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REMINDER: Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman will not be published on Dec. 20 or Dec, 27, 2012 in observance of Christmas and New Years. On behalf of the entire Townsman Staff, we all wish you all a wonderful Holiday Season!

BOCES Culinary Students Mentor 2nd Grade Tri-Valley Students as They Made Pies for Thanksgiving



Adam Furman, second grader at Tri-Valley Central School and Jose Cruz, Culinary Arts Student, Liberty HS display one of the apple pies they made.

This year marked the third year that the Culinary Arts Program at the Career and Technical Education Center at Sullivan BOCES and the second grade class at Tri-Valley Central School has worked together to provide the mouth-watering Thanksgiving pies to less fortunate Tri-Valley families.

Smiles filled the student's faces as they put on their chef's hats and started to work with the culinary arts students peeling apples and mixing the ingredients to make their pies. According to Adam Furman, 2nd Grader, "I'm having a lot of fun today. I really like to mix the ingredients. Making the pies makes me feel good because I feel really bad that famidon't have Thanksgiving." Once the pies were baking, everyone had the opportunity to make their own pizza for lunch. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand Shares a Holiday Thought with the Community



I hope you all had a happy Thanks-giving. Jonathan, Theo, Henry and I had a great day surrounded by family. We especially enjoyed baking Thanksgiving pie, of our one favorite holiday

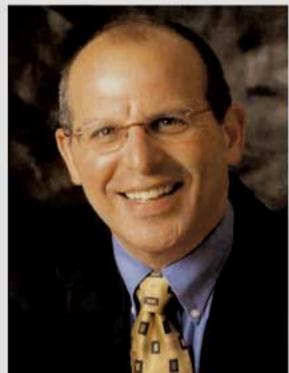
Dear Friends,

traditions. During this time when so many of our fellow New Yorkers are suf-

fering, it's important to be thankful for the blessings we have and to help those who are most in need. This holiday season, please consider donating time, food or money to a local food bank or charity dedicated to feeding the hungry and making the holidays brighter for those who are going through hard times right now.

Yours,

Exec is Told Taxpayers Deserve Accountability - National Auditors



Association Supports Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach

The National Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA) has weighed in on the County Executive's Budget Department's attempt to eliminate a third of Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach's auditing staff warning that the move would undermine the assurance that scarce tax dollars would be protected by Auerbach's audits, reviews and evaluations. The by Auerbach's audits, reviews and evaluations. The ALGA supports the Comptroller's good government practices with their underlying theme that "Taxpayers Deserve Accountability".

In a letter to Executive Michael Hein, the ALGA echoed Auerbach's sentiments that his Department's audits deter fraud, identifies waste and abuse and strengthens internal controls. Comptroller Auerbach has appeared at three Legislative Public Hearings explaining that Hein's proposed staff reductions would nearly abolish the claims auditing unit and compromise the audit and review of nearly 60,000 appears along the second to the annual claims against the county totaling close to \$300 million. The ALGA underscored that by explaining that the Comptroller plays a key role in effective

governance and public accountability.

The twenty-three member legislature can amend the Executive's budget and restore the claims auditing function. "It's my hope that the Legislature will help me protect the integrity and transparency of County government," said Auerbach. "I want the County to make headlines preventing losses, not neglecting them. We need to prevent fraud, not clean up after it."

Tom Tar Now Acting General Manager at Belleayre Mountain Ski Center



The former Assistant Superintendent at Belleayre Mountain Ski Center, Tom Tar has

been named acting general manager of the facility by its new operators.

The announcement was made last week by Ted Blazer, President and Chief Executive officer of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA). The Olympic Authority, as state agency, has taken over the running of Belleayre from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. (Contd. Pg. 10)

UC Offers Bus Service in Kingston During the Holiday Season

County Executive Mike Hein launched a UCAT Weekend Holiday Shopping Mall Bus Loop to make it easier for holiday shoppers to shop locally and to ease traffic congestion dur-ing the busy holiday season. In addition to weekdays, the bus will loop will run on Saturdays and Sundays between November 24 and December 23, from 9 AM until 5:25 PM.

"Ulster County stores have something for everyone on your holiday shopping list," said County Executive Hein. "You can park your car once and then get on the bus at any one of 9 locations throughout the area. The bus loop stops at stores, banks and other businesses, and when you get hungry, the bus stops at great area restaurants as well."

Last year, the Ulster County Transportation Council (UCTC) initiated a Transit System Coordination and Development Plan, designed to identify, update and validate bus and para transit needs (Contd Da 10)



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Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman on-line: http://thetownsman.com ON THE FRONT BURNER: Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised to be faithful.

Hebrews 10:23

OBITUARY:

Giles D. Harlow, Jr., of McLean, Virginia and Claryville, New York passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, on Tuesday, Nov. 20th at Walter Reed National Medical Center. He died from complications from Parkinson's Disease.

Giles Harlow was born in 1932 in Wadena, Minnesota to Giles and Ella Johnson Harlow. He spent most of his early childhood in Park Rapids, Minnesota and graduated from High School in Worthington, Minnesota where he was a standout athlete, musician and scholar.

He attended the University of Minnesota where his National Guard unit was activated for service in Korea. Upon completion of his service in Korea he accepted an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point, proudly graduating with the class of 1957. As a cadet he was active in the cadet chapel choir and cadet director of the glee club. He later was awarded Masters degrees from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA.

His distinguished military career spanned 30 years including two combat tours in Vietnam where he received the Purple Heart after being shot down over North Vietnam in 1968 and also commanded a squadron. He went on to teach Political Science at the United States Air Force Academy, graduated from the National War College, worked in strategic arms reduction at the Pentagon, was the Director of Operations and Vice Wing Commander at Bergstrom AFB and the Wing Commander at Vance AFB.

He spent his post military life traveling the world with wife of 55 years, Ann Quackenbush Harlow, indulging in his love of carpentry and fly fishing. He was a volunteer fireman with the Claryville Fire

Department.

His greatest joy was his family. He is survived by his wife, four children Giles D. Harlow (Jennifer), Douglas (Julie), Elizabeth (Frank), Sarah (Todd) and his beloved grandchildren Margaret, Adrienne, Hannah, Sarah, Matthew, Daniel and Giles. He is also survived by his brother John (Janet) and sister Nancy, and extended family.

A memorial service was held on November 24th at St. John's Episcopal Church in McLean, Virginia with internment summer 2013 in Claryville, New York. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warriors Project, Inc.

COLLEGE NEWS



Tri-Valley Resident Recipient of GLIAC Commissioners Award

Garrett Grey, son of Diana and Scott Grey was recently presented with the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Commissioners Award.

Congratulations Garrett!

Days of Yore... ...Today's History

November 26, 1952 - Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Potter of Grahamsville announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Edna, to A/2C Clinton A. Hamilton, son of Mrs. Grace Hamilton and the late Frank Hamilton of Grahamsville. Miss porter is a June graduate of Tri Valley High School and is enrolled as a freshman at Cortland State Teachers College, Cortland, N.Y. Mr. Hamilton is a 1950 graduate of Ellenville High School and is currently serving in the U.S. Army. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Knight celebrated their 49th anniversary on November 18th.

State Troopers ran across a new one last week in game law violations. Inspecting all cars leaving the woods, they found one driver who proudly pointed to a fair size animal all neatly dressed with tag attached to one of the antlers - not a deer but a full grown, horned goat. In Fremont a hunter shot a black and white Holstein which he had mistaken for a buck.

November 21, 1962 - Mr. Mortimer Michaels, Chairman of the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors, has appointed Edward Condon, Supervising Principal of the Tri Valley Central School, to serve as a member of the Mental Health Board for Sullivan County.

Herbert George, Jr. of Sundown, died Saturday morning at Albany Medical Center from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on November 11th. He was born in Liberty, N.Y., the son of Herbert and Esther George, on November 13, 1935. He was a lifelong resident of Sundown. He graduated from Tri Valley Central School and the Hudson Valley Technical College, Troy. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Church, Woodbourne and was a member of the Armed Forces during the Korean War. Surviving are his parents, one brother and four sisters.

December 6, 1972 - Tri-Valley Elementary School will be dedicated to the public tonight at 8:00 p.m. Dr. Richard Grego, President of Sullivan County Community College, is scheduled to give the main address. The elementary chorus will be featured in two vocal numbers and the Tri-Valley High School Band will play for the occasion.

Clarence L. Brisack, 77, a retired farmer and lifetime resident of Grahamsville, died Saturday at Liberty Community General Hospital. Mr. Brisack was born October 1, 1895 to Leonard and Flora Moore Brisack. He married the former Fannie Brookes and was a member of the Lows Corners Baptist Church. Surviving are his widow and several cousins.

November 25, 1982 - Vernon H. Gridley, Sr. of Grahamsville and Clermont, Fla., died Sunday at Orlando, Florida after a short illness. He was 71. The son of the late Harrison W. and Mary Haver Gridley, He was born Feb. 7, 1910 at Lake Hill, N.Y. He was a Grahamsville resident for over 50 years and was a retired New York City Watershed Inspector. Survivors include his wife, Inez George Gridley; a son, Vernon H. Gridley, Jr. of Masten Lake; two daughters, Linda Collins of Grahamsville; five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Osterhout of Woodbourne announce the engagement of their daughter, Diane, to Floyd E. Van Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Van Wagner of Sundown, Both Diane and Floyd are graduates of Tri-Valley High School. Wedding plans are incomplete.

Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Cares Committee is getting in the Holiday Spirit!

The Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Cares Committee, along with other communi-ty groups, will again be assisting families during the holiday season. We are looking for anyone who may be interested in purchasing gifts for families in our school district. You could be an individual, a group of people, or an organization that is willing to help out to make a family's holiday even more special. There is a great need again in this upcoming holiday season to help the people in our com-munity. If you are interested in doing this, contact please Deb Swett debraswett@trivalleycsd.org or 985-2296 x 4229, or Paula Gray at paulagray@trivall-eycsd.org or 985-2296 X 5406 by Nov. 16. Thank you in advance for any support you can give!

A Round About Tri-Valley -Carol Furman

Congratulations to Steven McCaulifffor earning the rank of Eagle Scout. Steven is a Tri-Valley student. His Dad also teaches at Tri-Valley.

Lindsay McCoy, a seventh grader at Tri-Valley, was the local winner of the peace poster contest sponsored by the Tri-Valley Lions. Her poster will now move on to district competition. Great job, Lindsay!

Helen Kwasinowicz of Willowemoc spent a few days in the hospital last week and is now staying at the Roscoe Nursing Home until her strength returns.

I hope everyone was able to read the nice article the Sullivan County Democrat about Grahamsville's Albi Belluli and his beautiful Albanian bride, Gentjana. Their wedding took place in Elbasan, Albania. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple who now reside in Grahamsville!

