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Eric Schneiderman Key Note Speaker at UC Dem Annual Brunch

The Ulster County Democratic Committee hosted their annual Spring Brunch on Sunday, May 6th at the Wiltwyck Country Club.



NYS Attorney General Eric Schneiderman addressed the problem of foreclosures

New York State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman was the key note speaker.

This year's guests of honor were the 2011 retiring Democratic Legislators; Roy Hochberg, Alan Lomita, Michael Madsen, Brian Shapiro, Mary Sheeley, Joseph Stoeckeler, Jr. and Susan Zimet



NYS Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk compares her election to the 'Star Wars' trilogy -first hope, then the Empire Strikes back, and finally the Return of the Jedi - Cecilia wins!

Chair Frank Cardinale said, "We are pleased to recognize the seven former county legislators as our Guests of Honor at this year's County Brunch. Throughout their years of hard work and dedication to the democratic process, these individuals have earned the respect and admiration of both their constituents and our Party and we thank them for their service."



NYS Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk and Assemblymember Kevin Cahill also addressed the guests. Retired U.S. Congressman Maurice Hinchey was also among the V.I.P. present at this year's brunch.

Congressman Chris Gibson Keeps a Busy Public Schedule



Congressman Chris Gibson at the Sullivan County Federation of Homeless

If you visit Congressman Chris Gibson's website and see his calendar, you will know that he has been busy getting acquainted with his constituents in the newly formed 19th Congressional District that includes all of Columbia, Delaware, Greene, Otsego, Schoharie, Sullivan, and Ulster counties, and parts of Broome, Dutchess, Montgomery, and Rensselaer counties.

Last week Congressman Gibson's itinerary included a barn raising located at the Kiersted House in Saugerties and the dedication of the "Battle Buddy Center" at SUNY Ulster with college President Donald Katt, Andy Grosso, Vice President of Business Development, New York State Industries for the Disabled, local community organizations and first responders, active duty military, veterans and a local Color Guard. The Battle Buddy Center will serve as a home and resource center for veterans and family. Before serving in Congress, Rep. Gibson served for 24 years in the United States Army.



Congressman Chris Gibson attends a barn raising in Saugerties

On Thursday after attending The Jobs Fair in Hudson, Congressman Gibson and WAG District Director, Steve Bulge passed through Sundown in the Town of Denning. The Congressman took a walk along the Rondout Creek with local resident, Frank Comando, seeing first hand, the remnants of destruction from Hurricane.

Just the week before, Gibson unveiled his Watershed Advisory Group (WAG) that will work on issues related to the New York City Watershed. For the first time since the formation of the NYC Watershed, the entire Upstate (West of the Hudson River) portion is encompassed in one Congressional District. The WAG will bring together interested parties - residents, state and local officials, farmers, small business owners and others - to gather feedback and identify solutions. (Contd. Pg. 12)

TVCS FBLA Attends State Leadership Conference



Twenty Tri-Valley FBLA members attended the State Leadership Conference April 9-12 in Rochester, NY. Members placed strongly in multiple categories. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Renaissance Volunteers Prepare Town Gardens; Second Event Planned



Over twenty Neversink Renaissance volunteers took advantage of the beautiful weekend weather of the April 27th to clean up and mulch the garden beds at the First Aid Building, Denman Mountain Garden, Bicentennial Park, Chestnut Creek Garden, and Neversink Town Hall. Two teams of energetic volunteers completed the weeding, cleaning, and mulching of these community gardens in record time. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk in Memory of Donald TerBush

This year's walk brought out 35 walkers, and between The Journey For Sight pledges and Tag Day bucket donations, brought in over \$5000 for the Lion's charity account. (Contd. Pg. 9)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion. Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape; incline thine ear unto me, and save me. Psalm 71:1,2

OBITUARY

Richard M. Higgins of Woodbourne passed away peacefully at Orange Regional Medical Center surrounded by his loving family on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at the age of 76.

He was the son of the late Victor J. and Catherine Barnwell Higgins, born on October 10, 1936 in New York City.

He was an active member of the community and was a faithful member of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. For many years Richard worked for the Department of Corrections as an Education Supervisor where he later retired. Shortly after retirement he began substituting at Fallsburg Central High School where he became a cherished role model, friend and household name to all of the students and faculty members. Known to many as "Mr. Higgins", he left a lasting impression on all of his students and many people in his community. He was one of the few to have a yearbook dedicated to him and one of his proudest moments while at Fallsburg. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone that needed it. He will continue to be loved and remembered by his students, fellow co-workers and especially his family.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his brother, John Higgins and his wife, Ann of Grahamsville; his sisters: Agnes Manell and her husband, Tom of Grahamsville, Vera Gordon of Liberty, Mary Weaver of Rensselaer, Pat Ether and her husband, Joe of Claverack, Fran Higgins of Rock Hill and Grace O'Neill and her husband, Bill of Woodbourne; sister-in-law, Norma Higgins of Rensselaer; many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews and a multitude of friends.

He was predeceased by his brother, Joseph Higgins; his beloved twin sister, Catherine Ackerly and her son, Edward; his brothers-in-law, Francis Gordon and Harry Weaver.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Saturday, May 4th at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Woodbourne. He was laid to rest at Hillside Cemetery in Woodbourne following the Mass.

Donations in Richard's name can be made to a charity of one's choice.

Days of Yore...

...Today's History

May 13, 1953 - Mr. and Mrs. Jack Donaldson of Grahamsville announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice to Mr. Leo Bertholf, son of Mrs. Ben Bertholf and the late Mr. Bertholf of Divine Corners. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gray of Tobasco are the parents of a baby girl, Diane Lynn, born on Monday, May 4th at the Memorial Hospital in Ellenville. The baby weighed 5 lbs. 1 oz. Mrs. Gray is the former Gerry Christensen. Mr. and Mrs. George Christensen are the maternal grandparents.

Vail J. Curry, 81, died Friday, May 8th at Liberty Loomis Hospital after suffering an accident at his home near Neversink while he was at work near his house. Mr. Curry was born March 19, 1873 at Halls Mills, the son of David and Mary Donaldson Curry. He was married 55 years ago to May Purvis who died in 1928. Two sons, James Vail Curry and Chandler Purvis Curry both of Neversink, survive as well as a sister, Mrs. Wilbert Roosa of Liberty and a brother, Bruce Curry of Walton.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Slater are the parents of a son, 10 lbs. 4 oz. born on May 10th. He has been named Kirklyn Richard. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Slater of Claryville are the paternal grandparents.

May 8, 1963 - Miss Patricia Hoover of Grahamsville was married to William Holmes of Grahamsville on April 30th. Justice John McMahon performed the ceremony. Witnesses for the couple were Beatrice McMahon of Neversink and George Bertram of Woodbourne. Mr. Holmes is about to enter the service in the Army.

Dale W. Ross, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. Eugene Ross, formerly of Grahamsville, has been elected a member of Eta Kappa Nu, the national society honoring scholarship in electrical engineering. Ross, a junior in electrical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, is also on the Dean's List there.

The Board of Trustees of the Sullivan County Community announced on Thursday, May 2nd that the college will open in South Fallsburg on September 23, 1963. This selection is subject to the approval of the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors.

May 16, 1973 - A 25th Anniversary Dinner for the Neversink Fire Dept. was held May 5th at King's Restaurant, Livingston Manor. Approximately ninety-five people were present to honor the Charter 20, 15 and 10 year members. The Department was formed on May 6, 1948 and still has many active charter members.

Airman Ronald L. Klinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Klinger of Woodbourne, N.Y. has been assigned to Keeler AFB, Miss. after completing Air Force Basic Training. Airman Klinger, a 1972 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School, attended Sullivan County Community College. His wife, Judy, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wright of Sundown, N.Y.

May 12, 1983 - Betty C. Prince of Liberty Rd., Woodbourne, a 37-year area resident, died unexpectedly Friday, May 6, 1983 at home. She was 57. The daughter of the late Harry and Fay Brittain Cress, she was born April 28, 1926 in Plainview, Tx. She was a member of the Dutch Reformed Church, Woodbourne, and the Woodbourne Fire Dept. Women's Auxiliary. Survivors include her husband, Gerald I. Prince of Cincinnati; a daughter, Darlene Prince of Levittown.

Grahamsville artist Dan Smythe has his sculpture on exhibition at Troy, N.Y. through May 24th. This invitational on-person show is at the Dietel Gallery at the Emma Willard School there.

Marjorie DuBois of Beaver Dam Road, Grahamsville, a 35-year resident, died Sunday, May 8, 1983 in Community General Hospital, Harris, after a long illness. She was 69. The daughter of the late George Arthur and Grace Fowler Champion, she was born Aug. 22, 1913 in Middletown, Conn. She was the widow of Fernald F. DuBois. Survivors include two daughters, Irma Mentnech of Woodbourne and Virginia Rhynders of Poughkeepsie; a son, Fernald DuBois of Saugerties; eight grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Eureka Market Serves Up Mother's Day Brunch & Local Pasta Dinners this Weekend

From Friday-Sunday, May 10-12, Eureka Market & Café will be preparing freshly-made ravioli from Roscoe's Northern Farmhouse Pasta as one of their weekend specials. During the fleeting ramp season, they are serving Wild Ramp Ravioli (or Portobello Ravioli) with a light tarragon butter, or with their homemade Marinara. Northern Farmhouse's other offerings, like Garlic & Spinach Fettuccine are also sold retail, while their fresh raviolis can be found in the freezer.

Mother's Day Brunch promises to be a festive occasion, with Mom's beverages on the house. The menu includes customer favorites like Blueberry Pancakes; Homemade Granola, Yogurt and Fruit; and the Thunderhill (a hearty breakfast of eggs, sausages, bacon, hash browns and toast), and a number of specials, including Fruit Crepes and Creamy Parmesan Polenta with Poached Eggs and Chorizo Sausage. Reservations suggested. 845.985.5152.

Tri-Valley Track and Field Alumni Excel at College

Last weekend four Tri-Valley Alumni excelled competed in their collegiate Track and Field championships. Garret Grey competing for Ashland University won the GLIAC Hammer Championship with a Lifetime Best throw of 225' which is the 2nd best throw of all college athletes this season. Freshmen Jim Bernstein competing for Oneonta State University placed 2nd in the 10,000 meter run at the SUNYAC Championship at Cortland. Frosh Rafael Ramirez Hammer and Soph Brian Edwards (Discus) competing for Alfred State College, won their events. Ashland and Alfred State won their Championship with Oneonta placing 2nd. Congratulations!

A Round About Tri-Valley - Carol Furman

A very happy birthday to Jeanette Erath of Grahamsville who turns 90 on May 10th! Congratulations to David Stewart and his wife, Kelly, who were married and had their reception at the Neversink Fire House on April 27th. Sympathy is extended to the family of Keith Budlong who passed away on April 22nd. Keith's son, Nicholas, resides in Virginia.

Get well soon to Jerry McCarthy of Grahamsville who recently had surgery on his back.

Welcome back to June and Bill Schulte who have recently returned from their winter home in Florida.

Memorial Day Flag Ceremony meeting on Thursday, May 9th at 7:00 pm at the Daniel Pierce Library.

The new Childrens' Rooms at the Daniel Pierce Library are just beautiful. Stop in and see for yourself!

Congratulations to the Tri-Valley Girls' Softball Team on their first place finish at the Benny Chesnick Memorial Softball Tournament. Benny Chesnick managed Dairy Lea milk plants in Ellenville and Callicoon years ago. Later he became a milk inspector and used to visit our farm when we were milking Jersey cows. He was also an outstanding umpire for softball and baseball games, which is why he is remembered with a memorial tournament. He was a great guy!

The Tri-Valley Girls' Track and Field Team placed first at the Monticello Games on Saturday, April 27th. Autumn Bender was honored as the outstanding track performer winning the 800 and he 1500 events. Mareena DiMilia was selected top field event performer winning the 100 hurdles, the shot put event and the javelin event. The girls' team also won the steeple chase and the 1600 relay event. Aric Boyes won the shot put event for the boys' team.

The Grahamsville Methodist Church and the Grahamsville Reformed Church will again jointly sponsor a Vacation Bible School this summer. This week long program, which is open to all children of the community, will take place at the Methodist Church this year and will run from July 22nd - 26th. More info regarding this program will be forthcoming as the date gets closer.

Grahamsville Reformed Church Bake Sale will take place on Saturday, May 25th from 9:00 am until noon at Memorial Hall.

