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## Fundraiser, Freelancer, Community Organizer: Legislature Recognizes Resident Who Does It All



Cat Scott took a pie in the face during the recent Jeffersonville Jamboree to benefit Jeffersonville JEMS, a Sullivan Renaissance group of which she is president. Her fundraising efforts, however, extend all across western Sullivan County.

Catherine "Cat" Scott is the kind of person who doesn't mind having her face plastered with pie - and then plastering that image all over social media! But hey, it was for a good cause - it always is. "There's no shame in my game!" says this irrepressible Hortonville resident. (Contd. Pg. 8)

## Tri-Valley FBLA attends National Leadership Conference



This past June, 13 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) members and their advisors traveled to Anaheim, California to attend the National Leadership Conference with over 12,000 other members from around the country. (Contd. Pg. 2)

## Enter Giant Pumpkin Party Decorated Pumpkin or Scarecrow Contest



Make a scarecrow or decorate a pumpkin by yourself, with a friend or with your classmates, and join the fun! (Contd. Pg. 3)

## Who'd a thought???



Photo by Ees Stone

Here we are September 21st 2017, the fifth anniversary of my marriage to RJ Baker. I come from Canada, the wild west, and RJ hails from Buffalo. Who'd a thought we'd wind up in Parksville together with a media production studio, Beaverkill Studio, and a beloved cabaret/restaurant, Cabernet Frank's! (Contd. Pg. 11)

## SC Legislative Chairman Alvarez named to National Association of Counties' Board of Directors



Sullivan County Legislator Luis A. Alvarez has been appointed as a member of the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Board of Directors.

NACo President Roy Charles Brooks, a Tarrant County, Texas commissioner, named Alvarez as an at-large member for a one-year term, effective on September 11, 2017.

According to President Brooks, "The Board of Directors meets four times a year to oversee the business of NACo, as well as to approve interim and emergency policy recommendations. These policy recommendations are presented to the membership for adoption at the Annual Conference and are then published in the American County Platform." Brooks continued, "As elected and appointed officials, we have both the responsibility and privilege to serve the public. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## SC Legislator Scott Samuelson Elected 2nd Vice President of NYSAC

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County Legislator Scott Samuelson was elected to the executive committee of the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) this month in Syracuse as part of the Association's 2017 Annual Meeting.

NYSAC represents New York's 57 counties and the City of New York in Albany and Washington on matters germane to county governments, and informs county officials and the public about issues that impact county governments across the state. (Contd. Pg. 4)



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## #ILOVEADHC



During National Adult Day Services Week, September 17-23, the Sullivan County Adult Care Center took to social media to celebrate and create more awareness about adult day health care. Registrants (as program participants are called) and staff made signs stating their reasons why they "love" their program. Registrants enjoyed making the signs and posing for photos.

The photos and signs were shared on social media. The Adult Day Health Services program located at the Sullivan County Adult Care Center welcomed its first registrant in 1992. Adults with physical or mental limitations spend the day at the program, and then return to their homes and communities at the end of the day. In addition to nursing, physical and occupational therapies, and help with activities of daily living, the program provides case management to link registrants with needed services in the community. Since its inception, the program has helped to delay or prevent nursing home placement for hundreds of Sullivan County residents.

For more information about the program, please contact Donna at (845) 513-2126.





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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits towards me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. Psalm 116:12, 13

**OBITUARY:**

**Peggy Vandover** of San Antonio, Texas, formerly of Grahamsville, passed away at her home on September 11, 2017 after an eleven year battle with Alzheimers. She was 90 years of age.

Peggy had retired as secretary from Woodbourne Correctional Facility in 1987. She is survived by her loving husband of 67 year, Edward, who was at her side during her entire illness. She is also survived by two sons and two daughters, seven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren, also several nieces and nephews.

Services were held on Friday, September 15th at Mission Park Cemeteries with interment in the mausoleum in San Antonio.

**DAYS OF YORE....****Today's History**

**October 16, 1957** - A number of local residents attended the wedding of Deming Krum son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Krum, to June Rasmussen of Youngsville on Saturday, October 5th at the Youngsville Presbyterian Church. Following the wedding, a reception was held at the bride's home. About 100 attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward VanDover are the proud parents of a baby boy born Sunday evening at the Hamilton Avenue Hospital. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. This makes a family of two girls and two boys.

**November 8, 1967** - Funeral services were held Tuesday for Mrs. May N. Sheeley, 81, of Grahamsville who died Friday in Middletown. Born in Grahamsville March 2, 1886, she was the daughter of Abram and Catherine Schwab Moore. She was married to Clarence B. Sheeley who died in 1957. Mrs. Sheeley is survived by two sons, Clarence L. of Grahamsville, and Walter L. of Burlington, Vt., and one grandchild.

Anniversary wishes to Mrs. and Mrs. John McKenna, 22 yrs., and to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sheeley, 10 years both on the 10th; Mr. and Mrs. Walton Hamilton, 15 yrs on the 15th; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Banta, 32 yrs. on the 16th; and a rather special wish to Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Erath who will be celebrating their 52nd year together on the 17th.

**October 27, 1977** - Congratulations are in order for Ralph and Martha Dymond, Jr., on the birth of Thomas Benjamin at the Community General Hospital in Harris on Oct. 21st. Tome weighed in at 7 lbs., 8 1/2 oz and measured 22 inches.

The annual meeting of the Daniel Pierce Library Board of Trustees was held at the library on October 12th. Rose Parrow, Marion Robinson and Barbara Purcell were voted in as trustees. A vote of thanks was given to the librarian, Rosemary March for the fine work she is doing at the library.

**October 1, 1987** - Cliff and Pamela Hamlin are the proud parents of daughter, Jaclyn Nicole, born September 22, 1987. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. The maternal grandparents are Sherm and Vi Kortright of Neversink. The paternal grandparents are Carl and Betty Hamlin of Liberty.

Tri-Valley High School has been notified that Peter A. Dice and Chris A. Latorraca have been designated Commended Students in the 1988 National Merit Scholarship Program and will receive a Letter of Commendation in recognition of outstanding academic promise. The principal, Donald Ziter, announced today that these seniors placed in the top 50,000 of more than one million participants in the 33rd annual Merit Program.

**Tri-Valley FBLA attends National Leadership Conference**

(From Pg. 1) Members in attendance are as follows Aidan Mentnech, Angelina DiToro, Anna Hendrickson, Antoine Perpignand, Frances Wallace, Gillian Mathews, Heather Winters, Julia Leland, Nicole Scuderi, along with their advisors, Ms. Brenda Hay and Mrs. Nancy Peters. The competitions our members competed in were business plan, electronic career portfolio, American enterprise project, introduction to business presentation, website design, and public speaking. Our New York State President, Gillian Mathews, also ran for a national position as Eastern Region Vice President.

While in California, the group went sightseeing. We had dinner at Medieval Times, toured Los Angeles, and went on a beach tour to Huntington Beach and Balboa Beach. We also participated in the Institute for Leaders Program. During this event we took different tracks to help develop valuable leadership skills, life skills, and were able to network with people from all around the country. We were able to do this through the various workshops in the state officer, chapter officer, and entrepreneur tracks. We had an amazing experience at NLC and look forward to our next trip. We would also like to thank the school and community for all of their support.

By: Co-Presidents:

Anna Hendrickson and  
Julia Leland

**New Hope Community Celebrates National Direct Support Professional Recognition Week****Events Held to Honor Professionals Who Support People with Disabilities**

Loch Sheldrake, NY - New Hope Community hosted several special events in recognition of National Direct Support Professional (DSP) Recognition Week during September 10 through September 16, 2017. Direct Support Professional Recognition Week is part of the American Network of Community Options and Resources (ANCOR) National Advocacy Campaign, whose mission is to enhance the lives of all people with disabilities who rely on long-term supports and services by obtaining the resources to recruit, train and retain a highly qualified and sustainable workforce.

"Our direct support professionals are hard-working, dedicated men and women who sacrifice a lot to support the people with disabilities who we serve," said New Hope Community Executive Director, Jim Forbes. "Medicaid reimbursement rates make it challenging to pay the wages they deserve, DSP Recognition week is a way to say "thank you" and to show our appreciation."

Our Direct Support Professionals enjoyed special deliveries of donuts; paint & sip sessions; massages, soccer, carwashes; an obstacle course; a "pie in the face" contest and a barbeque. Direct Support Professional Recognition Week is celebrated annually across the country with special events and ceremonies like these earmarked to honor the tens of thousands of workers who enable people with intellectual, developmental and other significant disabilities and their families to live healthy lives in their communities.

**About New Hope Community**

New Hope Community is a private, not-for-profit organization providing support for individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. Established in 1975 to serve as a nurturing and caring alternative to large institutions which were found to have violated the most basic human rights and conditions, New Hope Community has become recognized as a leading provider in the human services field. Services include clinical and nursing care, day programming, education and recreation, leisure activities, a robust supported employment program, summer programs for youths, and more. The agency maintains a person-focused approach aimed at enhancing the lives of people with disabilities, and actively advocates for individual choice in a person's efforts to live, work, and participate fully in his or her community. New Hope Community presently supports and serves over 300 individuals and is a leading employer in Sullivan County, with more than 650 staff. Learn more at:

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



**A Round About Tri-Valley**

Carol Furman

Good thoughts go out to Kim Lucak of Grahamsville and Karen Curry of Neversink. Congratulations to Matt and Samantha Garigliano of Grahamsville on the birth of their son, Connor Adriaan, on August 22nd.

Congratulations also go out to Justin Denman and Rose Hurley-Weitz of Parksville on the birth of their son, Bruce Wayne Denman on August 26th.

The Grahamsville United Methodist Church thanks everyone who donated cleaning supplies or checks to purchase cleaning supplies for the "Hurricane Relief Bucket Project". The supplies were repackaged into 5-gallon buckets and sent to areas affected by the recent tropical storms.

The Grahamsville Reformed Church served 235 people at their roast beef dinner on Saturday, September 16th. Thanks to Spencer Quick for all he and his crew did to provide the delicious meal. It was nice to see so many of the Sunday School students helping out in the dining hall. It was a both a surprise and a pleasure to see Eunice Sheely at the dinner. I'm glad she is feeling better!

The Civil War 143rd Infantry sponsored a camporee at Hanofee Park in Liberty on September 23rd and 24th. Boy Scouts from the entire Hudson Valley District were invited to attend. Many of the Scouts camped overnight and participated in Civil War demonstrations. Several of our local Scouts attended and had a great time.

An exciting day of hands-on activities, demonstrations and presentations was sponsored by the Sportsmen's Clubs of Sullivan County at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 23rd. The Youth Outdoor Expo, as it is called, was presented for youngsters between the ages of 5 and 15 accompanied by an adult. Thanks to the Sullivan County Democrat and Jeff Bank for helping to support this worthwhile activity. On Saturday, September 9th, the Fallsburg High School Class of 1957 held their 60 year reunion at Bernies Holiday Inn in Rock Hill. The Class also invited the classes of '54, '55, '56, '58, '59 and '60 to join them for the celebration. Bob Longo, a former Fallsburg teacher, who is now 96 years old, attended the event and posed for photos with the classes.

Historically, the Native Americans who lived in the northern and eastern United States kept track of the seasons by giving a name to each full moon. This next full moon is called the Harvest Moon and is the full moon closest to the autumnal equinox. It can occur in September or October and is the time when crops such as pumpkins, squash and corn are ready for gathering.

**Words of Wisdom:** The most difficult thing in the world is to know how to do a thing and to watch somebody else doing it wrong, without comment. (T.H. White) Too many people don't care what happens so long as it doesn't happen to them. (William Howard Taft)

**Fall Cleanup 2017**

Fall Cleanup will be held on Saturday October 14, 2017. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with Yellow 2017 permits will be allowed 1 load which must be brought on October 14th. Permit cards will be punched for the load.

TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during spring cleanup, residents are asked NOT TO bring any of these items during Spring Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who have their household and generate their waste material in the Town of Neversink. Ownership of vacant land does not qualify for use of the facility. The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

**Enter Giant Pumpkin Party Decorated Pumpkin or Scarecrow Contest**

**DESIGN A SCARECROW CONTEST:**

(From Pg. 1) Here are the basic tips on how to design a scarecrow but let your imagination take over from here.