Congratulations to Stephan Schick, a winner of a seat in the New York State Supreme Court, Third Judicial District. I believe that the Honorable Stephan Schick is a graduate of Tri-Valley School. Does 1970 sound about right?

Please include Polly Hill and her family in your

prayers.

Veterans were honored at the flag exchange ceremony at the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery flagpole on Monday, November 12th. The flag of John Egan was lowered and retired and the flag of Wardell Graham was raised. The Scout Troop 97 Honor Guard are to be commended for doing a very nice job. Thanks to everyone who participated in the ceremony. Note: A set of keys with a pink key tag was found on the lawn near the church. Carol Furman has

Samantha Grace Porter, daughter of Chris and Jennifer Porter of Napanoch, was baptized on Sunday, November 11th at the Grahamsville Reformed Church.

It was nice to see Bob and Delcye Kelz from Hurleyville at the church supper in Grahamsville on the 10th. Bob retired as superintendent at Tri-Valley School some years ago and continues to support Tri-Valley and his colleagues. Delcye had a knee replaced and seems to be doing quite well.

Congratulations to Ellie Dymond Cassidy and her husband, Chris, on the birth of a son on November 13th. They named the baby Timothy Logan Cassidy. Mrs.Cassidy is an elementary school teacher at Tri-

point buck on the second day of deer season!

A few from the area went to the show at Radio City Music Hall and to visit Rockefeller Center just before Thanksgiving. The show was terrific and the Rockettes were better than ever! The 80 ft. tall tree at Rockefeller Center was in the process of being trimmed and the ice rink at the Center was filled with

The Tri-Valley Lions will be having their holiday party at the Daniel Pierce Library on Tuesday, December 4th. If you are a Lion and haven't been contacted, call Carol if you plan to attend.

Congratulations to Cory and Allison Turner on the birth of a daughter, Emma Marguerite, born on November 11th . She joins three brothers. Proud grandparents are Peggy and Jan Turner.

Words of Wisdom: People who matter don't mind, and people who mind don't matter.

Holiday Craft Sale in Sundown

This Saturday, December 1, 2012 from 9 am to 3 pm the Sundown Ladies will host a craft sale that will feature hand crafted gift items created by local artisans including Chris Parrow and Ann Higgins.

There will be plenty of gift ideas to choose from including candles, herbal butters, hand knitted and crocheted items as well asl Avon Products and Tupperware.

Hope to see you there

Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony will Once again Brighten Bicentennial Park and Spark the Holiday Season

The Town of Neversink will take the opportunity to spread cheer as they have for the past several years at the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony that will be held at 5 pm on Sunday, December 2nd at Bicentennial Park in Grahamsville.

All are invited to join the event. There will be carol singing, special music and refreshments.

A big thank you to all those who helped to make this celebration possible, especially to Frank and George Hinzmann who donated all the trees that have been decorated by local organizations.

BOCES Culinary Students Mentor 2nd Grade Tri-Valley Students as They Made Pies for Thanksgiving (From Pg. 1)

"It's awesome working with the little kids," stated Jose Cruz, Culinary Arts Student Liberty HS, "It's great to teach them how to make something and to be able to give back not only to the community but to the 2nd graders."

Leighanne Russell, Second Grade Teacher at Tri-Valley, started this initiative four years ago when she wanted to create a project to teach her students how to give back to the community. During the first year, the class prepared a handful of pies to help a few families within their community. After much success and an increased need, Ms. Russell reached out to Kathy Poppo, Culinary Arts Instructor at BOCES. From that point on, this annual pie baking event has become something that everyone looks forward too.

This year, the second grade class with the assistance of the BOCES culinary arts student prepared sixty pies for the Tri-Valley families - 20 apple and 40 pumpkin. This year also marks the first year that the class has collected enough food items that they will not only be able to provide pies, but will be able to provide forty families with a complete meal.

This act of kindness truly represents what

Thanksgiving is about.

The Career & Technical Education Program at Sullivan BOCES provides "Skills, knowledge and work ethic for the 21st century"

If you would like more information about the Career & Technical Education Programs offered at Sullivan BOCES call (845) 295-4152 or visit us at scboces.org.

Frost Valley YMCA -Huricane Sandy

Relief Efforts Frost Valley YMCA extends our sincerest condolences to those who have suffered losses from Hurricane Sandy. Last year, when Frost Valley was devastated by Hurricane Irene, our community in New Jersey and New York came to our aid. This year, we fared much better through the storm, however, as a non-profit, we will feel the effects of Hurricane Sandy for months to come. But, in this time of need, we are happy to be able to offer support to our community and those less for-tunate than us. Below are dates that Frost Valley YMCA has set aside for families directly affected by the storm to come to the Catskills and enjoy our facility, including hot showers, home cooked meals, and warm beds free of charge. WEEKENDS: November 30-December 2 December 7-9.

Frost Valley also offered a Thanksgiving celebra-I hear that Bob Thayer of Claryville shot a nice six tion for anyone unable to have their own this year

due to Hurricane Sandy.

Contact reservations to register for any of the above weekends: Email reservations@frostvalley.org or call

(845) 985-2291 ext. 2

To support Frost Valley YMCA's Sandy Relief Efforts: Contact Lianne McElhone: Email Imcelhone@frostvalley.org, call (845) 985-2291 ext. 295 or Send Mail To: Frost Valley YMCA Attention: Sandy Relief Efforts 2000 Frost Valley Road Claryville, NY 12725

ABOUT FROST VALLEY YMCA:

Frost Valley YMCA is a 5,000 acre camp in the heart of the forever wild Catskill Mountains. We are, at heart, a summer camp all year long. But, we serve people through Camp, School Programs, Family & Group Retreats and East Valley Ranch. Please contact us for story ideas on these or any of our other many programs.

Festive Family Crafts for the Holidays

LIBERTY-Enjoy a winter afternoon of crafts in preparation for the holiday season! Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County's 4-H Youth Development Program is offering an afternoon of craft making for the holidays. It will be held on Saturday, December 1st, 1:00- 3:00 pm at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Fee of \$10, or \$5 per enrolled 4-H'er, gives participants access to 10 stations of activities. Pre-registration is required to guarantee a seat. Call 845-292-6180 to register or to obtain more information.

Youth age 5-19 years will learn how to make low cost crafts for home or gift giving. Parents are encouraged to accompany their child. Make and take home one of each activity, or try just a few of the crafts that can be easily reproduced at home. Featured activities include punched tin ornaments, easy fleece scarves, air freshener X-mas trees, cinnamon spice ornaments, felt craft dining accessories, pompom Santa ornaments, paper craft decor, edible Santa sleighs and a craft with the CCE Master Gardeners, as well as the popular card and "Soup in a Jar" 4-H community service station.

SCDW Announces Holiday Event!

(Hurleyville) The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop cordially invites the public to its charming Holiday event: "The Little Town of Christmas".

Everyone in Christmas town is friendly and funny, including elves (Skeezic & Sylvester), Dancer (the reindeer), Mrs. Claus, Santa, a tough little kid - plus a multitude of colorful characters.! Carolers sing "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and "A Christmas Carol" and everyone has a jolly time.

Performances are on Friday, Dec. 14 & Saturday, Dec. 15 at 7:00PM and Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2:00PM at the Sullivan County Museum in Hurleyville, NY. Suggested donation is \$5.00. For more information, please call Sally 434-0209 or Bunny 866-3206.

Following the Sunday performance, the annual General Membership meeting and election of SCDW officers and Board for 2013 will take place at 4:30PM.

All members are urged to participate and stay to enjoy the holiday buffet dinner provided by the SCDW Board and members. RSVP by December 12 to Vicki (845) 985-2976 or vtzcr@earthlink.net if you plan on attending the meeting and dinner and with the dish you will provide

HOW EVERGREENS STAY GREEN

By Peggy DeWire

I looked at the Christmas tree and marveled again at how evergreens remain green year around. Once they covered the whole world and

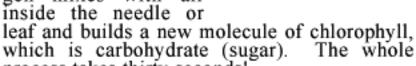
over millions of years perfected three magic tricks on behalf of all trees to

The first and most important is photosynthesis or transforming sunlight into green chlorophyll.

Think of one sunbeam composed of tiny particles of electromagnetic radiation energy called photons. Each wee photon

has zero rest mass and charge plus spin of one. How it changes sunlight into chlorophyll is a technology called photonics. Here's what happens:

As a sunbeam shines on a pine needle filled with water, the photons radiant energy splits each molecule of water into hydrogen and oxygen. The oxygen is discarded back into the air. The hydrogen mixes with air



process takes thirty seconds! To split the water molecule requires the color bands of red, orange and blue - from the rainbow light spectrum. Only these colors transform light into chlorophyll or carbohydrate (sugar). The middle of the rainbow, where green is located, is mostly reflected. This is why a pine needle or leaf looks green.

Trees store little packages of carbohydrate as liquid sugar cells everywhere in the tree - needles, limbs, trunk, bark and roots - and in cold weather convert the sugar into an alcoholic substance slow to freeze. Pioneers made a tasty drink called Spruce Beer by boiling young twig tips in water and adding molasses and yeast to taste.

The second magic trick performed by evergreens is transporting the alcohol throughout the whole tree in long pipeline cells whose woody

side walls thicken in winter weather. The last trick is that all evergreens except tamarack and cypress keep sap flowing through needles year around. Broadleaf trees by contrast make cork cells at the end of the leaf stem, thus blocking water and causing the leaf to drop off in autumn.

Just imagine - 50 million years ago there was nobody around to appreciate a Christmas tree.

Household Hints

Has the budding young artist in your home just decorated a painted wall in your home with a ballpoint original?

Don't lose your cool. Rather, dab some fullstrength white vinegar on the "masterpiece" using a cloth or a sponge. Repeat until the marks are gone. Then go out and buy your child a nice big sketch pad.



Mysterious Book Report No. 76 by John Dwaine McKenna

Now that all the posturing and pandering, proselytizing and pimping, politicizing and prognosticating . . . as well as all the robo-calls, surveys and opinion polls are done with, and let's not forget all of those dandy political ads with the smarmy, snide and snarky voice-overs designed to make even the most saintly among us moan and gnash our teeth in frustration . . . the election is over and done with for another four years. We are saved. Half of us anyway. The other half of us are upset, disappointed and mad. One thing's for sure though; the next four years are going to

With all the real-life intrigue and backstabbing quieting down, it's nice to be going back to the world of fiction, where murder, mayhem and intrigue are made up . . . such as this weeks' Mysterious Book Report number 76. It's a dandy police procedural by a rising star in the writing world named Lou Manfredo. He's a retired Brooklyn homicide investigator, and in this humble opinion, one of the best cop-story

novelists to ever come along.

