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TVTA Recognizes Retired Educators

This week, as Tri-Valley teachers return to school, there will be two extraordinary women missing from our ranks: Mrs. Judy Swarthout and Mrs. Mary Killian.



These two amazing educators retired in June. Mrs. Swarthout came to Tri-Valley in 1990; Mrs. Killian in 1991. It's hard to imagine T-V without them! We will miss these exceptional individuals, but wish them all the best for long, happy, and healthy retirements.

Neversink Farmers' Market - Much to do About Nothing - Uh-Uh! Once Again, this Saturday there was Something Special for Everyone!

What an exciting day at the Neversink Farmers' Market! While we were ahead of time of the



Bill Brenner, caretaker of the Deadly Tasmanian Bunny Rabbits soothes their souls with some music allowing children to feed them. The fact is, we all enjoyed Bill's whimsical music, too.

Terrifying, Deadly, Tasmanian Bunny Rabbits - and especially not to laugh - even the grownups had a hard time not to laugh. This incredible breed of rabbits were thought to be extinct and were supposedly discovered right here in Grahamsville. Petunia and Fang were quite the center of attention.

Certainly not taking second seat to Petunia and Fang, were Lucinda Sparkle; Tap Dancing Punk Rocker, Dagny Steambrink;

Bubbles; Ballet Dancer, Chantel; Sha Fa Fa, the Queen of Blues, and Doc the Dog, just to name a few of Ramona Jan's marionettes. They kept the audience fascinated and giggling. Children were invited to learn how to make the marionettes walk, dance and waddle! (Contd. Pg. 8)



Ramona Jan entertained a crowd of young happy minds who watched her marionettes frolic and dance.

Chris Parrow Pottery Exhibiting New Work at the Bethelwoods Harvest Market



Chris Parrow Pottery will be exhibiting new work at the Bethelwoods Harvest Market every Sunday in September. The Harvest festivals feature handmade crafts, live music, children's activities, weekly special events, and an extensive farmers' market. Admission is free with a small parking fee.



Our pottery is handcrafted, one-of-a-kind functional and decorative stoneware. For gifts, browsing, and visiting, our Studio Showroom is always open with a phone call to 845-985-7564, and we also look forward to seeing you at Bethelwoods Harvest Market.

Gideons' Knot to be Performed by SUNY Sullivan Theater Program



The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program is proud to announce performances for GIDION'S KNOT by Johnna Adams.

Directed by Paul Austin, this will be the first production of our 2018-2019 Women Playwright's Season, highlighting a complicated play about suicide during National Suicide Prevention Month. <https://www.nami.org/Get-Involved/Awareness-Events/Suicide-Prevention-Awareness-Month>. (Contd. Pg. 11)

Cornell Country BBQ Celebrates CCE Master Gardeners



Entertainment for the BBQ will include live Americana music by Little Sparrow

Cornell University's recipe for barbecue chicken goes back to 1955. This recipe, used for many Sullivan County chicken barbecue fundraisers, is famous for its simple ingredients and bold flavor. The traditional preparation method includes slow grilling chicken halves to perfection, basted in layers of the "secret" sauce.

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) is celebrating its Master Gardener Volunteers at the annual Cornell Country BBQ & Live Auction, to be held Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the White Sulphur Springs Fireman's Park on Shore Road in White Sulphur Springs. This event is rain or shine, under a covered pavilion. Chicken has been donated by Hudson Valley Foie Gras.

Master Gardener Volunteers spend hundreds of hours giving back to their community and Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County is honoring their valuable dedication to horticultural education and lifelong learning. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul?
Matthew 16:26

OBITUARY

James Houghtaling, 67 of Willowemoc, NY passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on August 30, 2018.

He was the son of the late Nial and Margaret Scott Houghtaling; born at home in Bradley, NY on July 18, 1951.

Jim graduated from Tri-Valley Central School 1970 and later proudly served in the US Army receiving an honorable discharge. Jim had a 28 year career as a heavy equipment operator for the Town of Neversink. He continued to plow snow and drove a truck for Catskill Mountain Sugar House in semi-retirement. He enjoyed the outdoors, riding motorcycles and snowmobiles, tending to his homestead, and sharing stories with family and friends.

Jim was a well-respected member of his community. He conducted his life with humility, generosity, and bravery. He will be greatly missed, but always remembered.

Jim was married to his wife Carol Anne Gildersleeve for 32 years. He is survived by his sister Marion Wood and husband Gary of Tennessee, four daughters Charity Muzuruk of Woodbourne, NY, Lorrie Hamilton and husband Lee of Weeki Wachee, FL, Christie Muzuruk-Payne and husband John of Harris, NY, Keri Santiago of Palm Harbor, FL and one son James B Houghtaling of Hudson, FL., eight grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, September 1, 2018 at Colonial Funeral Home 396 State Route 52 Woodbourne, NY 12788. In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to the Willowemoc Baptist Church, Church Street Willowemoc, NY.

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

Eugene "Gene" Doetsch of Jeffersonville, NY a retired farmer and a retired custodian at Jeff-Youngsville Central School, died on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at Catskill Regional Medical Center, Harris, NY. He was 85. The son of the late Charles and Helen Dorner Doetsch, he was born August 10, 1933 in North Branch, NY.

He was married to Shirley Geib Doetsch; Mrs. Doetsch predeceased him on April 27, 1993.

"Gene" was a U.S. Army Veteran and a member of Delaware Lodge #561 Of Free and Accepted Masons.

He loved his family, garden, flowers and restoring antique furniture.

He is survived by his daughters, Linda Hubert (David), and Louise Popolillo; his amazing grandchildren: David "Hopper" Hubert, Jr. (Christina), Stephanie Jester(James), Gary Hubert (Amy), Kristen and Danielle Popolillo; his great grandchildren: Andrew, Jacob, and Alec Hubert, Gavin Hubert and Daniel and Matthew Jester; his sister, Gloria Stevens and brothers, Warren Doetsch (Ruth), and David Doetsch (Pat). In addition to his parents and his wife, Shirley Geib Doetsch he was predeceased by his daughter, Tami A. Doetsch, his brother, Gerald Doetsch and by his in-laws, Osmer and Mildred Geib.

Funeral services were held on August 23, 2018 at the Stewart-Murphy Funeral Home, Jeffersonville, NY. with interment at the Jeffersonville Presbyterian Cemetery, Jeffersonville, NY.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Jeffersonville Volunteer First Aid Squad.

Days of Yore...

Today's History

September 15, 1948

Barring rain or hurricanes, everthing is about set for the Big Day for the people of the Tri-Valley area. Amidst humming activity, the officers and members of the Neversink Agricultural Society have taken time to announce to the public that the 69th Annual Fair promises to be even a bigger event than any in the past. A larg share of the credit goes to the officers of the organization: Emmet Walter, President; Arthur Burch, Vice President; Earl Sheeley, Secretary; S. W. Krum Treasurer and General Superintendent, Robert Many.

Miss Grace Sheeley opened her school on Lower South Hill last Wednesday.

Robert McDole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McDole, has enlisted in the army for three years and expects to leave soon for Fort Dix where he will take his basic training. At present he is stationed at Stewart Field.

September 10, 1958

The Tri-Valley Stock Car Racing Association, Thursday night of last week, raised sufficient funds to continue a track adjacent to the Grahamsville Fairgrounds according to Association President, Chandler Curry. Stock Car racing will begin if all goes as planned this fall.

Norman Nielsen, 19 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nielsen of Neversink will fly to Lackland Air Force Base in Texas on September 19th to begin training as an Aviation Cadet as a Navigator. Norman is a graduate of Tri-Valley.

Dr. Car. C. Bastian of Mamaroneck has sold his 168 acre farm estate at Curry to Peter Schoenberg of Pelham Manor throught he Morris Ratner agency of Liberty.

September 11, 1968

For the interest of all campers and boat enthusiasts, Monguap Park has extendid its closing to December 3rd. Water and sanitary facilities will be in service until there is danger of freezing weather and the possibility of damage. All other parks in Sullivan County are closed.

The Sundown highway seems strangely quiet with the closing of the Christian Youth Camp of America on the Sundown Road. For the month of August and until closing time the camp was occupied by 45 young people per week.

Mrs. "Yo" Thomas of Red Hill Knolls is working as a teller at the Grahamsville Bank.

September 14, 1978

The Tri-Valley Board of Education approved Mrs. Rosemary Skoda, Mrs. Pat Grey and Mrs. Shirley Nassh as census enumerators for the 1978-79 school year. The Board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Hulda Ferber as a regular after school bus driver.

Chestnut Woods Celebration was a huge success! We will probably long remember that one of the biggest (and best) parades in the area filled our town. Every unit in the parade was worthy of praise.

**Tri-Valley Elementary School
WANTED:**

**Local establishments to display
student KINDNESS artwork.**

Contact Penny Hennessey in the
Main Office at 985-2296 ext. 5306

or

pennyhennessey@trivalleycsd.org.

All artwork and frames
will be provided by the District and
refreshed bi-annually.