You will need:

1. For the Head: A small bag, pillowcase, T-shirt, shopping bag, burlap, whatever) that you can imagine stuffing to make look like a head.
2. For the Body: Two old rake/shovel handles, broom sticks or boards cut to size. Hammer, nails or pieces of string or rope.
3. For the Face: Old buttons + thread and a needle. Or hot glue, paint, watercolor or wax crayons.
4. Clothes- For the basics - two t shirts and a pair of jeans, but anything can be used to dress your scarecrow. Be creative and make it interesting.
6. Stuff it! Bundles of straw, hay, dry leaves, rags or other filler for stuffing the head and body.
7. Finishing touches - gloves, a funny hat, props-anything to make your scarecrow amusing or complete.
8. A bucket of sand and/or rocks to hold your scarecrow upright when it cannot be driven into the ground.

The steps:

- Make the face.
- Make the Body. Tie two sticks together to look like a cross.
- Put the clothes on the cross and stuff the body. You can shape your scarecrow any way you'd like. Big Belly, muscular, skinny. If you are using pants, put one leg over the long piece of wood, letting the other hang free. Put the shirt, blouse or jacket over the scarecrow's arms and tuck into the pants or skirt.
- Stuff the head, and slip over the top of the board and tie with a string.
- Don't forget to add some amusing touches to make your scarecrow unique. Place it in a standing position in the bucket and fill with rocks and sand so that it will be able to stand alone.
- Entries must be at the Fairgrounds by 6pm on Friday October 6th. Judging will take place at 7pm. There will be cash prizes! And a grand prize for Best in Show!

**DECORATE A PUMPKIN CONTEST:**

Here are some tips on how to carve a pumpkin!

- Be sure to choose ones that are smooth, firm, and symmetrical. They don't need to be giant. The design dictates the shape. Tall, oblong ones will work best for vertical designs, whereas

short, squat ones are better for horizontals. Flat can be fine. Work it to your advantage.

- Create a template. Consider how the pattern will fit on the pumpkin. Tape it to the pumpkin. Then remove the template, but keep it for reference. Have children first, sketch a design on a piece of paper and cut out the pieces of the face separately. Consider how the pattern will fit on the pumpkin.
- Next, tape the parts to the hollowed-out pumpkin. Then trace the lines of the template by poking holes with a needle tool. Guide your kids if they need help with sharp tools.
- Last, remove the template and carve along the dotted patterns. Be creative! Be Dramatic!
- Bring your decorated pumpkin to the fairgrounds by Friday Morning, October 6th between 7a - 10:30am. Judging takes place on Saturday, October 7th at 11am. Pumpkins will be judged in two categories: Carved and Uncarved in multiple age categories. There will be cash prizes! A total of 21 prizes in all with one Grand Prize -Best of Show!

For more information or an entry form, please contact the Daniel Pierce Library at 845-985-7233.

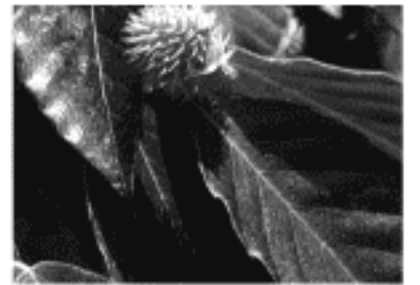


**Nature Column - Linda Comando**

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

**Nuts About Fall**

One of the fun things about fall in the Catskills is finding different nuts that have begun to fall from the trees: acorns, hickory nuts, and black walnuts to name a few. One of Nature's favorite treats are tiny little nuts that are often overlooked. They are the beechnuts that are now beginning to fall from the American Beechnut tree. In contrast to the impressive Beechnut tree whose height can reach over 100 feet tall is the tiny three-angled nut that resembles a half-pyramid.



*The nut encased in its soft-spined husks*

The American Beech nut Tree (*Fagus grandifolia* - Latin for: *Fagus*, beech; *grandi*, great; *folia*, leaves) is a species of beech tree that grows in the Catskills and across much of the eastern United States and southeastern Canada.



*The tiny three-angled nuts resemble a half-pyramid*

It is a large tree that grows 60 to 115 feet-high, with smooth gray bark and oval leaves. It is a familiar part of the hardwood forest and also a popular shade and ornamental species.

The tree is monoecious, with flowers of both sexes on the same tree. The flowers are small single-sex, wind-pollinated catkins, produced in spring shortly after the new leaves appear.

The fruit is a small, sharply 3-angled nut approximately 1/2 long, that is encased in a twin hard inner shell. The paired shells in the soft-spined husks are known as cupules.

The American Beechnut has two ways of reproducing: one is through the usual dispersal of seeds, and the other is through root sprouts, where the tree will have smaller trees growing out of its roots in different locations.

The leaves of the American Beechnut are dark green, simple and sparsely-toothed with the small teeth terminating at each vein. Leaves are usually 2 1/2 -5 in long, with a short petiole. This time of the year in the Catskills, the foliage of the Beechnut will begin to turn gold or dark copper.

The winter twigs are distinctive among North American trees. They are long and slender, about a half inch to three-quarters of an inch by less than a tenth of an inch with two rows of overlapping scales on the buds that are markedly thin and long, resembling cigars; this characteristic makes Beech trees relatively easy to identify.

Beech trees are high-branching with tall, stout trunks and smooth silver-grey bark. Beech bark is extremely thin and scars easily. Since the beech tree has such delicate bark, carvings, such as lovers' initials remain because the tree is unable to heal itself.

The timber of the Beech is used to make furniture, parquet floors, wooden bowls and even gunpowder. The wood's heating power rises above most other timber sources, and it was widely used to warm the home. It is an excellent firewood as it is easily split and burns for many hours with bright but calm flames.

The tasty little morsels of the American Beech are loved by deer, squirrels raccoon, grouse, bear, porcupines and humans.

Beechnuts have a mild flavor and can be eaten raw or cooked and are known to have an appreciable level of protein. Beechnuts can also make an exotic sprout, offering a unique sweet, crisp and nutty eating experience. The tiny nuts are a fine coffee substitute that is caffeine-free and brewed from the roasted seeds.

Mild in flavor, the young leaves of a Beech tree can be eaten raw or cooked as a potherb in the spring.

To experience the woody autumn taste of the Beechnut, you will earn every tasty morsel that is extracted, including the sore finger tips that will come with handling the spiny outer shells of the nuts.

But it is well worth the effort.

**Household Hints**

**Stinky Lunch Box???**

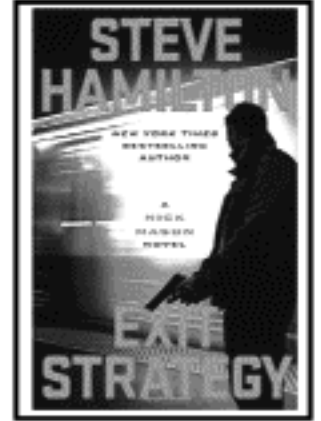
Does your child's lunch box has taken on the bouquet of week-old tuna? Quit holding your breath every time you open it. Instead, soak a slice of white bread in white vinegar and leave it in the malodorous space overnight. The smell should be gone by morning.





## Exit Strategy

Mysterious Book Report No. 304  
by John Dwaine McKenna



One year ago, (MBR 254,) we alerted readers to a new series by award-winning, New York Times best-selling author Steve Hamilton that featured an anti-hero protagonist named Nick Mason. Mason's the guy who, in order to get out of serving the last fifteen years of a twenty year sentence in a maximum security prison, makes a Faustian bargain with a super-criminal named Darius Cole. Mason gets out, but he's nowhere free. He's at the beck and call of a mysterious cell phone. When it rings, Mason must answer immediately and do whatever he's told to by the voice on the other end. Failure to do so will result in his ex-wife and daughter – who he would die for – being killed. Otherwise, he lives like a king. But as Cole himself says, *Don't confuse mobility with freedom.* The novel was a smash hit. Now Hamilton's back with a second, even better Nick Mason yarn.

**Exit Strategy**, (Putnam/Penguin Random House, \$26.00, 287 pages, ISBN 978-0-399-57438-2) by Steve Hamilton starts off with a bang. Literally, as Mason gears up to take out Darius Cole's once-trusted accountant. The man's in WITSEC, witness protection, prepared to testify against Cole in his upcoming retrial, and guarded 24/7 by a team of a dozen hand-picked U.S. Marshalls. They're specially-trained and they've never lost a witness. That doesn't mean they never will, because Nick Mason's a lethal weapon and his skills keep getting better and better, no matter how reluctant he is to use them for the benefit of Darius Cole. Mason's character is intriguing . . . he is protecting his daughter and her mother . . . by being a killer on behalf of an evil man and it's eating him up. That's why he has to come up with an exit strategy in order to save himself from a life of involuntary servitude and ultimately, an ignominious death. Author Hamilton opens the book with: *You kill one person it changes you. You kill five . . . it's who you are . . .* and begins a rock n' roll thrill ride that won't quit or let up until the last page . . . where you'll be wishing and hoping for more of the same . . . and soon. Really. Really. Soon! Steve Hamilton proves once again why he's one of the best crime fiction writers in America today, if not the entire world. Thriller readers-do yourself a favor and get to know this Edgar award winning author. You'll be a fan for life, and glad you did!

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### 4-H Youth Fair Raises \$5,900 for Leadership Programs & Scholarships

GRAHAMSVILLE, NY- Hundreds of projects created by 4-H youth members and volunteers were exhibited at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) 4-H Youth Fair, held on August 18-21, 2017 in conjunction with Neversink Agriculture Society's 138th Grahamsville Little World's Fair at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Over 250 youth involved in the fair learned lessons in showmanship, public speaking, leadership, fundraising, and teamwork.

The annual 4-H Pie Auction raised over \$3,000 for 4-H leadership opportunities in Sullivan County. The annual 4-H Livestock Auction, organized and led by 4-H members and volunteers, raised \$2,900 for 4-H'ers and the Ag College Scholarship Fund. Eddie Moran Jr., local farmer and professional auctioneer, donated his services to both fundraisers.

"Fair is a magical time of year! You get to watch kids turn into professionals," said Theresa Uciechowski, 4-H parent and volunteer. "They work all year on projects, then showcase them at fair. It gives an opportunity to learn valuable life lessons and how to interact with the public."

The Livestock Barn had 200 live animal exhibits for public viewing including cows; goats; horses; poultry; rabbits; and even alpacas. Fair guests were able to meet the 4-H families who raised them. More than 330 youth fairgoers engaged in free, interactive activity stations. 4-H'ers created 300 still exhibit projects, highlights of which included photography, wood-working, LEGO sculptures, historic dioramas, creative art pieces, homegrown vegetables, and fairy gardens! Submissions for 94 youth were evaluated by trained judges and 43 earned entry into the Great New York State Fair in Syracuse, with four entries garnering Special Recognition Awards.

Anyone aged 5-19 can join 4-H for free or volunteer to start a club in their town. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County's 4-H Youth Development program empowers youth to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. 4-H members have opportunities to connect to Cornell University resources and gain career readiness skills through hands-on activities and "learning by doing".

To learn more about 4-H, contact Marilyn Jones, CCESC 4-H program coordinator, at 845-292-6180. For a full listing of CCESC events, visit [www.sullivanvanance.org/events](http://www.sullivanvanance.org/events).

### Hospital to Honor Walter Sperling, MD

The Board of Trustees of Ellenville Regional Hospital and the Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation are pleased to announce that Walter Sperling, MD has been chosen as the honoree at the Hospital's annual Gala and Silent Auction.

Ellenville Regional Hospital's Annual Gala will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2017 at the White Wolf Restaurant and Lounge in Napanoch, NY. This year's event will once again include a Journal and fabulous Silent Auction!