Rizzo's Daughter, (Minotaur, \$25.99, 292 pages, ISBN 978-0-312-53807-1) is the third in a series beginning with Rizzo's War and Rizzo's Fire, all featuring his world-weary, hard-nosed ace homicide detective, Sergeant Joe Rizzo of the sixty-second precinct, a fictional part of what is loosely-termed "Brooklyn South." The novel begins with a mob hit in which three people are murdered, one of whom is a bystander, a civilian or non-mob person, and a definite no-no; a violation of mob rules because it's guaranteed to bring the full attention of law enforcement on the case. The other two are the mob boss of all Brooklyn and his bodyguard

At the same time as the killings are taking place, Joe Rizzo is at home, explaining to his wife all the strings he's pulled and the favors he's called in among his police department friends, in order to help and protect their youngest daughter, Carol, a rookie cop who's just graduated from the police academy, against both of

her parents but especially her mothers' wishes.

Rizzo is drafted to serve on a task force formed to look into the triple slaying; a task force headed up by an old adversary of his, his daughter is breaking into the patrol routine of a new policeman under the watchful eye of a veteran officer vetted by her dad. What could go wrong? Rizzo tells his wife, Jennifer. What indeed. When a former friend, a disgraced, retired cop who's on his deathbed reaches out to Rizzo, "one last time," ghosts, images from the past and rumors of malfeasance begin to dog him at a time when his family needs him the most, but his wife respects him the least, in their decades long marriage. The mob hit and rumors of collusion are swirling about Rizzo when he's forced into making a moral decision which will affect his family, career and possibly his life in one of the most exciting, dynamic and authentic police-procedurals to come down the crime-fiction pike in a long while. I loved it! And best of all, this author has a whole bunch of books yet to write. I can hardly wait!

Don't forget to go to the library. It's the best value in entertainment and education in the known universe: FREE. How could you ever beat that?

Regular readers of the MBR know how and where to get their hands on a copy of *The Neversink Chronicles* or *The Whim-Wham Man*, but how about you? If you're unsure or uncertain about where to get one for use as a Christmas, Hanukkah, or any other holiday gift occasion, go to any bookstore. If they don't stock it, they'll order it. In Sullivan County, New York and the town of Neversink they're at Cannie D's Corner Store. The Time and the Valleys Museum store in Grahamswille and Poters Whele Market Foods in Neversink 16 all also feel and foods. Grahamsville and **Peters Whole Market Foods** in Napanoch. If all else fails go to Amazon or: *rhyolitepress.com* - for help and as always my website: *johndwainemckenna.com* has all kinds of neat and groovy things to read and see and do. Check it out and have a great holiday season with plenty of books. We'll see you next week with another new and fascinating MBR. Cheers! -- JDM

Monticello Musicians Prestigious Ensembles

Monticello High students School Angelo Heimowitz and Ester Hong have been selected to participate in the presti-gious NYSSMA Zone 9 Area All-State Music Festival to be held at Monroe High Woodbury School on November 17, 2012. The annual concert features students from five Counties who were chosen on the basis of

their outstanding solo performances given last spring at the NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association) festival. Hong, a Junior, is a member of the Monticello High School Senior Choir, Monticello High School Chamber Singers and the String Orchestra. She has performed at the Forestburgh Playhouse in the productions of "Annie" and "The King and I"

Angelo is a member of Monticello High School Senior Choir, Chamber Singers, and the Dance Company. He is seen regularly on stage for the Monticello High School Drama and Musicals. In addition, he performs with Hudson Valley Opera Theatre, and volunteers at the Center for Discovery. Angelo is a Senior planning to major in Drama.

Both Esther and Angelo study voice privately with David Trombley of the Trombley Music Studio in

Monticello.

In addition, Angelo Heimowitz was also selected to perform in the NYS All-State Chorus at the New York State School Music Association Winter Conference will a concert to be held and the renowned Kodak Theatre Concert Hall on December 2, 2012. Over 7000 student musicians throughout New York State auditioned last spring to be considered for this elite

Monticello has been named for the past 5 years as a "Best Community for Music Education" by the NAMM (national Foundation of Music Merchants) Foundation. Music Departnment Head Teacher Ann Trombley says, "We have a highly qualified music faculty and our students actively engage in music making on a daily basis. Our School Board, administration and community are recognized statewide for their dedication and support of the performing arts. The success of these individual students is a direct result of support from parents, music teachers grades K-12, administration and the community.'

Sullivan County Ag Advisory Board Forms, Names Higgins & Hedlund Co-Chairs

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Agriculture Advisory Board was formed in August 2012. The mission of the board is to ensure that there is accurate information in Sullivan County about agriculture, associated businesses and infrastructure (processing, distri-

Selected for bution and marketing) to allow for effective policies will be a reading performance of Provacative Play: "Far and programs.

The board will work with the county, state and federal legislators on policy issues while identifying high priority projects such as the meat processing plant, the dairy processing facility, farm viability, grants, funding, training, outreach and the creation

of a local food hub.

The Ag Advisory Board is represented by: Cindy Kurpil Gieger, Sullivan County Legislature; Jennifer Mall, Sullivan County Planning, Liz Higgins, Co-Chair and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County Agriculture and Natural Resources Program Issue Leader; Sonja Hedlund, Co-Chair, Sullivan County Farm Network representative and owner of Apple Pond Farm; Dick Riseling, Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development; Jennifer Brylinski, Sullivan County IDA; Emily Deans, Catskill Mountainkeeper; Jennifer Grossman, private consultant and Natural Resources Defense Council; Nancy McGraw, Sullivan County Public Health; Stephen Mitchell, SUNY Sullivan; Denise Frangipane, Sullivan Renaissance; Danielle Gaebel, Sullivan County Farmers' Market Association and Natural Contents; Dan Young, Bridle Hill Farm and Culinary Alliances; Amy Erlwein, Sullivan County Farm Network representative; Wilfred Hughson, Sullivan County Farm Bureau and Wil Hugh Farm; John Gorzynski, Gorzynski Farm; Mary Tonjes, Tonjes Farm Dairy and Kristin Geeslin, independent consultant.

"The goal of the Agricultural Advisory Board is to identify new and expanding agricultural endeavors, prioritize projects and aggressively seek funding to make them work. The board brings together those in the county with agricultural expertise to work closely with anyone interested in expanding or starting a farming operation" said Cindy Gieger, Chair of the Sullivan County Agricultural and Sustainability Committee and member of the Agricultural

Advisory Board. To learn more about the Ag Advisory Board or to participate, please contact Liz Higgins, 845-292-6180 or Sonja Hedlund, 845-482-4764.

Roscoe Riverside Park Annual Holiday Tree Lighting

Come One, Come All .. to the Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration on Saturday, December 1st at 6:30 pm in Riverside Park - Roscoe, NY

Come and join the Roscoe Chamber and friends of chamber as they follow the luminaries down the path to the lighting of the Holiday Tree. Caroling, Hot Cocoa, S'mores, and Cookies will be provided. All are welcome! Please bring a candle or lantern to light up the night and a stick for your s'mores. For Further Info: please call Laurie @ 607-498-5397

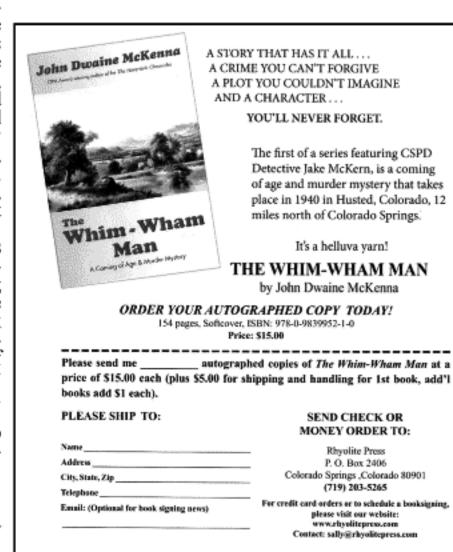
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Thursday, December 4, at 7:00 PM the monthly meeting of the Sullivan County Tea Party Patriots will be held at 240 Chestnut Street, Liberty. Open Discussion: The Future of the Tea Party. All are welcome. For further information 845/439-5401 or contact Marta whrotties@netzero.net."



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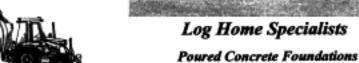
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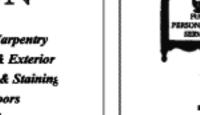
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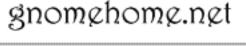
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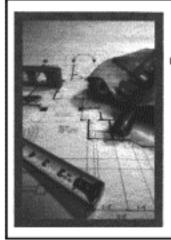
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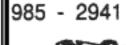
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The Olive Jar - Carol LaMonda

November 23, 2012

The day after Thanksgiving is even better than the day itself. Everything tastes better with the guilt removed. Today we ate in front of the TV with microwave-heated leftovers. There is too much of an expectation of perfection on the real feast day. Table decorations, finest dishes, polished silver raise the bar for this meal that would not be complete without turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, sweet potato casserole, green bean casserole, cranberry sauce and a dessert of pumpkin, apple, and pecan pie. It is probably the only day of the year that we Americans homogenize into one big family. Republicans, Democrats, Christians, atheists, and extraterrestrials all agree on a single menu. This might be the common ground to settle the terms of the tax to save us from that fiscal cliff. Imagine our senators, representatives fully sated with tryptophan-laced turkey sitting

us from that fiscal cliff. Imagine our senators, representatives fully sated with tryptophan-laced turkey sitting around the table and being told, "No pumpkin pie until we come to a reasonable compromise."

After turning leftovers into turkey pot pie, turkey soup, and turkey with mayo sandwiches, the feaster turns his/her attention to shopping. Gray Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Small-business Saturday, and Cyber Monday retailers are bombarding us with the fury we just saw in the past election. Percents off, money back, cash coupons complicate what used to be a shopping season into a four day media blitz.

I, fortunately, am so stuffed with the feast and the leftover feast that it would take an evacuation order to raise me from the recliner. Besides being an eleventh hour person. I prefer to prograstinate and then shop in

raise me from the recliner. Besides, being an eleventh-hour person, I prefer to procrastinate and then shop in a frenzied fury the last week before the holiday. I definitely need a few snowflakes to get me into the mood.



RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES- Fred Perry-Owner of Reservoir Music Center 711 Route 28, Kingston, NY 12401

There's already video of tonight's Rolling Stones concert on You Tube! If you go there, you can see video of The Stones doing "Honky Tonk Women" with Bill Wyman, and "I'm Going Down" with Jeff Beck. There

may be more by the time you read this!

