in rural America, Congressmen Chris Gibson (NY-19), Richard Hanna (NY-22), and Seth Moulton (MA-6) introduced the Small Business Broadband and Emerging Information Technology Enhancement Act.

"The bipartisan bill introduced in the House this week seeks to modernize the Small Business Administration's (SBA) approach to broadband access, connecting more small business owners with financing programs and guidance on broadband acquisition.

"Farms and small businesses across Upstate New York offer an amazing array of goods and services, but the lack of broadband access in rural areas puts them at a distinct disadvantage when it comes to competing in the global marketplace," said Congressman Gibson, who serves on the House Small Business Committee with Congressmen Hanna and Moulton. "Our hardworking food producers, craftspeople, merchants, and manufacturers deserve a level playing field. To that end, this legislation improves the SBA's ability to help small businesses access broadband and support job growth in our communities."

"Access to broadband opens up small businesses to a world of commerce opportunities they would not otherwise have," said Congressman Hanna. "Expanding Internet resources helps grow jobs and our local economies. By working to make these resources more available to entrepreneurs in Upstate New York, our bill helps them unlock new business prospects, not only here at home but across the globe."

"Small businesses are the entrepreneurial backbone of our country, and the Internet and growing app economy provide these businesses with ample opportunity for innovation," said Congressman Moulton. "Unfortunately, many small businesses in rural Massachusetts and other parts of the country cannot fully take advantage of these opportunities because they lack affordable and reliable access to broadband. This legislation will strengthen the SBA's ability to support these small businesses."

"The House bill is a companion to bipartisan Senate legislation introduced by Senators Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire and David Vitter of Louisiana and co-sponsored by Senator Kirsten Gillibrand of New York.

"We must expand broadband access so small businesses in our rural communities can compete on a level playing field and sell their goods and services all around the world," said Senator Gillibrand. "This legislation will modernize SBA's broadband outreach to better serve businesses in hard-to-reach places and support long-term economic development in Upstate New York and rural areas across the country."

The Small Business Broadband and Emerging Information Technology Enhancement Act provides for training of SBA staff to assist small businesses on how to maximize investment and external reach through broadband. This program also includes advising businesses on locating broadband access and financings through its district offices, Small Business Development Centers, and community partners.

Finally, the legislation appoints an existing SBA senior staff member to coordinate broadband programs and serve as the SBA liaison to the Broadband Opportunity Council, which was created to remove barriers to connectivity.

### **NYS Senate Passes Measure Providing Greater Property Tax Relief for Seniors: Assembly Needs to Act!**

(Albany, NY)- The New York State Senate this week passed legislation (S1074A), to increase the maximum income eligibility levels for real property tax exemptions for seniors for the first time since 1994. This measure would allow more senior citizens to receive increased relief from their local real property taxes.

"I'm pleased to have supported this legislation, which will provide much needed property tax relief to our seniors," said Senator Bonacic. "My colleagues and I in the Senate Republican Conference are committed to finding ways to ease the property tax burden on all New Yorkers, and this bill is a step in that direction."

Under current law, local governments have the option to provide a partial real property tax exemption to senior citizens who are at least 65 years of age, based upon their income. Starting in 2018, this bill would give local governments the option to gradually increase the income requirements for the senior citizens receiving the tax exemption. This partial exemption can range from five percent of the property's assessed value to 45 percent of the property's assessed value and uses a sliding scale based on the property owner's income to determine the exemption amount.

This bill has been sent to the Assembly.

### **Senator Bonacic Announces \$50,000 Grant for the Village of Liberty to Help with the Purchase of a New Plow Truck**

(Middletown, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) announced today that he has secured a \$50,000 grant to help the Village of Liberty purchase a new plow truck for its Department of Public Works. The grant was secured through the State Municipal Grant Program, which was included in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 State Budget. The truck that the Village uses for plowing during the winter months is 28 years old. At this point it will not meet D.O.T. requirements and not pass inspection.

"These funds will help the Village of Liberty's Department of Public Works better serve the residents," said Senator Bonacic. "These funds will not only provide a safe working environment for the employees of the DPW, but will save the Village taxpayers' money."

"I would like to personally thank Senator Bonacic for obtaining this grant for the Village of Liberty," said Village of Liberty Mayor Ronald Stabak. "During these extremely difficult times, this Municipal Grant will help

### **Senator Bonacic Announces \$50,000 Grant for Bloomingburg to Install Sidewalks Throughout the Village**

(Middletown, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) announced today that he has secured a \$50,000 grant for the Village of Bloomingburg to help pay for the installation of sidewalks throughout the Village. The grant money was secured through the State Municipal Grant Program which was included in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 State Budget. The Village of Bloomingburg is in desperate need of repairing their aging sidewalks in various major areas, and this funding will help them to complete that work.

"The lack of sidewalks in high trafficked areas in the Village of Bloomingburg can cause dangerous situations for pedestrians," said Senator Bonacic. "These funds will help increase pedestrian safety, and also save the Village of Bloomingburg taxpayers money."

"The Village of Bloomingburg is grateful to Senator Bonacic for securing these funds for sidewalk repair, which will increase the safety of our residents," said Village of Bloomingburg Mayor Frank Gerardi.

### **Senator Bonacic Joins Hunger Advocates at Press Conference Calling for Additional Funding for Food Banks in FY 2016-2017 Budget**

(Albany, NY)-Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) joined hunger advocates from around the state and Assemblyman Marcos Crespo, at a press conference this morning, calling for an additional \$16.5 million in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 State Budget for food banks. Both Senator Bonacic and Assemblyman Crespo circulated sign-on letters to their colleagues earlier this month, asking that this \$16.5 million be included in the budget. Senator Bonacic's letter included signatures of 25 of his Senate colleagues, from both parties. To view a copy of Senator Bonacic's letter, please visit [Bonacic.nysenate.gov](http://Bonacic.nysenate.gov).