Mark your calendars: The Lions' Club Rabies Clinic at the Grahamsville Grounds will be held on June 5th. Remember to bring proof of prior rabies vaccination so you can get a three-year rabies shot for you dog or cat!

The NYS FFA Convention was held on May 3rd and 4th. I must have my article to *The Townsman* before May 3rd, so I'll have to update you next week.

Words of Wisdom: People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel. (Maya Angelou)

Renaissance Volunteers Prepare Town Gardens (From Pg. 1)

A second Clean Up Day is planned for the Daniel Pierce Library and Time in the Valleys Museum for Saturday May 11th. Work is expected to begin at 8:00 AM and will conclude with lunch served at noon. Aside from the usual preparation of existing beds, new shrubs will be planted in front of the original library building and the front lawn will be reseeded. We are very anxious to put the Library/Museum grounds in tip top shape as we anticipate the grand opening celebration on May 22nd of the new watershed exhibit at the Time in the Valleys Museum.

Please call Dave and Phyllis Moore at 985-2746 if you are able to help out.

Great Mother's Day Gift- 2013 SullivanArc Tour of Bloomingburg's Private Gardens

Want the perfect gift for Mother's Day, May 12 or Father's Day, June 16?

The Fifth Annual SullivanArc Garden Tour features an exclusive look at private gardens in and around the Village of Bloomingburg on Saturday, June 29. The tour leaves from the Meditation Garden at Our Lady of the Assumption Church in Bloomingburg, where it returns at day's end for a complimentary wine and cheese reception.

This is an exceptional collection of eight beautiful gardens, including: an eclectic country farm garden, a meandering herb garden, a unique architectural home, a home with an infinity pool and an infinite view, and more.

The tour is hosted by SullivanArc and Sullivan Renaissance with support from the Wurtsboro Board of Trade - to benefit SullivanArc programs for people with developmental disabilities.

Cost is \$40 per person for the guided bus tour, which includes travel on a Rolling V coach bus, tip, guide, door prizes and snacks. Self-guided tour tickets and maps are also available for those who want to drive their own vehicles for \$25 per person (not per car). Following the tour is a complimentary wine and cheese reception for all ticket holders and garden owners.

Tickets are available at the Canal Towne Emporium in Wurtsboro; by calling SullivanArc at 845-796-1350 ext. 1050; or online by going to <http://www.sullivanarc.org> - click on "Buy Tickets." Tickets are limited. If the tour is not sold out, then self-guided tickets will be available on the morning of the tour at Our Lady of the Assumption Church at 17 High Street in Bloomingburg.

For information about how to advertise in the map journal, call SullivanArc at 845-796-1350 ext. 1050.

The tour stops for lunch in Wurtsboro, where the Board of Trade will be hosting a "Taste of Wurtsboro." Details will follow.

SullivanArc is a not-for-profit agency dedicated to providing support and services to over 800 individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and to their families. Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

SC Sheriff Mike Schiff Announces Expanding Neighborhood Crime Watch

Sheriff Mike Schiff has announced that his office is expanding its neighborhood crime watch. In the wake of the epidemic of burglaries and other crime that has occurred in Sullivan County, Sheriff Mike Schiff has announced that his office is expanding its neighborhood crime watch program. A few weeks ago the Sheriff met with concerned citizens at the Elks Lodge in Monticello and spoke about "partnering with the public" to combat crime. "Many people are interested in participating in a Sheriff's Crime Watch", said Schiff. "Obviously we are not looking for vigilantes. We are looking for people who want to protect their community and if they see something, they should say something", said the Sheriff. Sergeant Luis Alvarez serves as the Sheriff's Watch and Crime Prevention coordinator. Anyone who is interested in participating in the Sheriff's Crime Watch can contact Sergeant Alvarez at 845-794-7100. The public is also reminded about the Sheriff's Confidential TIPS line which can be reached 24 hours a day at 845-807-0158. All calls and information will be kept confidential.

TVCS FBLA (From Pg. 1)

First and second place winners have the opportunity to compete at the national level in Anaheim, CA June 26-July 1. Congratulations on the following results:

1st Place: Chapter Partnership with Business Project-Jessica Gozza and Summer Franson

1st Place: Chapter Community Service Project-Amanda TerBush, Mareena DiMilia and Ashley Exner

1st Place: Outstanding New Member-Amy Hubbert

1st Place: Business Plan-Colleen Jones, Grace Kelly and Keira McHugh

2nd Place: Business Presentation-Brooke Gillette and Schuyler Kraus

2nd Place: Parliamentary Procedure team-Mareena DiMilia, Brooke Gillette, Zachrey Nilsen, Ashley Exner and Mark Garigliano

2nd Place: Public Speaking II-Victoria Tingley

2nd Place: Computer Applications-Emma Pompeii

3rd Place: Word Processing I-Amy Hubbert

3rd Place: Basic Decision Making-Grace Kelly

3rd Place: Chapter of the Year

4th Place: Digital Design & Promotion-Jessica Gozza and Taylor Quick

4th Place: Chapter Business Display

7th Place: Spreadsheet Applications-Justin Swarthout

7th Place: Word Processing II-Emma Pompeii

9th Place: Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure-Kayla Butler

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Trout Lily (a/k/a Dog Tooth Violet; Adder's Tongue)

It's that time of year that I like to head out in the back woods with my camera and look for pretty little things that I will enjoy looking at next winter, that will remind me of how beautifully blessed we are this time of the year. So with my camera ready to go, it wasn't but a few steps into the woods when I saw one of the prettiest little spring flowers that you may spot this time of the year, a Yellow Dog Tooth Violet, (referring to the toothlike shape of the white underground bulb) a/k/a Adder's Tongue, (if you don't like snakes, not an appealing name for such a pretty flower) but most commonly known in this area as a Trout Lily, which is a more suitable name since the flower is not a violet. The name Trout Lily arises because of the appearance of its gray-green leaves mottled with brown, which allegedly resemble the coloring of a brook trout.



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

A pair of brownish-mottled leaves sheath the base of a stalk that bears a solitary, nodding flower, yellow inside, bronzy outside. This colony-forming perennial sends up two, 3-6 inch, elliptic, mottled leaves and a slightly taller stalk that bears the single, nodding, yellow flower. Petals and sepals are bent backwards exposing six brown stamens. Single-leaved, non-flowering plants also occur. They are either too young or too crowded to flower.

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

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

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

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

If you are thinking about including a Trout Lily or two in your garden, a few pointers are that they like dappled sunlight during the spring, soil that is moist or has a moderate amount of water, and a rich loamy soil with abundant leaf mold. Shadier conditions are tolerated later in the year. The foliage withers away during the summer. It takes several years for a new plant to fully develop and bloom. Corms can be transplanted successfully during the fall, while the establishment of new plants from seeds is difficult and slow.

This tiny little lily is only six to ten inches tall, but definitely stands out. When you have a camera in hand and want to take some woody pictures, you can almost hear a Trout Lily call "Come and take my picture!"

Household Hints

Remove candle wax

Candles are great for creating a romantic mood, but the mood can quickly sour if you wind up getting melted candle wax on your fine wood furniture. To remove it, first soften the wax using a blow-dryer on its hottest setting and blot up as much as you can with paper towels. Then remove what's left by rubbing with a cloth soaked in a solution made of equal parts white vinegar and water. Wipe clean with a soft, absorbent cloth.



Extinction - Mysterious Book Report No. 98 by John Dwaine McKenna



Ever heard about something called the Singularity? It's an interesting noun with a couple of different meanings. First, according to my Oxford English Language Dictionary, there's the general definition: *The state or condition of being singular.* Then there's the math & physics usage: *The point at which something becomes infinite.* The third, and for our purposes the most interesting definition, is capitalized. The Singularity: *A point in the future, estimated to be around 2030, beyond which overwhelming technical changes . . . especially the development of superhuman intelligence . . . make reliable predictions impossible.* In other words, that's the point in time when computers will become self-aware, or able to think for themselves. And once that happens, the question becomes: Will artificial intelligence see the human race as friend or foe? That's the gut-wrenching dilemma author Mark Alpert hands us in his outstanding new techno-thriller, **Extinction**, (Thomas Dunne Books, St. Martin's Press, \$25.99, 373 pages, ISBN 978-1-250-02134-2). In it, a clandestine unit of the Chinese secret police have developed a unique and ultimate form of artificial intelligence using licensed American technology implanted in human brains. Unfortunately for the human subjects, they're lobotomized first. Their brains are then networked together using some of the hardware from America, thus creating an ever-larger group of linked minds whose knowledge and intelligence increase exponentially with the addition of each new "module" as the lobotomized humans are now called. When the group is plugged into the Chinese security system and the World Wide Web . . . it becomes self-aware . . . and the first thing it decides to do is eliminate all of the human race.

At the same time, we meet Jim Pierce, a former Army Special Forces soldier and CIA spy. He's an amputee and bio-engineer whose occupation is building artificial arms and legs for wounded soldiers. He's drawn into the conflict when an agent for the network tries to kill him. That's because his estranged daughter, a world-class computer hacker, is a target of Supreme Harmony, the network's name for itself, because she has stolen computer files exposing them. Supreme Harmony incorporates any and all into the network, where their knowledge becomes shared by all . . . giving each module the abilities formerly possessed by that individual. The action is non-stop and it's anyone's guess which side will prevail. This one is downright scary. And it's made all the more so because it's grounded in believable science and technology that's available right now or is in the process of development. Mr. Alpert is being hailed by some as the "heir to Michael Crichton," the one who has his finger on the pulse of whatever is coming next and making it seem as though it's already here. **Extinction** is one helluva thrill ride using cutting edge science. I loved it.

Are you loving your local library yet? They have books, CD's, DVD's, games and eBooks as well as many free services. All are there for your benefit. But you'll have to get off the La-Z-Boy and go. You'll be glad you did . . . because "One good reader is worth a thousand boneheads," as H.L. Mencken said.

Hello and thank-yous to all my new bff's who've liked me of Facebook and Twitter. They'll get the Mysterious Book Report the same day that the newspaper comes out, but at 12:01 am. That way they can read the new review first thing in the morning, or last thing at night if they stay up late. They'll also get first dibs on the BS and Donkey Dust blogs, if and when we write them. You can too, by checking out John Dwaine McKenna on Facebook or Twitter. Our web addresses are: johndwainemckenna.com And rhyolitepress.com

You can see all of the MBRs as well as booklists, best books of the year, bios and news. You can leave comments or ask questions. Give us a shout, we'd love to hear from you. And, you can do all of the above the traditional way at P.O. Box 2406, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Any way is a good way. We'll see you next week with a totally new review. --JDM

Rondout Valley Organics CSA is Eight Years Old and Growing!

Looking for an easy way to get the best local foods while simultaneously supporting agriculture in your Valley? Rondout Valley Organics CSA is the perfect answer.

What is a CSA you ask? It stands for Community Supported Agriculture, a model of small farm production marketing in which consumers invest in their local farms, sharing in both the bounty and the challenges of growing food. Members join a CSA by paying at the start of the season for a "share" in the farm, helping to fund the farmer's startup expenses like seed purchases, marketing, etc. The farmer gets some much-needed cash to get going and members then enjoy a weekly bag of produce throughout the season, whatever is available at any given week. Most CSAs produce vegetables, much of this organic, and many offer additional products from their own or neighboring farms, such as fruits, meats, honey, flowers, etc. Members often enjoy the opportunity to share in the farmwork, volunteering their time to help with harvest, cultivation, order packing, etc. Sometimes there is a discounted membership when members commit to volunteer hours.

Rondout Valley Organics CSA has refined this traditional model into a more member-friendly collaboration. Enrollment cost is still only \$300.00. This includes an annual \$50.00 non-refundable membership fee that represents the consumer's basic commitment and helps to fund the farmer's startup costs. The remaining \$250.00 funds the member's purchasing account for the season.

Working with a number of farms in the Rondout Valley and eastern Sullivan County, RVO offers a large variety of products. Each week, the participating farmers post their available items and members order what they want. Their accounts are charged after each weekly order. Harvests are done on Wednesdays and members begin picking up their bags on Thursday mornings. RVO offers a number of convenient pickup locations all throughout the Rondout Valley as well as in Mountaintale in Sullivan County.