**School is Open
Drive Carefully!**

A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Sympathy to the family and friends of John Harrop. John, who resided in Grahamsville, passed away on August 20th at the age of 65.

Eugene "Gene" Doetsch from Jeffersonville passed away on August 21st at the age of 85. Condolences to his family and to his sister, Gloria Stevens, of Grahamsville.

Sympathy to the family and friends of Louise Magie of Loch Sheldrake who died on August 18th at the age of 67. Louise was the daughter of long-time Neversink resident, Rose Crispel. Jodi S. Davis of BloomingGrove passed away on August 18th at the young age of 56. Jodi was the wife of Paul Davis, formerly of Grahamsville. Paul, a Tri-Valley graduate, is the son of the late Owen and Shirley Davis.

Condolences to the friends and family of William Robert Conjura of Grahamsville, who passed away on August 23rd at the age of 85. Bill, during his younger years, was very active in our Tri-Valley community.

It's good to hear that Jona Hamilton, Alice Elberth and Joe Ingram are home and on the mend following surgery.

Congratulations to John and Janine Neumann Garigliano who were joined in marriage on September 1. Janine, who had previously taught school in Livingston Manor, has accepted a position as a 2nd grade teacher at Tri-Valley. Alaska will be their honeymoon destination.

Congratulations to former Grahamsville resident, Peggy Geyer who married Wayne Cuminski on August 18th. The couple will reside in Pennsylvania.

Colleen McKeon Osterhout has joined the Wayne Bank as a Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer for the Sullivan County market. Colleen will be working out of the Monticello office. Some local Boy Scouts from Troop 97 recently spent some time at Niagara Falls, Gettysburg and Hershey Park.

Vincent and John Mingo and Adam, Van and Anna Furman took part in an intensive week long music program held at the Eugene D. Nesin Center for Performing Arts in Monticello where they honed their musical skills. Adam also played some jazz selections on the piano at the local Heartbeat Music Hall in early August.

It was nice to see that Kaylee Poppo from Grahamsville received the "Outstanding Camper Award" at the Swan Lake Golf Country Club 2018 Junior Golf Camp. Way to go, Kaylee! The Grahamsville Reformed Church would like to welcome Pastor Ken Ronk to their Church. Pastor Ken will be preaching each Sunday morning at 9:30 am. Pastor Ken is a commissioned pastor from the Classis of Orange and seems very enthusiastic. Lay preacher, Zachary Pearce, who spent July and August at the Grahamsville Church, will be attending Princeton Theological Seminary beginning in late August.

James "Jim" Marion was posthumously inducted to the Frost Valley YMCA Hall of Fame on August 18th. Following a delicious luncheon, all were invited to visit the newly built, James Marion Maple Sugar Shack, dedicated in honor of Jim.

My daughter, Karen, Helen Miller and I recently took a trip to Lancaster, PA. to see the spectacular "Sight and Sound" presentation of Jesus. Of course we also stopped at Hershey Farms and had their wonderful smorgasbord. IF you can get tickets to Jesus, I heartily recommend it. Most performances are completely sold out.

Words of Wisdom: Love has nothing to do with what you are expecting to get - only with what you are expecting to give - which is everything. (Katherine Hepburn)

Where flowers bloom, so does hope. (Lady Bird Johnson)

1930s Lost Catskill Farm opening at the Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - A program and reception to celebrate the opening of the 1930s Lost Catskill Farm will be held at the Time and the Valleys Museum, 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55), Grahamsville, NY on Wednesday, September 12th at 4:00 p.m..

In the 1930s and 40s, New York City came to the Catskills and took land they needed to build reservoirs for their expanding water supply system. Thousands of people's lives changed forever, as they were forced to move away from family and friends and from the homes they loved.

Over the past several years, the Time and the Valleys Museum has been working on recreating a 1930s family farm in the Catskills to tell the story of how these families lived. Located on top of a hill behind the Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, period buildings were moved on site, including a farm house, outhouse, milk house and workshop powered by a working waterwheel. An 1870s barn was painstakingly disassembled and reassembled on site, and a building to house a 1930s power plant has been constructed. This 1930s Catskill Farm is now ready to open to the public, including 1930s furnishings, equipment, tools and artifacts, with videos, computer interactives and games and activities for both children and adults.

Speakers for the opening program include NYC DEP Deputy Commissioner Paul Rush, local residents with family ties to those who lost their homes and lands and students from the Tri-Valley School Watershed Studies Class who designed and created the pond which runs the water wheel. Immediately following the program will be refreshments on the patio and tours of all the buildings on the Lost Catskill Farm. For more information about the Lost Catskill Farm or to RSVP to the opening reception on September 12th, please call 845 985-7700 or email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day, Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. and weekends in September.

Current exhibitions:

- o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This newly renovated exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.

- o Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.

- o Picture Yourself(ie) in the 1930s, a completely hands on and immersive exhibition on life in the 1930s.

The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville Sullivan County. Adults admission is a suggested donation of \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday. As a Blue Star Museum, the Museum offers free admission to active duty military members and up to five family members. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. Groups, camps and schools are always welcome - Guided tours are conducted for groups of 15 to 100 people throughout the year.

Cornell Country BBQ Celebrates CCE Master Gardeners

(From Pg. 1) The public can take out the farm-fresh dinner from 4:00 to 5:30 pm, or sit down at 5:30 pm to enjoy an old-fashioned, outdoor evening of live Americana music by Little Sparrow, 50/50 drawings, and good company! Live and silent auctions of homemade and home grown items from the Hudson Valley will begin at 6:15 pm, with something - and price points - for everyone.

Tickets are \$20 per person. Walk-ins welcome! Non-refundable payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit; online at www.sullivance.org, over the phone at 845-292-6180, or at the Liberty office on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road.

Proceeds from the Cornell Country BBQ & Live Auction fundraiser will go towards providing education and technical assistance to farmers, families, and youth across diverse audiences in Sullivan County. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

The Master Gardener Program is a national program of trained volunteers who work in partnership with their county Cooperative Extension office to expand educational outreach throughout the community by providing home gardeners with research-based information.

First Friday Book Discussion Group

The first Friday of the month book discussion group meets in the Upper-Level Conference Room of the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m. Please join us! Refreshments are being provided by the members.

This month's book discussion: "East to The Dawn, the Life of Emilia Earhart", by Susan Butler.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

A Frigid Winter - or "Flake News"???

After hearing the sound of baby birds outside of our bathroom window, I began asking around if this was normal. I heard of two other people who had experienced the same thing in their yards, or near their homes - baby birds!

After looking up some statistics it seems that some birds do lay their clutches as late as September. For example:



Cardinals, August; Mourning Dove, February - September and American Goldfinch, June - September.

Our baby birds are Starlings and not on any list that I can find. Speaking

with other people we are wondering if this is a sign of extended warm weather and concluded animals may be smarter than people and must have an awareness of what they are doing.

I chose believe that baby birds was a sign that there would be an extension of nice mild warm weather, at least for a few more weeks, rather than bone rattling cold.

Seeing the new *Farmers' Almanac* was out last week and being curious, I took a peek and they too, predicted a warm wet winter.

Putting this together in my mind today as I am listening to the baby birds chirping for more food, the temperature on the back porch is 78° today, with temperatures rising during the next few days into the 80's - I decided to look into this a little more - both the reason for the young birds this time of year and some hint of what our winter will be like.

Scientific America reports in an article *Songbirds Shift Migration Patterns to Sync with Warming*. They say, "As the planet warms, scientists are seeing evidence of earlier springs and later autumn all over the world. Snow is melting sooner, plants are flowering earlier-and now, researchers find that birds are changing their migration patterns, too."

According to NPR - "Even more importantly, the overall threats of global warming to birds generally are quite clear. "The 2014 Audubon Climate report's headline is pithy and pointed: 314 Species on the Brink: Shrinking and shifting ranges could imperil nearly half of U.S. birds within this century. The reported details lay out the causes for this peril."

I like the idea of warm, but that sounded a little depressing, so I went back on the internet to seeing what the *Farmers' Almanac* had to say about a warm winter.

According to the Washington Post, "The 2019 *Farmers' Almanac* bills its 2018-2019 winter outlook - it calls for "teeth-chattering cold" across much of the nation. The Washington Post calls this "flake news" and states "Given the publication's checkered credibility, we're not sure if that headline is an attempt at self-deprecating humor or simply a fun play on words."

Now I am not sure if it was the *Farmers' Almanac*, or the *Old Farmers' Almanac* that I saw. So I went on to check and just released by the *Old Farmers' Almanac* (not to be confused with the *Farmer's Almanac*) their long-range winter weather forecast for the 2018/19 season is similar to the NOAA forecast recently released. The *Old Farmer's Almanac* is calling for an El Niño season to bring warmer temperatures across most of North America this winter.

Snowfall will be above normal in the north and below normal in the south, with the snowiest periods in late November, late December, early and late January, mid-to late February, and early March. April and May will have temperatures below normal in the north and above normal in the south and will be slightly drier than normal.

With all this technology and reading - I am more confused this year as ever with winter weather predictions!