**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation**

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

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

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

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

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

**Pizza Hut Fundraiser** Thursday, June 23.

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

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

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



**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

- 3/3/16 TVCS Board Meeting - 7 pm
- 3/5/16 Sundown United Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm
- 3/8/15 Town of Denning Business Meeting 6 pm
- 3/9/16 Claryville Fire Dept Commissioners Meeting 6:30 pm
- 3/9/16 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 3/10/16 Dept of Motor Vehicles -Neversink Town Hall 10 am-2:30 pm
- 3/10/16 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm
- 3/15/16 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
- 3/17/16 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 3/19/16 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** Grahamsville UM Church 9-1
- 3/20/16 **Become a Museum Docent** Time and the Valleys Museum 2 p.m.
- 3/25/16 Town of Neversink Holiday - **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 4/5/16 Town of Denning Board Meeting 6 pm - Sundown Church Hall
- 4/6/16 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
- 4/20/16 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc Meeting 7:30 pm

**Save the Date**

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

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

**Matty Bertholf's Fifth Annual Horseshoe Tournament** Sunday, July 10, 2016 at the Neversink Fireman's Pavilion  
**Time and the Valleys Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ** Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 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.

**6th Annual Rock Hill St. Patrick's Day Parade**

Saturday, March 12th at 2PM.  
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**Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Cloisters Museum Guided Tour Saturday, April 23**

Cloisters Museum is devoted to art and architecture of Medieval Europe and includes over 2000 works of art. Bring the family for this wonderful experience. Motor coach will leave the Town Hall at 8 am • Adults \$51 and Children under 17 \$36 -**Must be paid no later than Tuesday, March 8.** Admission includes museum, tour and transportation. Make your reservation **NOW.** Contact Jamie Brooks, Director at (845) 985-2262 extension 312

**Students from Nesin Cultural Arts to Perform at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello**

The students in the Aspiring Young Musicians (AYM) program at Nesin Cultural Arts will perform at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello on Saturday, February 27 at 11:00 a.m. The Children's Choir will perform choral songs and play piano. The director of the Children's Choir is Amy Phillips, and the AYM directors are Andrew Trombley and Akiko Hosoi.

The Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library is located at 479 Broadway, Broadway. For more information on this performance, please call 845-794-4660 ext. 108. For information on Nesin Cultural Arts and the AYM program, visit [www.nesinculturalarts.org](http://www.nesinculturalarts.org).

**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 Grahamsville Fairgrounds during the summer months including September?

If so -- Send an email to [tvangus@hvrr.com](mailto:tvangus@hvrr.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?

**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  
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5	9	6	3	2	1	7	8	4
8	4	1	6	9	7	3	2	5

**Town of Neversink Parks & Rec 4th Annual Community Yard Sale**  
Saturday, July 9  
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**Super Saturday of Sales**

**New and Used Items Something for Everyone! Free Parking and Admission!**

Crafters and Vendors wishing to sell their wares at the Yard Sale

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**Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY** is seeking an enthusiastic, reliable person to fill the position of **School-Age Child Care Program Site Supervisor** for a newly developed after school program at Tri-Valley Central School. This position is part-time, hourly during the school year, operating on school days from 2:45PM- 5:45PM. Must be over the age of 21 with an Associate's degree in Child Development or related field. First Aid, CPR and AED certified (or training provided at Frost Valley). For more information, contact Katia Martin, Community Programs Director at 845-985-2291 Ext. 305 and submit application/resume to Linda Campbell, Director of Human Resources, [www.frostvalley.org](http://www.frostvalley.org) or [hr@frostvalley.org](mailto:hr@frostvalley.org).

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**Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY** is seeking an enthusiastic, reliable person to fill the position of **School-Age Child Care Program Assistant** for a newly developed after school program at Tri-Valley Central School. This position is part-time, hourly during the school year, operating on school days from 2:45PM- 5:45PM. Must be over the age of 18 and currently enrolled in or successful completion of high school education. First Aid, CPR and AED certified (or training provided at Frost Valley). For more information, contact Katia Martin, Community Programs Director at 845-985-2291 Ext. 305 and submit application/resume to Linda Campbell, Director of Human Resources, [www.frostvalley.org](http://www.frostvalley.org) or [hr@frostvalley.org](mailto:hr@frostvalley.org).

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At **12:45 AM THE NAKED MAJA**, (1959) Romantic biography of the Spanish painter Goya and his relationship with the Duchess of Alba. Dir: Henry Koster Cast: Ava Gardner, Anthony Franciosa, Amedeo Nazzari.

**THE MOON AND SIXPENCE** (1942) Starts at 2:45 AM. Loosely inspired by the life of Gauguin, a man abandons his middle-class life to start painting. Dir: Albert Lewin Cast: George Sanders, Herbert Marshall, Doris Dudley.

See these films starting Monday March 7, 2016 @ 8:00 PM,

Quiz: In "The Agony And The Ecstasy,"

1. Who played Pope Julius II?

2. Who played Raphael?

**What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood?**

**GRAHAMSVILLE**

The next Third Saturday Thrift Sale will be held at the United Methodist Church in Grahamsville on Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 9 am to 1 pm. Watch the *Townsman* for upcoming dates for the Thrift Sales and Luncheons that will begin in April.

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

**SUNDOWN**

Celebrate winter's end with friends and neighbors and good food at the Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper this Saturday evening, March 5th at 5 pm in the Church Hall.

**THE EASTER BUNNY IS COMING TO TOWN**

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

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

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