This year's season began in mid-April, with a variety of veggies, meats, cheeses and other goodies. Rusty Plough, a NOFA-NY Certified Organic farm in Ulster Heights, offers greens and scallions overwintered in their new high tunnel. Acorn Hill Farm in Walker Valley creates delicious cheeses at their micro-creamery, using milk from their own organically raised and managed dairy goats. It is a NOFA-NY Farmers' Pledge farm, following organic and sustainable practices in their farming and cheesemaking. Movable Beast Farm in Accord raises pastured beef and offers a variety of cuts, from hearts & livers to filet mignon. Their guiding philosophy is to produce food that is natural, safe, nourishing and delicious, to respect and honor the creatures under their care, and to heal and enrich the land. Pork is available from Majestic Farm in Mountaintale, where all of their animals are sustainably raised outside in woods and pasture, resulting in healthy, happy meat.

Slow Roots Farm in Kingston offers overwintered potatoes, helping to make room in their root cellar for this year's produce. On land that has been farmed for hundreds of years, organically for the last twelve of them, Slow Roots Farm is creating a healthy, sustainable model for living and working on the land. Little Egg Farm in Stone Ridge offers its yummy eggs, from pasture-raised hens fed organic grains from Lightning Tree Farm in Millbrook. Nicci Cagan from Twin Goats, a tireless advocate for healthy food and sustainable agriculture, mixes lovely Celtic Sea Salt blends to complement so many of the local products.

A collaboration between Rusty Plough Farm and Farm & Granary, Rondout Valley Organics began in 2006 with a vision of more flexibility and choice for their members. The following year they were joined by August Farm, also in Ulster Heights. Since then, RVO has continued to collaborate with area growers and producers, expanding its offerings while supporting the growth of small farms in the area. Logistical and technical support comes from www.farmlcity.org, which facilitates easy online ordering and data collection. Memberships are still available for the 2013 season.

Unique field trips highlight SUNY Ulster Sustainable Building Course

The Sustainable Building Advisor program features field trips to a variety of interesting sites. During one recent course some of the sites visited included such diverse sites as the Omega Institute's Center for Sustainable Living, the William's Lake Resort and Spa redevelopment, EMPAC Performing Arts and Media Center at RPI in Troy, a Passive House under construction, a rooftop for an HVAC tour and Taylor Recycling and Biomass.

A free information session is scheduled for Saturday, May 25, at 10:30 AM at the Business Resource Center on Ulster Avenue in Kingston. If you attend the session you are eligible to receive a ten percent tuition discount if you register within five working days.

The Sustainable Building Advisor Program starts the weekend of June 15 and 16. It is offered in nine Saturday/Sunday sessions between June and January 2014. The program is geared toward a wide array of student backgrounds from design and construction professionals architects, project managers, realtors, resource conservation specialists and other building professionals to environmentalists and fund raisers. Many career changers have successfully completed the course as well. There are no specific prerequisites for the program other than the desire to learn about building better, more energy efficient, healthy and cost effective buildings.

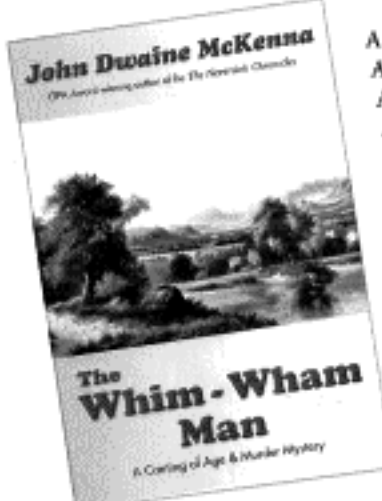
The lead instructor for this course is Janus Welton, AIA, LEED AP BD + C, CSBA, Biomimicry Specialist. Students will also learn from local experts in various aspects of sustainable design and take field trips to regional sustainable sites.

The SBA program is rated as a 400 Level Mastery Course by the US Green Building Council's Education Provider Program. The course is approved for LEED AP credential maintenance credits and fulfills the LEED Green Associate exam eligibility criteria. The American Institute of Architects (AIA) has approved the SBA Program for core

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This training prepares professionals to take the CSBA exam, which provides the nationally recognized Certified Sustainable Building Advisor designation. The Sustainable Building Advisor Institute, (sbainstitute.com), the national provider of the SBA Course, works with SUNY Ulster to offer the course. To register for the information session, call 845-339-2025, or for more information on this or other sustainability courses call 845-687-5012, or email songayla@sunyulster.edu. The online catalog may be seen at www.sunyulster.edu/continuing_education.

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The Olive Jar - Carol LaMonda Yard Sales

A sure sign of spring is really a SIGN, a YARD SALE sign. Spring is when we venture out of our cozy little cubbies dragging our unwanted or unloved excess to the lawn. It is when we decide that that one green wine glass and mismatched bowl might bring in a nickel or two.

There are two very large yard sales coming up in Olive. The Olive Democrats are having a two-day, May 10 and 11, event on Route 28 in front of the Boiceville Inn. Then on Memorial Day weekend, May 24 and 25, the Reservoir Methodist Church has its huge yard and rummage sale in Shokan.

Additionally, there are patches of wares and home-made signs dotting the neighborhoods. I think Yard Sales are a typically American event. Coming back from Spain where apartments outnumber houses, a similar phenomenon is the flea market or outdoor market. Seems like everyone needs to get rid of stuff.

Actually, yard sale goods are a way of recycling, re-using, and refreshing our belongings. I am sure that I buy more than I sell at yard sales. Some of my treasures are cast-offs of some neighbor. Most purchases become next year's yard sale wares.

Besides, it gets us out of the house and into the outdoors. Now that the weather has changed for the better, the Reservoir Walkway is a parade of walkers, bikers, roller bladers, and strollers. Aren't we lucky to be able to walk, carefully avoiding the Canada Goose poop, and look out at the amazing vista of water and reflecting mountains?



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

711 Route 28, Kingston, NY 12401 Due to technical problems, Fred will not have his column ready in time this week, but you will be able to catch it by Wednesday at his website: reservoirmusiccenter.com

Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story

An opening reception for the new exhibition Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, featuring keynote speaker Robert F. Kennedy Jr., will take place on Wednesday, May 22, 4 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum, 332 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY.

Other speakers include Alan Rosa, Catskill Watershed Corporation and Carter H. Strickland, Jr.,

Commissioner, NYC Department of Environmental Protection. The reception will also include participation from the Tri-Valley School District and local area youth groups.

This new interactive exhibition spans the very beginnings of New York City history through the Clean Water Act and beyond. It tells the story of NYC's Water Supply System, with a special concentration on the Rondout and Neversink reservoirs and "The Takings" - the emotional story of local residents who were forced to sell their land to New York City for the building of the water system. Family members who lived in the communities where the reservoirs now stand are expected to attend the reception.

Besides focusing on the different systems and how they work together, also included is "Would You Drink This Water?" illustrating the type of contaminants in early NYC water, "How Would You Feel?" delving into the lands taken and how local lives changed, and "Those Who Did the Dirty Work" about the men who built the tunnels and reservoirs.

Through photographs, artifacts, video, audio, interactive computer programs and hands on activities, visitors will be immersed in the fascinating story of the water system's development. They will "Spin the Wheel" of dirty water, listen to lost town residents talk about being forced to move from their homes, touch rocks dug from hundreds of feet below the earth, play a "Beat the Clock" game and complete an aqueduct puzzle. They will even build their own dam (including sinking and covering caissons) and dig a real tunnel!

Designed to entertain and enlighten visitors of all ages and abilities, the exhibition is perfect for school classes, youth organizations and adult groups seeking to learn more about the water system and its impact on the local area. For more information or to book a group tour, please call the Museum at 845 985-7700 or email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org.



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Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), starting on May 23rd, the Museum will be open Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. through Labor Day, and September and October weekends from noon to 4 p.m. Suggested donation for adults is \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. With THREE FLOORS of exhibitions, the Museum also has a Local History Resource Center (open Thursday and Sundays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and Museum Shop with local history and environmental publications, hand-crafted artwork and gifts by local craftspeople, old fashioned toys and other unique items. For more information call 845 985-7700 or go to our website: timeandthevalleymuseum.org.

Other exhibition currently available:
 • The Impact of Water on the Life and Growth of the Valleys
 • The Family Farm: 1930 - 1950

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

Pine Hill Community Center Events

Kid Stuff, our free program for kids ages 6-12 (and their parents, too), is full of exciting activities in May. We'll be celebrating Spring in a variety of ways. All programs are Saturday mornings from 10:30 am - noon.

On May 11, naturalist Betty Boomer will bring bring and take back a selection of wonderful wild pond bugs and perhaps one or two other beasties as well as we learn about pond life. Betty travels all around the area bringing nature programs to kids of all ages. We are very lucky to have her with us today.

On May 18, singer songwriter Elly Winger returns with Elly Winger Ticket to Ride! Hop on the music and explore the world! Through listening games, movement, music, and hands-on crafts we'll find out how much we are the same, and the very cool ways in which we are different. We'll make our own instruments from every day materials, and use them to play a song or two as well.

May 25th brings us Andes poet Sharon Ruetnik with whom we'll take a poetic look at spring and come up with some cool poems to celebrate.

June comes along with more fun programming and in July and August we're all looking forward to a very special series of Circus Arts Magic workshops with Hana Roth Seavey five weeks of magic, juggling, stilt-walking, unicycling, and circus skits

IS THERE A LACK OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL AND TAX PAYERS?

On Thursday, May 2, 2013, I and I assume most local taxpayers, received a letter from Tri-Valley Central School District that they want about \$5,742,000.00 for a Capital Improvements Project on the ballot along with and in addition to the proposed school budget.

Seeing this for the first time (except for an announcement at the monthly fireman's meeting), it seems to be an awful lot of money.

According to the school's brochure, the capital project includes a redesign of the bus loop, student drop off area, reconstruction and expansion of the main parking lot, and track and field event reconstruction. It is also for Exterior Building replacing and HVAC System replacement.

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fun. Sessions begin with magic tricks, continue with skills' practice, and end with a team of circus clown gags. Materials, equipment, and helpers will be provided. Session five invites families 'n' friends to admire and laugh during a demonstration by CAM's youthful participants: magicians, jugglers, stilt-walkers, unicyclists, and clown performers. Teaching Artist: Hana Roth Seavey (Hanabelle the Classic Clown), Graduate, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Clown College, Fulbright Scholar (Mime, Paris), originator, four clown and magic family shows performed in many East Coast venues. Programs will take place on July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 23.

Kid Stuff is made possible with grants from Kids in the Kaatskills and the A.Lindsay and Olive B. O'Connor Foundation, with support from WIOX Community Radio, 91.3 FM and streaming on wioxradio.org. The Pine Hill Community Center is located at 287 Main Street, Pine Hill, NY 12465; 845.254.5469; or www.pinehillcommunitycenter.org

Levon Helm Memorial Boulevard

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) announced that legislation to designate New York State Route 375 as "Levon Helm Memorial Boulevard" passed the Assembly unanimously. The road will span from the intersection of New York State Route 28 in West Hurley to the intersection of New York State Route 212 in Woodstock.

"Levon Helm was a true inspiration to not only millions of fans but our community," Cahill said. "His Rambles became a mainstay in the town of Woodstock bringing back old soulful music worth listening to in a welcoming venue he created."

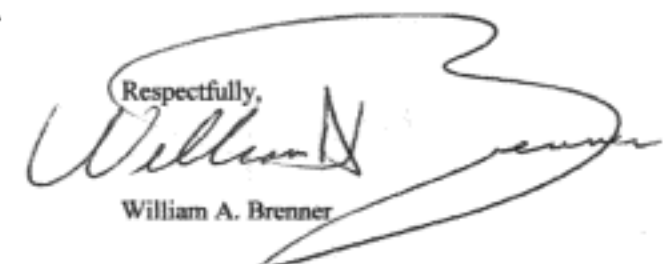
Levon Helm Studios, opened in 1975, brought legendary musicians to our area including Muddy Waters, Bob Dylan, Emmylou Harris, Elvis Costello, Phil Lesh, Kris Kristofferson, The Black Crowes, and many others. With his Midnight Rambles he was able to return the music culture of Woodstock to the levels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

"In a world that often compromised integrity Levon Helm cultivated the tradition of professionalism with a deep respect for his craft and remained refreshingly genuine throughout his life," said Cahill. "Many of those around Levon have dedicated their lives to keep his memory and his great spirit alive. I am honored to be able to help keep a piece of him in town forever."

Improvements Project first presented - and to whom was it presented?