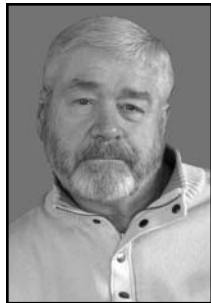
Has anyone seen a Woolly Bear yet! If you have, let us know. According to the local 'old timers' - the more black on the Woolly Bear, the colder the winter, but if there is a lot of brown - they said it meant a milder winter.

Like the birds, the Woolly Bear know! Let us know if you find a Woolly Bear and what you think?

Household Hints

Make new clothes ready to wear

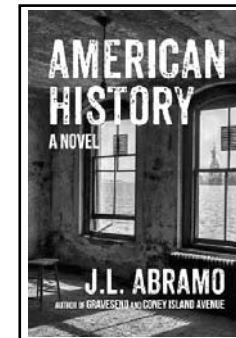
Get the chemicals, dust, odor, and whatever else out of your brand-new or secondhand clothes by pouring 1 cup white vinegar into the wash cycle the first time you wash them.



American History

Mysterious Book Report No. 347

by John Dwaine McKenna



The twentieth century may go down in history as the most epochal of all time. It's already the most fascinating, pivotal and the most consequential of eras because it was without doubt the bloodiest one ever. Now, in a brand new piece of intricate crime fiction, the twentieth century is encapsulated by following the fortunes of two families, the Agnellos and Leones, who bring a blood feud with them from Sicily to the USA at the turn of the twentieth century. The Agnello family (lamb, in Italian) stays in New York City and mostly on the side of law and order. The Leone clan (lion, in Italian), on the other hand, puts down roots in San Francisco where they create a criminal empire.

American History, (Down & Out Books, PB, \$18.95, 362 pages, ISBN 978-1-946502-70-4) by J.L. Abramo is a multi-generational saga of loyalty and deceit, law breakers and law enforcers, whose families are torn apart or bound together in a no holds barred battle for survival as neither time, nor distance prevents the families from trying to destroy each other. As a nation struggles to find its identity in the wake of two World Wars the two families engage in a life and death struggle formed by honor and lies, as tragic circumstances tear one family apart while the other searches for missing members. With the focus going from coast to coast in the tradition of *The Godfather*, *East of Eden*, or *The Given Day*, this compelling saga of American crime and crime families will keep you reading far into the night. Mr. Abramo, an award-winning best-selling author has penned another winner that all fans of crime fiction are going to want to read!

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FREE Programs for Seniors & Caregivers

SULLIVAN COUNTY, NY- Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEC) Caregiver Resource Center offers several FREE workshops in September. These educational events will be held at various locations across Sullivan County.

Sept 4 - **Tai Chi for Arthritis Series in Neversink** 4 - 5 pm

Neversink Firehouse, 7486 State Route 55, Neversink

This unique 8 week series involves warm-up exercises, demonstrations, and practice of 6 basic Tai Chi for Arthritis movements, in an ADA compliant space.

Bonnie Lewis, RN Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEC) Dependent Care Educator will instruct the group.

Participants receive materials and view a film provided by Arthritis Foundation of Dr. Paul Lam's Tai Chi for Arthritis program.

*There is a refundable \$10 commitment fee (NOT refunded if more than 3 classes are missed)

Sept 11 **Tai Chi for Arthritis Series in Eldred** 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Town of Highland Senior Center, 725 State Route 55, Eldred

This unique 8 week series involves warm-up exercises, demonstrations, and practice of 6 basic Tai Chi for Arthritis movements, in an ADA compliant space.

Bonnie Lewis, RN Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEC) Dependent Care Educator will instruct the group.

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Sept 7,14,21 **Living with the Early Stages of Alzheimer's** 10 am - 12 pm

Narrowsburg Public Library, 198 Bridge St. Narrowsburg

In the early stage of Alzheimer's disease, families face new questions as they adjust. What does the diagnosis mean? What kinds of plans need to be made? What resources are available to help? This 3-part series shares practical answers to the questions that arise in the early stages. Hear from those directly affected and learn what you can do to cope with the changes that come with an early-stage diagnosis.

These events are free to the public. Registration is required in advance by visiting www.sullivancee.org, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or calling CCEC at 845-292-6180. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCEC office.

This co-partnered program between Cornell Cooperative Extension and Office for the Aging of Sullivan County is supported by a grant from the NYS Office for the Aging's Caregiver Program and a grant from the Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley NY Chapter.

Get a jumpstart on expanding or opening your business!

Monticello, NY - Another round of Small Business Training will be held this month to assist owners of small businesses in Sullivan County and those looking to start one here. The classes, just two evening hours each, will begin Tuesday, September 11 and run every Tuesday and Thursday thereafter, through Thursday, October 4.

"I can't stress enough how important this training is for anyone in business - just starting out or considering expansion," affirmed Division of Planning & Community Development Assistant Commissioner Jill M. Weyer. "The classes we offer - taught by experienced professionals - include the writing of a business plan, which is absolutely essential to obtain financing and build a successful enterprise."

Now in its sixth round, the program is coordinated by the Planning Division, the Partnership for Economic Development, the Industrial Development Agency, the Center for Workforce Development, and the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce, who will also help participants identify and qualify for low-interest loans, subsidies and other forms of support.

The eight sessions of the Small Business Training Program will cover such topics as small business basics; market research and analysis; preparing a business plan; financing; taxes, permitting and licensing; customer service; and finding and managing employees. Each session is taught by professionals with experience in that aspect of business, and participants receive individual coaching on their business plans throughout the course.

This step-by-step, hands-on curriculum originated in 2012 and has helped such businesses as Dhani's Curry Melt in Liberty, Java Love Coffee Roasters in White Lake, Main Street Farm in Livingston Manor, Nelly's Latin Restaurant in Monticello, Sudsy Paws Pet Services in Wurtsboro, the Stickett Inn in Barryville, and Big Kev's BBQ in Bethel (recognized as one of the top barbecue destinations in the Northeast).

The training program will be limited to 15 people in order to create an environment where participants can learn from and support each other. The class schedule will be built around the needs and availability of those participating. Applications must be submitted by Friday, September 7 in order to be considered. The \$100 fee offsets a fraction of the costs associated with the training.

For more information or to request an application, contact the Sullivan County Division of Planning at (845) 807-0527 or at planning@co.sullivan.ny.us.

\$225 Million in Matching Funds Available to Help Local Governments Consolidate Services, Create Efficiencies and Save Taxpayer Dollars

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the release of the formal application for state matched funds through his County-Wide Shared Services Initiative. Under this program, the state will match dollar-for-dollar the actual savings achieved by a county or local government pursuant to an adopted shared services plan. A total of \$225 million has been appropriated for these matches to consolidate local services and create efficiencies within county borders to reduce the

burden on taxpayers.

"Saving taxpayer dollars is a top priority, and we will continue to work with local governments to adopt shared services plans in the best interests of New Yorkers," Governor Cuomo said. "Through this process we are providing real resources to help local governments share services, cut costs and create real recurring savings for New York property tax payers."

"With the state's shared services plan, we're working to ensure municipalities operate efficiently and cost effectively," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "These matching funds will help local governments across the state pursue projects with neighboring municipalities to consolidate services and save taxpayers money. The countywide shared services initiative will enhance quality of life for residents and boost the economy of local communities statewide."


Through state matched funds, New York is building on progress already made to reduce local property taxes for millions of New Yorkers, and taking the next step toward providing local governments with the tools to put money back in the pockets of middle-class families. The State Budget includes \$225 million appropriated to fund the state's match of savings from shared services actions included in property tax savings plans.

Counties are eligible for matching funds for net savings achieved in one match year from:

- o New shared service actions included in approved 2017 Plans implemented in Calendar Year 2018; or
- o New shared service actions included in approved 2018 Plans that will be implemented in Calendar Year 2019.

In addition, new shared service actions included in the approved 2019, 2020, and 2021 plans will be implemented in the year following adoption and submission to the Secretary of State.

The formal application for state matching funds outlines the actual and specific requirements and was developed by the Department of State in conjunction with the Division of the Budget. To receive state matching funds, each county leader must submit a completed application to DOS. (Contd. Pg. 7)



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Prior to applying to the state, the county leader must have already met the specific thresholds and statutory requirements, which include, at a minimum:

- o Creation of the CWSSI panel
- o Development of the CWSSI plan
- o A minimum of three public hearings
- o Achieving a panel-approved and finalized plan

The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...



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

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which is to create property tax savings plans that benefit taxpayers.

Per the law, CWSSI plans should include actions such as the elimination of duplicative services; shared services, such as joint purchasing, shared highway equipment, shared storage facilities, shared plowing services, and energy and insurance purchasing cooperatives; reduction in back office administrative overhead, and/or better coordination of services. The state will match the first year of savings from new shared services actions in approved plans.

Pesticide Credits Available on Corn Plot Field Day Sept 6

Farmers are invited to the FREE Corn Plot Field Day on Thursday, September 6, 2018 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. This event will be held on My Place Road in Cochecton, NY (follow signs to property). Participants can earn pesticide credits for NY, NJ, and PA. Lunch is provided.