During my two week break from writing this column, I have been super busy. I saw two Phil Lesh shows in Manhattan, two great shows with my friends, Dinamita, my new favorite band, The Blues Project and the Paul Butterfield Tribute at The Bearsville Theater, The Cheating Hearts played in Manhattan for the first time on a bill with Norah Jones, and I just came from the Graham Parker and The Rumour show at The Bardavon.

Whew! I'm exhausted! LOL.

The first night of Phil Lesh didn't really speak to me. Maybe I wasn't listening. But the second night spoke right to my heart and soul, especially the second set, when they went from "Wharf Rat" into "Death Don't Have no Mercy" into "Viola Lee Blues" to end the set. Then they came back and did "Saint Stephen" into "Satisfaction" for the encore! It was just like a good old Grateful Dead show! BTW, if you'd like to listen to soundboard tapes of any of the recent Northeast Phil Lesh shows, they're all available for free streaming on Taper Pob's Listraam channel. Google him!

Taper Rob's Ustream channel. Google him!

The Paul Butterfield Tribute at The Bearsville Theater was great, especially the songs Jimmy Eppard sang.

Butterfield's music really lends itself to Jimmy's voice. And The Blues Project were awesome! They just sat there and played their asses off! It wasn't an exciting rock and roll show, but they held me rapt with just the

music! Those guys can still play!

My band, The Cheating Hearts, played a Levon Helm benefit at Hill Country Barbecue in Manhattan last Monday. We followed a little country and rock and roll trio that Norah Jones put together with Catherine Popper (bass payer for Grace Potter and The Nocturnals, Jack White, and Ryan Adams), called Puss n Boots (and they WERE all wearing boots). After they played, Norah hung around and danced for our entire set, and when we finished, she told our lead vocalist, Just James, that we were "awesome"!

when we finished, she told our lead vocalist, Just James, that we were "awesome"!

And the Graham Parker and The Rumour reunion! They did a bunch of my favorite GP songs, (even though I was sad not to hear "Heat Treatment", "You Can't be too Strong", and especially "Stick to Me"), and the classic sound was all there - the swirling Hammond riffs and vocal harmonies from keyboardist, Bob Andrews, the alternating lead guitars of Brinsley Schwarz and Martin Belmont, the firmly in the pocket rhythm section of drummer Steven Goulding and bassist Andrew Bodnar, and, of course, The Man himself, Graham Parker, who brought the songs, and looked and sounded great!

If you never saw them, GP and The Rumour were one of the most rockinest bands ever in their day, and sure, a lot of the set was a little light on rockin' tonight, but when they opened up with "Fools Gold", they had me! And the rest of the audience! And they sounded as great as ever! Highlights were "Local Girls", "Protection", and my personal favorite Graham Parker song ever, "Hotel Chambermaid", which I was so happy they did, as it is a bit obscure! They encored with "Soul Shoes", and everyone went out into the night with a smile on their face! My thanks to Chris Silva and Lucy Edgcomb at The Bardavon for their hospitality.

In other news, The Eric Clapton Crossroads Guitar Festival is finally coming to New York! Madison Square Garden, April 12 and 13! Booked as of now are Albert Lee, Alan Holdsworth, The Allman Brothers Band, BB

Garden, April 12 and 13! Booked as of now are Albert Lee, Alan Holdsworth, The Allman Brothers Band, BB King, Booker T, Brad Paisley, Buddy Guy, Doyle Bramhall II (who's been Clapton's lead guitarist for many years), Gary Clark Jr., Jeff Beck, Jimmy Vaughn, John Mayer, John Scofield, Jonny Lang, Keith Urban, Los Lobos, Robbie Robertson, Robert Cray, Robert Randolph, Sonny Landreth, Vince Gill (who might be the best player on the list), and others. More info at www.crossroadsguitarfestival.com and www.ericclapton.com.

And now for this week's live music picks! Wednesday, November 28 - THE MOODY BLUES are at The Capitol Theatre in Port Chester, and New Orleans royalty, AARON NEVILLE, performs at The Brooklyn Bowl. Aaron is fresh off a new record of his

favorite doo wop songs that he recorded with Keith Richards and Don Was! Friday, November 30 - Pioneering LA punk band, X, is at Irving Plaza in Manhattan, with THE REV-

EREND HORTON HEAT, for the first of two nights.

Saturday, December 1 - X and THE REVEREND HEAT are back at Irving Plaza, HOT TUNA is back at The Beacon Theater for their annual shows, THE ALEXIS P. SUTER BAND IS BACK AT The Bearsville Theater for their annual Christmas show, and my first Pick of the Week is at The Bardavon Opera House, and it's not even a musical act! It's the film director and writer, JOHN WATERS, who has been touring the coun-

try with a spoken word act, but it's not really an act! It's just John Waters being himself and telling stories, and

let me tell you, he is a very funny man! I saw this on HBO and it was hilarious!

Sunday, December 2 - TEDESHI TRUCKS BAND at The Palace Theater in Albany. Monday, December 3 - The great NEIL YOUNG brings his best band ever, CRAZY HORSE, into The Barclay Center in Brooklyn, and this has to be my second Pick of the Week!

Wednesday, December 5 - THE WHO at Madison Square Garden and LUCINDA WILLIAMS at The

Beacon Theater. Both of these shows have to be Picks of the Week!

Thursday, December 6 - THE WHO at The Prudential Center in Newark and TOOTS AND THE MAY-TALS celebrate Toots' 70th birthday at The Capitol Theater. Both of these shows are strongly recommended, but fall just short of Pick of the Week status. Four is enough, anyway!

Don't forget, next week kicks off with the first of three Rolling Stones shows in our area, and if that wasn't enough, the great Trombone Shorty will be at Terminal 5 in Manhattan with his amazing band, Orleans Avenue, on the same night The Stones are in Brooklyn! Both will definitely be Picks of the Week, so mark your calendars!

Have a great week!

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The event is open to tuba and euphonium players of all ages who will perform traditional Christmas music from around the world.

Participants register at noon, rehearse at 1 p.m., and perform at 3 p.m.

Performing at the Quimby Theater, all at 7:30 p.m., will be: the Community Band and Jazz Ensemble on Dec. 5, the Chorus and Guitar Ensemble on Dec. 13, and the String Ensemble on Dec. 10.

The Dec. 13 concert will feature the combined choirs, college chorus, women of the college chorus and vocal ensemble, performing selections from "The Nutcracker Suite," "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas," "Bashana Haba'ah," Bach, Handel and other composers. The concert will be directed by Janet Gehres, SUNY Ulster's choral director, with Edward Leavitt, as accompanist.

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Three finalists will be selected to make presentations at the Nonprofit Leadership Summit on Wednesday, March 6 at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. A panel of judges from outside Sullivan County will select the winner of the \$5000 award. The two runners-up will each receive \$500.

The purpose of the 2013 Nonprofit Innovation Award is to recognize and to honor local nonprofit organizations that innovate in ways that produce demonstrable results and benefit the community at large.

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Award sponsors and judges will be announced at a later date. For more information about the award, contact Wade Lawrence at 845-583-2075 or WLawrence@bethelwoodscenter.org.

The Nonprofit Leadership Summit has been created and developed by a steering committee of local nonprofit leaders and professionals. The Summit has been a sold out event for the last two years with over 150 participants representing over 70 organizations. This year's event is being co-chaired by Linda C. Hartley of Hartley Consulting, Amanda Langseder of Cornell Cooperative Extension and Karen VanHouten Minogue of the Community Foundation of Orange & Sullivan.

To get involved, ask questions or to inquire about event sponsorship opportunities contact Amanda Langseder at 845-292-6180 or ags97@cornell.edu.

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New Hours & New Menu

This weekend we are introducing a new menu which will feature numerous additions while keeping plenty of your favorites. In addition, there will be two homemade soups and at least one special every day. You can view the weekly offerings on our site or Facebook page.

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SADD Turkey Trot and Food Drive



Liberty, NY...A chilly autumn morning and a big turkey named Tom greeted hearty runners on Sunday, November 18th at the Second Annual SADD Turkey Trot - a fun-run for kids with Tom the Turkey and Liberty mascot, Red Man.

The fun-run was established last year to help collect canned and non-perishable food items for the annual holiday food drive (organized throughout the middle/high schools). Admission to participate in the run was a contribution to the food drive, and racers went above and beyond the required "one item."

Runners received a ribbon for their participation and of course, the opportunity to race against a giant turkey and contribute to a very worthy cause.

"It was a cold morning, but I'm glad we had so many dedicated runners today," said SADD Student Advisor Sally Forbidusi. "I'm so proud of everyone who participated and of our SADD members. who are always generous.

New Actor's Registry Invites Entries Online Remember those big binders packed with headshots and other poses and all the accompanying information you used to mail or deliver to producers?

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"Holiday Trains on Main" Displays Open Dec 1- Stop by for a CAS Portrait with Sand and Shop Local!

Livingston Manor, NY - Visit the CAS Arts Center and Morgan Outdoors for a nostalgic trip back in time this holiday season. Handmade model trains will be on display in both locations beginning Saturday, December 1. Join us at the CAS Arts Center, 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, for a reception from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. to introduce "Holiday Trains on Main," complete with festive music and visits with Santa.

Wilkes and Bernard Photography will be at CAS to take instant portraits with Santa from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Professional photograph will be taken and prints made on the spot for \$10. Proceeds will benefit CAS.

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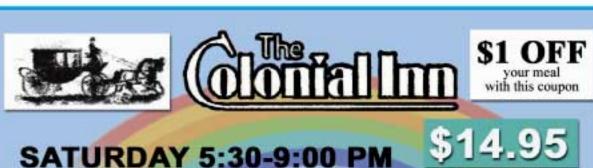
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If you are interested in vending at CAS during one or more of the Holiday Bazaar Weekends, please call 845-436-4227. The fee is \$50 per weekend and includes a six foot table and chair. Space is limited and advance registration is required.

Gallery hours are Thursday -Saturday and Monday from 11:00 a.m. t 6:00 p.m., and Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The CAS Arts Center will also be open on Tuesday, December 19 and Wednesday December 20 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The CAS Arts Center is wheel chair accessible.





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Was it Luck or Just Good Hunting in Neversink for the "S & S" Cousins?

On the first day of riffle season Andrew Hollenbeck shot an 8 pointer at 12 noon in Neversink. Not to be shown up by his cousin, this past week-



The first day of deer season was mild and warm. With his shirt sleeves rolled up, Andrew Hollenbeck poses with the 8 pointer that he shot the first day of hunting season

end, Scott Hynson who was just about to give up for this season, decided he to would check out a different spot in the Town of Neversink, and around 4:00 pm he got his 9 point trophy! His deer weighed in at pounds, dressed and according to Sullivan Democrati County weight, with a score of 56. The heaviest deer yet for Scott!