Upon discharge from the U.S. Air Force, Walter Sperling, MD, came to Ellenville in 1966 to join the Ellenville Medical Group, an established, multi-specialty practice. He arrived just in time to see President Lyndon B. Johnson dedicate Ellenville Community Hospital, where he then served as Chief of Medicine for about 30 years. In 2010, Dr. Sperling sold his practice to The Institute for Family Health and shortly afterwards joined The Institute as a Physician but also launching his career there as a teacher of 3rd and 4th year medical students. In August 2011, he also became the Medical Director at Ellenville Regional

Hospital. Dr. Sperling and his wife Sue just celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Over the course of the past 50 years, Dr. Sperling has cared for generations of the local residents, as well as summer hotels guests from New York City who would seek him out for his excellent and compassionate care. Dr. Sperling was awarded the 2014 Dr. Gary Ogden Rural Health Practitioner of the Year Award by the New York State Association for Rural Health, was honored by the Ellenville Chapter of the NAACP for his commitment to care of all patients, regardless of their ability to pay, and also honored by Congregation Ezrath Israel for his service to the community. Sperling has served as Commander of Jewish War Veterans, Ellenville Post. Dr. Sperling's lifelong commitment to the Ellenville community, and to Ellenville Hospital, made him an obvious choice as Gala honoree!

Please contact Debbie Briggs at (845) 210-3043 for tickets or for further information regarding the Gala and Silent Auction.

### SC Legislator Scott Samuelson Elected 2nd Vice President of NYSAC

(From Pg. 1)  
"NYSAC and Sullivan County have been well served by Scott's role on the NYSAC Board of Directors," said NYSAC President MaryEllen Odell. "His skills at facilitating the exchange of best practices, in Sullivan County and between counties across the state, are important to NYSAC's mission."

Legislator Samuelson has served Sullivan County's 1st Legislative District since 2012, and was Chairman of the Legislative Board from 2012 through 2015. He has been on the NYSAC Board of Directors since 2015. Previously, Scott served as the president of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce from 1998 until 2004. He has also served on the Board of Directors of Catskill Regional Medical Center, served as President of the Sullivan County Community College Dormitory Corporation, Treasurer of the Sullivan County REAP Board, ex officio member of the board of the Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development, was a founding member of the Sullivan County Business Association, the Bethel Business Association and most recently, the Bethel Council of the Arts.

The last Sullivan County official to be on the NYSAC Executive Committee was Chairman David Kaufman, who served as the NYSAC president in 1990-91.

"NYSAC is a great source of information for county and state officials, and they are strong advocates for local taxpayers," said Legislator Samuelson. "I am honored to have been elected, and I look forward to bringing great ideas back to Sullivan County."

"Scott has been valuable member of the Board of Directors, and I look forward to continuing to work with him as we work to revitalize upstate New York and strengthening the economic conditions of counties across the state," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario.

### SC Legislative Chairman Alvarez named to National Association of Counties' Board of Directors

(From Pg. 1)  
Our members of the NACo Board of Directors have an even greater opportunity to work with colleagues nationwide to help strengthen the organization and their own counties."

Since its founding in 1935, NACo has brought county officials together to engage in discussion and advocacy on national policy, county solutions, and more. NACo is currently in a pivotal position as both federal and state governments are pushing more responsibilities down to the local governments largely without adequate resources. As NACo's primary governing body, the

NACo Board of Directors plays a major role in the life of the association.

"I am extremely proud to represent Sullivan County and all of the Counties of New York on the National Board which represents 3,069 counties throughout this nation," Alvarez said. "I recently completed the County Leadership Institute sponsored by NACo, and I look forward to using these skills and contributing to the National effort, including supporting NACo President Roy Brooks efforts to address poverty in underserved areas of the United States," added Alvarez.

### Extension Offers Yoga4Classrooms Training for Local Schools

Yoga4Classrooms uses mindfulness practices in the classroom to support students and teachers in behaviors that lead to a peaceful and engaged classroom environment. This is a multi-year program, spanning two academic years. With funding from the NYS Department of Health, Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) offered Phase I Yoga4Classrooms training for forty-two Sullivan County K-12 educators last school year.

CCESC and Sullivan Renaissance have partnered to offer advanced Yoga4Classrooms training this coming school year for Sullivan BOCES at White Sulphur Springs, Monticello Elementary and Middle Schools, and Fallsburg Elementary and High Schools.

"Teachers and students both benefit from the program," said Jill Holland, occupational therapist of Sullivan BOCES at White Sulphur Springs.

"Teachers have already been incorporating relaxation techniques and body movement as a way to help students stay calm and focused."

With Sullivan County's difficult health ratings, this is one approach schools and teachers can use in the classroom to encourage healthy behaviors.

"Yoga4Classrooms provides educators with no-cost tools to help improve student performance and reduce disciplinary issues", said SueAnn Boyd, CCESC healthy schools program coordinator.

The public can learn more about this and other Healthy Schools and Communities programs, projects, and partnerships; or Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailing [sullivan@cornell.edu](mailto:sullivan@cornell.edu), or visiting [www.sullivanvanance.org](http://www.sullivanvanance.org).

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### Fiftieth Class Reunion of Onteora

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We, the class of 1967, will certainly always remember and miss them.

The weekend of September 8, 9, and 10 was the celebration of the Fiftieth High School Reunion of the Onteora Class of 1967. Using our finely honed detective skills, members of the class were able to locate all but a handful of the 152 graduates from that year. Many members of the class attending traveled from California, Texas, Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and New Hampshire. At the main event on Saturday night, we packed the Boiceville Inn with graduates and friends and family. The noise level was high, as you can imagine, as we shared travels, bragged about family and recalled high school anecdotes.

In locating our classmates, we discovered, to our dismay, that 26 of our classmates had passed away. Everyone felt that they should be honored in some way, so Bryan Kelly and Bella Springhorn Ladin volunteered to work on that portion of the reunion. The raucous, joyous reunion quieted as Bella asked for silence and made a short statement about the classmates who were no longer with us. The beautiful blue spruce that she and Bryan had acquired stood at the end of the room. As each name was called, a class mate who was present took a beautifully crafted tag with the deceased class mate's senior picture and name and hung it on the tree. There was total silence in that large crowd as 26 times a name was called and another tag added to the tree. A few days after the reunion, the tree was planted at the high school next to the sign in front of the building. We hope that everyone locally who has lost a family member from the class of 1967 will visit that tree and know that it grows in remembrance of their loved one.

### A Toast to Local Democrats

"A Toast to Local Democrats" will take place at the Peekamoose Restaurant in Big Indian. The afternoon reception, hosted by the Shandaken Democratic Committee, is a fundraiser for local Democrats gearing up for the November elections. Specifically honored at this event will be three Democrats running for offices that cross Town boundaries. They are Kathy Nolan, who is running to represent the 22nd District in the Ulster County Legislature; Elliott Auerbach, who is seeking reelection as Ulster County's Comptroller; and Julian Schreiber, who is a candidate for New York Supreme Court Judge, 3rd Judicial District. All three will be present to personally meet with voters, as will a number of other candidates seeking local Town offices.

Guests at the reception will sample a variety of delicious hot and cold hors d'oeuvres served up by one of the finest eateries in the region. Peekamoose has been lauded by a host of publications including Time Out New York, Hudson Valley Magazine, and The Catskills Travel Guide. Fine wine will also be available by donation.

Peekamoose Restaurant is located at 8373 State Route 28 in Big Indian. The reception will be held between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Entrance to this fundraiser is \$35. A discount for seniors and youth is available on request. Advance reservations are necessary to ensure both your admission and that enough fresh food is prepared for the occasion. RSVPs must be received by September 25 and can be made to [toviv4evermore@yahoo.com](mailto:toviv4evermore@yahoo.com) or by calling 917-968-2614.

### Garbage Dumper Confesses

On Sept. 4, ECOs Tom Koepf and Corey Hornicek received a complaint that garbage had been dumped at a public fishing access at the Bashakill Wildlife Management Area in the town of Mamakating.



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included an address in the nearby village of Wurtsboro. The two officers drove to the suspect's residence the next day for an interview. The 22-year-old male suspect denied dumping the garbage at first, but later confessed and apologized after being confronted with the evidence. Two tickets were issued to the man for Unlawful Disposal of Solid Waste and Depositing a Noisome/Unwholesome Substance On or Near a Public Highway.

### Vessel Carrying 6,000 lbs of Fluke Destined for North Carolina Encountered Rough Seas and Emergency Conditions Incident Highlights Need for Action by Federal Regulators and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council to Provide Equitable Distribution of Fluke Fishery

On September 17, 2017, while in transit to North Carolina, the fishing vessel F/V Rianda S. requested Safe Harbor in New York from rough seas generated by Hurricane Jose. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) law enforcement and marine resources staff granted the request and the boat arrived in Montauk at 4:30 pm. The vessel was carrying fish caught in federal waters, including an estimated 6,000 pounds of fluke, and requested to land the fish in New York.

New York's Commercial Fluke Fishery is currently closed and the entire 6,000 pound landing would have had to be deducted from the State's remaining quota of 40,000 pounds, harming the local commercial fishing industry.

"New York will never turn a blind eye to ships in need during severe weather, but we take very seriously our responsibility to carefully manage our State's fishery and our commercial fishermen," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "We commend our counterparts in North Carolina for working with us on a plan to ensure these fish do not go to waste. We need to see the same level of cooperation from federal fisheries regulators to equitably distribute fluke quotas in the Atlantic."

State officials worked quickly to craft an agreement with North Carolina to transfer a portion of its quota to New York to allow the captain to sell half of his fish in New York. DEC is requiring the



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captain to donate the remaining 3,000 pounds of fluke to local food pantries, including Hope for the Future Mission in Farmingdale, Lighthouse Mission in Bellport and others, to discourage questionable decisions to fish in advance of a hurricane, which necessitated this safe harbor request. This will ensure that these fish are used to help those in need and discourage fishing in circumstances that could have avoided the need for safe harbor.

Due to inadequate federal regulations, New York's quota will be reduced by 3,000 pounds even though the fish are being donated rather than sold in New York. With the fishing season currently closed in New York, State officials did not think it was appropriate for this captain to profit at the expense of New York commercial fishing industry. The only other alternative left to state marine fishery managers would be to allow 3,000 pounds of fluke to go to waste.

"If all Southern New England and Mid-Atlantic states were treated equally for fluke, this would be a non-story," said Bonnie Brady, Executive Director of the Long Island Commercial Fishing Association. "If fluke was managed as a coastwide quota instead of a state by state system, the Rianda would have fished and then landed at home, instead of needing to steam south for two days. Jose had other plans unfortunately, requiring them to take safe harbor. This federally-regulated state by state quota system that created winners and losers with NY always losing needs fixing and must stop discrimination between residents of different states when assigning fish allocations and compromising the safety of New York Fishermen."

Currently, federal regulations by the National Marine Fisheries Service do not allow for any waiver for emergency landings of fish for a ship requesting safe harbor and count any fish against the landing state's quota. In addition, as New York's quota is already low due to the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (MAFMC) continued reliance on outdated and incomplete historical landing records for the fluke fishery. This issue highlights the need for a more equitable distribution of fluke quota between Atlantic states.

New York is once again calling on the MAFMC to revise their methodology and more evenly distribute fluke quotas along the coast.



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In one case, the Plymouth-Canton school district in Michigan considered banning both Toni Morrison's "Beloved" and Graham Swift's "Waterland" after complaints from some parents of objectionable content. Both books were eventually allowed to stay on school shelves after a review committee heard from teachers, students and parents in support of the books during public meetings. But, unfortunately, even with the help of outspoken supporters, books are still being removed.

"Forever" by Judy Blume was one of more than 70 titles a Fayetteville, Ark., mother requested be removed in 2012. Twenty-five years earlier, the book was restricted in the Park Hill (Mo.) South Junior High School library because the book promotes "the stranglehold of humanism on life in America."

"Throughout history, there always have been a few people who don't want information to be freely available. And this is still true. We hope to remind Americans that the ability to read, speak, think and express ourselves freely is a right, not a privilege," said ALA President Jim Neal. "The reason more books aren't banned is because community residents - with librarians, teachers and journalists - stand up and speak out for their freedom to read. Banned Books Week reminds us that we must remain vigilant."