Jaime Cummings, NYS Livestock & Field Crops Integrated Pest Management Coordinator presents on field corn pests, specifically worms and leaf diseases. A field trial tour of over a dozen varieties will be followed by a discussion and result assessment.

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(From Pg. 4) Completed applications are expected to be returned starting in 2019, when the first implementation year has concluded and counties have reconciled total savings. The timeline allows counties to provide savings for the implementation year that are actually and demonstrably realized.

by September 15th of the year of submission

- o Submission of the final, approved plan to the DOB
- o Presentation of the panel-approved plan to the public by October 15th of the year of submission.

As a matter of convenience, the Department of State is sending customized, pre-filled matching funds applications to each county.

CWSSI empowers citizens and local leaders to control the cost of local government. The initiative consists of two rounds, one beginning September 2017 and the other beginning in September 2018, and requires each county to convene a shared services panel consisting of local government leaders within the county-the goal of



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Ranging from James Karpowicz's whimsical and quirky multi-media panels to Claire Coleman's wig-head collages, from the fine pottery of Sue Petry to the award-winning dolls of Naomi Hurst, from Matthew Sherman's found-material creations to the elegant and edgy sculptures of Michael Baron, one-of-a-kind clothing by Ramona Jan to the whimsical montages of Sylvia Sanza, the pieces on display stretch artistic boundaries and demonstrate the extraordinary creativity and courage of artists working in three-dimensional media, pieces you can touch, hold and admire.

The show runs Fridays and Saturdays, from noon until 4 PM, through Saturday, October 13th when an expanded craft mart will end the exhibit. While most works on display are for sale, at the final mart the artists will bring in many more of their pieces, in time for the holidays or for your own home. The Museum receives a portion of each sale and credit cards are now accepted.


The Liberty Museum & Arts Center is located at 46 South Main Street in the village of Liberty, just across from the Key Bank. Admission is free.


The Liberty Museum & Arts Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation and celebrated its 21st anniversary this year. Volunteers are welcome. For more information leave a message at the museum at (845) 292-2394 or call Vice-President Matt Frumess at (845) 807-6725.


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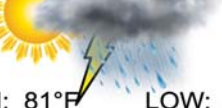
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**Neversink Farmers' Market - Much to do About Nothing -
Uh-Uh! Once Again, this Saturday there was Something Special for Everyone!**



Christina, owner of Neversink General Store, holds two of Ramona's doll creations that are sold in the store.

(From Pg. 1) Jan Ramona is a founding member of Manhattan's Reality Galaxy Puppet Theater and a former member of the Puppetry Guild of Greater New York. Ramona creates all of her marionettes from found objects.

Some Strings Attached is a musical review featuring jazz singer, Lucinda Sparkle; Tap Dancing Punk Rocker, Dagny Steambrink; Astro-Boy the Piano Playing Horse; Bubbles (a somewhat bad baby); Ballet Dancer, Chantel;



Big 'kid', and owner of the Neversink General Store, Mark Mc Lewin tried his hand (and mouth) at the craft while his 'daughter' watches. Eventually Mark 'sort of' got it!

Sha Fa Fa, the Queen of Blues, Two Wild and Crazy Guys and many more large scale marionettes. Ramona also creates the little 'eccentric' dolls that are available for sale at the Neversink General Store. Ramona creates all of her marionettes and dolls from found objects.

Ramona has performed on the streets of Manhattan, London and Paris. It is our understanding that she will soon do a presentation at the Hurleyville Museum toward the end of the month. To learn more about Ramona visit her website at: romonajan.wix.com/somestringsattached.

Once again, the season has ended. Everyone from the Farmers' Market wishes to say 'thank you' to all who had fun with us, enjoyed our produce and products, entertainment, good food and supported us during this past market season. Looking forward to seeing you all again next year!

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Claryville - It's always a little sad to see the summer coming to an end. It's been a great time of exploration and growth for Frost Valley YMCA's day campers. This year, Frost Valley served over 1,000 children collectively through all of its day camps.

The day campers explored pond ecology, expressed themselves through art, challenged their limitations with rock climbing and ropes courses, learned how to cook healthy foods, played games, and went boating and swimming in Lake Cole. They also made friendships and memories they will cherish for years to come.

"I love Frost Valley Day Camp because our days are very busy with really fun activities," says a Day Camper in the Tri-Valley School District. "I learned how to include everyone and be a good friend. I also learned about Frost Valley's eight core values," says a Day Camper in the Fallsburg Central School District.

While summer may be ending, there are some great upcoming community events for families to enjoy. On September 30, 2018, Frost Valley will be hosting a free Fall Farm Day from 1-4 p.m.



at its educational farm, which is located at 2875 Denning Road in Claryville. On October 6, 2018, Frost Valley will be running a fun children's obstacle course at The Daniel Pierce Library's Giant Pumpkin Party at the fairgrounds on Route 55 in Grahamsville. Frost Valley is hosting a Halloween Community Day on October 27, 2018 between 9 a.m.-10 p.m. (this even requires advanced registration).

All events are aimed at providing educational and recreational activities for families that promote a healthy lifestyle, while also providing ample opportunities for family bonding. Visit Frost Valley's Community Days page at www.frostvalley.org/communitydays for more information.

Frost Valley will also be offering a School-age Child Care program for children in Tri-Valley Elementary School for parents in need of quality child care after school until 5:45 p.m. With only 10 remaining spots available, families who are interested in registering their child should call 845-985-2291 right away to ensure their child's spot.

Harvest Potluck and Monarchs at Sullivan County Audubon Meeting

Join Sullivan Audubon, 6pm (at Sullivan County Community College- Rm B 113) on September 13 to celebrate our Harvest time by bringing your own special dish and enjoy a program about The Magic of Monarchs. Tannar Cliffe will share his experiences of raising and tagging Monarchs from both eggs and caterpillars last year and he will bring specimens to observe from this year. You don't need to be a member to attend! Call Pat Cocot to coordinate dishes (845-794-1391) and for more events checkout our website: www.sullivanaudubon.org.

Tannar Cliffe is one of our Audubon teens! He and his grandfather, Rick Bunting are both photographers who work together. Rick has a huge following of everyday emails (one-hundred plus, easily) regarding his photography of birds, wildlife, local landscapes.

Watercolorist, Elise Hornbeck has used Rick's photos for the last two International shows and BOTH were accepted!

Rick has mentored his grandson, Tannar, well. Tannar takes closeups of every conceivable insect in the fields in Bainbridge and is a first-time presenter at our Sullivan Audubon meeting!



Tannar Cliffe is one of the SC Audubon teens

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Gideons' Knot to be Performed
 by SUNY Sullivan
Theater Program

(From Pg. 1) Every production will have a talk back with the cast and a counselor who works in Sullivan County. Issues youth and of the *NeverAgain* movement <http://www.neveragain.com/> will also be discussed in the talk backs.

In a world where female customers account for 65% of ticket revenue, but only 39% of actors, 36% of directors, and 28% of writers of plays, we must do better to educate our emerging theater artists and audiences of the work of female theater artists. Studies have shown that only 1 in 5 productions produced in regional theater are written by women. Therefore, this year, SUNY Sullivan will be producing a diverse array of plays written by women.

When:

September 6-9, 2018, Thursday-Saturday at 8pm, Sunday at 2PM. THERE WILL BE NO LATE SEATING FOR THIS PRODUCTION.

Other Suicide Prevention Month Activities at SUNY Sullivan are listed at the end of the Press Release.

How:

You may make reservations with Jessica López-Barkl at jbarkl@sunysullivan.edu or show up on the day of the show. There is a suggested donation of \$10.

Where:

Room C-106 Sullivan County Community College, 112 College Road, Loch Sheldrake, NY, 12759

Please Contact Jessica López-Barkl with any questions or reservation needs: jbarkl@sunysullivan.edu

GIDION'S KNOT Synopsis (from the Dramatists Play Service, Inc. script)

Over the course of a parent/teacher conference, a grieving mother and an emotionally overwhelmed primary school teacher have a fraught conversation about the tragic suicide of the mother's son, Gidion. Gidion may have been bullied severely - or he may have been an abuser. As his story is slowly uncovered, the women try to reconstruct a satisfying explanation for Gidion's act and come to terms with excruciating feelings of culpability.

The Playwright:

Johnna Adams is an Astoria, NY-based writer who recently received her fifth off-off production from Flux Theatre Ensemble (of her play *World Builders*, prior productions include *Sans Merci* and *The Angel Eaters Trilogy*). Other recent NYC shows include a premiere and revival of her rhyming, Alexandrine verse play, *Lickspittles*, *Buttonholers*, and *Damned Pernicious Go-*

The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

Callicoon. I've never been there before, so I set the GPS (second guessed it at least four times) but finally made it to the Maker's Market. This was a very special event in the Barn on Hubbard of The Farmhouse Project.

The musical artists performed outside and for those of us who listened, we had cloth covered hay bales to sit on. Both the musicians and the audience were under tents and it has been my experience that it is usually one or the other but not both. Impressive. As was the talent scheduled. MIZ, LITTLE SPARROW and JANTURAN.