Andrew Grahamsville resident, local fireman, and a member of the First Aid Squad and cousin Scott, is also a Grahamsville resident and is a logger.

Congratulations to you both!

If you want to know what "S & S" stands for, you will have to ask their grandmother, Verna Amundsen.



It looks like Brianna Hynson is as proud of her Uncle Scott, as he is. Brianna, a Tri-Valley student poses with her uncle, Scott Hynson, with the oustandingly large 9-point buck that Scott shot this past Saturday.

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Buck Fever on East Mountain!

Is it contagious? One more big buck was taken on Sunday afternoon on East Mountain. Tom Gaspari of Norwood, New Jersey, a Firefighter, got this 7 pointer whose rack was 20" wide. Tom's deer, we are told, was a tad bigger than Scott Hynson's, and they guessed it would probably dress out at 200 pounds!

And who just happened to be on hand to help make the decision as to who really has the winning trophy? Brianna Hynson! It

was a busy day on East Mountain, and by 2:00 in the afternoon, you would have thought everyone would have been exhausted, but they weren't.

They all wound up cheering on Brianna's dad, Marty Hynson, and friend, Brian from Lake Parakdise, who still didn't get their bucks as of Sunday afternoon.

Who knows, it is past deadline for this week, so maybe next week Marty and Brian will make headline news!

Congratulations Tom and all the other hunters in the area who got their targeted tro-phies. And good luck to Marty, Brian and whoever else will still be out there for the remainder of the season.

Just a reminder from Ulster County Sheriff Paul Van Barcum, who urges caution

on public lands during hunting season. "With big game hunting season in full force, Sheriff VanBlarcum reminds the public to use caution when using public lands. Please wear safety-colored clothing to identify your-self clearly. Report any illegal trespassing to your local law enforcement agency, and do not confront armed individuals with whom you are not familiar. Obtain vehicle license plate numbers, hunting license numbers, and any other identifying information of illegal trespassers and hunters to assist law enforcement with apprehension. Hunters, please hunt responsibly and safely."

Information about deer and bear hunting seasons from the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation is available at http://www.dec.ny.gov/out-128605.html

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Tom Tar Now Acting General Manager at Belleayre Mountain Ski Center (From Pg. 1)

Ted Blazer, president and chief executive officer of the authority, said Tuesday that "Tom has been working closely with (the authority) throughout the transition. He has a nice feel for the mountain and the community. He'll be serving the mountain as the acting general manager this season and I'm very pleased with what we've seen from him so far."

At an appearance before the membership of the Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday morning, Blazer promised that Belleayre would work with commercial area ski centers to attract skiers. He said ski areas in New Jersey and Vermont are

competitors to Belleayre.

Pleased that he has been given the task of bringing Belleayre into a new era, Tar said, "It's work that I love to do," he said. "I'm very excited about it and I'm happy to be working with (the authority), who have been helping in this transition since the summer."

Tar began working at Belleayre in 1978 as a ski instructor, rising to director of the ski school nine years later. He ran the school until 2002, when he was made assistant superintendent under Belleayre's most recent

top dog, Tony Lanza.

Lanza, however, was ousted in May as Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced he wanted operation of the facility transferred to the authority. At the time, Emily DeSantis, a spokesperson for the state Department of Environmental Conservation, said Lanza's departure was precipitated by "information that warrants Mr. Lanza's dismissal," but declined to elaborate.

Lanza, whom state Sen. John Bonacic once said "was the best thing to ever happen to Belleayre since snow," was known for his marketing prowess.

Commercial operators had long complained bitterly about being undercut on price by Belleayre and The Watershed Post subsequently reported that police officers from throughout the region for years had skied for free at Belleayre, as had Bonacic.

Blazer said Tar will run Belleayre for the entire 2012-2013 ski season so the Olympic Authority can see what works at the ski center and what doesn't.

Holiday Bus Service in Kingston

(From Pg. 1) In April, County Executive Hein formed a Public Transportation Task Force with a diverse group of stakeholders in order to review the Ulster County bus system and the UCTC's plan. Members of the Task Force included County officials, public transportation experts, and users of the system. The Task Force members identified the need for this weekend holiday bus loop.

County Executive Hein stated, "I would like to thank the members of the Public Transportation Task Force for taking the time to review the County's bus system and make this thoughtful recommendation."

According to Robert DiBella, Director of Ulster County Area Transit, "This concept came from the Transit Task Force meetings organized by the County Executive 's office. UCAT riders appreciate County Executive Hein's understanding of the importance of public transportation to our community. They are also grateful for how quickly he was able to make it happen. Expanded hours during this holiday season are intended to make shopping easier, while conserving gas and alleviating traffic."

Ward Todd, President of the Ulster County Chamber of Commerce said, "This initiative by Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and UCAT will be a tremendous help to our members in retail during the upcoming holiday season. The Chamber is an advocate for shopping locally, especially this time of year since money spent in our region circulates 7 times in our local economy. Shopping in Ulster County keeps local people employed and the sales tax generated holds down property taxes. The Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce urges everyone to shop local and use the UCAT Shopping Mall Bus to make that shopping experience a great one!"

Terry Parisian, General Manager of the Hudson Valley Mall added, "I think it's a great idea that the County Executive is able to extend the UCAT hours to enable the citizens of Ulster County to shop locally."

In addition to promoting shopping local, stimulating the economy and reducing congestion in the area, this bus loop is environmentally friendly, as all loop buses are either hybrids or have low particulate diesel engines.

Returns to Shadowland Theatre Screen Holiday Classic is Grand Finale to December 1st Wawarsing Wassail

ELLENVILLE, NY, It's beginning to look like a tradition may be developing because for the second year in a row the Shadowland Theatre will present the Holiday Classic BABES IN TOYLAND starring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy on Saturday, December 1st. The 1934 Hal Roach adaptation of Victor Herbert's Broadway operetta has long been a favorite in local television markets in an edited, retitled reissue, March of the Wooden Soldiers. But the Shadowland will once again be presenting - on film - the original uncut theatri-

The Shadowland presentation is the final event of the December 1st "Wawarsing Wassail", an all-day holiday celebration (organized by the Ellenville/Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce) with activities taking place at Cohen's Bakery, the Town of Napanoch, the Pioneer Fire Company (featuring Santa and Mrs. Claus), and Lippman Park, which will have a 5pm caroling and tree lighting ceremony. More info can be found on the Shadowland website, www.shad-

owlandtheatre.org.

BABES IN TOYLAND originally appeared on Broadway in 1903 and went through myriad libretto rewrites and song insertions and deletions in the ensuing years, says Ray Faiola, "Matinees at Shadowland" series coordinator. Retained in the 1934 film are the most popular songs, including "Toyland", "Never Mind Bo Peep", "Castles in Spain" and the orchestral spectacular "March of the Toys". The song, "I Can't Do the Sum", is used in underscoring as Stannie Dum and Ollie Dee's theme song. Babes in Toyland was one of three operatic classics that became films with Laurel and Hardy, the other two being "Fra Diavolo" and "The Bohemian Girl". Co-starring with Laurel and Hardy are Charlotte Henry, Henry Brandon - whom classic cinema fans may remember as Chief Scar in John Ford's "The Searchers" - and Metropolitan Opera star Felix

Also on the December 1st program will be Max Fleischer's animated classic SOMEWHERE IN DREAMLAND, which features some of Fleischer's patented three-dimensional background sequences. The program is presented with the enthusiastic cooperation of the Ellenville chapter of the Sons of the Desert, the International Laurel and Hardy Organization.

Admission on December 1st is \$8 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children, and tickets and reservations are available at the Shadowland box office at 157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY or by calling 845-647-5511

DEP Encourages New Yorkers to use City Lands that are Open to Recreation-108,000 acres open for hunting, fishing, hiking and trapping/DEP has Doubled Recreational Access to City-Owned Land Since 2003

As thousands of sportsmen and sportswomen across New York prepare for the start of hunting season on Saturday, the New York City Department of Environment Protection (DEP) is encouraging them to hunt on city-owned lands that are open for recreation.

"We are proud to support the region's heritage of hunting, fishing and trapping that has been passed down from generation to generation," said DEP Commissioner Carter Strickland. "The City has greatly expanded access to its watershed land in recent years, and we encourage our neighbors to safely enjoy that access as hunting season begins this weekend."

DEP owns and manages 71,040 acres in the Catskills that are open to hunters, including 51,056 acres known as Public Access Areas where outdoor enthusiasts can hunt, fish, hike and trap without a DEP access permit. An additional 6,357 acres of watershed land east of the Hudson River are open for those activities. These tracts include land in Delaware, Dutchess, Greene, Putnam, Schoharie, Sullivan, Ulster and Westchester counties.

Hunters and others using land east of the Hudson River and immediately surrounding reservoirs must obtain a free DEP access permit. That permit application can be downloaded and printed from the DEP web-

http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/recreation/access.s html. Access permits can also be obtained by calling (800) 575-LAND.

This fall, DEP opened additional lands around the Ashokan Reservoir for bow hunting. The expanded access aims to reduce deer populations in that region and curb deer impacts on forest regeneration. DEP obtained Deer Management Assistance Permits - sometimes referred to as "doe permits" - from the state to help control the deer population around Ashokan. Permits can still be obtained by calling (800) 575-LAND.

Hunters can find a list and detailed maps of access areas on the DEP website by following this link: http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/recreation/recreation maps.shtml

All state hunting regulations - including antler restrictions throughout most of the watershed region - apply on city-owned lands. Also, those using city land for recreation and hunting should pay careful attention to posted signs that outline what uses are allowed. Access to several areas around reservoirs, especially east of the Hudson, remains restricted as DEP staff continues to assess damage following Hurricane Sandy. Those areas are marked by red and white signs. Entering areas marked as closed will be considered trespassing.

Since 2003, DEP has significantly expanded the amount of city-owned water supply lands open for recreation to 108,000 acres - more than double the amount available in 2003. Of those acres open to recreation, 75,000 are land and 33,000 are water. Last year, DEP opened approximately 6,600 additional acres of land in the watershed for recreation. DEP also expects to open an additional 7,500 acres of watershed land this year for recreation, including areas in Schoharie, Sullivan, Ulster, Greene and Delaware counties.

DEP manages the city's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than nine million residents, including eight million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP employs nearly 6,000 employees, including approximately 750 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the upstate watershed In addition to its \$68 million payroll and \$153 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with a planned \$13.2 billion in investments over the next 10 years that creates up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit www.nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/nycwater.