The ALA and the Ramapo Catskill Library System are endorsing the observance of Banned Books Week September 24 - 30, an annual celebration of our right to access books without censorship. This observance commemorates the most basic freedom in a democratic

society - the freedom to read freely - and encourages us not to take this freedom for granted. "Banned Books Week is about choice and respecting the rights of others to choose for themselves and their families what they wish to read," says Robert Hubsher, Executive Director of the Ramapo Catskill Library System. "Book banning and challenging has a domino effect. If we stand by and let the first book come off the shelf, we run the risk they will all come tumbling down. American libraries are the cornerstones of our democracy. Libraries are for everyone, everywhere. Because libraries provide free access to a world of information, they bring opportunity to all people."

Challenges and attempts to remove books during the past year are as strong as ever. Challenges are defined as formal, written complaints filed with a library or school requesting that materials be removed because of content or appropriateness. About 70 percent of challenges take place in schools and school libraries. According to James LaRue, director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom, the number of challenges reflects only incidents reported, and for each reported, four or five remain unreported.

"We are as busy as we've ever been in fighting censorship attempts in schools and libraries," LaRue said. "Libraries are no longer simply about books - but also about DVDs, videogames and online information."

"Young Adult books are challenged more frequently than any other type of book," said Judith Platt, chair of the Banned Books Week National Committee. "These are the books that speak most immediately to young people, dealing with many of the difficult issues that arise in their own lives, or in the lives of their friends. These are the books that give young readers the ability to safely explore the sometimes scary real world and allow them the freedom to read books that are relevant for them, and to be able to make their own reading choices."

In recent years, the majority of the most frequently challenged books in libraries have been Young Adult (YA) titles. The top five most challenged books in 2016 reflect a range of themes, and consist of the following titles:

1. *This One Summer*, by Mariko Tamaki;
2. *Drama*, by Raina Telgemeier;
3. *George*, by Alex Gino;
4. *I Am Jazz*, by Jessica Herthel & Jazz Jennings;
5. *Two Boys Kissing*, by David Levithan

Banned Books Week is sponsored by the American Booksellers Association, the American Booksellers Foundation for Free Expression, the ALA, the Association of American Publishers, the American Society of Journalists and Authors, and the National Association of College Stores. It is endorsed by the Library of Congress Center for the Book.

Now, more than ever, celebrate the freedom to read @ your library! American libraries are the cornerstones of our democracy. Libraries are for everyone, everywhere. Is your favorite book safe? Don't close the book on your freedom to read. Because libraries provide free access to a world of information and they bring opportunity to all people. Remember, think for yourself and let others do the same. Elect to read an old favorite or a new banned book this week.

**Discover the Story of SC's New Arrivals**

The Sullivan County Human Rights Commission is proud to sponsor County Historian John Conway's presentation "STRANGERS IN OUR MIDST: New Ethnicities in Sullivan County History."

Sullivan County has long been home to a rich tapestry of ethnic and religious diversity. The area was once the warm-weather lands of the Native American Lenape tribe, but by 1730 they had mostly moved on. The earliest permanent European settlers were mainly of English descent, but as the frontier wilderness was tamed and developed, they were soon joined by waves of Irish and German immigrants, spurred largely by the construction of the Delaware & Hudson Canal and the growth of the timber and tanning industries throughout the early and mid-19th Century.

Later in that century and well into the next, the growth of the tourism industry brought other ethnic groups, including Eastern European Jews and African Americans to the area. Although there were some struggles integrating these cultures, for the most part Sullivan County was able to escape much of the ethnic turmoil that was common elsewhere.

Conway will take a critical look at this phenomenon in his presentation, to which the public is warmly invited on the following dates: Callicoon - Western Sullivan Public Library, Delaware Free Branch, 45 Lower Main St, Callicoon, Tuesday, September 26, 6:30 p.m. and Grahamsville - Daniel Pierce Library, 328 Main Street, Grahamsville, Sunday, October 29, 2 p.m.

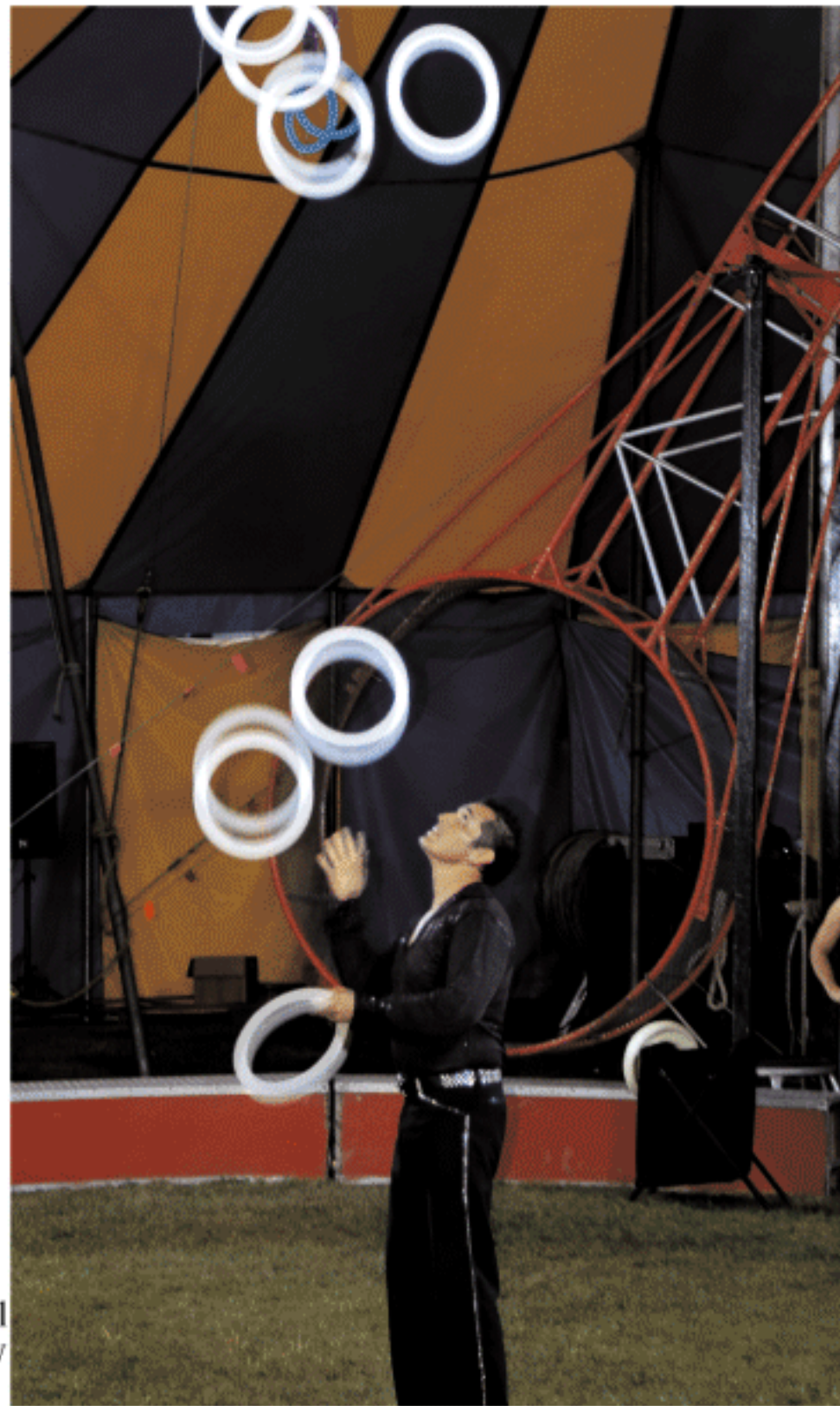


## The Circus Comes to Town

On Thursday September 14th at 6:00 p.m. Tri-Valley FBLA sponsored the Zerbini Family Circus at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. This was the second time the circus came to town. Members of the Zerbini family did loads of stunts, including trick dogs that were both small and large, dancing camels, and a man walking, "The Wheel of Death." Camel rides were open an hour before the show started and during intermission.









The circus opened with five dancers dancing to modern music. Later in the show, there was a dance contest that took place with three local participants from the audience. There was also a mistress dressed in blue who did quick costume changes that could amaze anyone who watched her. Half of all proceeds from advanced ticket sales went to the FBLA and they raised a total of \$1,000 for future trips and conferences. A big thank you to the Town of Neversink for allowing the circus to take place at the fairgrounds and to our ticket outlets: Neversink General Store, Neversink Town Hall, and the Tri-Valley Elementary and Secondary Schools. The circus will return in 2019.



# Weather FORECAST

SUNRISE: 6:47 AM SUNSET: 6:47PM  
AVERAGE HIGH: 66°F  
AVERAGE LOW: 47°F

<b>THURSDAY</b>  HIGH: 71°F LOW: 46°F
<b>FRIDAY</b>  HIGH: 65°F LOW: 44°F
<b>SATURDAY</b>  HIGH: 62°F LOW: 41°F
<b>SUNDAY</b>  HIGH: 65°F LOW: 45°F
<b>MONDAY</b>  HIGH: 70°F LOW: 48°F
<b>TUESDAY</b>  HIGH: 72°F LOW: 50°F

### Fundraiser, Freelancer, Community Organizer:

#### Legislature Recognizes Resident Who Does It All (From Pg. 1)

"I am a big advocate for Sullivan County. Basically, if someone needs help and they call me and I have the time, I do it!" That mindset shapes her volunteer undertakings, like the Jeffersonville JEMS (Jeffersonville Enhances More of Sullivan, a Sullivan Renaissance group), and paid efforts, including serving as an addiction counselor for a drug rehab center and currently as a sales representative for Delaware River Solar, a local company.

She believes in its mission, as she does in everything she takes on: "By using energy from a solar farm, you're reducing your carbon output by about 12,000 pounds a year!"

An unapologetic optimist, Cat has always seen the good in Sullivan County. Born in New York City, she came to the Town of Fremont as an infant, ultimately graduating from the former Delaware Valley Central School in Callicoon. She eventually returned to the city as an adult, working for a law firm in Manhattan.

"I didn't grow up in the city, but I'm very comfortable in it," she affirms. "I've used that to my advantage."

Yet the call of the countryside has repeatedly brought her back to Sullivan County, from finishing her liberal arts degree at SUNY Sullivan to taking care of her mom after a traumatic brain injury. Through those challenges, she sought work wherever she could find it, often in local stores as what she amusingly calls "a substitute shopkeeper."

"I 'freelanced' for 13 years," Cat recalls. "I started just doing stuff to see if I liked it. And I found out that what I liked most was helping people."

While that's perhaps most prominently manifested in her current presidency of the Jeffersonville JEMS - which continues to lead a downtown renaissance - she's a deeply appreciated volunteer at Western Sullivan Public Library book sales and a valued fundraiser for Rocky's Refuge, a group focused on rescuing and finding foster families for (you guessed it!) cats. In fact, she hopes to expand those cat rescue efforts across Sullivan County.

Cat and her boyfriend, Brock Lady, are also beloved for their spectacular Halloween celebrations at their Hortonville home, which attracts folks from far and wide.

"People love coming to town to see it," she nods. "It's like a little bit of a block party!"

Her latest effort? Starting a free library at the Delaware Valley



The Legislature's Distinguished Citizen Award for September was given to Hortonville resident Catherine "Cat" Scott in honor of her tireless fundraising and community organizing efforts. From the left are Legislator Alan Sorensen, Legislature Chair Luis Alvarez, Legislator Mark McCarthy, Legislator Joe Perrello, Legislator Ira Steingart, Cat Scott, Legislator Terri Ward, Legislator Scott Samuelson, Legislator Catherine Owens and County Manager Josh Potosek.

Job Corps Center in Callicoon.

"If people want to donate books," she notes, "I'm more than willing to take them!" (Give her a call at 845-701-1020 if interested.)

Her goals may seem expansive, but Cat is ever on the lookout for more ways to help Sullivan County. "You don't have to change the world," she says. "You just have to change your world."

"And for that attitude alone, she deserves praise," observes District 5 Legislator Terri Ward, in whose district Cat resides and who today presented Cat with the Legislature's latest Distinguished Citizen Award. "I am so grateful our community is home to someone as caring, selfless and positive as Cat Scott!"