I can assume that this project was announced at a Board of Education meeting to parents and teachers. But what about taxpayers who do not attend school board meetings, senior citizens and snowbirds who just returned from Florida?

In these difficult economic times, I think the rest of us should have had a greater opportunity to discuss the necessity of such additional major expenditure and the amount to be bonded - before it appears on the ballot.

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

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URGENT Reports Arrest of Kerhonkson Man

Members of the ULSTER REGIONAL GANG ENFORCEMENT NARCOTICS TEAM (URGENT) report the arrest of a Kerhonkson man subsequent to a diverted pharmaceuticals trafficking investigation. URGENT received intelligence in regard to Roy Miller distributing Oxycodone, Hydrocodone and Morphine in southwest Ulster County. URGENT initiated an investigation during which Miller sold large quantities of diverted pharmaceuticals. Miller was taken into custody by URGENT at Route 213 and Lucas Avenue Extension in High Falls Tuesday afternoon as he was conducting a Morphine transaction. Miller was arrested, transported to the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center and charged with the following:

Roy E. Miller, 40, 129 Schwabbie Turnpike, Kerhonkson

1. 1 count of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 2nd degree, a class A-II felony
2. 2 counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3rd degree, a class B felony
3. 3 counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd degree, a class B felony
4. 2 counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 4th degree, a class C felony
5. 3 counts of Criminal Diversion of Prescription Medications and Prescriptions 4th degree

Miller was arraigned in Town of Esopus Justice Court and remanded to the Ulster County Jail without bail.

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The Catskill Art Society welcomes additional contributions of original art from artists and collectors in the community. Proceeds from the Silent Auction will benefit the CAS Arts Center in its proposed renovation and expansion into a second floor performance and meeting space. All artwork should be delivered to CAS at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor by Sunday, May 5. For more information, please contact Bradley Diuguid, Executive Director at bradley@catskillartsociety.org.

May 11, 2013 4-6pm - Opening Reception

The Catskill Art Society will be hosting a free opening reception for its new exhibition, SHHH! CAS Silent Auction Benefit. All are welcome and light refreshments will be served.

May 26, 2013 4-7pm - Closing Event: Tri-State Beer Tasting Showcase

The Catskill Art Society will be hosting the Tri-State Beer Tasting Showcase, a special closing event for its new exhibition, SHHH! CAS Silent Auction Benefit. Tickets include hors d'oeuvres and beverages for visitors age 21 and over. Proceeds benefit the CAS Arts Center.

Birds on a Wire

A Texas family's fight to stave off foreclosure during the Dust Bowl has shocking resonance with the national movement to save our communities from the threat of fracking. The Dust Bowl was the greatest ecological disaster of the 20th century and two thirds of the inhabitants stayed on their farms. *Birds on a Wire* follows the untold journey of a Jewish family as they experience the local bank's lies, infidelity as brothers fight for the same woman, and finally their acceptance of each other.

The Rositzky family worked hard, followed all the rules and because of their misguided treatment of the land helped create the Dust Bowl. The Rositzky farm comes to life in the historic Byrdcliffe Theatre for only four performances June 6th - 9th before it starts its run at the Sanctuary Arts Initiative 410 W. 40th St. New York, NY.

VOICETheatre is partnering with New Yorkers Against Fracking and Catskill Mountainkeeper to raise awareness and funds for the fight against fracking on a local level. A benefit performance and reception for Catskill Mountainkeeper will take place at the June 6th production, including wine, hors d'oeuvres, and a presentation conducted by Kathleen Nolan, High Peaks Regional Director, Catskill Mountainkeeper.

By examining past ecological transgressions and the emotional and economic effects on the Rositzky family, *Birds on a Wire* raises awareness of the ramifications of what happens to families, communities and countries when we harm the earth.

VOICETheatre has toured four continents with ground-breaking productions bringing political activism and disparate groups together in such performances as *PUSHING THROUGH*, the first play that brought Palestinians and Israelis on the same stage in 1988, LA MAMA, US National tour, UK and Scotland.

For *Birds on a Wire*, Broadway veteran Dean Nolen, original Broadway cast MAMMA MIA! joins Innovative Theatre Award Nominee for Featured Role, Jessica Crandall, along with actors Jordan Feltner, John Gazzale, Megan Bones and Michael Mills.

Producing Company, VOICETheatre, www.voicetheatre.org. *Birds on a Wire*, written & directed by Shauna Kanter. Byrdcliffe Theatre, is located at 380 Upper Byrdcliffe Road, Woodstock, NY. The dates of the performances are June 6th - 9th; Thursday-Saturday 8:00pm, Sunday 2:00pm

For Tickets/Reservations: 845-679-0154; \$22 tickets The June 6th performance will be for the benefit of Catskill Mountainkeeper; tickets for this performance are \$35.

SUNY Ulster Math Team Places High in Community College State Math Test

With the college's largest participation of 40 students, SUNY Ulster's Math Team placed fourth



in the New York State Mathematics Association of Two Year Colleges (NYSMATYC) statewide test.

The college finished in the top 90th percentile of the 33 two-year colleges in the 2012-2013 state competition. Highest scorers were: first, Gregory Hedlund; second, Patrick Buchalski and Alexi Samolsky; third, John Campbell and Amy Rogers; fourth, Andrew Hunt and Matthew Mancsco; fifth, John Dolan and Matt Price; sixth place, Peter Vello, Courtney Sheeley, Travis Jeffrey, David Weddle and Tabetha Kennedy.

"In a competition like this it's not about winning or what place you rank but about students taking time from their busy schedules for academic pursuit outside of the classroom to learn about, think about and have fun with mathematics," said SUNY Ulster Math Professor Jules Albertini. "We had more students that ever participate and this is a testament to the support of our department and beyond from the Ulster Community College Foundation Office, administration, the entire faculty and staff across campus."

SUNY Ulster team members taking the exam were: Nicholas Brown, Samantha Bruck, Patrick Buchalski, Ethan Burwell, Amanda Cabanillas, Jose Cabrera, John Campbell, Vincent Carcaramo, Alexander Carey, Stevana Coliukos, Colleen Conway, Craig Diaz, John Dolan, Samantha Gilman, Gregory Hedlund, Erick Herrera, Andrew Hunt, Travis Jeffrey, Lea Kelly, Sheman Kenly, Tabetha Kennedy, Jesse

Keplinger, Fayem Khan, Joe Krein, Bryon Kreml, Sonja Leemets, Michelle Linne-man, James Ma-hany, Matthew Mancsco, Anthony Mazzurco, Dan-ielle Moruzzi, Muriel O'Toole-Pacheco, Justin Paul, Kieran Pierce, Matt Price, Paul Pritchard, Amy Rogers, Kyle Rooney, David Rothe, Stefan Ryan, Joel Saint-Furman, Alexi Samolsky, Madison Schirripa, Courtney Sheeley, Erik Teneyenhuis, Peter Vello, David Weddle and Jessyca Wolcott.

A Pairing of Art and Healing

The Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation will be hosting an event to highlight the value of art in healing.

Featuring Ellenville sculptor Matt Pozorski and acclaimed harp musician Victoria Drake, the event will take place on Saturday, June 1, 2013 from 4:00 to 7:00pm at the home of Robert Osgood in Napanoch, NY.

Matt Pozorski, who has created a unique Giving Tree installed in the lobby of Ellenville Regional Hospital, is also known for his Boy with a Boot sculpture in Liberty Square, Ellenville. Since 2004, he has been carving, from wood, large human forms, resembling an individual in need - usually a cancer patient. The carvings also provoke a protective or healing person now combined with the patient.

Harpist Victoria Drake is an active Freelancer in the New York area, performing with such prestigious music organizations as the American Symphony Orchestra, the New York City Ballet, and the Bard Music Festival. She has four solo recordings and numerous recording with other orchestras. Her resume includes both Broadway and movie credits.

Tickets are priced at \$100, which includes hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and soda, with the proceeds benefiting the Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation.

For information, please contact Debbie Briggs at 845 210-3043 or at dbriggs@ellenvilleregional.org.

CAS Seeks Art and Art Enthusiasts for SHHH! Silent Auction Benefit

The Catskill Art Society proudly presents SHHH! CAS Silent Auction Benefit, an exhibition of work by local artists to benefit the CAS Arts Center, 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor. This exhibition will feature works by local artists that visitors can bid on, win, and take home the day the exhibition closes. Participating artists and donors at press time, who generously contributed their work, include: Andrea Brown, Suzanne BeVier, Ilene Ferber, Gordon Gilbert, Ramona Jan, Bruce Janklow, Kath Lambert, Carol Grocki Lewis, Valerie Mansi, Judith Meyerowitz, Nick Roes, Ginger Smith, Val Taggart, Naomi Teppich, Ted Waddell, Rosanne Wellmaker, and Nancy Wells.

Gallery hours for this exhibition are Thursday - Saturday from

Church Celebrates Volunteers

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Narrowsburg, NY, kicked off National Volunteers Week on Saturday, April 20th with a worship service followed by a homemade lasagna dinner. Over 40 volunteers including fire-fighters and emergency medical technicians and those who work in community organizations such as food pantry, thrift shop, chamber of commerce, arts alliance, public radio, non-profit entities and local churches came together to be feted by St. Paul's while telling each other what role each played in the community. St. Paul's has been a Narrowsburg fixture since 1869, with weekend services on Saturday at 4:30pm and Sunday at 9:30am (Sunday School at 9am). For more information, call 845-252-3919 or through email: stpaulsnarrowsburg@gmail.com



Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk in Memory of Donald TerBush (From Pg. 1)

Just wanted to thank each and every one of you who pledged the 2013 Tri-Valley Journey For Sight Walk held on May 4, 2013. The weather was gorgeous for the 2.5 mile walk around the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, and the event went off very smoothly.



Thirty-five walkers each walked 2.5 miles around the Grahamsville Fairgrounds at this year's Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk in Memory of Donald TerBush

brought out 35 walkers, and between The Journey For Sight pledges and Tag Day bucket donations, we brought in over \$5000 for our charity account. This means that The Tri-Valley Lions will be able to donate even more this year to the organizations we support, like Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, local church food pantries, local families suffering catastrophic events, eye tests and glasses for children that cannot afford



Members of Donald TerBush's family were present at Saturday's Journey for Sight Walk.

such due to lack of health insurance, and a whole host of other worthy causes that are within The Tri-Valley Lions mission. Donald TerBush, who we lost on July 16, 2012, and who was the first President and founder of The Tri-Valley Lions, and eight time President, and for whom this year's walk was dedicated to, would be proud. Thanks to the Walkers, Volunteers, those that pledged for the Walk, those that stopped at the Tag Day stops and dropped donations into our buckets, to Meigan Dean of Cannie D's for once again supplying us with food & drink for our annual event, and to the many non-member Lions who walked with us and made great contributions to this year's Walk.

Wishing you all a happy and safe summer, and may life be as good to you as you have been to our Lion's group all these years!

Thanks again for your generous support.
Sincerely
Esta Jacob, Director, Tri-Valley Lions
And the entire Tri-Valley Lions Club

Two Native Sons Return to Cragmoor to Mount Gala Fundraiser for CHS

David Howell and Jay Kerr, childhood buddies who shared many adventures growing up together on the mountain, are pooling their diverse talents with those of Jay's wife, Lynne, to create a unique performance that will raise money to complete the restoration of the Cragmoor Historical Society building.

WINE, WOMAN, AND SONG will be presented at the Society on Saturday, May 18. This gala of wine with song and song with wine originated in the Cabaret at Fort Salem Theater, in Salem, NY, and played to full houses in Salem and in Walpole, N.H. Doors open at 4:30 and the performance begins at 5:00. In this pairing of fine wines with fine music, sommelier of sorts David is joined by Jay and Lynn Kerr, who blend their acclaimed cabaret performance with the wines he presents. Nonalcoholic beverages will also be served.

David and Jay's parents were long-term friends in Cragmoor. While David was a year-round resident, Jay and his family came on weekends and summer vacations. Together they were part of the collection of young folks who roamed the mountain-top with family picnics on the cliffs around Lake Maratanza, swimming activities at the public pool, various events at the Cragmoor Inn, numerous activities associated with the Barnstormer's Theater, nature walks to Diana's Bath and other activities which may not be fit to print. David and Jay's friendship was cemented after each had graduated from college when, together in one furious weekend, they cleaned chimneys to earn money for David's wedding, in which Jay was part of the wedding

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party. In fact, they claim that anything they accomplished as adults occurred in spite of their youthful collaborations. It is their historical affection for the grape, first identified in Cragmoor, that brings their association full circle in this upcoming musical tribute to their favorite libations.