Sullivan County Declared Eligible for FEMA's Public Assistance Program

In addition to the Individual Assistance Program Individuals and families may apply online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling 800-621-3362.

Sullivan County Manager David Fanslau issued the following statement: "Senator Kirsten Gillibrand's Office has informed me that Sullivan County has been declared eligible for FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) program, in addition to the Individual Assistance (IA) program that will help families recover from the effects of Hurricane Sandy. The Public Assistance program will assist the County government, and Town and Village governments recover from damage to public buildings and road and bridge infrastructure.

Public Safety Commissioner Dick Martinkovic and Legislature Chairman Scott Samuelson joined me in meeting with representatives from FEMA's Tuesday afternoon. The FEMA officials discussed the claims process and FEMA outreach. An expected Disaster Recovery Center will likely be established in Sullivan County by the end of this week that will supply access to he various FEMA services available under the declaration. There is no need to wait for a disaster recovery cen-

ter to open to apply for assistance.

The FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) teams were on-site in Sullivan County on Friday, November 2nd, just days after Hurricane Sandy caused widespread damage. Sullivan County satisfied the FEMA Public Assistance (PA) threshold. We appreciate the efforts of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Senator Chuck Schumer, Congressman Chris Gibson, Senator John Bonacic, and Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther for cutting through the red tape on both the federal and state levels to have Sullivan County included in the Presidential declaration.

Sullivan County officials encourage individuals and families to apply online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling 800-621-3362. Additional information will be announced once a Disaster Recovery Center has been established. There will also be information available on the County's website to assist residents, businesses, and local governments with the FEMA process associated with Hurricane Sandy".

SUNY Ulster Holds Prospective Student Day High school students and their families can get a first-time introduction to college at SUNY Ulster's Prospective Student Day on Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the College Lounge, Room 203, Vanderlyn Hall.

Attendees will get information on the value of a community college education at the event that will cover a wide range of topics from admissions and scholarships to transferring after graduation.

Guided tours of the campus will be offered and student tour guides will be available to share experiences

about student life.

Contact the Admissions office to reserve a seat at (845) 687-5022 or reserve online at www.sunyulster.edu/Visit.

Hinchey Statement on Completion of Third Season of Hudson River Dredging

Washington, DC - Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today released the following statement hailing the completion of the third and most successful season of Hudson River dredging. A total of more than 1.3 million cubic yards of sediment contaminated with PCBs have now been removed from the Hudson River. With the third season of dredging nearly complete, the Environmental Protection Agency is almost half way toward its goal of removing 2.65 million cubic yards of contaminated sediment from a 40-mile stretch of the upper Hudson River. The dredging project also created 500 jobs and additional economic benefits for the area.

As Chair of the New York State Assembly's Environmental Conservation Committee and later as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Hinchey has worked for over 30 years to ensure a proper cleanup and removal of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) from the Hudson River.

"The progress made this season toward the goal achieving a cleaner Hudson River cannot be overstated. With 1.3 million cubic yards of contaminated sediment now removed from the river, we are halfway to our goal. The Environmental Protection Agency has done an outstanding job of monitoring this project closely, minimizing the use of capping, and limiting the amount of sediment drifting down river. Generations of Hudson Valley residents will benefit from this diligent work.

"The three-decade long fight I waged to ensure that the Hudson River cleanup would move forward in the right way is paying dividends today. I commend those who continue to be involved with this important work, and I continue looking forward to the complete restoration of this historically significant, economically important and naturally beautiful

UC Resource Recovery Agency Soon to Discuss Establishing a County Landfill

Looking for a property with at least 200 acres was recently discussed at an agency board meeting. A list of ninety-three properties that met the size specification was presented by Charles Landi.

Included in the list were three properties in Denning, six in Olive, two in Esopus, one in Gardiner, twenty-one in Hardenburgh, three in Hurley, two in Lloyd, one in Marbletown, three in New Paltz, four in Rochester, one in Rosendale, one in Saugerties, eleven in Shandaken, twenty one in Wawarsing and thirteen in Woodstock.

Discussion of opening a county-owned landfill moves forward as county legislators consider whether to establish flow control, which would give the Resource Recovery Agency the authority to force haulers to bring solid waste collected in the county to the agency's facility rather than seek less-expensive disposal options outside the county.

Regarding a possible countywide landfill, Landi said that the eminent-domain process could be used to secure a site if its owner objected but that the process would be further discussed by the agency board until a decision is made about flow control.

Landi suggested the agency ask the state Department of Environmental Conservation about possibility of reopening the town of Wawarsing land-

Tim Rose, Agency Executive Director said it is not likely that the state agency would supply an initial opinion regarding the reopening of a closed landfill, but said that they would most likely direct him to a consultant to examine the feasibility of doing so.

Tenney: Extensions by State Liquor Authority and Separtment of Environmental Conservation will Help Businesses Impacted by Sandy Meet Deadlines

Assemblywoman Claudia Tenney (R,C,I-New Hartford) today announced extensions will be provided by the State Liquor Authority and the Department of Environmental Conservation for license renewals and permit applications for businesses in regions of the state impacted by Sandy. These state agencies are also providing certain waivers for fees, and extensions for payments.

"It is important that the State do all it can to help get businesses affected by Sandy re-opened and operating with as little interruption as possible. The extensions for permit applications, license renewals, and payments, will help businesses meet deadlines, so they can focus on recovering quickly," said Tenney.

The State Liquor Authority will extend renewal periods for liquor license holders in hurricane affected areas so that these businesses can meet filing and payment deadlines. The Governor also announced an extension for the time frames in which retailers can

pay distributors for deliveries made just prior to the storm.

The Department of Environmental Conservation will waive fees and extend application deadlines for state permits for 30 days beginning today. These waivers and extensions will apply to businesses in Westchester, Rockland and Orange counties, Long Island, and New York City. This will help those businesses meet deadlines for submitting permit applications for minor modifications and renewals, obligations in consent orders and payment of regulatory fees.

These relief efforts for businesses include: extensions for application submissions for minor permit modifications and permit renewals; a General Order to specify requirements for generators of hazardous waste to comply with, to allow for hazardous waste generated by the storm damage to be properly disposed of without incurring the fees and taxes for a specified period of time; extension in the due date for regulatory fees, which include fees for tons of regulated air pollutants emitted by facilities subject to the Title V operating permit program; extension in deadlines for compliance with obligations in agency-issued orders on consent for respondents; and rescheduling routine cases on the hearings docket.

For additional information about the State Liquor Authority related Hurricane Sandy relief or to request a refund or temporary permit, please visit their website at http://www.sla.ny.gov/, or contact them at sandyrelief@sla.ny.gov or call (518) 474-3114. For more information on the Department of Environmental Conservation's fee waivers and extensions please visit their website at:

http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/76659.html.

State's Review of the Health Impact of Fracking Moving Forward -NYS Health Commissioner Nirav Shah names three outside experts to health panel

New York State Health Commissioner Nirav Shah has named three highly qualified medical experts to assist him in the state's internal review of the health impacts of hydraulic fracturing. They are John Adgate, chairman of the Environmental and Occupational Health Department at the Colorado School of Public Health; Lynn Goldman, dean of George Washington University's School of Public Health and Health Services; and Richard Jackson, chairman of the Department of Environmental Health Sciences at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health.

This follows Governor Cuomo's announcement in October that he was asking for further review of the information that the State has prepared on the health impact of fracking. Although the caliber of the experts that have been selected for this task is very high, there are still major problems with this process.

o These experts will only be looking at the documentation that has been previously been prepared by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).
o No one outside of the government has seen the

o There is no transparency - the medical community and the public are being left out of the process.

o It is unclear whether these three experts will have the independence and autonomy they need and deserve to do the job right.

As we said when this was announced, we agree that a review of the health impacts of fracking is critical but the process that is being implemented is very inadequate to protect the public health. The only type of health review that would be sufficient is a comprehensive and rigorous independent Health Impact Assessment (HIA), which distinguishes itself from other kinds of public health investigations by using quantitative, qualitative and participatory techniques. A deadline is looming on November 29th - the date when the state is supposed to have completed its process and issued final regulations on fracking. This date now appears to be virtually impossible for the DEC to meet, which would open the process to additional public input. Catskill Mountainkeeper will keep you informed about what develops and continue to pressure the Governor to order an independent

New Yorkers can "like" and "follow" the State Police on Facebook and Twitter

The New York State Police are making the leap into social media to better serve the people of New York State.

New Yorkers can now "like" the State Police on Facebook and "follow" NYSP on Twitter.

"We are moving the State Police into the 21st century," Superintendent Joseph D'Amico said. "Facebook and Twitter give us a chance to directly communicate and interact with the people we serve across New York State. Not only will we be able to get

important public safety information out quickly, but New Yorkers will also get to know more about the work our Troopers do in their communities."

On our official pages, the public can learn more about the State Police, its specialty units and members. The State Police will also be posting important public safety information in regards to arrests, closures, traffic safety tips and even information on how the public can help in investigations.

With the many State Police interest groups on social media, make sure your readers and viewers look for "The official page of the New York State Police" while online.

Find the official page on Facebook www.facebook.com/nyspolice or Twitter @nyspolice.

For more information about the New York State Police, please visit www.troopers.ny.gov.

Ulster to Impose Fee on Vehicles Registered in the County

KINGSTON - Ulster County hopes to generate over \$900,000 for the 2013 budget by imposing fee on vehicles. Owners of private passenger cars would pay an annual fee of \$5 per vehicle, weighing up to 3,500 pounds. Commercial vehicles would have a \$10 fee. Democrat Donald Gregorius was a reluctant supporter when the county legislature approved the measure Tuesday night. "While it's not something that anybody wants to do, by voting 'no', you're increasing property taxes for everyone" Gregorius said. "And that, it's a choice between two evils." The measure passed on a vote of 14 to 8.

POLITICAL SLANT By Frank Comando -

PASS THE SMALL BUSINESS, AND MIDDLE-CLASS TAX CUTS (cutting the 1% also)

President Obama is calling on Congress to pass the middle class tax cuts so that 98 percent of Americans and 97 percent of small businesses don't pay higher taxes next year. The immediate issue facing President Obama and lawmakers in Washington is a year-end deadline that will require some major decisions on jobs, taxes and deficits -- and have a real effect on families all over the country. The President stated there is one thing we can do right now to provide a foundation for a solution that helps the economy and gives middle-class families more certainty in the coming weeks. It is something that everyone agrees on: pass a law that would prevent any tax hike whatsoever on the first \$250,000 of everybody's income.

"That means every American, including the wealthiest Americans, get a tax cut," he said. "It means that 98 percent of all Americans, and 97 percent of all small businesses won't see their taxes go up a single dime."