"She is just the kind of person we seek to recognize and honor every month," adds Legislature Chairman Luis Alvarez. "While there are many well-known names making a difference in Sullivan County, there are just as many citizens 'flying under the radar,' and we seek to promote their inspiring efforts. We want people like Cat Scott to know how much we appreciate what they do!"

To nominate someone for the Legislature's Distinguished Citizen Award, contact Director of Communications Dan Hust at dan.hust@co.sullivan.ny.us.



**Frost Valley Offers Outdoor Sporting Program to the Local Community**



Take advantage of the beautiful fall weather by being active in nature. The Frost Valley YMCA Outdoor Sporting Program provides nature enthusiasts access to over 5,500 acres of forest, fields, lakeshore, riverbeds, and trails in which to experience the freedom of the outdoors. With enrollment, one can hike, camp, fish, ski and more to fully experience the wonders of Frost Valley in the heart of the "forever wild" Catskill Park. Dedicated to fostering the stewardship of the earth and its natural resources, this program invites participants to enjoy and protect the land in Frost Valley's care.

The Disc Golf Course is among the activities that you can participate in, and is the most recent addition to the program. The course, which is listed by the PDGA (Professional Disc Golf Association), was home to the Catskills Classic, a two-day disc golf tournament.

For those who are unfamiliar with disc golf, the concept is very similar to regular golf, but instead of hitting golf balls, players throw discs of varying weights in an attempt to land them in a basket at or below par. The Frost Valley course, designed by renowned John Houck of Houck Designs and made possible by a grant from CVS Caremark, features 18 holes and was designed to have a fun and challenging layout, as the unique holes lead players through the woods of the Catskills.

For more information on the Outdoor Sporting Program or to enroll, contact the Department of Natural Resources by emailing [naturalresources@frostvalley.org](mailto:naturalresources@frostvalley.org) or call (845) 985-2291 ext. 217.

**Open Your Heart to the Hit Comedy *Ripcord***

Come see the hit "slap-your-knee comedy" (*MeetMeInTheGreenRoom.com*) that critics are calling an "onstage battle of wits" with "excellent dialogue" and "superb acting" (Sullivan County Democrat). Aisle Seat calls it "The Odd Couple meets The Golden Girls" starring a "gifted group of actors" with lead actresses that are "marvelously matched."



*Peggy Cosgrave (left) and Marina Re star in Ripcord.*

In *Ripcord*, cantankerous Abby is forced to share her room at the Bristol Place Senior Living Facility with Marilyn, a chipper new arrival. The mismatched roommates make a seemingly harmless bet that soon escalates into a dangerous game of one-upmanship. This duel of wits becomes both hilarious and dark, and ultimately reveals truths that both women would prefer remained hidden.

Together, we have made great progress toward converting an empty storefront in Ellenville into Shadowland Studio, a new second space for arts education. As we conclude Phase 1 on this ambitious project, we'd like to invite you to a ribbon-cutting ceremony on October 12, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

Located on the corner of Center and Market Streets, our second space is a home to our vital Shadowland Acting Academy, which provides high-quality theatre training to hundreds of students each year. For many, like the students pictured here, it is their first exposure to the performing arts, in or out of school.

Restoring this formerly disused storefront is crucial to the growth of our important education programs. Even as we celebrate our occupancy, we also mark the beginning of a new phase of renovation to make is adequate for classes, workshops, and public performances.

To make a donation toward our \$100,000 match challenge and double the impact of your gift, please call us at (845) 647-5511 or mail your check to us at: Match Challenge, 157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY 12428.

Win up to \$10,000 cash and support the non-profit Shadowland Stages in the process!

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Raffle tickets are \$100 each for a chance at the big prize! The winning ticket will be drawn on Saturday, October 21 at the White Wolf Restaurant & Lounge in Napanoch, NY. Enjoy sumptuous food and drink as the suspense builds, starting at 4pm.

For more details or to purchase tickets, call Shadowland Stages at 845-647-5511

**Fall Harvest is at its Peak**

Saturday was not the typical September fall day, in fact, it was nicer than most of summer's days this year. But the fact is, harvest time is here!



Pumpkins and chrysanthemums framed an attractive display at the Rubenzahl's produce table at Saturday's Neversink Farmers' Market. The table was brimming over with several different varieties of mouth-watering tomatoes, zucchini, beets, cabbage, carrots, peppers, squash, onions, garlic, shallots and more!

As long as the crops are available to be picked when ripened in the Rubenzahl's garden, you will still be able to get healthy fresh vegetables and fruit every Saturday from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Neversink Farmers' Market located at the corner of Rt. 55 and Shumway Road (Neversink General Store) in Neversink 12765.

The Neversink Farmers' Market has planned two more Pop-Up Market Days with many of the usual vendors; one in October and one in November. Watch *The Townsman* for details.

In the meantime, don't forget to stop by the market to get those healthy fresh vegetables that are now at peak harvest!



**Who'd a thought?** (From Pg. 1)

The studio isn't so mysterious. RJ was a film editor and editing supervisor and a stage manager at Akiva Studio in Dumbo. He bought the BKS building 13 years ago, and converted what was originally Fried's Feed store, built circa 1890, into a modern boutique production facility. I was not familiar with the Catskills, and balked when he convinced me to come up from NYC for a look at his future dream. His caretaker had hung and gutted a deer inside the garage, and I had the luck of being first one to find it. It was a Jamie Lee Curtis moment for me. I did return a year and a half later.

Cab Frank's was a bit more of a surprise, at least for RJ. I'm a career bartender and cabaret performer. After the marriage, we went to Canada to celebrate, and I was not allowed to re-enter the United States-our marriage was legal in NY state, but not federally. I could not join RJ for nearly three years, after the case of Edie Windsor ended the ban on same sex marriage. We had a re-wedding so all our family and friends could celebrate our re-union. BKS could easily accommodate 100 folks for our ceremony, with the Pyramids of Giza projected on a giant screen behind us for good luck. RJ hatched a plan for the reception/dinner-he would bid on the former Big Willie's restaurant, right next door to the studio, and we would have a caterer serve our international posse, coming from Peru and the far corners of Canada and the states. But what if Big Willie's fell through. Not to worry, RJ told me had a back-up plan. (He did not. Production people make plan A and go for it. A Plan B takes time away from executing Plan A, he later explained.

We closed on Big Willie's two days before the wedding. We had so little time to re-habilitate the restaurant, closed but never cleaned after the last service 9 years before. They pulled the last greasy plate out of my hands and pushed me to the rehearsal dinner at the fabulous Rolling River Cafe, and the next night, every inch of Big Willie's scrubbed and sparkling, served an incredible wedding feast.

RJ intended Big Willie's to be an annex film shoot studio for BKS, but I convinced him that we might as well run it as a Music Hall, since hospitality and music-booking run in my blood. How I convinced him is the biggest mystery. After a full day's book-keeping and then expediting in the Frank's kitchen all night, he'd sometimes look at me and say "how the hell did you talk me into this?" But still we persist, and have brought great music and pleasure to a barren corner of an almost-ghost-town, to the delight of (almost) everyone. Come by and say hi!

**4th Annual Callicoon ArtWalk**

The 4th annual Callicoon ArtWalk, Saturday, October 7th, 2017 is showcasing the vibrant local art community in the picturesque hamlet of Callicoon on the Delaware. More than 60 artists will present their work throughout the town.

There will be live music on Main Street, nighttime outdoor video projections, and the first annual Callicoon ArtWalk Short Shorts Film Festival at the



Callicoon Theater. There will be a silent art auction to benefit the Delaware Youth Center. And Art Making in the Park is expanding to include 10 two-hour workshops by local artists that will be free to the community (12:30-2:30pm and 3:00- 5:00pm). Thanks to a NY State grant we received through the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance\* we are featuring workshops for the whole family. Registration is suggested as there are limited spaces. Folks can register by sending an email to [Callicoon.Artwalk@gmail.com](mailto:Callicoon.Artwalk@gmail.com) that includes their name and the workshop title.

**12:30-2:30pm** - Taking Great Photos with Your Mobile Phone; Landscape Paintings; Needle Felting Mask; Pottery Making; and Watercolor Painting  
**3:00-5:00pm** Beginners Origami; Expressive Drawing; Felt Flower Making Craft; Personality Collage; and Wood Block Printing

Main Street merchants will stay open into the evening hours. Maps will be available highlighting all exhibits and events featured in town shops, restaurants, galleries and Callicoon Creek Park.

Raina Bowers' Fire Dance will close out the day's events at 7:30 pm.

**Event highlights:** Art Making in the Park free workshops 12:30 to 2:30pm and 3:00 to 5:00pm. Register by sending an email to [Callicoon.Artwalk@gmail.com](mailto:Callicoon.Artwalk@gmail.com); 1st annual Short Shorts film festival at the Callicoon Theater from 1:00-4:00pm; Scott Klee Clark opening his studio to the public; Gallery 35 will have an exhibit of portraits and Johanna Spoerri will be creating portraits the day of the event for a small fee; Dan Brinkerhoff's new mobile stage, The Poison Love Mobile, will make its public debut in Callicoon Creek Park.; Pop-up galleries in local businesses featuring exhibits of contemporary local artists include: Bllaq, Cafe Adella Dori, Callicoon Brewing Co., Callicoon Real Estate, Callicoon Wine Merchant, Freda Real Estate, Nine River Road, Riverside Remedies, Western Hotel, Willow Wisp Store; Custom boat artisans Joe Freda and Zeke Boyle showcasing their craft; Artist market group show in the Park; Puppet Shows in the Park at 1:30 and 2:00pm, Some Strings Attached with Ramona Jan; Spin Art in the Park!!!; Music on the balcony at 39 Main Street includes: Joshua Tree, Cody Melville, Banjo Don, Poison Love, Little Sparrow; and The Art of Fly Tying with Catskill John at the Library

Last year's ARTWALK featured over 70 artists in 40 locations in Callicoon. This yearly event has created welcome exposure for exhibitors as well as helping develop cultural initiatives in both Callicoon and greater Sullivan County.

Details for the event will be listed at <http://visitcallicoon.com/callicoon-artwalk/> and our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/callicoonartwalk/>.

The Callicoon ArtWalk is organized by the Callicoon ArtWalk Committee which is part of the Callicoon Business Association. A local organization dedicated to the success and growth of its local businesses, Callicoon Business Association diligently works to enhance Callicoon's standing in Sullivan County, the region and New York State, by focusing on its people, natural beauty and attractions.

For details and more information e-mail: [alexis.siroc@gmail.com](mailto:alexis.siroc@gmail.com) or call Alexis at (845) 887-5147.

This project is made possible in part by the Arts for Sullivan Decentralized Grants Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

**Kenny Brawner In Ray Charles On My Mind**

Kenny Brawner In Ray Charles On My Mind, a benefit for Cragsmoor Free Library will be held at Shadowland Stages Ellenville, NY on October 27, 2017 at 8:00pm. Doors open at 7:00 Tickets are \$75.00 and will be sold at Cragsmoor Free Library and on the website [www.cragsmoorfreelibrary.info/kenny\\_brawner.html](http://www.cragsmoorfreelibrary.info/kenny_brawner.html)

The event includes drinks and appetizers. For more information view at us <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fpudGKhe3Io>

This concert/theater work brings the music and the story of the great Ray Charles to vivid life! Portraying Ray, master pianist/vocalist, Kenny Brawner leads his 12 piece orchestra and three sultry vocalists (a la the Raelettes), performing this American legends most popular hits: "What'd I Say?", "I got A Woman", "Mess Around", "Georgia On My Mind", a blazing hot duet on "Baby It's Cold Outside", and many more! The music is interwoven with monologues depicting how gospel, blues, jazz and country influenced Ray's style, while also reflecting on American social history, his epic battle with drugs, and his triumphant return home to Georgia.

The Harlem based Brawner Brothers Band is know for its old school sweet soul music, blues, Latin, African and jazz modes - and volcanic funk. They have been featured with BB King and have dazzled in Blues Suite - live and on stage with the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater since 2008. Kenny Brawner has played lead theatrical roles in Dan Dietz's *Clementine In The Lower Nine*, a Canadian Stage musical theater production of *What Makes A Man* which featured the music of Charles Aznavour, one of the world's last surviving "showmen" and most recently Stew and Heidi Rodewald's the *Total Bent* at New York's Shakespeare Public Theater, receiving rave reviews from the New York Times. The New York Times in a recent article declared the performances in this production one of the leading events of 2016.