David went on to pursue a career in science with an undergraduate degree from Colgate University and advanced degrees from the University of California. Dr. Howell is a retired geologist with the United States Geological Survey and professor of Earth Sciences at Stanford University. His research at the USGS involved studies on the growth and shaping of continents, the worldwide distribution of oil and gas, the impact of crowding on the Pacific Rim and the role of art in communicating science. In addition to Stanford, he has taught at the University of Paris, Nanjing University and the University of Otago in New Zealand.

Howell is also the co-author, with his longtime colleague Jonathan Swinchatt, of The Winemaker's Dance, Exploring Terroir in the Napa Valley, published by UCB Press. In reviewing the book, Rod Smith, a columnist for Wine and Spirits magazine, wrote: "Engaging, lucid, substantive, with colorful characters, brand new theories, and the momentum of a detective story ... hard to put down ... a fascinating trip to the heart of Napa Valley terroir." Howell's popular wine course at Stanford regularly enjoyed full enrollment.

Jay, on the other hand, directed his talents to music and the theater and brings a long and diverse professional career to the performance. He has served on the staff or adjunct faculty of the Writers Workshop, Princeton University Triangle Club; California State University, Northridge; HB Studio, New York; West Side YMCA Theater Arts Program, NYC, and Estelle Harman Actors Workshop, Hollywood. He has also served as a consultant/coach to such luminaries as Phil Silvers (in A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum) and Richard Dreyfus, as well as an accompanist, coach or instructor to Ina Balin, Dorothy Collins, Sandy Dennis and Joanne Woodward, among many others. His extensive credits as a composer/lyricist include works that have been performed in theaters from Hollywood to New York City. Kerr is currently owner/director of the Fort Salem Theater in Salem, NY, which showcases Broadway, television, film and international cabaret performers.

Lynne Kerr's voice has been compared to a mellow Merlot (favorably). Her cabaret shows, Songs My Husband Wrote and More Songs My Husband Wrote, have been sold-out performances in Manhattan and New England. This program will include songs such as "The Days of Wine and Roses," "You Go to My Head," and "The Best Is Yet to Come."

This wine-tasting musical gala will be held in the Cragmoor Historical Society 349 Cragmoor Road, Cragmoor, NY 12420. Seating is limited and reservations are encouraged. Proceeds from this event, with tickets at \$40 per person and \$75 per couple, will contribute to the final stages of restoring the building to its 1908 architectural style.

The historic Cragmoor art colony is located on top of the Shawangunk Ridge off Route 52 between Pine Bush and Ellenville. It is surrounded by thousands of acres of protected land with hiking trails, waterfalls, lakes and expansive views. A day's outing, culminating with this wine and music event, could be an ideal way to welcome springtime on the mountain.

Information and reservations at mradl@cragmoorhistory.com and 845-419-1811 or 845-647-6384.

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SUNY Ulster Dedicates Math Tutoring Center in Honor of Gary and Janaki Patrik

SUNY Ulster has dedicated its math tutoring center in honor of Gary and Janaki Patrik, in recognition of their outstanding generosity to the Ulster Community College Foundation, Inc. in support of scholarships and program enhancements for the Department of Mathematics.

Located in the Algonquin Building on the Stone Ridge Campus, the Gary and Janaki Patrik Math Center offers a special learning opportunity provided by SUNY Ulster professors and tutors. It is a room alive with activity as students seek to improve their math skills.

The Gary and Janaki Patrik Math Center was dedicated at ceremonies on April 25 with remarks by SUNY Ulster President Donald C. Katt; Richard Anthony, chair of the Ulster Community College Foundation, Inc.; and Marianne Collins, executive director of the Ulster Community College Foundation, Inc.

Gary Patrik retired as the Chief Actuary of Swiss Reinsurance of America and is a life-long trumpet player currently participating in SUNY Ulster's Community Band, Jazz Ensemble and Wind Ensemble. While Janaki Patrik earned her degrees in multiple languages, she later pursued a path in the arts, mainly in the North Indian classical dance form known as Kathak. She is also an accomplished flutist and continues to perform internationally.

Despite their education at nationally prestigious universities, the Patriks of Kingston are believers in the power of public higher education and community colleges in particular, as they provide access and opportunities to a broad spectrum of students. The Patriks also are generous supporters of SUNY Ulster's music students and music program, and benefactors to SUNY New Paltz.

Schneiderman: Nomination A Good First Step, But Struggling Homeowners Cannot Afford To Wait For The Senate-President Should Appoint New Acting Director In Interim

Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today applauded President Obama for nominating Mel Watt as the permanent head of Federal Housing and Finance Agency (FHFA), the agency that oversees Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, but called on him to take immediate action to replace acting FHFA Director Edward DeMarco with a new acting director who will allow principal relief for struggling homeowners.

"I applaud the President for finally moving to nominate a permanent head of the Federal Housing Finance Agency," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "As I have consistently said, the FHFA's refusal to allow principal write-downs that would result in more loan modifications is a direct impediment to our economic recovery and stands in way of our efforts to provide much needed assistance to homeowners in New York and across the country. This nomination is a good first step, but struggling homeowners cannot afford to wait for the Senate to complete the confirmation process. The President should use his legal authority to replace Edward DeMarco with a new acting director who will start the effort to put FHFA on the side of working families immediately."

Every day that passes, thousands of American homeowners are at greater risk of entering foreclosures because Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have refused to allow principal write-downs for underwater mortgages under DeMarco's leadership. According to the Mortgage Bankers Association, every three months, 250,000 new families enter into foreclosure. Roughly 60 percent of all mortgages in the United States are owned by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

Last month, Attorney General Schneiderman led a multi-state coalition of state Attorneys General who wrote the President and Congressional leaders urging swift action to replace DeMarco with a new FHFA director.

Principal write-downs are a central component of the national settlement, and continue to bring meaningful relief to distressed borrowers, spurring our nation's economic recovery. Principal reduction is a form of loan forgiveness that would help "underwater" borrowers whose mortgages are worth more than their homes.

The FHFA's continued position that principal forgiveness conflicts with its goal of asset preservation is "not supported by reality," the attorneys general assert in the letter. The agency's current policy actually reduces the value of its holdings portfolio. It is far more profitable for any financial institution to hold a portfolio of performing \$200,000 mortgages that lets families keep their homes than a portfolio of non-performing \$250,000 mortgages headed toward default.

Last year, Attorney General Schneiderman led the

negotiation of a National Mortgage Settlement under which the five largest mortgage servicers have agreed to a \$25 billion penalty under a joint state-national settlement structure. A minimum of \$17 billion goes directly to borrowers nationally through a series of homeowner relief efforts, including principal reduction. Servicers have also committed \$3 billion to an underwater mortgage refinancing program for homeowners whose mortgages are worth more than the value of their homes.

To date, 21,535 New York homeowners have received \$1.8 billion in assistance, including \$1.2 billion in principal reductions on 1st and 2nd mortgages and mortgage refinances that lower interest rates on their loans.

The National Mortgage Settlement is the largest joint state-federal settlement in history and it is the result of a massive civil law enforcement investigation and initiative by state attorneys general, state banking regulators, and nearly a dozen federal agencies. The agreement was with the nation's five largest servicers: Bank of America Corporation, JPMorgan Chase & Co., Wells Fargo & Company, Citigroup, Inc., and Ally Financial, Inc. (formerly GMAC). Collectively, the five banks service nearly 60 percent of the nation's mortgages.

Using a portion of New York's share of the National Mortgage Settlement, in June 2012, Attorney General Schneiderman announced the launch of the Homeowner Protection Program, his office's commitment of \$60 million over three years to fund housing counseling and legal services for struggling New York homeowners. Throughout this program, 35 legal services organizations and 59 housing counseling agencies statewide will receive funding to provide free foreclosure prevention services. By supporting the work of direct service providers who specialize in delivery of assistance to at-risk homeowners affected by foreclosures, this effort will minimize homeowner displacement and foster the stabilization of neighborhoods across the state for the benefit of the public and the State as a whole.

UC Executive Hein Proclaims May Older Americans Month in Ulster County

In honor of Ulster County's many incredible seniors, County Executive Mike Hein is proclaiming May Older Americans Month. Like the rest of our country, Ulster County will be celebrating older Americans in many ways this month.

According to County Executive Hein, "While the Ulster County Office for the Aging provides services, support, and resources to older adults year round, Older Americans Month is a great opportunity to show appreciation and support to our seniors as they continue to enrich and strengthen our lives. It is also the perfect time to invite seniors we know in our families and in our community to share their wisdom and experiences with us. The shared histories, diverse experiences, and wealth of knowledge of our older residents are a tremendous asset and this is a great time of year to focus on it."

Each year the County Executive and the Ulster County Office for the Aging invite the public to nominate Ulster County Seniors of the Year. This year, Mr. Edwin M. Ford from Kingston and Mrs. Marion Dumond from Ellenville are receiving this special award. They will be honored on May 7 by the New York State Office for the Aging in Albany and on May 15 by Ulster County Executive Michael P. Hein at the Senior Forum.

During the month of May, the Ulster County Office for the Aging, located at the Business Resource Center on Ulster Avenue in Kingston, is hosting a "Month-Long Coffee Hour" offering complimentary cups of decaf coffee to all seniors who stop by the Office.

The County Executive and the Office for the Aging are also honoring seniors this month by inviting 1st through 5th grade students of the Kingston Consolidated School district to participate in a contest celebrating seniors of Ulster County as seen through a child's eye. 1st and 2nd graders are drawing pictures of "Who is a Senior Citizen" and 3rd, 4th and 5th graders are writing a story describing "Who is a Senior Citizen." Entries are to be submitted to the Ulster County Office for the Aging at 1003 Development Court, Kingston 12401 by May 20, 2013. Stories will be published in the Senior Gazette and all submissions will be showcased in Ulster County in June.

Older Americans Month was established in April of 1963 by President John F. Kennedy. At that time, only 17 million living Americans had reached their 65th birthdays and about a third lived in poverty. Today there are many resources available to older Americans. To help support Ulster County's senior citizens, contact the Ulster County Office for the Aging at 340-3456 to learn about volunteer opportunities with programs that help seniors to improve health literacy, increase access

to quality health services, deliver food and nutrition services, provide financial counseling, sponsor social and civic activities, and more.

Entergy Shareholders To Take Up DiNapoli Proposal On Nuclear Power Safety- State Comptroller Pushes Owner of Indian Point to Move Toward Safer Storage of Nuclear Waste

New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli today will raise concerns with the storage of nuclear fuel at Entergy Inc.'s annual shareholder meeting in Little Rock, Ark. DiNapoli's shareholder proposal calls for the company to implement a policy to minimize the amount of nuclear waste it stores in spent fuel pools and transfer that waste into dry cask storage.

"Accidents or sabotage of nuclear waste could have devastating effects on human health and our environment. Entergy should mitigate its risks and move toward safer storage of its spent nuclear fuel," DiNapoli said. "The disaster at Fukushima laid bare the risks associated with nuclear power. Management should support any effort that seeks to lower risk and protect shareholder value."

Dry-cask storage is a process that allows spent nuclear fuel that has already been cooled in a spent fuel pool for a period of time to be surrounded by inert gas in a steel container known as a cask. These cylinders provide several potential safety and security advantages over pool storage, according to a report by the National Academy of Sciences. Additionally, the Union of Concerned Scientists recommends the transfer of spent nuclear fuel from storage pools into dry casks once it has cooled.

DiNapoli's resolution states:

THEREFORE, be it resolved that shareholders request that Entergy's Board of Directors adopt and implement a policy to better manage the dangers that might arise from an accident or sabotage by minimizing the storage of waste in spent fuel pools and transferring such waste at the earliest safe time into dry cask storage, and report to shareholders on progress quarterly, at reasonable expense and excluding proprietary or confidential information.

A report compiled by the Sustainable Investments Institute cites several factors for why companies have not adequately dealt with long-term storage solutions for spent fuel, including uncertainty about a national storage solution and a desire to minimize short-term costs.

DiNapoli's proposal, according to the report, "...leaves Entergy the flexibility to report back to shareholders on alternative solutions for long-term storage with a rationale on the merits of cost and safety, and it doesn't pigeonhole Entergy into any one solution or timeline, even though it suggests early transfer to dry cask facilities as the optimal solution."