Those of you who know me well, know that I headed right for the food first. The pulled pork sandwich I had was vended by the Arnold House and worth every penny! This I took out to my hay bale as I enjoyed listening to MIZ. I probably would have spent my whole time there, since I am a fan, but there was SO much to see inside.

As you might remember, I heard about this event quite by accident and I'm so glad I made up my mind to attend. My initial thoughts were 'If these people (who I know and whose work is extraordinary) are vendors, this promises to be amazing'. This exceeded my expectations. They came all over, New York, New Jersey as well as Pennsylvania. There were Distilleries and soap makers, furniture makers and jewelry makers, weavers whose yarns were dyed with the natural pigment from flowers and herbs, fine mosaics and repurposers. This was no flea market but more like a juried show.

And the space itself had all the amenities with unique elements. The bathroom doors slid like quintessential barn doors. The sandwiches were prepared and sold from a silo like structure in the barn itself. Perhaps it was at one time an actual silo as I know the barn is very old and has been restored. But hey, don't take my speculation as gospel. Check out what these amazing gentlemen are doing at www.thefarmhouseproject.com or follow their Facebook page (and see what you missed!)

I'll end this by sharing with you a couple of 'very Jane' moments. 1. I have excellent photos from this event but my camera refused to give up the card so I can't share. 2. I'm on my way home and 2nd guessing my GPS (again) and find myself driving by lovely farms and then...you know how you see something unexpected and it takes your brain a minute to process what you're seeing?...cows? No...horses...oh no, not the right shape..what...ALPACAS! A field of grazing alpacas! Thank you Rosehaven Alpaca for the enjoyable short circuit!

Until next time.....

Between, by Boomerang Theatre, and the 59E59 production of *Gidion's Knot* (directed by Austin Pendleton). Johnna received a Steinberg/American Theatre Critics Association Citation for *Gidion's Knot* (2013). She is a past recipient of the Princess Grace Award and a 2012 Finalist for the Susan Smith Blackburn Award. *Gidion's Knot* was published in 2012 in *American Theatre Magazine*. The Contemporary American Theatre Festival premiered *Gidion's Knot* in Shepherdstown, WV, in 2012 and more than 40 productions have taken place in the last few years, including productions at InterAct Theatre (Philadelphia), Profiles (Chicago), Kitchen Dog (Dallas), Stages (Houston), Aurora (Berkeley) and Furious Theatre Company (Los Angeles). Johnna graduated from the DePaul University Theatre School with a BFA in Acting and received an MFA in Playwriting from Hunter College under professor Tina Howe. Three of her plays are published with Dramatists Play Service and five are published by Original Works Publishing.

Other Suicide Prevention Month Activities

- Monday, Sept 10th from 11:30-1:30 we will have tabling in the E Lobby for Suicide Prevention Day. There will be information provided and screenings for depression.

- Wed., September 26th 12:15-1:15 during the Hump Day event- showing of the short video, *It's Real: College Students and Mental Health* with discussion to follow.

- We also have scheduled a representative from the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention who will be doing a training called *SafeTalk*. Date and Time TBA, but it will be advertised as it nears.

It's Real is a documentary featuring the stories of six college students from across the country.

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"Home," an exhibition of new paintings by David Barnett

"Home," an exhibition of new paintings by David Barnett, opens at Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, 37 Main St, Narrowsburg, NY on Friday, September 21, with a reception from 7 to 9 pm. The show will be on view at the Alliance Gallery through October 27.

Barnett's color-rich oil paintings often feature figures in quiet moments in home interiors, dappled with sunlight through paned windows or doors, or bouncing off mirrors. Since moving to the Upper Delaware River region two years ago, he has been influenced by the elegance and beauty of the landscape and its residents.

"The artists who inspire me most - Klimt, Munch, Gauguin, Toulouse Lautrec, Rousseau - painted through menacing times, yet their paintings were dreamy, colorful, emotional and mythic, focusing on the transcendent beauty of nature, light, color and humanity," says Barnett. "This selection of work is about our moment in history. I want viewers to lose themselves in the work, to escape and then reflect."

Born in Atlanta, GA, Barnett earned his B.A. in History at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville before moving to New York and working as a painter of large-scale outdoor advertisements and murals for companies such as Nike, Vans, and Kate Spade. He currently works as a painter of scenic backdrops for the Metropolitan Opera when he's not painting in his studio in Lake Huntington, NY.

He has exhibited his work in venues in Callicoon, NY and New York City.

"I hope to inspire quietness and stillness in others, offering an opportunity to escape and reflect on beauty, stories, continuity and change," he says.

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm. The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

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Governor Cuomo Announces Series of Listening Sessions on Regulated Marijuana Community Members and Stakeholders Encouraged to Attend One of 15 Meetings Planned Statewide

Workgroup to Draft Legislation for a Regulated Adult-Use Marijuana Program for the Legislature to Consider in the Upcoming Session

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced a series of listening sessions on regulated marijuana will be held across New York State in September and October. The purpose of these sessions is to garner input from community members and key stakeholders on the implementation of a regulated marijuana program in New York State. This input will assist the Regulated Marijuana Workgroup in drafting legislation for an adult-use marijuana program for the legislature to consider in the upcoming session.

"Community input is critical as we work to draft balanced and comprehensive legislation on a regulated marijuana program in New York," Governor Cuomo said. "The multi-agency report identified the benefits of a regulated marijuana market, and with these listening sessions we are taking another important step to develop a model program for New York. We look forward to hearing what New Yorkers in every corner of the state have to say."

"Input from communities in every region of the state is an essential part of our approach to a regulated marijuana program," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "With a thoughtful process, New York is moving forward to craft a policy that will ensure continued progress across our state."

Fifteen listening sessions will be conducted across New York State in the following locations: Albany, Glens Falls, Bronx, Manhattan, Queens, Brooklyn, Staten Island, Long Island, Newburgh, Binghamton, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Utica and Watertown. The listening sessions will begin in early September and be completed by mid-October. Listening sessions, which will be held in the evening and consist of facilitated discussion, will be open to the public, and to accommodate all those planning to attend, pre-registration will be encouraged.

Please see the following list of dates and locations: Wednesday, September 5 - Albany; Thursday, September 6 - Glens Falls; Monday, September 17 - Bronx; Thursday, September 20 - Manhattan; Monday, September 24 - Queens; Tuesday, September 25 - Brooklyn; Wednesday, September 26 - Staten Island; Thursday, September 27 - Long Island; Monday, October 1 - Newburgh; Tuesday, October 2 - Binghamton; Wednesday, October 3 - Buffalo; Thursday, October 4 - Rochester; Tuesday, October 9 - Syracuse; Wednesday, October 10 - Utica; and Thursday, October 11 - Watertown

In January, Governor Cuomo commissioned a multi-agency study, led by the Department of Health, to assess the impact of a regulated marijuana program in New York State. The Assessment of the Potential Impact of Regulated Marijuana in New York State was delivered to the Governor in July. The impact assessment examined the health, economic, public safety and criminal justice impact of a regulated marijuana program in New York State and the consequences to New York State of legalization in surrounding states.

The study found that the positive impacts of a regulated marijuana market in New York State outweigh the potential negative impacts, and that areas that may be a cause for concern can be mitigated with regulation and proper use of public education that is tailored to address key populations.

Based on the findings of the study, the Governor announced the creation of a Regulated Marijuana Workgroup to provide advice to the State on legislative and regulatory approaches needed to protect public health, provide consumer protection, ensure public safety, address social justice issues and capture and invest tax revenue. The Workgroup includes subject matter experts from throughout the State and govern-

ment representatives of public health, mental health, substance use, taxation and finance, law enforcement and public safety.

For more information on Regulated Marijuana, visit: https://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/regulated_marijuana/.

SC Marks International Overdose Awareness Day With Launch of Mapping System

Monticello, NY – In a proactive response to the national opioid epidemic, Sullivan County's 911 Center and Public Health Services have joined forces to precisely track local overdoses. Provided by the U.S. Office of National Drug Control Policy, the mapping system will launch tomorrow, September 1, the day after International Overdose Awareness Day.

"We're using a nationwide database called ODMAP to collect statistics from each overdose call answered by participating EMS crews," noted Public Safety Commissioner Rick Sauer. "This includes the age and gender of the victim, the suspected drug, if naloxone (Narcan) was administered, and whether the overdose was fatal or not."

"We are not asking for and will not collect personally identifiable information," added 911 Coordinator Alex Rau. "The privacy of the individuals and families involved will not be breached by this program."

"ODMAP's data will be used as a valuable tool in our ongoing battle against overdoses and drug addiction," explained Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "This real-time information will allow us to more quickly identify and address issues – for example, a sudden spike in overdoses; a deadlier variant in the opioid supply; or areas where overdoses are more frequent than elsewhere."