Comment:

However, if we are not taxing the rich, we will not reduce the deficit and our debt keeps climbing. We need to have big business pay their fair share of taxes. Please call your elected officials in support.

"KILLER'S OF SMALL BUSINESS AND JOBS" WALMART, HOME DEPOT, LOWES, TARGETED

SUPPORTERS OF SMALL BUSINESS, AND UNIONS PROTEST AT WAL-MART AND ELSEWHERE,

People protested against Wal-Mart on Black Friday, Nov 23, 2012, in Secaucus, N.J. Wal-Mart employees and union supporters are taking part in today's nationwide demonstration for better pay and benefits. A union-backed group called OUR Walmart, which includes former and current workers, was staging the demonstrations and walkouts at hundreds of stores on Black Friday, the day when retailers traditionally turn a profit for the year. Mel Evans/AP

Comment:

Walmart, Home Depot, Lowes, are conglomerate corporations, and are legal business entities, but do business similar to a functioning monopoly, which would be illegal; roll back the U.S. Supreme Court's 2010 Citizens United decision. Corporations are not people. Bring back unions and collective bargaining. We will once again have an economy with a livable wage for the working class, and fair profits for small business, as it was in the 60's.

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

Asks for Help for On the Theatre Ground Efforts for Hurricane Victims

Pastor of Ismael Berrios, CrossWay Assembly of God in Woodbourne, has been on the ground in NJ/NY during the the hurricane efforts. He is the NY liaison for Convoy of Hope (www.convoyhope.org).

This organization pushed close to three million pounds of food and aid to the people directly (checkout the two video clips that are posted on the church (www.face-Facebook book.com/crosswayaog).

According to Pastor Berrios, "Our church has great contacts on the ground in NY and we are hosting a toy drive and benefit Christmas concert hoping to raise as many new unwrapped toys by December 15th for the kids in these areas. We will then be asking the community to come during the following week to the church to wrap the gifts and we will be ship-ping them down and distributing them on December 22, I know that we have very little time to do this and I need all the help I can get."

For more information contact Ismael Berrios, Pastor, CrossWay Assembly of God, 507 Hasbrouck Drive, (PO Box 480) Woodbourne, NY - .845-434-8263.

Email:crosswayaog@aol.com Cabaret sensation Tom Judson to

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year for anyone to research.

Pastor of Local Church Perform New Show at Shadowland

ELLENVILLE, NY, November 19, 2012 - The Shadowland Theatre announced today that Tom Judson will be bring his newest cabaret show to the Ellenville venue this December. "Nature Boy: Songs of the Earth and Sky" is an evening of music and songs which use the natural elements of the universe as a starting point to tell their stories, along with the stories behind the songs and personal reminiscences of a rural childhood. The song list is drawn from writers as diverse as Claude Debussy to Lionel Hampton to The Beatles. There are even a couple of cowboy songs thrown in in for good measure. Within this premise of choosing a playlist from songs about flowers and the sun and the moon can be found a collection of songs rich in diversity of melody and tone; songs that draw on the most elemental of ideas and feelings.

"We're excited to be one of the first venues to have Tom perform his latest work," said Shadowland Artistic Director Brendan Burke, about the piece which premiered last month in Manhattan's lauded new venue, 54 Below.

Originally hailing from the Hudson Valley, Tom Judson has appeared onstage as a singer, musician, actor and--in earlier days--as an object of lust and adoration as "Gus Mattox", GayVN Award-winning adult film star. His cabaret shows have been seen in New York City at The Metropolitan Room, 54 Below and across the country. He has composed music for off-Broadway

Italian Dinner Before the Play

Hosted by the Tri-Valley FCCLA Friday, December 7, 2012 Tri-Valley Cafeteria 4:00 - 6:30 pm Eat In or Take Out Tickets: \$5.00 per person Profits go to

"Ashley Campiglia Scholarship Fund"

Tickets are available from FCCLA Members, Secondary Office or at the Door

Spaghetti w/meat sauce Salad, Bread Cake Ice Tea/Coffee

("Vampire Lesbians of Sodom") (Whit Stillman's "Metropolitan") television ("Sesame Street") and has written songs for the likes of Ann Magnuson, Lisa Kron, Charles Busch and others too numerous to mention. Tom appeared on Broadway in "Cabaret", in the "42nd Street" National Tour and off-Broadway regional productions. His oneman show "Canned Ham" toured the country for two years. For two seasons in Provincetown he performed as and accompanist second banana to drag chanteuse Varla

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Pastor Susan Woodworth 985-2283

Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Beef Dinner

December 8, 2012 Saturday, 4 pm - 7 pm

Menu: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots/Pes, Salad, Bread, Ice Cream with Sprinkles/Syrup & Drinks

Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00 under 5 free •Christmas Items Sale Table•

Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall For more inforamtion please call: 845-985-7480 Thank you for your support and God Bless You All!

Holiday Penny Social

Saturday · December 8th ·Doors Open 6pm · Drawing 8 pm Refreshments Available 50/50 Raffle-Special Tables Masonic Hall, Canal Street, Ellenville, NY

Jean Merman. Also an author, Tom recently published "Laid Bare", a collection of his essays and magazine columns. Available in print and as an eBook through Amazon.com.

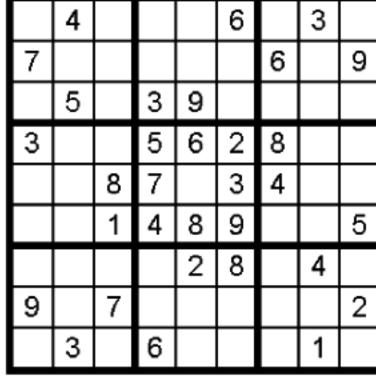
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St . Augustine's Chapel

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Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Grahamsville Reformed Church

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor

The performance at the Shadowland will be at 8pm on Friday, December 7. Tickets are \$25, and reservations are recommended. For more information, or to make a reservation, please call the Shadowland Box Office at 845-647-5511. Or visit the theatre's website at www.shadowlandtheatre.org

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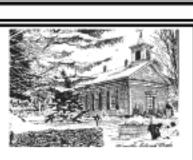
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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

ANNUAL ELECTION OF GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT **DECEMBER 11, 2012**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Election of the Grahamsville Fire District will take place on December 11, 2012 between the hours of 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm at the Grahamsville Firehouse located on Main Street, Grahamsville, New York for the purpose of:

1) Electing one Commissioner for a 5-year term commencing on January 1, 2013 and ending on December 31, 2017.

Candidates for the District Office of Commissioner must submit their request in writing to the District Secretary at PO Box 343, Grahamsville, NY 12740 to be placed on the ballot no later than November 21. 2012.

All residents of the Fire District duly registered with the Sullivan County Board of Elections as of November 23, 2012 shall be eligible to vote.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COM-MISSIONERS OF THE GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT.

Scott L. Raymond, District Secretary

Legal Notice ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE CLARYVILLE FIRE DISTRICT **DECEMBER 11, 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Election of the Claryville Fire District will take place on December 11, 2012 between the hours of 6:00pm and 9:00 pm at the Claryville Fire House located on Denning Rd. for the purpose of electing one commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing January 1, 2013, ending December 31, 2017 and one commissioner for the remaining three (3) years of a vacated position, commencing January 1, 2013 ending December 31, 2015. All voters registered with the Sullivan County Board of Elections and the Ulster County Board of Elections on or before November 21, 2012 shall be eligible to vote.

Candidates for the District Office shall have filed their names with the Secretary of the Claryville Fire District, PO Box 22, Claryville, NY 12725, no later than twenty days before the election, November 21, 2012.

Dated November 18, 2012 Jim Tisch, Secretary Board of Fire Commissioners Claryville Fire District

"About Place" Landscape Art Exhibit Opens at SUNY Ulster Featuring Four Artists Landscape Art Show Runs from Nov. 30 to Dec. 21 at Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery

Opening at SUNY Ulster's Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery, the "About Place" exhibit brings together four artists who explore landscape in oil, watercolor and pastel in singular ways.

The exhibit will feature works by Carol Cramer of Kingston, Prudence See of Saugerties, Phil Sigunick of Cragsmoor and Joyce Washor of Riverdale. It opens Nov. 30 with a reception at the gallery from 5 to 7 p.m., and runs through Dec. 21.

Cramer paints with oil on vellum in a gestural style, using her fingers, pencils, brushes and rags to

create quiet and evocative scenes that honor the past and the present. She says lately she has been drawn to landscape painting of personally familiar and well-traveled routes that hold many stories.

Originally from the UK, See re-visits her home country with pen and paint. "Sometimes I am lucky enough to find a place where I feel that I can never stop painting what I see there," she says. "At that moment in time all I want to do is convey something of the essence of that place to others. I paint small, intimate glances in oil paints and in words culled from my journal and elsewhere, celebrating that place and inviting others to explore it with me."

A premier pastel artist, Sigunick defines himself as a "people, places and things artist," who uses his work to channel complex emotional responses to the world he lives in. "It takes much more than a single look to see what I've done, and still more, I hope, to understand it," he says.

Washor, who will exhibit small-scale watercolors, says, "I am captivated by the beauty inherent in the stillness of simple objects and places." Washor has studied at The Woodstock School of Art and is the author of Big Art, Small Canvas: Paint Easier,

Faster and Better with Small Oil Paintings, North Light Books, 2006, and an iBook, Watercolor Harmony, The Tao of the Complementary Palette, 2012.

The gallery is open Mondays through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and by appointment. It is closed on college holidays. The exhibit is free and open to the public. For more information, call (845) 687-5113.

SUNY Sullivan Presents Verdi's Un ballo in Maschera

SUNY Sullivan's The Met: Live in HD series continues with more Verdi. The delightful Un Ballo in Maschera will simulcast in the college's Seelig Theater on December 8 at 12:55 pm.

Un Ballo in Maschera, the second Verdi opera in this season, is a drama about jealousy and vengeance. A new production by David Alden, it is conducted by Fabio Luisi. Sondra Radvanovsky performs as Amelia; Marcelo Alvarez sings III; Dmitri Hvorostovsky is Anckarström; Stephanie Blythe plays the fortuneteller Ulrica; Kathleen Kim sings the part of Oscar, the page.