Entergy operates the Indian Point Energy Center in Buchanan, N.Y. as well as the James A. Fitzpatrick Nuclear Power Plant near Oswego, N.Y.

As of April 26, 2013 the Fund owned 708,928 shares of Entergy valued at approximately \$49 million.

Strong Charter=Strong Government Changes Foster Transparency & Accountability

KINGSTON, NY (May 1, 2013)...Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach released the 2013-1st Quarter Review highlighting the challenges facing the County's financial oversight and the impact of Charter changes on county government during the first ninety days of the year.

Included in the nine page report is a feature of the effectiveness of the \$58 million in claims auditing performed by the Comptroller's Office during the first three months of 2013 as well as the limitations of reconciling the over \$109 million bank balance as a result of departmental incompleteness and delays.

The Comptroller's Office, a strong proponent of the separation of duties, commended the Charter Commission and the Legislature for recognizing the importance of dividing the accounting and auditing functions as an effort not only to intensify the internal controls, but to be consistent with professional standards. The Review also lauded the adoption of the Comptroller's recommendation of an Audit Committee, which has been established to objectively select and collaborate with an independent, external auditing firm and provide further transparency and accountability pertaining to financial matters.

The Review can be found at www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller

A Message from Congressman Chris Gibson

Dear Friend,

Last week, we have undertaken two important district initiatives I wanted to update you on. First, on Monday in Ghent, I joined with the National Young Farmers Coalition to announce the introduction of the bipartisan Beginning Farmer and Rancher Opportunity Act of 2013.

As you know, supporting our farmers is a focus of mine, particularly given my seat on the House Agriculture Committee. As we advance toward a five-year Farm Bill this year, I am working to make certain that priorities important to New York farmers - like assistance for our dairy farmers, specialty crops support, and conservation programs that are effective - are included. Our focus Monday at the Hawthorne Valley Farm was to encourage a new generation of farmers to take up the profession. The average age of a New York farmer is 57, and it is imperative we make it easier for others to enter agriculture, for instance through land access and microloan programs. This ensures we keep the essence of our rural communities strong and a stable and secure supply of American food.

It was great to be at Hawthorne Valley with local farmers who have taken advantage of some of these entry programs, and I'm hopeful through the Farm Bill process we can strengthen and improve them for the future. You can view news stories to learn more information here: <http://capitalregion.ynn.com/content/658835/beginner-farmers-and-rancher-opportunity-act-comes-to-farms/> and http://www.registerstar.com/news/article_534eb542-abcc-11e2-89d2-0019bb2963f4.html.

Second, I unveiled my Watershed Advisory Group (WAG) that will work on issues related to the New York City Watershed. For the first time since the formation of the NYC Watershed, the entire Upstate (West of the Hudson River) portion is encompassed in one Congressional District. The WAG will bring together interested parties - residents, state and local officials, farmers, small business owners and others - to gather feedback and identify solutions.

As so many of you know, our area is deeply affected by the management of the NYC watershed. This is an issue I hear throughout my travels around the 19th District, especially after the devastating impact recent flooding has had combined with a feeling of stymied economic opportunity. I believe it is imperative that we find improved ways to work together to ensure both the conveyance of clean water to New York City and the ability of local communities to thrive and flourish. I am hopeful the WAG will be the start of a productive conversation.

If you are interested in participating or sharing your feedback on watershed issues, I encourage you to visit my website (<http://gibson.house.gov/watershed>) and submit an interest form via email or mail.

U.S. Rep. Chris Gibson, R,C,I- Kinderhook
19th Congressional District

Counties Renew Their "Mayday for Mandate Relief" Call for Assistance

"Mayday!" is an international call for help.

Counties across the state are declaring a "Mayday" for Mandate Relief. We are doing this to call attention to the much-needed help county governments need to continue to provide local services in their communities.

During the month of May, county leaders and taxpayers will call on the State to introduce and pass legislation preventing the state from enacting future unfunded mandates.

"Our counties are cutting local services because we have to pay the state's bills first. We need more of our local taxes to stay in our communities for local services. These are important community-based programs like Meals On wheels for seniors, public health programs and road maintenance projects," said NYSAC President Edward A. Diana, Orange County Executive. "The present system is just unsustainable. The cost of fixed programs like health insurance and pensions and the projected increases in other state-mandated programs make it nearly impossible to provide essential and important local services. We must continue to reform government programs coming from Albany and maximize local government efficiencies."

"Governments at all level need to change their behavior. The resources are just not available to do things the way they have always been done. The new economy presents challenges but also new opportunities to redesign government programs. We cannot avoid addressing the structural programs which consume the vast majority of our tax dollars. The long-term consequence will devastate the ability of governments to help our citizens," said Stephen J. Acquario, NYSAC's executive director.

New York State's local governments cannot afford

any more unfunded state mandates.

"For decades, county officials have been calling for mandate relief. What we got was a property tax cap and a promise of mandate relief. Unfortunately, a promise is not the same thing as action," said Warren County Supervisor Mark Westcott, one of the organizers of the "Mayday for Mandate Relief" campaign. "What we are saying with this 'Mayday' campaign is that we need more relief. The state needs to remove these programs or give us more flexibility to lower local costs."

Counties are also calling on State Lawmakers to enact a "No New Unfunded Mandates" law. (For a copy of the resolution being considered in many counties, visit www.nysac.org.)

Cahill to Hold Office Hours at the Phoenicia Library

(Kingston, NY) - Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) would like to inform area residents that Tuesday, April 30 from 2:00 pm to 4:00pm there will be an Assembly district representative from his office holding constituent hours at the Phoenicia Library. This gives people who are unable to visit the District Office in Kingston an opportunity to drop in closer to home and ask questions, get general information, and find more resources in the area.

"This is the perfect opportunity for citizens to meet one-on-one with knowledgeable staff about a wide variety of issues and to receive personal assistance on individual matters or concerns," said Cahill. "I urge everyone to take advantage of this visit and stop by to meet our great staff."

The Phoenicia Library is located at 9 Ava Maria Drive Phoenicia, New York. Any questions can be directed to Adrienne Theetge in the Kingston District Office at 845-338-9610. You can also email Adrienne at adriannetheetge10@gmail.com.

Please note that there will be additional office hours scheduled in May. A separate notice will go out with those dates and locations.

Senate Passes Teresita's Law by Senator Bonacic

The New York State Senate passed "Teresita's Law," (S.1888) a bill sponsored by Senator John Bonacic that elevates the charge of causing the death of another, while negligently operating a motor vehicle with a suspended, revoked, or otherwise withdrawn license, from a misdemeanor to a Class E Felony.

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

Senator Bonacic says, "This is an outrage. When a driver with a suspended license kills another person, he or she must be held accountable for their actions. This legislation will remedy this gap in the law and make such criminal action a felony."

Bonacic stated, "I credit the unanimous passage of this legislation in the Senate to Teresita's sister, Evangeline Papp. It was her tireless efforts that made the passage of this legislation in the Senate a reality."

"The bill now moves to the Assembly for a vote, which I am hopeful they will act quickly on. While this legislation cannot atone for the loss of a member of our community, it will assure that when someone drives without a valid license and kills an innocent person, they cannot walk away with only a slap on the wrist."

To view Senator Bonacic's additional comments on "Teresita's Law," go to: <http://youtu.be/rBU4idO0oIU>

The bill now moves to the Assembly for a vote.

POLITICAL SLANT - Frank Comando -

It was a distinct pleasure meeting with an American who really puts his constituents and our country first. Regarding gun control, Congressman Gibson stands on the 2nd Amendment. He is also committed to defense and farm issues, and recently formed the Watershed Advisory Group (WAG).

With this in mind, last week Congressman Gibson and I toured the back yard of my home on Peekamoose Road, where the devastation from Hurricane Irene is very apparent. The Congressman also surveyed the damaged areas on Peekamoose Road, that have since been repaired.

I explained that sections of the road, including a half mile strip that was washed out completely, were not passable after the storm, cutting residents off from passage, therefore repairs had to be made in a timely fashion, forcing our town to float a bond to pay for the repairs. I added that Bill Bruning, Town of Denning Supervisor mentioned that the town had not been reimbursed by FEMA as of yet, for the repairs, which will give some relief to our taxpayers. Gibson immediately had Steve Bulger, District Director

of WAG, who accompanied the Congressman on his visit, make note of the problem and he will address this situation as soon as he returns to Washington.

I did campaign against Chris Gibson during the election, but election is over. It is time to put party politics and ideologies aside and work together, to solve the problems of the small business and working class.

Gibson first won my attention when attempting to repeal a law that I appalled; a bill that took the Senate and the Congress out of the equation when declaring war, giving the President *feudalistic dictatorship powers*. To me this law is not acceptable in a representative democracy.

MORE ON CHRIS GIBSON AND WAG.

For the first time since the formation of the NYC Watershed, the entire Upstate (West of Hudson River) portion of the Watershed is encompassed in one Congressional District - the newly formed 19th District represented by Rep. Chris Gibson. As Congressman Gibson has traveled through the 165 towns in the 19th District - as well as his work in 2011-2012 while representing the 20th District - one common theme he has heard repeatedly is the issue of Watershed management. Who We Are

Led by Congressman Gibson and his staff, the Watershed Advisory Group (WAG) will bring together interested parties - residents, state and local officials, farmers, small business owners and others. If you are interested in participating, see the submission form below. Congressman Gibson's District Director will be the Chairman of the WAG, with Ulster County resident Bob Illjes serving as co-chair.

Why we're here

The WAG is being established by Congressman Chris Gibson to facilitate communication between interested/affected individuals and organizations in order to help identify and remedy issues facing residents in the Watershed region. Representatives from each of the affected areas both in and around the Watershed will be invited to participate.

Our goal is to organize the affected communities to identify and present the true scope of the issues/problems. It will be a gathering place for informational input, both positive and negative, that affects residents both in and around the NYC Watershed. Within each area of the NYC water system (such as the Catskill Watershed or Delaware River Basin), both similar and different problems exist. The common link is that they are affected by the NYC water delivery system. In addition, within each area, individual towns and communities have specific (and sometimes conflicting) problems/goals.

Input from all communities and/or interested parties is not only welcome, but is imperative to truly establish the full scope of the of the entire New York City water system, as well as the actions of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

This Committee will organize these issues/problems in a manageable manner in order to identify the magnitude of the problem and the importance of a fair resolution. Our goal is to advocate for constituents and reach a fair resolution of these long-standing issues.

As Congressman Gibson stated, by "working together, we can ensure both the conveyance of clean water to NYC while balancing the ability of local communities to thrive and flourish."

Working For Our Communities

With your interests in mind, the goal of the WAG will be to identify, on a non-partisan basis, the positive and negative effects, and consequences of living in the New York City Watershed. Facts will be gathered, and what WAG will advise the Congressman on with the common goal of fair treatment at the forefront of each evaluation.

The problems of every community, as well as the reality of supplying clean water to NYC, must be looked at to resolve all the identified issues with the best interest of all kept in mind.

Our goals are to organize the affected communities to present the true scope of the issues/problems, and to enable all communities to share information in order to present an accurate evaluation and reach a united resolution.

How you can help us?

Show your interest in our mission by supporting our efforts to support you. We ask that you take a few minutes to fill out this form. You can return the form via email to:

9thDistrictWatershed@mail.house.gov or by mail to:
Congressman Chris Gibson
721 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401
ATTENTION: WAG

To have your comments and/or questions published, space allowing, and townsman guidelines adhered to, as listed in the masthead, Email politicalslant@yahoo.com

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor:

Last week the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation released documents for review of the proposed Crossroads resort and plans for expansion at the Belleayre Mountain Ski Center (<http://www.dec.ny.gov/press/90370.html>).

The plans for the Ski Center include alternatives that do not tie it into the proposed resort. These alternatives cost less and return greater benefits to the public than the Full Build Out Alternative, estimated to cost \$74 million. The Catskill Heritage Alliance is petitioning the State of New York to save money for taxpayers by pursuing these better and less expensive alternatives.