"We cannot afford to slow down our efforts to protect residents, our loved ones and neighbors from this addiction crisis," remarked District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz, chair of the Legislature's Health & Family Services Committee. "Sullivan County has one of the highest rankings for drug abuse in the state, as well as one of the lowest health rankings. Therefore, we must use whatever new resource is available to address combatting this disease."

"It's fitting Sullivan County debuts this powerful tool in tandem with International Overdose Awareness Day," said District 5 Legislator Terri Ward, chair of the Legislature's Public Safety Committee. "This testifies to our serious intent, and I am proud of and grateful for the caring team that proactively initiated this mapping system. I hope all our emergency services providers participate and that, as a result, we realize our goal of having a healthier, safer County."

International Overdose Awareness Day is a global event held on the 31st of August each year and aims to raise awareness of overdose and reduce the stigma of opioid dependence. It also acknowledges the grief felt by families and friends remembering those who have died or had a permanent injury as a result of drug overdose.

Sullivan County Public Health Services maintains an addiction referral line: 866-832-5575. There is always hope!

DEC Announces Draft Amendment to Final Campground & Day-Use Area Generic Unit Management Plan for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the release of a draft amendment to the 1990 Final Campground & Day-Use Area Generic Unit Management Plan for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations. DEC invites the public to comment on the draft amendment, which will guide siting, construction, and management of EV charging stations at DEC campgrounds and day-use areas. DEC will consider all public comments before it finalizes the amendment. The comment period runs through September 30, 2018.

Commissioner Seggos said, "Emissions from the transportation sector are the largest contributor of greenhouse gas emis-

sions in New York. As part of the State's comprehensive efforts to reduce this pollution, EV infrastructure must be accessible to New Yorkers and visitors alike. Adding EV charging stations to DEC campgrounds and day-use areas will increase and expand New York's capacity to support more electric vehicles on the road while reducing harmful transportation emissions and making green travel easier for New Yorkers in the North Country. Governor Cuomo has made New York State a global leader in the fight to combat climate change and this is the latest example of his commitment."

The addition of EV charging stations at DEC Campgrounds and Day-Use Areas will help further the Governor's goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and ramp up renewable energy sources. New York State is making robust investments in clean vehicles and infrastructure, including municipal rebates that are putting more electric vehicles on the road and electric charging stations in more locations across the state, including Evolve NY, the \$250 million electric vehicle expansion initiative with the New York Power Authority. EVolve NY is a key pillar of the Governor's Charge NY 2.0 initiative, which aims to encourage and support electric car adoption by increasing the number of charging stations statewide and will help bring the state closer to its goal of installing at least 10,000 charging stations by the end of 2021.

New York has a history of delivering affordable and accessible EV initiatives and infrastructure throughout the state. NYPA is currently installing 400 public chargers at airports, train stations, and municipal parking lots and, as recently announced, high-speed chargers have been installed on the New York State Thruway, with more planned for the remaining 23 service areas between New York City and Buffalo. NYPA has also partnered with the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and ConEd to bring electric buses to New York City. Today's announcement also supports the state's implementation of the Zero Emission Vehicle Action Plan adopted in 2014, in which nine states now participate. Additionally, in March 2017, Governor Cuomo launched the state's Drive Clean Rebate program. Administered by NYSERDA, the program provides residents with a rebate of up to \$2,000 for the purchase or lease of a new plug-in hybrid or battery electric car from participating new car dealers. This initiative played a central role in incentivizing the purchase of more than 10,000 electric cars in 2017, a 67 percent increase over 2016.

DEC manages 51 campgrounds in the Adirondack and Catskill parks with more than 1 million camper nights each season. The campgrounds and five special use areas at Lake George Beach, Prospect Mountain Highway, Hinckley Reservoir Picnic Area, Fourth Lake Picnic Area, and Lake George Battlefield Picnic Area also receive nearly 400,000 day-use visitors annually.

The draft amendment is posted on DEC's webpage. Copies of the draft amendment also may be obtained by calling (518) 457-2500.

Public comments on the draft amendment will be accepted through September 30, 2018, and can be submitted by mail or email to: Josh Houghton, NYS DEC Bureau of Recreation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-5253, Email: campinfo@dec.ny.gov.

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World Premiere of "The Art & Times of Frosty Myers" and Festival Focus on New Documentaries at the 7th Annual Big Eddy Film Festival

Narrowsburg, NY - The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is pleased to announce the lineup for the Big Eddy Film Festival, September 14 - 16, 2018. The festival will open with the world premiere of "The Art and Times of Frosty Myers" at its seventh annual event in Narrowsburg, NY on Friday, September 14 at 8 pm.

"The Art and Times of Frosty Myers" documents the career of sculptor Forrest "Frosty" Myers over the past half-century. Frosty's wide-ranging works include NYC landmark artwork "The Wall" aka the Gateway to SoHo, "The Moon Museum" the first art placed on the Moon, and his radical furniture that blurred the lines of art and design.

Coming to New York City from San Francisco in 1961, he entered a rapidly changing art scene. During this time, American artists were ripping away established European traditions, replacing them with Abstract Expressionism, Pop, Minimalism, Conceptualism, Earth Art, Hard Edge painting and sculpture, and embracing Art and Technology. Additionally, the cultural changes of the social justice movements and the anti-war protests were intertwined with the daily lives of Frosty and other artists. Their camaraderie at the famed New York City bar, Max's Kansas City, created synergies in art, music, and culture. These artists pioneered living and working in abandoned lofts and led the urban renewal in what became the downtown scene in lower Manhattan, SoHo and ultimately Williamsburg, Brooklyn.

Frosty and his wife Debra Arch Myers (the producer of the film) recently moved out of NYC to the Upper Delaware River Valley where they built a museum and sculpture garden as a permanent home for Frosty's artwork.

"The Wall" (aka "The Gateway to SoHo") was installed in 1973. In 1997, when the building's owners wanted to remove it for billboard advertisement, it was defended by the NY Landmarks Preservation Commission, The Municipal Art Society, the SOHO Alliance, and the entire downtown artist community," says Frosty Myers. "It was a 10-year legal battle before a solution was reached with the owners and the sculptural relief was restored and saved for perpetuity."

Bookending this year's festival is a VIP Champagne Closing Reception at Frosty and Debra Arch Myers' Wild Turkey Sculpture Garden in Damascus, PA on Sunday, September 16 at 4 pm. The spectacular grounds, located on the banks of the Upper Delaware River, house many of Frosty Myers' iconic sculptures, as well as extensive flower and vegetable gardens. This event is for Big Eddy Film Festival All-Access pass holders only.

FESTIVAL FOCUS ON DOCUMENTARY

Throughout the weekend, the festival will screen new nonfiction films including the New York premiere of "306 Hollywood," a film that turns the documentary genre on its head. The filmmakers are two siblings who embark on a magical-realist journey that transforms their late-grandma's quaint New Jersey home into a visually exquisite ruin where a lifetime of possessions become artifacts. Also featured is "Minding the Gap," a documentary about three teenagers who bond across racial lines to escape volatile families in their Rust Belt hometown. Ten years later, while facing adult responsibilities, unsettling revelations force them to reckon with their fathers, their mothers, and each other. The film won a Special Jury Award for Breakthrough Filmmaking at the 2018 Sundance Film Festival.

"Documentary work is stronger than ever," says festival director Tina Spangler. "Nonfiction storytellers are taking the genre into new territory, both visually and structurally. And we're enthusiastic about the hosting some of the most exciting new documentaries coming out this year."

Big Eddy Film Festival will also present the feature film "Keep the Change," a New York romantic comedy starring actors with autism that offers a refreshingly honest portrait of a community seldom depicted on the big screen; and the East Coast Premiere of "Eve," a 20 minute short film directed by Susan Bay-Nimoy, who wrote the script while processing the death of her husband Leonard Nimoy. Bay-Nimoy also stars in the lead role of a 74-year-old woman navigating grief, sexual passion, and renewal.

"Expanding the conversation about 'truth' and 'fiction' in cinema, we are thrilled to be showing these two scripted narrative films that have real life experiences as their inspiration," says Spangler.

WOMEN DIRECTORS WELL-REPRESENTED

In 2017, women comprised 8% of the directors of the top grossing 100 films in Hollywood.

Half of the films that will be screened at the 2018 Big Eddy Film Festival, including shorts and features, are directed (or co-directed) by women. Of the remaining films that are male-directed, half of those are produced by women.

All of the feature-length films showing at the Big Eddy were either directed, co-directed, or produced by women.

Here are other current statistics: <https://womenandhollywood.com/resources/statistics/>

NARROWSBURG, NY

Narrowsburg, NY is situated along the Upper Delaware River in the foothills of the Catskill Mountains. A destination for artists and nature-enthusiasts for many decades, the town has an authentic small-town style, ample real estate and fresh air, and is a two hour drive from New York City. Narrowsburg was originally called Big Eddy after the lake-like body of water in the Delaware River around which the town was built.

Built in the 1930s as a single screen movie house, the art-deco style Tusten Theatre serves as the venue for all Big Eddy Film Festival screenings. Located at 210 Bridge St, Narrowsburg, NY, the Tusten Theatre has a seating capacity of 150 and offers convenient and ample parking.