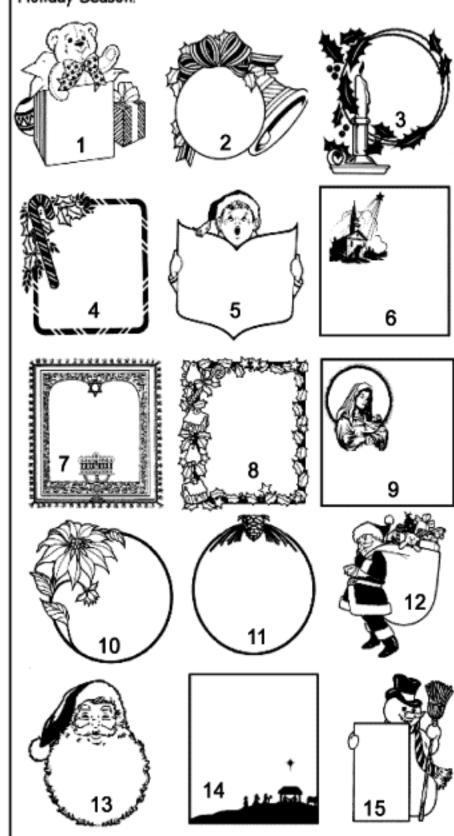
Says Alden: "Un Ballo in Maschera is one of Verdi's greatest and most brilliant scores, with a variety of different colors. It alternates between the light and the intensely melodramatic. Verdi pulls it all together with unbelievable theatrical energy. [Ballo] is theatrical dynamite.

Ticket pricing for all presentations during the 2012-2013 season is as follows: \$20.00 (Adults); \$10.00 (Children 13 & Under); \$10.00 (Students). You may also choose to invest in our OPERAtunity Package. This value-priced bundle allows you to choose any 6 operas in the series for the reduced cost of just \$96.00. Please join us on the campus of SUNY Sullivan to enjoy this

SEND YOUR HOLIDAY GREETINGS BY WAY OF THE TOWNSMAN

Each year Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman publishes holiday greetings to your friends, neighbors and family. This year our holiday issue will be published on December 13th. The deadline for all holiday geetings is Friday, December 7th, 2011. Businesses are welcome to send greetings tool

Please use our "Holiday Wishes" order blank when ordering your greeting. Thank you and have a wonderful Holiday Season



Please circle the greeting you want and then write the Holiday message you wish to include in your greeting:

Send this form along with your check for \$8.00 for each holiday greeting you wish to: Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman
• P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740 by December 7, 2012 All greetings will be published in our holiday issue, December 13, 2012 NAME_

Telephone

Peabody and Emmy Award winning series. To view the complete season schedule for The Met: Live In HD series, you may visit us online at www.sunysullivan.edu, and search "Met Opera." To order tickets to this opera, or any of the other inspiring cultural events presented to the public by SUNY Sullivan, please call the college box office at (845) 434-5750, extension 4472, between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm on weekday



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Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

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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

Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Bi-Centennial Park in Grahamsville will be held on Sunday, December 2, 2012 at 5:00 pm.

There will be caroling, special music and refreshements.



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

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

SUNY Chancellor Zimpher Addresses Manufacturers at Council of Industry Luncheon

State University of New York Chancellor, Dr. Nancy Zimpher addressed a crowd of almost 200 Hudson Valley manufacturers and their associates at the Council of Industry's Annual Luncheon & Member/Associate Member Expo on Tuesday, November 13th at the Powelton Club in Newburgh, NY. The Council of Industry is the manufacturers association of the Hudson Valley and the Chancellor was there to discuss the Trade Adjustment Act grant to support advanced manufacturing, the SUNY 2020 strategic vision and other efforts by SUNY to provide a skilled workforce and promote economic development in the state.

Dr. Zimpher became Chancellor of the State University of New York, the largest comprehensive system of higher education in the nation, in 2009 and began her work with a statewide tour of the 64 SUNY campuses. This was the first phase of a system wide strategic planning process. This plan, called The Power of SUNY, was launched in April 2010, with the central goal of harnessing SUNY's potential to drive economic revitalization and create a better future for every community across New York.

As her "Power of SUNY" plan is put

12/1/12 Holiday Craft Fair at the Sundown Community Hall 9 am-3 pm. Refreshments available.

12/1/12 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - CANCELLED

Grahamsville Reformed Church Happy Birthday Jesus Party - 1 pm 12/1/12

12/2/12 Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Bicentennial Park in Grahamsville - 5:00 pm

12/4/12 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - Denning Town Hall- 7:00 pm

Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting - 7:30 pm 12/5/12

12/7/12 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Holiday Party - no meeting

12/8/12 Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Beef Dinner - 4 - 7 pm 12/11/12 Town of Denning Audit/Business Meeting 7 pm -Denning Town Hall

Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm 12/12/12 12/12/12 Claryville Fire District Meeting - 6:30 pm

12/13/12 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m. 12/13/12 The Townsman holiday issue

12/16/12 Grahamsville Reformed Church Christmas Program - 6 pm (Snow date Dec 23)

12/18/12 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm 12/18/12 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Meeting 7 pm Town Hall

12/19/12 Neversink Fire District Meeting -7:30 PM, Public Meeting -8:00 PM

12/24/12 Grahamsville Reformed Church Christmas Eve Service - 7 pm

12/24/12 Town of Neversink Holiday (1/2 day)- CHRISTMAS EVE

12/25/12 Town of Neversink Holiday - CHRISTMAS

The Townsman will not be published on 11/22/12, 12/20/12 or 12/27/12.

The first issue of the New Year will be published on 1/3/13.

Reminder: To all local organizations & municipalities to send their Meeting/Event calendars for 2013 Save the Dates!

Saturday, May 4th, 2013 for the Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk in the Townsman -- in memory of Donald Ter Bush, Charter Member and President of the Tri-Valley Lions, who passed away July 16, 2012. <u>Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman</u> is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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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.

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

<u>Town of Olive Planning Board</u> meets the <u>first and third Tuesdays of each month</u>. 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.

Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 into action, Chancellor Zimpher is leading a diverse set of new initiatives at SUNY in several key areas, including research and innovation, energy, health care, global affairs, and the education pipeline. The Chancellor explained the role SUNY can play in helping manufacturers succeed in New York including the recent US Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Act grant to support advanced manufacturing. She also called upon manufacturers and the Council of Industry to partner with the SUNY system to provide internships and co-op programs for students. The Council of Industry's role in executing the grant is to promote the training and educational opportunities to potential participants and to involve manufacturing employers in the process. The Chancellor also discussed the new term "systemness" which is a new way of looking at SUNY as a whole greater than the parts that make it up.



A variety of Council members and associate members participated in the Expo portion of the event and displayed their company's wares to the local manufacturers who attended the luncheon. The products and services at the Expo ranged from insurance and electrici-

ty to corrugated packaging and refrigerated wine racks. Overall sixteen companies participated in the Expo.

The Council also celebrated the 15th graduating class in the Manufacturing Leadership program, consisting of a record twenty-two individuals from nine different companies. These hardworking individuals have completed over 70 hours of training through the Council of Industry and Dutchess Community College in supervisory leadership and were honored at the luncheon when Chancellor Zimpher presented them with their certificates. The 2012 graduates are: from Alcoa Fastening Systems - Vince Carchidi, Claire Mullady, Rick Olund, Kali Pierson, from Balchem Corp. - Mike Lepes, Mike Majkowski, Chris Walicki; The Council of Industry - Alison Butler, Eastern Alloys - Jamie Negron; FALA Technologies, Inc.- Mike Senecal; MPI, Inc. - Michael Couey, Matt Dina, Dan Phillips, Aaron Phipps, Rick Schroeder; Schatz Bearing Corp. - John Hilal, Edward Mejorado, Baljit Singh, David Winchcombe, Sandra Zapata; Selux - Sarah Hendrickson; Viking Industries -Thorn Winter.

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SUNY Ulster Nursing Students Galvanize Storm Sandy Relief EffortsHudson Valley Hurricane Helpers Making Black Friday Trip to Help Long Beach Victims

SUNY Ulster nursing students have galvanized a campus- and community-wide effort to help residents on Long Island who

have been impacted by Super Storm Sandy. The "Hudson Valley Hurricane Helpers" will be making a second trip to Long Beach on Black Friday Nov. 23 to deliver supplies and other donations, assist with cleaning and rebuilding homes, and offer emotional support.

Stefanie Kalvar of Accord, a first-year nursing student at the college, organized the group after her hometown of Long Beach, a small oceanside city in Nassau County, was hit hard by the hurricane. Fellow classmates volunteered to assist and the group has quickly grown throughout the campus and into the community with support from the college, SUNY Ulster Nursing Club and other students, Health Alliance of the Hudson Valley, local markets, and many other businesses and individuals. More than 700 people are now involved in the group started on Facebook.

The Hurricane Helpers made their first trip on Nov. 11. Seeing the losses first-hand left an impact on the group of about 20 volunteers and compelled them to do more to help. Instead of shopping after Thanksgiving, they will be delivering a van-load of donations and going door-to-door to help residents in flooded homes in any way they can. SUNY Ulster is supplying the van.

"This Black Friday I propose we show thanks in a different way: show thanks that you have food by helping prepare meals for those who lost their kitchen, show thanks that you have clothes by helping someone find clothes in a distribution center, show thanks that you have a warm, clean house by helping someone clear the rotten walls, floors and furniture out of their own," Kalvar said in her Facebook message.

SUNY Ulster Assistant Professor of Nursing Lisa Schulte, who will be joining the trip, said she's proud of the students who are learning about leadership, collaboration, providing therapeutic care and communicating to people who are experiencing trauma and stress after a disaster -- skills they will use in their future careers.

"We are mending people," Kalvar says. "We are helping them get their houses and lives back together. But we're also listening to them and being there for them so they can talk and vent, and cry on our shoulders."

"The students in the nursing program are so dedicated and compassionate and committed to working on this," she says. "I am continuously surprised and grateful for the response and the generosity of the community."

To get involved with the group, visit Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/groups/HurricaneHelp/

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Ouiz: I. Who played Danker? 2. Who played the bus driver?

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GRAHAMSVILLE-The Town of Neversink will hold the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at 5 pm on Sunday, December 2nd at Bicentennial Park in Grahamsville. All are invited. There will be carol

singing, special music and refreshments.

Thank you to all those who help put this annual event together that has now become a Tri-Valley Tradition. A special 'thank you' to Frank and George Hinzmann who donated all the trees that have been so delightfully decorated by local organizations.

On Dec. 7 from 4-6:30 pm there will be an *Italian Dinner Before the Play* hosted by the Tri-Valley FCCLA at the Tri-Valley Cafeteria Eat In or Take Out Tickets: \$5.00 per person. Profits go to "Ashley Campiglia Scholarship Fund" Tickets are available from FCCLA Members-Secondary Office or at the

SUNDOWN -Mark your calendars for the Holiday Craft Sale that will be held at the Sundown Community Hall on December 1, 2012 from 9 am - 3 pm. Enjoy some old-fashioned holiday shopping. There will be handcrafted items made by local arti-sans, as well as baked goods and refreshments.

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