Instead of investing scarce public funds to purchase the Highmount Ski Center from private developer Crossroads Ventures and build lifts and cut trails to allow private guests of Dean Gitter's resort to "ski in and ski out" of lodging units, the best investment to accommodate more skiers and to retain Belleayre Ski Center's beloved "family friendly" character is the expansion of lodges and other skier facilities and services. The Core Alternative accomplishes this by providing a renovated and expanded base area and satellite lodges up-mountain; green, LEED-certified construction with the use of solar energy, when possible; upgraded and enhanced food services and retail spaces; a modernized and well-stocked rental department; a new learning center; new and safer high speed lifts; and energy efficient snowmaking equipment. The Catskill Heritage Alliance also endorses the East Alternative, which offers new sustained expert terrain near Cathedral Glen on land already within the Catskill Forest Preserve. Both these alternatives save money for taxpayers while greatly improving the satisfaction of the wide range of skiers who enjoy the Ski Center.

In addition, the Catskill Heritage Alliance supports continued investments to ensure that, as the warming trend associated with climate change shortens winters and makes winter recreation less sustainable, the Ski Center remains a destination and a driver of the local economy. Specifically, we endorse plans for the Ski Center to construct more trails that can be used for all-season sports (cross country skiing, mountain biking, hiking, horseback riding) and that link to the trail network of the 1200-acre Big Indian Parcel adjacent to the Ski Center's existing footprint and the proposed regional rail trail in the Ulster & Delaware Corridor. We strongly support the continued use of the Ski Center's lodges and grounds for cultural events, festivals, educational courses and seminars, private events, and conferences.

Please visit our website (www.catskillheritage.org) for more information about the upcoming review and please sign our petition to build a better Belleayre Mountain Ski Center without having taxpayers subsidize a private resort (<http://tinyurl.com/d4bj6k6>).

Kathy Nolan, Chair
Catskill Heritage Alliance
PO Box 88
Shandaken NY 12480

and delinquency-prevention projects within Sullivan County. Eligible applicants include private nonprofit organizations, schools, and municipalities.

Organizations which would like to apply and be considered for Youth Bureau funding are requested to contact the Sullivan County Youth Bureau and submit completed applications to the Youth Bureau by Monday, May 27, 2013.

For more information, please call the Sullivan County Youth Bureau at (845) 794-3000, ext. 0396.

Youth Bureau Announces 2013 Grant Opportunities

Monticello, NY- The Sullivan County Youth Bureau announced today that it will begin accepting applications from organizations that serve children and youth within Sullivan County and wish to seek additional grant funding for their program.

The Sullivan County Youth Bureau receives funding annually from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to fund youth recreation, service,

**POT ROAST
+ DINNER**
Christ Lutheran Church
105 Center Street, Ellenville
Saturday, May 18, 2013
From 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm
Adults \$12.00
Children 6-12 \$6.00
5 and under free!!
Assorted desserts and beverage will be served.
Takeout available!!!!
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**TIME & THE VALLEYS
MUSEUM**
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY

2013 Hours - Memorial Day to Labor Day
Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.
September and October-Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.
Other days and times by appointment.

2013 Admission Fees
Adults suggested donation: \$5
Children (6 to 17) suggested donation: \$2
Children under 6: FREE
Town of Neversink Residents: FREE every Thursday
Town of Denning Residents: FREE first Saturday of the month
Call: 985-7700

Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every *Townsmen* printed since the beginning (1947) classified by year for anyone to research.
timeandthevalleymuseum.org

**The Hurleyville and Woodridge United
Methodist Churches**
invite you to weekly worship:
**9 am in Hurlyeville,
10:30 am in Woodridge.**
For more information, call
Pastor Susan Woodworth 985-2283

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The Little Church with the Big Heart
Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner
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Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm
Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Ismael Berrios
Lead Pastor
P. O. Box 480
507 Hasbrouck Drive
Woodbourne, NY 12788
845-434-8263
Email:
crosswayaog@aol.com
www.crosswayaog.com

Claryville Reformed Church

Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041

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

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Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

**Grahamsville United
Methodist Church**
Sunday Worship Service
10:30am
985-2283

**Covered
Dish
Supper**
June 1, 2013-5:30 pm

**May 11, 2013
Breakfast**
S.O.S.
(Chipped Beef & Gravy
over Biscuits)
7:30 am - 9:30 am
Free Will Offering

Information call: 985-2455
**Sundown United
Methodist Church**
at the
Sundown Church Hall

**Grahamsville
United
Methodist
Church**
May 21, 2013
Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm
Luncheon 11am-1 pm

Thrift Sale Only
May 18, 2013
9 am-1 pm

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Serving Sullivan County Since 1896

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Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
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Ellenville, New York
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**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**
(embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown
and Ulster Heights)
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

Weekend Mass schedule:
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

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

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

Catskill Watershed Corporation is seeking to contract with a private corporation for demolition of structure located at 141 Delaware Street, Walton, NY. The Request for Proposal can be obtained by contacting Timothy Cox, Corporate Counsel, Catskill Watershed Corporation, PO Box 569, Margaretville, NY 12455, timothycox@cwconline.org; (845) 586-1400 Ext. 20. There will be an on-site bidders conference Thursday, May 16 at 1:00 PM. Respondents must submit one original and four copies of their proposal no later than 4:00 PM on Thursday, May 23. EOE

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The Catskill Watershed Corporation is soliciting bids for portable toilets for boat launch sites on the Cannonsville, Neversink, Pepacton, and Schoharie Reservoirs. Bids must be received at CWC by 4 PM, May 17, 2013. For bid documents please contact Timothy Cox or Frieda Suess at 845-586-1400. EOE

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Catskill Watershed Corporation is seeking the qualifications of boat rental vendors for storage of private commercially rented boats on CWC owned boat racks at launch sites located on the Cannonsville, Neversink, Pepacton, and Schoharie Reservoirs. The Request for Qualifications can be obtained by contacting Barbara Puglisi, Economic Development Director, Catskill Watershed Corporation, PO Box 569, Margaretville, NY 12455, (845) 586-1400. There will be a vendors conference on May 16, 2013 at 1:00 PM at CWC Offices. Respondents must submit one original and four copies of their qualifications no later than 4:00 PM on May 20, 2013. EOE

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**NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF
TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL**
(Pursuant to Sections 506 & 526 of the
Real Property Tax Law)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor of the Town of Neversink, County of Sullivan, has completed the Tentative Assessment Roll for the current year and that a copy has been left with the Town Clerk at the Neversink Town Hall, where it may be seen and examined by any interested party until the fourth Tuesday in May.

Grievance Day will be held on May 28, 2013 at Neversink Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY. The hours are 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The Tentative Assessment Roll will be available at the Neversink Town Hall during regular business hours or you may call for an Appointment.

The law requires complainants to file a written statement, under oath, specifying the respect in which the assessment complained of is illegal, or erroneous by reason of over valuation or inequality (Real Property Tax Law, Sec. 512 subdivision 1). The complaint must also state the amount of reduction sought. The complainant may file the complaint with the Assessor prior to Grievance Day.

A publication is available at the Assessors Office which explains how to file a complaint on your assessment along with the forms.

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IT'S TIME FOR SPRING CLEANUP!!!
THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK WILL BE
CONDUCTING THEIR ANNUAL SPRING
CLEANUP PROGRAM ON:
May 11, 15 & 18, 2013

**THE PROGRAM IS SUBJECT TO THE
FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS:**

1. Only those holding a **GREEN 2013** Transfer Station Permit will be admitted.
2. **Four (4)** pick-up loads per household. (Permit Cards will be punched for each load.)
3. **Two (2)** of the 4 loads can only be used during Spring Cleanup. If the permit holder desires they may use 3 or all 4 loads during Spring Cleanup, leaving 1 load or NO loads for the remaining calendar year. If the permit holder does not use their 2 loads during Spring Cleanup, they are still entitled to the remaining 2 loads that can be used anytime during the remaining calendar year. **Due to this new plan there will be no Fall cleanup offered this year.**
4. **TVs & other Electronic equipment can be disposed of without fee.** No batteries or ballasts. Fees will apply to fluorescent bulbs. Please keep all these items separate. Only checks can be accepted at the Transfer Station - NO CASH.
5. **Tires, Refrigerators, Freezers, Dehumidifiers and Air Conditioners will not be accepted during this time. Please do not bring them during cleanup.**

REMINDER: Scrap metal and large recyclable items can be taken any time throughout the year. Because of the high volume of traffic during Spring Cleanup time, the Town Board requests that these items be brought at a time other than during Spring Cleanup.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who reside (have their household and generate their waste material) in the Town of Neversink.

OWNERSHIP OF VACANT LAND DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR USE OF THE FACILITY.
"The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature."

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UC Executive Hein Declares 3rd Annual Healthy Ulster with Community Leaders at Ellenville Regional Hospital

County Executive Mike Hein was joined by Ulster County community leaders at the Ellenville Regional Hospital to officially declare May 4 - 12 as the 3rd Annual Healthy Ulster County Week. Healthy Ulster County Week is designed to promote healthy living and includes events and services to encourage Ulster County residents to eat better, exercise more, and increase awareness of their health. During Healthy Ulster County Week, special promotions are being offered by local businesses and community organizations to help keep Ulster County residents healthy.

"Healthy Ulster County Week is an important part of my administration's initiative to focus attention on healthy choices and help make Ulster County the healthiest county in New York State," said County Executive Hein. "I am committed to improving the overall health of our community and grateful to so many of the businesses and community organizations throughout Ulster County that have joined the 3rd Annual Healthy Ulster County Week to offer diverse and exciting health-oriented special events and discounts. The evidence is overwhelming that small healthy changes can add up to a major impact on one's overall health and quality of life."

"The Ulster County Health Department is fully committed to meeting the County Executive's goal of making Ulster County the healthiest county in New York State," said Dr. Carol Smith, Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health. "This Week helps to enhance awareness of the critical role of healthy eating, living and physical activity in preventing illness and chronic disease. It also helps showcase the abundance of preventative health

resources in Ulster County and encourages residents and visitors to enjoy and take advantage of them."

Steven L. Kelley, FACHE, President and CEO of Ellenville Regional Hospital stated, "We are happy to participate in the Third Annual Healthy Ulster County Week and for our role in helping to make Ulster County the healthiest county in NY. As a hospital, good health is our mission! We applaud Executive Hein for challenging all of us to take the steps necessary to prevent illness, to exercise more, and to live healthier lives."

According to Debra Karnasiewicz, MD, MPH, Founder and Director of the Women's Health and Fitness Expo, "This year The Women's Health and Fitness Expo will focus on the importance of stress reduction for a healthy mind and body. Proper nutrition and physical activity go hand-in-hand with stress reduction to create a healthy lifestyle and prevent or control chronic disease. Our goal is to challenge residents to improve their health and the health of Ulster County by becoming more active and making better food choices. We are proud to kick off Healthy Ulster County Week at the Expo on May 4th. Together, we can reach our ultimate goal to make Ulster County the healthiest county in New York State."

"The March of Dimes is on board with County Executive Hein's Healthy Ulster County mission," said Lynne Versaci, Community Director of the March of Dime's New York State Chapter Northern Metro Division. "The March of Dimes is committed to supporting healthy babies, raising awareness and helping to bring an end to premature birth. Please join us during Healthy Ulster County Week on Saturday May 5th at 10AM the Walkway Over The Hudson for our Walk for Babies. And please contact me at lversaci@marchofdimes.com if you would like to participate on a committee or volunteer to help ensure the health and wellbeing of babies now and in the future."

As part of Healthy Ulster County Week, the Ulster County Library Association will be using funds from an increase Ulster County government granted the Library Association in 2013 to purchase a core collection of medical print and ebooks for small member libraries, and upgrade the medical collections of larger libraries. In addition to the basic core health collection for smaller libraries, larger libraries will be choosing and developing subject specialties for each library within the broad category of health categories. And the Library Association will distribute to member libraries a list of reputable online health resources for the public. According to Library Association President James Cosgrove, "Launching this initiative during Healthy Ulster County Week makes perfect sense. Offering outdated information in the medical realm is worse than offering no medical information at all."

Additional information about Healthy Ulster County Week activities can be found on the County's websites, at www.UlsterCountyNY.gov and www.HealthyUlsterCounty.net or by calling the County Executive's office at 845-340-3800.

Giant Garage Sale

May 9, 10, 11, and 12th

9:00am-5:00pm every day

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 (845) 985-2262 extension 312

FLEA MARKET- Saturday, July 13. DETAILS: With both new and used items something for everyone. Reserve your table now. \$15 per space must be paid no later than Tuesday, June 25.

Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Yankees Baseball Game - Thursday, July 25, \$12 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, May 28.

Community Yard Sale, Crafts & Vendor Fair Saturday, July 13, 2013 They are presently seeking vendors that include Home Party, Craft and Yard Sale Vendors. The cost is \$15. Contact Jamie Brooks at 985-2262 xt 312 to reserve your spot by May 13, 2013.