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

THE ART AND TIMES OF FROSTY MYERS

Directors: Tim Lalumia and Chris Stearns

From his years in New York City's revolutionary 1960's art and cultural scene, to the present day, this documentary film explores the art and times of sculptor, Frosty Myers. World premiere.

Screens Friday, September 14 at 8:00 pm

THE ART AND TIMES OF FROSTY MYERS Trailer:

<https://youtu.be/Q7ZYj8JFoT0>

MINDING THE GAP

Director: Bing Liu

"Minding the Gap" is a coming-of-age saga of three skateboarding friends in their Rust Belt hometown of Rockford, IL. There, Bing Liu explores various heady subjects, from masculinity to racial identity to domestic abuse and the transition to adulthood. Minding the Gap was the winner of a Special Jury Prize at the 2018 Sundance Film Festival, where it premiered, the Audience Award at the 2018 Full Frame Documentary Film Festival. Catskills premiere.

Screens Saturday, September 15 at 9:00 pm

MINDING THE GAP Trailer: https://youtu.be/n5Vm_Awe3bw

306 HOLLYWOOD

Directors: Elan + Jonathan Bogarin

306 Hollywood, which premiered at the 2018 Sundance Film Festival, is a magical realist documentary of two siblings who undertake an archaeological excavation of their late grandmother's house. They embark on a journey from her home in New Jersey to ancient Rome, from fashion to physics, in search of what life remains in the objects we leave behind. 306 Hollywood won the Emerging International Filmmaker Award at Hot Docs and the Grand Jury Prize at the Kansas City Film Festival. New York premiere.

Screens Saturday, September 15 at 1:00 pm

306 HOLLYWOOD Trailer: <https://vimeo.com/251324786>

KEEP THE CHANGE

Director: Rachel Israel

When aspiring filmmaker David (Brandon Polansky) is mandated by a judge to attend a social program at the Jewish Community Center, he is sure of one thing: he doesn't belong there. But when he's assigned to visit the Brooklyn Bridge with the vivacious Sarah (Samantha Elisofon), sparks fly and his convictions are tested. Under the guise of an off-kilter New York romantic comedy, "Keep the Change" does something quite radical - featuring a cast of actors with autism and offering a refreshingly honest portrait of a community seldom depicted on the big screen. Catskills premiere.

Screens Saturday, September 15 at 6:00 pm

KEEP THE CHANGE Trailer: <https://youtu.be/rLAWe5KRyJg>

Link to full festival line-up:

<http://www.bigeddyfilmfest.com/category/2018-films/>

ATTEND THE FESTIVAL

Opening night film tickets are \$15. All other individual film tickets are \$10. Also available are special All-Access Festival Passes for \$100, which include a guaranteed seat at all screenings, including opening night, admission to the Saturday evening Meet the Filmmakers cocktail party and to the VIP Champagne Closing Reception. Discounted Six-Pack tickets are available for \$40 (does not include opening night film or parties). Tickets are on sale now.

All screenings take place at the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg, NY. For more information and tickets, visit BigEddyFilmFest.com or call 845-252-7576.

ABOUT THE BIG EDDY FILM FESTIVAL

Produced by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance of Narrowsburg, NY (DVAA), the Big Eddy Film Festival aims to advance the traditional art of storytelling by showing the newest and best independent films from around the world and our own backyard. Visit www.BigEddyFilmFest.com.

ABOUT THE DELAWARE VALLEY ARTS ALLIANCE

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, founded in 1976, serves as Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY. DVAA's mission is to advance the arts in the region through support and encouragement of artists; innovative programs; advocacy; and alliances with arts organizations, business, and government. DVAA also produces the Tusten Theatre Cultural Series, Alliance Gallery exhibitions, and Riverfest. Visit www.DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org.

Transform Your School Year with a Library Card!

September is Library Card Sign-up Month

The value of today's libraries goes beyond books. Librarians are leaders in their communities - helping people of any age to find what they need to help improve their quality of life. This September, the 47 member libraries of the Ramapo Catskill Library System (RCLS) are joining with the American Library Association and libraries nationwide for Library Card Sign-up Month, an initiative to make sure that every student has the most important school supply of all - a free library card.

"A library card opens doors and minds," said Robert Hubsher, RCLS Executive Director. "No other card in your wallet gives you free access to books, CDs, magazines and DVDs at your library and opens up the digital world to you with free access to downloadable e-books, audiobooks, music, movies and magazine articles. Your library card also provides you access to all kinds of library programs from book clubs to craft programs. What better place is there to explore and develop new interests than at the library?"

Libraries build a foundation for children's future success starting from the earliest stages of development. Librarians play a key role in helping children develop the basic tools for school readiness by teaching families the components of early literacy. As of 2016, children's programs accounted for nearly two thirds of library programming in the United States, with more than 2.3 million children's programs nationwide. Older students can also find tools for success at their local libraries, where they can access high-speed internet and digital tools, as well as working with trained professionals on how best to use these resources.

As new technologies evolve, libraries continue to lead the way in providing equity of access to digital tools and media, which has become increasingly important in high-poverty areas where students are less likely to have a computer or internet service at home. All the public libraries within the RCLS service area offer public access to the internet and will help you learn to use this valuable tool. Close to 90 percent of libraries offer digital literacy training to help students of all ages navigate today's changing world; many also offer high-tech innovations like laser cutters and 3D printers, providing hands-on opportunities for creative exploration.

A library card is a powerful way to promote academic success. With innovative programming, access to resources, and hands-on mentorship, the library has something to spark every student's interest. For preschool age children they offer early literacy and storytimes to encourage school readiness, for older children and teens there is supplemental education with hands-on science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) programs, and for nontraditional students libraries offer GED resources. There's really something for everyone, and it's all free with a library card.

Observed since 1987, Library Card Sign-up Month is a time when the Ramapo Catskill Library System and librarians across the Hudson Valley and Catskills regions remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply a child can have. Libraries play an important role in the development of children and signing up for a library card is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning.

Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to become lifelong readers and continue to use the library as a source of information throughout their lives. It is no wonder that 84% of Americans agree that the public library is important to education.

With a library card, patrons can check out so much more than books. Today's libraries have programs and resources that go far beyond just books. Today's libraries are serving as tech hubs, community centers and DIY spaces that are more about connecting and plugging in.

"Today's libraries come with an expert in developing original programs and honing new skills - a librarian. Librarians are the ultimate search engines," explains Robert Hubsher. "Librarians provide guided training in digital media and help grow digital literacy skills. Libraries also provide equity of access to digital tools and media, which has become increasingly important in high-poverty areas where students are less likely to have a computer or internet access in the home. If you need help finding information, visit your public library."

Library cards are free to those living in the library's service area. In most cases, borrowing privileges are granted on the spot based on providing some form of identification, proof of residency or the signature of a guardian.

When you cannot get to the library, let it come to you. Call for answers by phone. If you have a computer and internet access, you can connect to the website of your local library. Today, you can even download audiobooks, videos and e-books to your computer or personal media device. The Ramapo Catskill Library System home page www.rcls.org provides a link to all member libraries and their branches 24 hours a day, seven days a week. From your home or office, you are able to reserve and renew items online; a valid library card number is all that is required for access.

This September, open the door to a world of possibilities for the student in your life and sign up for a library card today and enjoy all the wonderful things a library card gives you access to. For more information about giving your child a head start by obtaining a library card or about library resources and activities, contact your local library.



Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation

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

www.townofneversink.org

2018 Upcoming Events

Saturday, September 15 from 9 am to 5 pm there will be **something for everyone at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds**. The day will include:

1) Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Tractor Show & Swap Meet

2) Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market in the Fair Building

3) Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair

4) Any Make Any Model Car Club Cruise In meet 9:30 am at Tri Valley School to cruise to the Fairgrounds at 10 am.

9/28 **Skate Time** (free event)

10/26 **Kelder's Farm** (free event)

10/27 Look for our Trunk at the **PTO Trunk or Treat**

11/3-11/4 **Kalahari Indoor Water Park Sleepover**

11/30 **Middletown Cinema**

12/1 **Transportation to NYC**

12/2 **Elf Workshop & Tree Lighting**

12/15 **Disney on Ice**



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.

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

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.

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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- 9/8/18 **Sundown United Methodist Church Annual Chicken BBQ** - 4 pm
- 9/11/18 **Thrift Sale and Luncheon** - Grahamsville UMC: Thrift Sale 9:00am-12 noon; Luncheon 10:45am-12:30pm
- 9/11/18 Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 9/12/18 Town of Neversink Board Meeting -
- 9/13/18 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 9/14/18 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
- 9/15/18 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** - Grahamsville UMC - 9 - 12 noon
- 9/16/18 Claryville Fire Department **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** - 7 am to Noon
- 9/17/18 Tri-Valley Booster Club- C.A.S.T meeting 6:30 pm TVCS Secondary School Library
- 9/18/18 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
- 9/18/18 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse
- 9/19/18 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 9/20/18 Neversink Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting 7:30 pm
- 9/24/18 Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting - 7 pm Community Room (lower level) Daniel Pierce Library
- 10/3/18 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm
- 10/6/18 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

SAVE THE DATE!