The Orchestra - *Ray Charles On My Mind* assembles an orchestra of profoundly accomplished musicians whose performances are ingrained in American popular culture. Members of the orchestra have been heard prolifically on Broadway, Off Broadway, film and television. They have performed all over the world and recorded with a diverse range of influential musical giants, including Ray Charles the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, the Count Basie Orchestra, Luther Vandross, Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder, Darius Rucker, Jennifer Hudson, Sonny Rollins, Big Daddy Kane, Bo Diddley, the Sun Ra Arkestra, the Mighty Sparrow, Roy Ayers, Sam & Dave, Ashford and Simpson, Gregory Porter, Boy George, Wilson Pickett, Percy Sledge, David Murray, Eric Benet, Larry Coryell, John Popper, Lester Bowie, Shaggy, Ron Carter and Rihanna.

The Raelettes - Harriet D. Foy who is a critically acclaimed actress has appeared On Broadway in *Mama Mia*, *Amazing Grace* and most recently, *Amalie*. She also had a role in the first season of *Orange Is The New Black*. Carol Lynn Townes, formerly a recording artist for Polygram Records charted in the top ten in Billboard's R&B with her song "Ninety Nine and A Half Won't Do". Gayle Turner understudied Stephanie Mills in the role of Dorothy in *The Wiz* on Broadway and also appeared in *Smokey Joe's Cafe* on Broadway. Marinda Anderson who is a theater and screen actress and writer appeared regularly in the first season of the Fox series, *Gotham*. Ana Hoffman, made her debut on stage at the Apollo theatre and around the world in the Broadway national tour of *Dreamgirls*. She co-starred with Kenny Brawner in the Off Broadway musical, *The City Club*. Ann McCormack played "Maria" in the 50th Anniversary World Tour of *West Side Story*. She toured South America with Grammy winner Yanni and the United States with Wynton Marsalis and The Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra.

The *Ray Charles On My Mind* show will feature any combination of three of these truly talented and gifted ladies.

For more information go to the following website: [TheaterIsEasyTheasy.com](http://TheaterIsEasyTheasy.com) "Kenny Brawner is a blues singer extraordinaire, whose voice is magical!"

**SCCO String Quartet "Sounds of Russia"**



(Monticello) The Chamber Music Series presented by the Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra (SCCO) continues with the second program of the season entitled, "Sounds of Russia." A string quartet

comprised of core members from the SCCO will perform works by Prokofiev, Borodin and Shostakovich. The opening night performance is at 7:00 pm on October 28, 2017 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 15 St. John Street, Monticello, NY. A matinee performance is scheduled for 3:00 pm on October 29th at the Liberty Museum & Arts Center, 46 South Main St., Liberty, NY. "Sounds of Russia" is funded in part by a Sullivan County Arts and Heritage Grant, administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY. Individual tickets for the SCCO 2017-2018 Season are \$20. Seniors are \$18 and students are free. Purchase a 3 Concert Bundle and SAVE. Visit: [www.nesinculturalarts.org](http://www.nesinculturalarts.org) or call (845) 798-9006. For questions contact Marina Lombardi at: [marina@nesinculturalarts.org](mailto:marina@nesinculturalarts.org)  
 Photo caption: Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra



## DEC Breaks Ground on New Outdoor Pavilion at Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center New Pavilion Supports Governor Cuomo's Adventure NY Initiative to Connect New Yorkers with Nature

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced plans for a new outdoor pavilion at the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center (CIC) in Mt. Tremper, town of Shandaken, Ulster County, during a formal groundbreaking ceremony. The new outdoor pavilion will provide the public with a picnicking location, venue for CIC educational programs, and a place for groups to meet and start their Catskill adventures. The improvements are part of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's Adventure NY Initiative to connect more New Yorkers with nature.

"DEC is committed to making the outdoors more accessible and enjoyable for all New Yorkers and this new, impressive outdoor pavilion will help make this a reality in the Catskills by helping visitors and locals make the most of their outdoor recreational experience," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "These improvements, through Governor Cuomo's Adventure NY initiative, are just a sample of the recreational upgrades that New York has underway to better serve everyone who wants to enjoy our state's great outdoors."

The Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center serves as a gateway for outdoor enthusiasts to learn about the Catskill Park's vast opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors. The center showcases the Catskills' natural resources and recreational opportunities by providing information about the 700,000-acre Catskill Park, New York City's one million-acre Catskill/Delaware drinking watershed, and ways to recreate and enjoy these treasured natural resources.

Senator James L. Seward said, "The new Catskill Interpretive Center is helping highlight all the Catskills has to offer - drawing new explorers to the region and offering area families and residents with yet another terrific outdoor resource. Adding new features at the center, like the outdoor pavilion, will enhance the visitor experience and increase usage, unlocking the full potential of this wonderful venue."

Ulster County Executive, Mike Hein said, "The construction of a new pavilion is a wonderful addition to the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center, which is already a true gem of the Catskills. Natural beauty and countless outdoor activities already make Ulster County a world-class destination and the new addition to the CIC will be another asset by providing space for meeting, picnicking, education and more. I want to thank Governor Andrew Cuomo and Commissioner Basil Seggos for their commitment to the outdoors in Ulster County as well as the people of New York State."

Town of Shandaken Supervisor, Robert A. Stanley said, "Shandaken prides itself as 'The Heart of the Park' and we are thankful for Governor Cuomo's continuing support for projects such as this that will help appeal to and educate more New Yorkers to the benefits of the abundance of outdoor resources available to the public in the Catskills. Continued investments of this nature prove that we are making a difference in Albany."

The overall pavilion space is 1762 square feet, including 234 square feet of enclosed storage space. The structure will be constructed with an exposed laminated arch beam with stone fascia on posts. The enclosure walls are designed to complement the existing CIC building. The pavilion will also include interior and exterior lighting and electrical convenience outlets. DEC expects the structure will be complete by next spring. Maeda Construction Inc. from Aatsburg, New York, has been selected to construct the pavilion at a cost of \$282,828. Funding is provided by the state's Environmental Protection Fund.

"Breaking ground on the Pavilion at the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center represents the tremendous strides being taken at this facility to improve our outreach and services to all users of the Catskill Park," said Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center. "I would like to thank DEC for taking on this project. The Pavilion, and future projects such as building a fire tower on site, are a testament to their commitment to the Catskill Interpretive Center."

Under Governor Cuomo's Adventure NY Initiative, DEC is making strategic investments to expand access to healthy, active outdoor recreation, connect more New Yorkers and visitors to nature and the outdoors, protect natural resources, and boost local economies. This initiative will support the completion of more than 75 projects over the next three years, ranging from improvements to youth camps and environmental education centers to new boat launches, duck blinds, and hiking trails. Read more about Adventure NY.

For more information on the Catskill Forest Preserve, including park maps, guides and links to the CIC, visit DEC's website.

## DEC Announces Start of Small Game Hunting Seasons Wild Turkey, Waterfowl, Pheasant Seasons Open Oct. 1

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced today that several small game hunting seasons open October 1. In addition, special youth-only hunting seasons for pheasants and waterfowl open prior to the start of the regular season.

"Hunting is a proud tradition in New York State, and this year we are offering more opportunities for the next generation of hunters to learn about this sport," Commissioner Seggos said. "The pursuit of small game is typically the first introduction to hunting for many people, and our youth-only hunting seasons are an excellent way to connect people to the natural world and teach them to become safe, ethical, and responsible hunters. I encourage experienced hunters across New York to bring a novice hunter afield this fall."

Season dates, bag limits, and other hunting regulations can be found in the New York Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide, which can be obtained from a license issuing agent and on the DEC website.

### Wild Turkey Hunting

In 2015, DEC updated the fall turkey hunting season structure in response to declines in turkey populations and to ensure that harvest opportunities are sustainable and in line with current environmental conditions. With good production in summer 2015 followed by two mild winters, there are more birds on the landscape than in previous years. However, this increase in numbers may be offset by poor reproductive success this summer due to above-average rainfall in the spring.

Hunters should also keep in mind that in areas with good hard and soft mast production, turkeys do not have to roam far and wide in search of food, so hunters may have to work harder to locate a flock. Season dates for fall 2017:

- October 1 - 14, in the Northern Zone
- October 21 - November 3, in the Southern Zone
- November 18 - December 1, in Suffolk County, Long Island

The statewide, season bag limit is one bird of either sex.

### Waterfowl Hunting and Youth Waterfowl Days

Hunting seasons for waterfowl, ducks, geese, and brant, begin in early October in many parts of the state, but there are also special opportunities for junior hunters 12 to 15 years old prior to the regular season. Junior hunters must be accompanied by a licensed adult hunter, and both the junior hunter and adult must be registered with the Harvest Information Program (HIP). Adult hunters must also have a federal migratory bird stamp. Youth waterfowl days this fall are:

- September 23 and 24, Northeast and Lake Champlain zones
- October 14 and 15, Western Zone
- November 11 and 12, Long Island Zone

### Pheasant Hunting

Approximately 30,000 adult pheasants will be released on lands open to public hunting for the upcoming fall pheasant hunting season. The pheasant hunting season begins:

- October 1, northern and eastern portions of New York
- October 21, central and western portions of the state
- November 1, Long Island

Since 2007, DEC has offered a special youth-only season to provide junior hunters the opportunity to hunt pheasants during the weekend prior to the regular pheasant hunting season. In northern and eastern New York, the youth pheasant hunt weekend is September 23 and 24. In western New York, the youth pheasant hunt weekend is October 14 and 15, and on Long Island it is October 28 and 29. Both the junior hunter and their adult mentor must have a hunting license. Only the junior hunter is allowed to carry a firearm and harvest birds on these dates.

All release sites for pheasants are provided by state-funded programs and are open to public hunting. Pheasants will be released on state-owned lands prior to and during the fall hunting season, and at a number of sites on New York City Watershed lands thanks to a partnership with New York City Department of Environmental Protection. Pheasant hunting opportunities have also been augmented by private landowners that have opened their land to public hunting. DEC is grateful for their help in providing high quality hunting experiences for New York's sportsmen and sports-women. A list of statewide pheasant release sites and sites receiving birds for the youth-only pheasant hunt weekends can be found on DEC's website.

**Squirrel, Ruffed Grouse, Rabbit, and Hare**

The hunting season for squirrels began September 1, and for ruffed grouse in the Northern Zone the season began September 20. Seasons for ruffed grouse, rabbit, and hare begin October 1, in many regions. Dates and season maps can be found on the DEC website and in the annual Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide.

### National Hunting and Fishing Day

National Hunting and Fishing Day is celebrated on September 23 to promote outdoor activities like hunting, fishing, and target shooting. Reynolds Game Farm, in Ithaca, NY, will be hosting festivities from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., including demonstrations on gun safety, the Cornell Raptor Program, DEC K-9 unit, fly fishing, and more.

There are many activities across the state. National Hunting and Fishing Day details are available on the DEC's website.

### Citizen Science

"Citizen science" efforts such as the Grouse and Woodcock Hunting Log, Bow Hunter Sighting Log, and the Furbearer Sighting Survey provide hunters with the opportunity to partner with DEC to monitor game species. To learn more about how to participate in these efforts, visit DEC's website Citizen Science: Wildlife Observation Data Collection.

## Cuomo Announces New Amazon Office in NYC will Create 2000 Jobs - Project Will Create High-Paying Positions in Finance, Sales, Marketing, and Information Technology

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that Amazon will expand its presence in New York City with the addition of a 359,000 square-foot administrative office at 5 Manhattan West. This latest investment and expansion will create 2,000 new, high-paying jobs in finance, sales, marketing, and information technology.

"Amazon's further expansion in New York is proof positive that our strong economic climate, diverse workforce and talent, are helping to attract top-notch companies from around the world," Governor Cuomo said. "We will continue to support the growth of this state's business sector, which in turn supports economic growth and the creation of quality, good-paying jobs across the Empire State."