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

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

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



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.
 Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday and Monday: Closed
 If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS -

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

Tri-Valley Little League Bake Sale



On Tuesday, May 21st & Wednesday, May 22nd the Tri-Valley Little League will be holding their annual bake sale at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds beginning at 4pm.

In order to make this year's bake sale a huge success, we could use your help! We are looking for donations of baked-goods & treats.

Some ideas include...
 cupcakes brownies cookies muffins cakes
 breads chocolate covered pretzels pies chocolate lollipops
 rice krispie treats mini-cheese cakes.

If you're interested in making a donation, you can sign-up at the concession stand or contact Jessica Scanna on Facebook.

All monies raised will be used toward the construction of our new field!
 As always, we thank you for your continued support!

-Tri-Valley Little League

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5/8/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
 5/11/13 **Breakfast** - Sundown Church Hall - **S.O.S. (Chipped Beef & Gravy over Biscuits)** 7:30 am - 9:30 am
 5/12/13 Claryville Fire Dept. **Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
 5/14/13 Town of Denning Audit/Business Meeting - at 7 PM - Denning Town Hall
 5/15/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
 5/16/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
 5/18/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church - **Thrift Sale Only** - 9 am - 1 pm
 5/18/13 **Pot Roast Dinner** - Christ Lutheran Church 105 Center St. Ellenville 4:30 - 7:00 pm 647-9054
 5/20/13 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
 5/21/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)**
 5/21/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
 5/22/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
 5/28/13 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm
 6/1/13 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
 6/4/13 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00pm Sundown Church Hall
 6/5/13 **Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic** - 6-8 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 6/5/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- **7:00 pm**
 6/5/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting

Save the Dates!

Saturday, May 4th, 2013 for the Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk and Tag Day - in memory of Donald Ter Bush, Charter Member and President of the Tri-Valley Lions, who passed away July 16, 2012- Sign-in 8:30-9:00 Walk at 9 am at Grahamsville 1st Aid Building

May 22nd, 2013 - **Time and the Valleys Museum - Exhibition Opening - 4 pm**
 Time and the Valleys Museum Opening Memorial Day - Labor Day, Thursday to Sunday noon

June 5 - **Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic 6-8 pm** on the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville

July 14- The second annual **Matthew R Berthoff Horseshoe Tournament** Neversink Firehouse

July 27, 2013 **Time and the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ (2-5 pm)** - Grahamsville Fairgrounds 11 am - 5 pm

Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival sponsored by the EWCOG -Saturday August 10th-Vendor applications are available now. Coordinator is Dianne E Turner ("aka Mother Blueberry")

2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Date to be announced.

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

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 GRAHAMSVILLE DELI • LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Liberty) • J.B. MAK (Liberty) • DR. LONSTEIN'S OFFICE
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 CANNIE D'S • Joma Cafe (West Shokan) • Boiceville IGA • Boiceville Florist • Reservoir Music • Snyder's • ELLENVILLE CITGO
 BLUE HILL LODGE • Phoenicia Hardware • Phoenicia Pharmacy • Phoenicia Deli • Mama's Boy • Brio's • Emerson Resort • NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
 3 GOLDENS • Big Indian Market & Deli • Colonial Inn Pine Hill • Pine Hill Community Center • PETER'S MARKET

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting every **second Monday of each month**. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.

Town Board meets **every second Tuesday of each month**. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.

Town of Olive Planning Board meets the **first and third Tuesdays of each month**. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

SUNY Ulster Holds Nursing Information Session

Beginning at 3:00 p.m. on May 21, SUNY Ulster will hold an information session about its Nursing degree program in room 112, Vanderlyn Hall, on the Stone Ridge Campus. This session will provide information on the admissions process, the program curriculum including pre-requisites and co-requisites, as well as new testing requirements. Due to limited openings, SUNY Ulster's Nursing Program is only available to residents of Ulster County.

A seat for this sessions may be reserved by calling the Admissions Office at (845) 687-5022 or online at www.sunyulster.edu.

Learn the Basics: Canning Jams & Jellies at Home

Food preservation at home CAN be easy and fun with a little instruction! A workshop on how to successfully and safely can jams and jellies at home is offered on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 by the Master Food Preservation Team of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The workshop will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty, NY.

SueAnn Boyd and Erica Ferber, CCE Nutrition Educators, will guide the workshop with topics including how to prepare different types of gelled products and why proper amounts of fruit, pectin, acid, and sugar are needed to make a successful gelled product. Participants

will prepare a seasonal jelly, a freezer jam, and a cooked jam. All will be sent home with a prepared food sample. This is one of many food preservation workshops.

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

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TWO PITCH TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT THE ALLIANCE FOR LUPUS RESEARCH



Featuring teams and players from the Sullivan County Women's Softball League

Saturday, May 18, 2013
 Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 Starting Time: 9:00 AM
 --All Day Event--



CONCESSION STAND
 50/50 DRAWINGS
 RAFFLE

COME WATCH THIS FAST PACED TOURNAMENT, CHEER ON YOUR FAVORITE PLAYERS AND TEAMS WHILE SUPPORTING LUPUS RESEARCH (100 % of all donations go directly to medical research)

For more info about the tournament or the Alliance for Lupus Research Call 292-2683 or 292-2949

SPRING CLEANING?

Sullivan County Prenancy Support Center is looking for donations for a yard sale Fundraiser event.

Baby Clothes Kitchen items Indoor Furniture
 Hats Framed art Christmas items
 Outdoor furniture Toys Tools
 Lawn Ornaments Jackets Exercise equipment

Basically anything that is in fairly good condition and still has value to someone else.

The yard sale will be Memorial Weekend
 Please contact Karen Gorr to arrange for pick up or drop off at 292-3749 or 985-7735.

Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center
 155 North Main Street
 PO Box 832
 Liberty, NY 12754
 845-292-2224

Caps for Cancer St. Jude's Childhood Cancer Research Sponsored by: Delaware Sullivan District Chapters Order of the Easatern Star

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



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Mobile Home for rent in Grahamsville: 3 bdrm. Nice cond/ Walking distance to Town Park. \$675 per month + utilities ad security. No pets. 845-985-7242 p4/11

2 BR Duplex, Rt 55, Grahamsville. Nice Apt in small community. Great Layout. \$750 +utilities. Sec & References. 985-2941 bdt rene

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

1. 2 Acres residential. Rt 55, across from Fairgrounds. Private Road. \$38,000.

2. 3+ BR., 2 baths, 2 acres, Tri-Valley Schools in Divine Corners, \$99,900. Owner financing w/25%

3. Mini Estate Loch Sheldrake near college. 4+ BR, 2 baths. Unique.

4. Handyman Special - 1500 sq ft. Loch Sheldrake. New roof. New Foundation. Needs interior. \$50K **Please Call Teresa 845-321-1919.** bdt renew

Owner built 4 BR, 3 BA, bamboo floors, fireplace, 2 ponds, barn, generator, 19 acres. Adjoins celeb ppty. \$399k 845-647-7411 b5/9

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1995 Suzuki GSX 600 Katana Red/Black Motorcycle (845) 985-0201.

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Please call for details
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HELP WANTED

Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY

Seeking a part-time, non exempt Front Desk Associate for Friday nights, weekends, and as needed. Must be 18 years or older. Possess strong customer service, communication, and organizational skills. This position will greet and check in guests, operate phone switchboard, and handle cash as needed. The Front Desk Associate will support daily functions of the Frost Valley Front Desk and Reservations Department. Send application and resume to Linda Campbell, HR, hr@frostvalley.org 845-985-2291 EOE 5/9;16

Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY

Seeking a full-time, non exempt Reservations Assistant for year round employment. Must be 21 years or older with minimum 2 years experience in Customer Service. Possess strong customer service, communication, and organizational skills. This position will book reservations, process billings and various communications with guests, and manage an interdepartmental calendar. The Reservations Assistant will support daily functions of the Frost Valley Front Desk and Reservations Department. Salary commensurate with experience + Great Benefits! Send application and resume to Linda Campbell, HR, hr@frostvalley.org 845-985-2291 EOE 5/9;16

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Catskills Real Estate for Sale

- Bright 5 BR/3BA contemp on 3.5 acs in N'sink. \$349k
- NEW** 2BR/1 BA cabin on 2.75acs along the Neversink. \$179k
- 2.3 ac level lot with septic designs & drilled well. \$43k
- REDUCED** 2BR/1BA reno 1937 cabin on 20+acs. \$249,000
- Spacious 4-5 BR/2BA turnkey colonial on 5+ level acres w/lg sep garage, porch in quiet Grahamsville n'hood. \$269,000
- Tasteful 4 BR home with sunroom, bar, fpl, formal DR, lg deck, 2 car garage, on 1.58 acres. \$219,000
- 3BR/2 BA architect-owned/renovated farmhouse with modern addition on 1.7 acres. \$349,000.
- 4BR/2.5 BA eyebrow colonial w/fpl, screened porch, sep dining rm on 15+ acs nr State Land. \$354,000.
- Dramatic views from 108 acre property with huge meadows, woods, 1900s farmhse, barns & apple orchard. \$499k
- **HANDYMAN** 3 bed/1 ba on 4.5 acres adj State land. \$50k
- 2BR/1BA authentic log cabin on 20+ acs with fpl, skylights, woods that end at the Neversink River. \$275k
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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia GYPSY (MUSICAL, 1962)

A domineering mother, Rosalind Russell, pushes her two daughters to burlesque and to stardom.



Director Mervyn LeRoy Cast: Rosalind Russell, Natalie Wood, Karl Malden

See it, on TCM! Sunday May 12, 2013 at 2:30 PM, C- 143 min, Rated TV-PG Quiz: 1. Who played Herbie Sommers? 2. Who played Louise?

What's Going On In The Gnome Gneighborhood™ This Week? -

- WOODBOURNE -

DON'T MISS THIS SPRING EVENT ON MAY 22, 2013 Woodbourne Fire Department's Fund Raising Committee presents its 100th Anniversary Event with Prizes and Great Foods.

BBQ-Raffle....

1st Prize--Broil-Mate Gas Grill. Tools, and quick Party Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 16-Sirloin Burger Patties, 2-Pkgs Hot Dogs, 2-Pkgs Burger Buns, 2-Pkgs Hot Dog Buns, and 4-Side Salads)

2nd Prize-Char-Broil Table-Top Gas Grill And The Small Family"C" Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 3 Lbs Of Each...Sirloin Steaks,Chicken Cutlets, Drumsticks, Ground Round, and End Cut Pork Chops)

3rd Prize--The Mix Grill Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 4 Lbs Of Each..Italian Sausage, Chicken Cutlets, Sirloin Burgers,.Boneless Chuck Steaks, and Boneless Pork Chops)

Meat Packages Are From Carmine's Meat Market
Tickets Are \$5 Each Or Five For \$20
Drawing, At The Woodbourne Fire House 5/22/2013 • Please return tickets by May 20, 2013

TRI-VALLEY THEATRE ARTS CLUB PRESENTS: DINNER THEATRE! BY BILLY ST. JOHN SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST

TRI-VALLEY SECONDARY SCHOOL UPSTAIRS GYM, DINNER BEGINS AT 6:00 P.M. ~ CURTAIN AT 7:00 P.M. ADULT: \$22 SENIOR CITIZEN: \$18; CHILD 12 OR YOUNGER: (\$12 CHILD MEAL CONSISTS OF SMALLER PORTIONS). TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED PRIOR TO THE EVENT. TICKET INCLUDES DINNER, SHOW AND 1 FREE 'WHO-DONE-IT ENTRY'. FOR TICKETS: CALL REGINA HARTMAN AT 985-2296 EXT. 4154

- THE ROUTE 28 CORRIDOR -

Enjoy the fun along the Route 28 corridor! Visit the largest kaleidoscope in captivity. It's at the Emerson hotel. Don't miss one of the most wonderful visual experiences of life. While there pick up a Townsman, and do not forget to stop at Velsani, and say 'hi' to, Ivan Velillia & Gustavo Sanin, for discriminating tastes in antique & vintage jewelry. Look for them on the web at <http://www.velsani.net>. For appointment (845) 688-5966,

- PINE HILL -

Some of the best food along the 28 Corridor is at the Saturday Grand Buffett at the Colonial Inn in Pine hill; ask for Steve or Heather, for great service in the dining room, or a room with character, for those who need an over night stay.

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