September 8 - Sundown Annual Chicken BB!

September 15 - Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Tractor Show & Swap Meet • Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market in the Fair Building • Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair

September 29th Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish Fry from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm Serving chicken and fish

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 THORTON HARDWARE
 SHOPRITE
 IL PARIDSO

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.

DEC Announces Canada Goose Season Opens

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that Canada goose hunting season opened Saturday, September 1, in most of the state. Commissioner Seggos said, "September goose hunting season provides New York's hunters with excellent opportunities to pursue an abundant resource. Goose hunters are key partners in DEC's efforts to manage our resident Canada goose populations."

Resident geese are those that do not migrate significant distances from northern breeding grounds to more temperate wintering grounds. Based on the growing population and frequency of complaints about geese, DEC biologists have concluded that a more acceptable number of resident geese in New York would be at or below 85,000 birds. The current population estimate is more than 200,000 birds. DEC's long-term statewide population goal guides management programs and policies, including establishing hunting seasons and bag limits and allowing additional take of geese by permit.

Liberal seasons and bag limits are set to help stabilize resident goose populations. September Canada goose seasons occur in all goose hunting

zones with the exception of Western Long Island. All upstate areas open September 1, and run through September 25. Canada goose seasons on Central and Eastern Long Island begin on the Tuesday following the Labor Day holiday (September 4 this year) and run through September 30. On Western Long Island, the season opens on October 13. The September seasons include liberal bag limits (15 birds/day), extended shooting hours, and other special regulations to maximize hunter success.

Additional details on waterfowl hunting regulations, season dates, hunting area boundaries, and bag limits can be found on DEC's website.

License requirements

To participate in the September Canada goose hunting season, hunters must: 1. Have a 2018-2019 hunting license; 2. Be registered for the 2018-2019 New York Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program (HIP); and 3. All hunters 16 years of age or older must have a 2018-2019 federal duck stamp signed across the face of the stamp in ink

For a list of ways to purchase a hunting license, visit DEC's website. To register with HIP, visit DEC's webpage. To purchase a Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (link leaves DEC's website), please visit the local post office or the USPS webpage.

High Holy Days Worship at Agudas Achim

The High Holy Days are upon us again. Every year at this time people of the Jewish faith are asked to reflect on their life. Agudas Achim of Livingston Manor welcomes anyone wishing to share this season of introspection and faith to become part of our community in prayer and reflection. All who feel drawn to faith and worship are encouraged to join us for the soul piercing blasts of the shofar. High Holiday Prayer reconnects us, our heritage and God. Those choosing to join with us are asked to make an appropriate donation helping us to fulfill our mission to be an open and welcoming community.

Agudas Achim is affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism. However, preserving a traditional atmosphere for our services High Holy Day worship is essential. Rabbi Fredric Pomerantz and Cantor Cathy Barr will lead Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. His warm personality and her beautiful voice will create a special opportunity for introspection and atonement during the Days of Awe. Our historic synagogue helps create an environment which enhances the prayer experience. Both Rabbi Pomerantz and Cantor Barr

are both well respected experienced spiritual leaders.

The congregation conducts an annual non-perishable food drive to benefit the Livingston Manor food pantry. Donations should be brought to services. We join with other Reform congregations which hold similar drives to remind us of our obligations to those less fortunate. Also we hold a communal Yom Kippur break-fast.

For more information about the high holidays or the Agudas Achim call (845) 439-3600 and leave a message. You can also contact Bob Freedman at (845) 439- 5708 or Judy Siegel at (845) 292- 2552. Hebrew School registration is now open, please contact Dimona Galli, our educational director for details

2018 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall

10:00 am - 2:30 pm

July 12th October 11th
 August 16th November 15th
 September 13th December 13th

DMV IS LOCATED IN THE MAIN FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
 PAYMENT BY:
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TVCS Boys' Varsity Soccer Results

Aug. 30, 2018
 Tri-Valley - 4
 Port Jervis - 3
 Tri-Valley Scoring
 Thomas Van Sadlers - 2 goals, 1 assist
 Matthew Tierney - 2 goals
 Sean Rush - 1 assist

(845) 292- 4949. Additional information about Agudas Achim is available on our website, or emailing agudasachim@hvc.rr.com. The building is located at 587 Old Route 17, Livingston Manor. The sanctuary is handicap accessible.

Holiday Service Schedule

Rosh Hashanah			
Evening	Sunday, September 9	8:00 pm	
Morning	Monday September 10	10:00 am	
Yom Kippur			
Kol Nidre	Tuesday	September 18	7:30 pm
Morning	Wednesday	September 19	9:30 am
Yiskor will follow morning prayer no earlier than 11:30am			
Nilah	4:15 pm		
Community Break-fast will be held following services 6:45 pm			
Please contact Megan Blumenthal at (845) 866-8183 or Phyllis Blumenthal at (914) 799-4499 or Karen Blocker at (845) 796-0892 to make a reservation, volunteer to help or to bring something.			
Youth Programs - Parents must accompany children under 7			
September 10	Young children for ages 3-8	11:00 am	
September 19	Older children for 6-12	11:30 am	



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Three bedrome home on 1 acre in quiet residential neighborhood needs some TLC. 1 mile out of the vilage of Grahamsville. Tri-Valley School Dist. Low Taxes. \$169,000 Call 845-985-0501.

Newly refurbished home on 3.4 acres. New roof, siding, living room, floors, deck. Three bedrooms. Two bathrooms. Garage, basement. Tri-Valley Schools. \$195,000. 845-514-0067.

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Energy efficient – Environmentally friendly home for sale. Big Hollow Rd., Grahamsville, NY 4BR., 2.5 bath, 2,128 sq. ft., 2.01 acres, \$360,000 Call: 845-985-015 or 845-399-2796.
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Peekamoose Blue Hole Information - How to Get a Permit & Special Regulations

A permit is required to visit the Blue Hole on Weekends and Holidays between **May 15th and October 15th**. Permits can be acquired from the Reserve America website:

(<https://newyorkstateparks.reserveamerica.com/>)
 Permits are free of charge, but must be acquired at least 24 hours in advance and cannot be acquired more than a week in advance. Only advance registrations will be accepted, no walk-in registrations are available. Visitors will not be permitted to book consecutive days, there must be 7 days between reservations. Each permit is limited to 6 individuals. Visitors will be required to list the names of all members of their party when making the reservation but will have the ability to change the names up to one day in advance. Visitors must have a permit with them at all times. Photo ID is required for each visitor over the age 18.

For general information, go to DEC's website for the Peekamoose Blue Hole.

HELP WANTED

Part-time Help needed for Special Events at the beautiful Claryville Event Center. Experience in restaurant service helpful. Ideal for teachers or college students over summer vacation. Call 845-985-0247.

Pizza Chef at Blue Hill Lodge & Cafe. For interview call 845-985-0247 and leave a message. We will get back to you.

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Zero Emissions Parade (ZEP) and Green Vendor Fair
 Saturday, September 15th,
 11 AM to 3 PM
 in New Paltz

If you have a craft item you wish to sell, send a picture of your finished craft along with a description, price, etc and your contact information to:
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 Sundown, NY 12740
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 ... a virtual on-line mall
 gnomehome.net
Gnome Home on-line mall

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"Knarf's Classic Movie Trivia"
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 Starting at; 4:15 PM Monday Afternoon



D.O.A. Dead On Arrival
 (Suspense, 1950)
 The victim of a slow-acting poison tracks down his own killer. Directed by Rudolph Mate, Starring, Edmond O'Brien, Pamela Britton, Luther Adler, Beverly Campbell (Garland), Lynn Baggett, William Ching, Henry Hart, Neville Brand.

Gripping, original film noir (dark tale) with O'Brien desperately trying to find who has given him a slow-acting poison--and why. Boasts of brilliant creative photography by Ernest Laszlo, filmed on the streets of San Francisco and L.A. Written by Russell Rouse and Clarence Greene. Music by Dimitri Tiomkin, remade, in 1969 as COLOR ME DEAD, and 1988. Film also shown in computer-colored version. B/W - 84 min. rated TV-14

QUIZ: 1. Who played Miss Foster?
 2. Who played Chester?

What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhood™

SUNDOWN
Sept. 8 - 4:00 pm - Annual Chicken BBQ - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Tickets now on sale - 985-7065 or 693-1034

Sept. 15 11 am - 3 pm Portraits and Stories Sundown Church Hall
 Come have Jenny cut a silhouette portrait of your while you talk to a staff member who will record your conversation for the Catskill Waters Podcast. Reserve your spot - Contact: keiko@catskillwaters.org. Visit catskillwaters.org for more information.

Fall is just around the corner. Mark your calendars for this great annual fall event! Sat., Sept. 29 **Sundown Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon** 9 am - 3 pm

Oct. 6- 5:30 pm Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall

GRAHAMSVILLE
Sept 11th Thrift Sale 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon; Luncheon 10:45am-12:30pm

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