To encourage Amazon's expansion in New York State, the company was offered up to \$20 million in performance-based tax credits through Empire State Development's Excelsior Jobs Program. Amazon will invest \$55 million to outfit the 359,000 square-foot office space at 5 Manhattan West using energy-efficient standards. The expansion will create 2,000 new jobs in finance, sales, marketing, and information technology that will earn an average of \$100,000 annually. Amazon will also retain over 1,800 jobs in New York State.

Amazon's new office at 5 Manhattan West joins several of Amazon's job-creating expansions in New York State. Since 2012, Amazon has invested \$9 million into an innovative Fashion Photography and Videography Studio in Brooklyn, creating over 50 direct jobs and supporting more than 300 jobs, with \$2 million in performance-based tax credits offered through the Excelsior Jobs Program. In 2014, Amazon established a 350,000 square foot administrative office at 7 West 34th Street, creating over 500 jobs with \$5 million in tax credits offered Excelsior Jobs Program.

"We're excited to expand our presence in New York - we have always found great talent here," said Paul Kotas, Amazon's Senior Vice President of Worldwide Advertising. "Last January we announced our plans to create 100,000 full-time, full-benefit jobs in the U.S. by mid-2018 - and we are on track to reach that goal."

On September 6, Governor Cuomo announced a new \$100 million Amazon fulfillment center in the Global Logistics Park on the West Shore of Staten Island, which will support the creation of 2,250 new, full-time jobs. As Amazon's first fulfillment center in New York State, the 855,000 square-foot facility will offer opportunities for employees to engage with advanced robotics in a highly tech-enabled workplace.

## Interior Design: Decorate Your Home like a Pro

MONTICELLO - The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering Interior Design: Decorate Your Home like a Pro course. This course will run September 28th & 28th 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. The cost is \$45.

Work with an interior designer to create a space that reflects your personal style! Learn the steps to transforming an ordinary room into an exciting new setting.

This course will also be held:

o October 24th & 26th

o December 5th & 7th

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4915 between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:30 pm or visit us at scboes.org. For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCES on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.



**Creatively Speaking Course Offered at SC BOCES**

The Adult & Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Creative Insights to Writing Course at the St. John Education Center in Monticello. This course will run September 28th - October 26th, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. The cost is \$500 (includes supplies and materials)

So what makes a Poem Poetry? An emotion, a potion, a sound, a rhythm, counting each tick tock of the clock, bigotry and hate, the sentence the teacher gave, a haiku, my first kiss, a form of Dante my piece decide to meet? Why don't you join me for the next five weeks and we can find out.

This course will also be held: November 9th through December 14th. To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:30 pm or visit us at scboces.org. For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCES on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

**Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church Pig Roast**

Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church at 211 Foordmore Rd, Kerhonkson (off Rte.209 at the Heritage Energy tank), is holding its annual fundraiser pig roast lunch on Sunday, October 1, 2017. Featured will be an on-site, spit-roasted pig, delicious pork and side dishes in an Octoberfest atmosphere. All are welcome, lunch \$18.00 (discounted children's menu), served from 11:00am until 1:30pm.

For additional information call Oleh Maczaj (845) 647-6911.

**Join the Thrift Ministry Team at Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
**Volunteers Needed!**  
 Please call the church (985-2283) for further information.

**St. Mark's UM Church**  
 68 Clinton St., Napanoch  
**YARD AND CLOTHING SALE**  
 Every Friday from 10 am to 2 pm  
 Household goods, books, toys, records, clothing, baby clothes, and more...  
 "Something for everyone!"

**CrossWay Assembly of God**

**Service Times**  
 Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am  
 Thursday Prayer 7 pm

**Meet the new Pastor, Camille Regolec**  
 P. O. Box 480  
 507 Hasbrouck Drive  
 Woodbourne, NY 12788  
 845-434-8263  
 Email: Crosswayag@jesusanswers.com

**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
 Peekamoose Rd., Sundown  
 Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.  
 Pastor: Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff  
 845-985-2283  
 e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

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

**Loucks Funeral Home**  
**Geoff and Heather Hazzard & Anthony Perito**  
 79 North Main Street  
 Ellenville, New York  
 (845) 647-4343

**RAMSAY'S FUNERAL HOMES, INC**  
 Serving Sullivan County Since 1896  
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 275 S Main Street, Liberty, New York (845) 292-7100  
 Route 55, Kauneonga Lake, New York (845) 583-5445

**CHURCH + BAZAAR**  
 Harvest Fair & Luncheon  
**Sept. 30, 2017**  
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Homemade Jams & Jellies  
 Homemade Candy  
 BAKED GOODS  
 CHRISTMAS TABLE  
 WHITE ELEPHANT

**Sundown Community Hall**

**Neversink Chamber of Commerce**

Invites You to the  
 Monday, October 23rd Meeting  
 at 7:00 pm at the  
 Daniel Pierce Library  
 Community Meeting Room  
*Members are encouraged to Bring a Guest*

**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION**  
 The Little Church with the Big Heart  
**Sunday, 8 am Service of Holy Communion, except:**  
**Second Saturday of each month, 5:00 pm**  
 Music by Fred VanWagner  
 Coffee hour follows service  
 All are welcome!  
 5277 State Rt. 42• South Fallsburg  
 845-436-7539  
 www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

**Claryville Reformed Church**

Claryville Road  
 Claryville, NY 12725  
 845-985-2041

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

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
 (Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)  
 6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

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

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

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

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**GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH**  
**ROAST CHICKEN DINNER**  
 October 14, 2017 Saturday 4:00-7:00pm  
 Roast Chicken Breast, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Salad, Bread, Brownie Sundae, Drinks  
 ADULT & \$12.00  
 CHILD 5-12: \$5.00  
 UNDER 5: FREE  
**GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH HALL**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GOD BLESS You!**

**Claryville Fire Dept.**  
**All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, October 15, 2017  
 Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon  
 Adults: \$9. Children Ages 5-11: \$5  
 Under 5 Yrs. Free  
 \$50 from the breakfast is donated to The Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

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**Oct. 7, 2017**  
**5:30 pm**  
**Covered Dish Supper**  
 Please note correct date  
**Sept. 30**  
**Harvest Fair & Luncheon**  
 9 am - 3 pm  
**Sundown United Methodist Church Hall**

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
**Oct. 10, 2017**  
**Thrift Sale**  
 9am-12:30 pm  
**Luncheon**  
 11 am- 1pm  
**Third Saturday Thrift Sale**  
 9 - Noon  
**October 21st, 2017**

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

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



**LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:****Denning Residents, Please Take Notice:****2018 Budget Workshop;**

Pursuant to New York State Law § 108 a WORKSHOP for the Town of Denning 2018 Preliminary Budget will be held after the adjournment of the regularly scheduled Town Board Business Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 10th, 2017 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725.

By the Order of the Denning Town Board  
Joy Monforte, Town Clerk  
Sept. 1st, 2017

9/28

The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is seeking a professional engineering consultant for the purposes of defining a preliminary service area for a potential wastewater project in the hamlet of Shokan, Ulster County. Bids must be received at CWC by 4 PM, September 28, 2017. For bid documents please contact John Mathiesen at 845-586-1400. EOE

9/14; 9/21; 9/28

**NEVERSINK FLU CLINIC****THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017****Neversink Town Hall****273 Main Street, Grahamsville****10 AM TO 1 PM****Flu vaccine is free to all adults who bring their Medicare Part B card****Managed Medicare and all others will be charged on a sliding scale basis - up to \$21****CASH OR CHECK ONLY****If unsure what plan you have, contact Medicare at 1-800-633-4227****For additional information call****Sullivan County Public Health 292-5910****Janis or Lisa @ Town Hall - 985-2262 ext.300****CWC Funds Stormwater and Flood Mitigation Projects**

The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) Board of Directors took steps at its most recent meeting to address common, everyday stormwater runoff, as well as to anticipate the next big flood.

The CWC Board authorized funding for two Stormwater Retrofit projects in Windham and Walton.

Approval was given to allocate \$213,518 for the installation of bioretention and drainage structures to handle runoff from parking areas at the Windham Theater complex. The project will re-grade the lots off Church and Vets Streets, and will utilize a rain garden, trees and shrubs to remove pollutants before stormwater is discharged to the Bataviakill stream in the Schoharie Reservoir basin.

A \$50,000 grant was awarded to the Town of Walton to conduct a stormwater planning and assessment project. The project will map and assess the condition of culverts and other stormwater conveyances, perform hydraulic and hydrologic tests and identify possible infrastructure improvements.

The Board also approved two projects to be conducted under the Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation Program.

A \$23,000 grant for design of streambank stabilization measures on Mitchell Hollow stream was awarded to the Town of Windham. Funds will be used to engage Delaware Engineering to conduct a topographical survey and an assessment of the area and then design measures to correct slope failure. The aim is to prevent further bank collapse and erosion, providing more protection for a home and business located near where NYS Route 23 crosses the stream. The project was among recommendations in

the Local Flood Analysis (LFA) for Windham.

The CWC Board also approved a \$52,921 contract with Tweedie Construction of Walton to demolish a Jewett house that has been acquired by New York City through a flood buy-out program managed by the NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Tweedie was the low bidder on the project to remove the house, which was substantially damaged in 2011 flooding and sits precariously on the banks of the East Kill stream along Greene County Route 17.

In a related matter, the Board set December 1, 2017 as the deadline for grant applications under the Local Technical Assistance Program's Sustainable Communities Program. Grants are for Watershed municipalities that have completed or are undertaking an LFA and who wish to update zoning codes, maps or comprehensive plans to provide for relocations of residences and businesses purchased under the DEP Flood Buyout Program.

For more information on the CWC and its programs to protect water quality, and preserve communities in the Catskill-Delaware Watershed, visit [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org).

**Fall Bird Migration Kicks Off with New Signage Added to 38 Bird Conservation Areas - I Bird NY Challenge****Engages Young People in Beginning Birding**

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the progress of I BIRD NY, launched in May to build on the State's efforts to increase access to New York's vast natural resources and promote low-cost opportunities to explore the great outdoors and connect with nature.

The Spring 2017 I BIRD NY program launch encouraged New Yorkers to engage in birding all summer. New, improved signage has been added to 38 priority Bird Conservation areas across the state near urban and suburban areas to better identify opportunities for the public to bird watch.

DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos said, "Birding is a sport that can be enjoyed by New Yorkers of any age and ability, no matter where they live. Under the new I BIRD NY program, these improvements and new signage make it easier than ever to get outside and enjoy birdwatching. I encourage residents and visitors alike to take a trip and connect with nature and experience some of the prime bird watching areas that are true natural treasures to the state."

From Montauk to Buffalo, New York is home to a vast array of habitat that supports more than 450 different bird species. Bird watching is one of the fastest growing outdoor recreational activities that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and experiences in any community.

New York State is part of the Atlantic Flyway, which runs along the Eastern coast of the U.S. Each Fall, migrating birds can be seen flying south to their wintering grounds. This is the ideal time of year for New York residents and visitors to head to Bird Conservation Areas (BCAs) across the state for great bird watching opportunities. Visitors can search fields and forests for warblers, sparrows, and other songbirds and explore lakes, ponds, and beaches to see waterfowl and shorebirds. While exploring, visitors can hawk watch (<http://www.hmana.org/>) to witness the amazing spectacle of raptor migration.

DEC also held a beginning birding challenge for young people, primarily geared for ages 12-18 to find common birds. More than 100 young people completed the challenge and became I Bird NYers. Three lucky winners picked at random won a prize, including two winners of binoculars and the grand prize of a spotting scope to continue birding. All participants that completed the challenge received a certificate of completion.

Accessible state lands, parks, and facilities can promote physical activity, an important element of overall wellness. These assets provide low-cost opportunities to explore the great outdoors and connect with nature. Announced in Governor Cuomo's 2017 State of the State address, I BIRD NY is one of several initiatives aimed at ensuring New Yorkers have access to green spaces, including focus on unique opportunities close to urban and suburban areas.

"Bird watching is not only one of the fastest growing outdoor recreational activities in America, it's also an important gateway for teaching young people about conserving birds, wildlife and New York's natural resources," said Claudette Thornton, director of strategic communications at Audubon New York. "We greatly appreciate DEC's commitment to increasing awareness and visibility of these critical habitat areas that so many priority species depend on throughout their life-cycle and look forward to continuing to work with DEC on future opportunities for expanding the I BIRD NY program."

"New York is an important place for migratory birds, including birds of conservation concern such as Bicknell's Thrush, Piping Plover, and Cerulean Warbler," said Steve Holmer, Vice President of Policy for the American Bird Conservancy. "When it comes to bird

conservation, the key is awareness of birds and their amazing diversity. We're thrilled that New York is working to boost citizen's involvement in birding as a step toward enjoying and ultimately conserving birds and their habitats."

"Watching birds in their natural environment is a wonderful way to learn about and connect with nature," said Laurie LaFond Executive Director for Friends of the Washington County Grasslands IBA. "You get to see how the birds interact with each other and their habitat. It's fun to watch them forage for food, delightful to hear them sing and call to each other and exciting to discover a species you've never previously encountered. I've had people hug me after encountering a hawk or an owl on one of FIBA's field trips!"

In addition, the state launched a website portal, I Bird NY, with information on where and how to bird watch, including upcoming bird walks and additional resources. I BIRD NY also provides a I BIRD NY kids booklet available at DEC Environmental Education Centers and official I BIRD NY bird walks and other events. The website provides user-friendly information for New Yorkers and visitors to find information about how to get started in birding, links to events and walks, and information on bird species.

More information on I BIRD NY, including upcoming events, can be found on DEC's website.

**Forum planned on the New York State Constitutional Convention**

The New York State Constitution requires that every 20 years the people decide if a Constitutional Convention should be held to consider amendments to the State Constitution. The purpose of this Ballot Question - "Shall there be a convention to revise the Constitution and amend the same?" - is to allow the voters of New York State to determine whether a Constitutional Convention will be held in 2019.

If the vote to hold a convention wins, then everything in the New York Constitution can be considered. There is much at stake.

We Are One-Sullivan is sponsoring a forum to discuss the pros and cons of a convention, and what alternatives exist for making changes. The speakers will be Barry Kaufman, from the New York State Alliance of Retired Americans; Michael Kink, from the Strong Economy for All Coalition; and Wes Gillingham, from Catskill Mountainkeepers.

The forum will be held on Thursday, October 5, 2017 from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. at the Liberty Senior Citizens Center at 119 North Main Street, Liberty. The event is free and open to the public, and there will be an opportunity to ask questions and get answers. For more information, call 845 292 4895.

We Are One-Sullivan is an informal group of Sullivan County residents concerned with the issues affecting our county, state and nation.

**Beginner's Drawing Class**

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Beginner Drawing Class. This course will run September 25th through November 13th from 5:00 pm-7:30 pm. The cost is \$95.

Learn the fundamentals of drawing! You will draw from observation and learn how to produce a cohesive two-dimensional drawing of a three dimensional space by incorporating shading and other elements & principals.

Required supplies (purchase prior to class): 6b-6h pencils, hard to soft charcoal pencils, one package of vine charcoal and 18"x12" sketchpad.

**Beginner Painting Class**

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Beginner Painting Class that will run from September 28th to November 8th, 5:00 pm- 7:30 pm. The cost is \$45

Students will learn how to mix colors to create still life paintings, using a variety of paints including gouache, watercolor and acrylic paint.

Required supplies (purchased prior to class): A variety of paint brushes small to large, palette to put paint on, (3) 18x24 canvases, as well as the following acrylics: Mars Black, Titanium White, Burnt Sienna, Raw Sienna, Burnt Umber, Red, Yellow, Blue and Purple. Gouache paint set & Watercolor Set of (12) small tubes (variety of color) & Watercolor Pad 15x11 textured (140 lb.)

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:30 pm or visit us at [sbooces.org](http://sbooces.org). For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCESon Facebook and follow us on Twitter.





**Town of Neversink Parks & Rec 2017 Trips/Events**

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

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

**Games, Prizes & Hot Dog Dinner**  
Friday, September 29

**Fri - Oct 6 Annie Get Your Gun**  
Westchester Bradway Dinner Theatre

**Nov 4-5 Wolf Lodge**

**Sat-Dec 2 Transportation to NYC**

Stop by the Parks & Rec office on Tuesdays between 3pm and 6 pm to drop off your permission slips and payment. It is never too early to sign up for trips! Secure your seats today!



**Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation**

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday and Monday: Closed

If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

**2017 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle Schedule 10 am - 2:30 pm**

Jan 12	July 13
Feb 16	Aug 10
Mar 16	Sept 14
Apr 13	Oct 12
May 11	Nov 16
June 15	Dec 14

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

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

**All Aboard!**  
Join the Fun!  
**Play Mexican Train**  
FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1-4 pm  
In the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall

Also **WANTED** People to play cards

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9/30/17	Sundown UMC Harvest Fair & Luncheon 9 am - 3 pm Sundown Church Hall
9/30/17	Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish or Chicken and Chips Dinner at the Neversink Fire House
10/3/17	Town of Denning Board Meeting 6:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall
10/4/17	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
10/7/17	Giant Pumpkin Party & Parade
10/7/17	Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm
10/9/17	Town of Neversink Holiday - Columbus Day
10/10/17	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale (9am -12:30pm) and Luncheon (11 am -1 pm)
10/11/17	Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 6 pm Denning Town Hall
10/11/17	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:30 pm
10/12/17	Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm - Denning Town Hall
10/14/17	Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Chicken Dinner 4 - 7 pm Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
10/16/17	Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse
10/17/17	Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
10/17/17	Claryville Fire District Meeting - 6:30 pm Regular Meeting
10/17/17	Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting 7 pm - Public Meeting at 7:30 pm
10/18/17	Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm
10/24/17	Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Meeting Neversink Town Hall 6 pm

**Save the Date!**

**September 30 Sundown UMC Harvest Fair and Luncheon**

Sept 30 Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish or Chicken and Chips Dinner at the Neversink Fire House  
Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017 Daniel Pierce Library Giant Pumpkin Parade and Party  
Oct. 14 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Poker Run  
Oct. 15 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Breakfast Run to Claryville Fire Dept.  
Oct. 20 Hog Heaven Pork BBQ, Grahamsville United Methodist Church 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Please note that the agenda for the upcoming Tri-Valley Central School District Board of Education Meetings can be viewed at <http://www.boarddocs.com/ny/trivc/Board.nsf/Public>

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following places of business in Sullivan and Ulster Counties

**TRI-VALLEY AREA**  
SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP  
GRAHAMSVILLE DELI  
NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE  
BLUE HILL LODGE  
3 GOLDEN'S CONVENIENCE STORE

**LOCH SHELDRAKE** • VALERO MINI MALL • SC COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARY  
**FALLSBURG** • FALLSBURG TOWN HALL  
**WOODBOURNE** - CITGO STATION • MO'S GAS STATION • P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE  
**LIBERTY** - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Both Stores)  
CLAUDIA'S BEAUTY SALON • SHOPRITE • IDEAL FOOD

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**TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

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

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

**High Holy Days Worship at Congregation Agudas Achim - Livingston Manor**

**Holiday Service Schedule (no fee)**

**Yom Kippur**  
Kol Nidre (Yom Kippur Eve) Friday September 29th 7:30 pm promptly  
Morning Saturday September 30th 9:30 am  
Yiskor (Memorial Service) will not begin before 11:30am  
Neilah (Concluding Service) 4:15pm  
**Community Break-fast will be held following services 6:45 pm approx.**  
Please contact Karen Blocker (845) 796-0892 or [msnaab@aol.com](mailto:msnaab@aol.com) or Judy Siegel (845) 292-2552 to make a reservation, volunteer to help or bring something to make this a successful event.

**Youth Programs** -Parents must accompany children under 7  
Saturday September 30th 11:30 am Youth Program for ages 7-12  
**Sukkot** Sukkah building and celebration Sunday October 1st 10:00 am  
**Simchat Torah/Sukkot service Celebration** Friday, October 6th-7:30 pm (Levins at 7:00 pm)

**Temple Sholom Announces Fall Classes**

Starting on October 2, 2017, the fall session of Sholom Jewish University classes will begin. Classes are an hour and 15 minutes long, and each course runs for 10 sessions  
On Tuesdays starting October 17, Rabbi Michele Medwin will teach "Essays on Ethics" from noon to 1:15 p.m. Class discussion will be based on Torah portions in the book of Exodus. The course will use the book "Essays on Ethics: Weekly Reading of the Jewish Bible" by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks.  
Rabbi Medwin will also teach "One People Two Worlds." This course, to be held on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., will compare Reform and Orthodox Judaism through the eyes of two rabbis, Ammiel Hirsch and Yosef Reinman.

Lauren Miller will teach two levels of Hebrew on Thursdays starting October 5: beginners at 12:15 p.m. and level 2 at 1:45 p.m.  
All classes will be held at Temple Sholom, which is just off Forestburgh Road in Monticello. Cost is \$36 per course for Temple members and \$54 per course for nonmembers. To avoid a registration fee, interested students should register by is Sept. 28 for Hebrew and Oct 10 for Rabbi Medwin's classes.  
Remote participation is available for Rabbi Medwin's classes via Zoom on the Internet. Students interested in this option should check off the box on the registration form to receive instructions on how to join the class.  
For further information call 845-794-8731.

**Join Friends of Ashokan to Salute Jay Ungar & Molly Mason and Celebrate 50 Years of Outdoor Education**

On November 1, 2017 from 6:00-8:00 PM, join Jay Unger and Molly Mason to celebrate 50 Years of Outdoor Education at 250 Mercer Stree, New York, NY  
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Please join us for an evening of cocktails, live music, farm-to-table appetizers by Chefs John Novi and Bill Warnes, and a special salute to Jay & Molly! It promises to be an evening to remember.  
Event proceeds will help Ashokan continue this work for the next 50 years. Space is limited!  
Get your tickets online or give in honor of Ashokan's 50th Anniversary.  
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Our mailing address is: The Ashokan Center, 477 Beaverkill Road, Olivebridge, New York 12477  
For ticket information go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-ashokan-centers-50th-anniversary-benefit-tickets-34432404248>

**"Food for Body and Soul"**  
**A Free Concert for the Food Pantries of Sullivan County**  
(Donations gratefully accepted)  
Sunday, October 15th @ 2:00 PM  
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845-292-4626  
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Start Tuesday evening October 3, at 8:00 PM with *Frankenstein* (1931); and at 9:30 PM *The Bride of Frankenstein* (1935); at 11:00 PM *The Mummy* (1932); at 12:30 AM, *The Wolf Man* (1941); at 2:00 AM *Island of Lost Souls* (1933); at 3:30 AM *The Black Cat*, at (1934); 4:45 AM *The Invisible Man Starting at 8:00 PM, Tuesday evening October 3, 2017, CC, Rated TV-PG, B/W, 65 - 75 min.*

**Quiz:**

1. In *Frankenstein* who played *Henry Frankenstein*?
2. In *The Mummy* who played *Ardeth Bey* [also known as *Imhotep*]?
3. In *Frankenstein* who played *Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley* [The Monster's Mate]?
4. In *The Invisible Man* who played *Jack Griffin* [The Invisible One]?

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

**SUNDOWN**

Sat. Sept. 30 - Sundown UMC Annual Harvest Fair and Luncheon 9 am - 3 pm

Oct. 7 -Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

**GRAHAMSVILLE**

Oct. 10 -Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale (9am -12:30pm) and Luncheon (11 am-1 pm)

Oct. 21 -Grahamsville UMC Third Saturday Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon

**CLARYVILLE**

October 15 - Claryville Fire Dept All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7am to noon.

**NEVERSINK**

Boy Scout Troop 97 **Fish and Chips or Chicken and Chips Dinner** at the Neversink Fire House September 30th from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. Eat in or take out. Please purchase your single serve meal tickets in advance from any Boy Scout from Neversink Troop 97 or contact Neil Terwilliger at (845)-798-3328 or Chris Morgan at (845)-985-9952

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 3. Elsa Lanchester  
 2. Boris Karloff  
 1. Colin Clive  
 Answers: