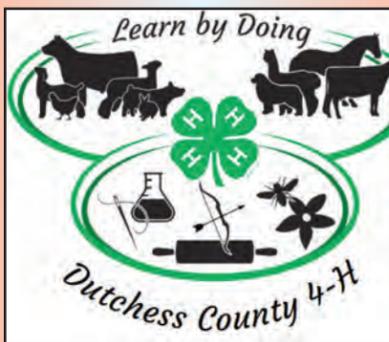


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**Join 4-H'ers at  
A-Fair to Remember  
on Sunday, June 2**



**4-H clubs will host A-Fair to Remember on June 2 in Stanfordville.**

*-Courtesy image*

Why wait until August to meet the 4-H club members and see their animals and plants? Join in activities and drink a real Dutchess County "Fair Shake" milkshake at the 4-H A-Fair to Remember 2024.

The event will be held on Sunday, June 2, at Wilcox Memorial Park, Rt. 199 Stanfordville from 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., courtesy of Dutchess County Parks.

Entry to the event is free and everybody is welcome! Festivities to celebrate the opening of the season will start with a ribbon cutting at 10 a.m. by the lake where the brand-new splash pad is situated.

4-H'ers will be all during the event showcasing their projects and welcoming the public to explore what they do. 4-H projects cover a wider range of subjects than most people realize. Join them for a fun-filled day with food trucks, beverages, music and more.

Meet the animals, get up close, pose for photos and learn about the care that goes into raising them. Visitors can also test their knowledge on animal-related games/quizzes for all ages with fun prizes.

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Here is a sampling of 4-H clubs attending, along with their specialties.

- Stony Kill - Rabbits, chickens, sheep, calves, face painting, bees
- Homespun Hangout - games, prizes, bracelet making
- Dragons and Damsels - Bug hotel craft, story-time, scavenger hunt, marigolds
- Blooming Kids - Painting flowerpots, planting seeds, selling herbs
- Golden Fleece - Bottle lambs, wool education, lamb posters
- Cool Critters - Bake sale, rabbit demos
- DCLR - Archery and air rifle
- Dutchess Dairy - Lemonade and dairy education
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## MEMORIAL DAY 2024

### World War II hero to be remembered during Memorial Day Ceremony in Beacon

**By Kristine Coulter**

On Memorial Day, May 27, the Beacon Veteran Alliance (Veterans of Foreign War, American Legion, Marine Corps League, Guardian Revival and Nam Knights) will conduct the ceremonies. A commemoration ceremony will be held beginning at 10 a.m. at the E. Main St. bridge to honor the Veterans who were lost at sea. At 11 a.m. a ceremony will be held in front of the Veterans Memorial Building, 413 Main St. At noon the Raising of Colors to full staff will occur, during which the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome will conduct a flyover. There will then be the opening of the building to commemorate the building's 100th year anniversary. A time capsule will be opened.

Additionally, there will be a dedication of the area in the front of the VFW building to be known as "Peattie Square" in honor of 1st Lt. Francis Peattie. Peattie was shot down and killed in the Pacific during WWII.

#### **Honoring 1st Lt. Francis Peattie**

During World War II, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. A "date which will live in infamy," as stated the day after the attack by then-President Franklin D. Roosevelt, a Hudson Valley native. A month later, on January 8, 1942, Francis Gerard Peattie enlisted in the U.S. Army.

Harold Delamater, the commander of VFW Post 666 in Beacon, explained, "During a bombing raid in the South Pacific, his (Peattie's) aircraft was shot down over New Britain, and all the air crew were killed except for one airman who bailed-out and was captured by the Japanese." The lone survivor, said



**1st Lt. Francis Peattie**

*-Courtesy photo*

bombardier on B-17E "Naughty But Nice" 41-2430, he was shot down and killed in the aircraft crash...

[Peattie] was assigned to the 43rd Bombardment Group (43rd BG) "Ken's Men" based at 7 Mile Drome near Port Moresby in New Guinea. He flew aboard B-17 Flying Fortresses as a bombardier flying bombing missions over New Guinea and New Britain, it was stated.

"Lt Peattie earned two Silver Stars for heroism in combat, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and Purple Heart. Those awards and some personal effects were displayed at the Tompkins Hose Firehouse but are now on display at the VFW Post 666 in Beacon," said Delamater.

"Holquin was able to track down the crash site many years later and found the remains of the air crew," explained Delamater. It was stated on [pacificwrecks.com](http://pacificwrecks.com), Jose Holquin re-discovered the crash site in 1982 and US Army CILHI (U.S. Army Central Identification Laboratory), forensic work identified additional remains recovered at the site that proved to be Peattie's.

According to [pacificwrecks.com](http://pacificwrecks.com), in the mid-1980s, when [Peattie's] remains were identified, he was permanently buried in the Old Beacon cemetery, next to his parents' graves. On April 1, 2005, Curt Holquin, son of navigator Jose Holquin, visited Beacon with his family to pay respects at the grave and firehouse."

Delamater, was navigator Jose Holquin.

Peattie, according to the Veterans Legacy Memorial website, was born on November 19, 1918 in Beacon. Prior to Peattie's enlistment, he was an active member of Lewis Tompkins Hose Fire Co. in Beacon, noted Delamater.

According to [pacificwrecks.com](http://pacificwrecks.com), "On a June 26, 1943 mission to Rabaul as the

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## Police Chief Sands Frost to retire

### Council to tap Lt. Thomas Figlia for Police Chief

**By Kristine Coulter**

City of Beacon Mayor Lee Kyriacou stated that Beacon Police Chief Sands Frost intends to retire next month. Lt. Thomas Figlia is the next in line of succession for the position, said Kyriacou during the workshop meeting on May 13.

"I want the best for Beacon, even when I retire," said Frost during the Council's workshop meeting.

In a letter dated May 3, Chief Frost wrote that Figlia "was first hired by the Beacon Police Department as a Patrol Officer in 2007, and was selected as an instructor for several trainings early on in his career."

Frost told the Council that Figlia was "a huge help" when he became police chief.

Figlia said he put his name forth because he has "a long investment in the community" and wants to see those "strides with the community continue."

Kyriacou, City Administrator Chris White and Human Resources Director Sara Morris interviewed Figlia after he expressed interest in the department's top position. During the Council meeting on May 20, the Council was scheduled to vote whether to appoint Figlia to the top position.

"In 2015, he (Figlia) was promoted to Patrol Sergeant, at which point he began supervising patrol shifts and taking on more training responsibilities, including for use-of-force policy instruction and sexual harassment prevention. He was given responsibility for maintenance of the Department's in-car camera systems and oversaw the body-worn camera pilot program. He also played an important role in forming major policy updates during the Department's adoption of the Lexipol Policy and Procedure System and Narcan program," Frost explained in the letter.



**Chief Sands Frost**

*-Courtesy photo*

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# Council to tap Lt. Thomas Figlia for Police Chief

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Frost wrote: “In 2018, Lt. Figlia was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and was tasked with assisting in supervising and evaluating Patrol Sergeants and Detective Sergeant. He was given responsibility for review and tracking of all Departmental use-of-force incidents to ensure compliance with policy and law, for managing full implementation of the body-worn camera program, and overseeing all Department training programs. He was also made responsible for the development and implementation of all Police policy changes, including by working as City Council liaison during revisions to City Code sound ordinance and nuisance property laws, and in overseeing discovery and bail reform changes in 2019.”

Figlia noted that the City of Beacon Police Department is a different department now from the one he joined.

“Since restructuring of Police ranks, Lt. Figlia absorbed further responsibilities that had previously belonged to the now-

eliminated Captain position. This included all Departmental communications with Dutchess County Human Resources for Civil Service matters, hiring, and promotions. Since the City hired a professional, full-time Human Resources Director in 2022, he has still served a vital role in recruitment and selection of new hires. He also absorbed responsibility for management of the Department’s record management system which logs nearly all police reports and documents produced. He was also placed in charge of all internal affairs investigations and personnel complaints,” stated Frost.

Figlia said Chief Frost has the department participating in more community events and officers walking Main St. He said the department is “on the right track with that.” He would also like to get back to having more bike patrols, he said.

Figlia has been a resident of Beacon since 1989. His mother is the former children’s librarian, Ginny Figlia, who was known as “Miss Ginny,” at Howland Public Library



Lt. Thomas Figlia

-Courtesy photo

## First responders attend Resiliency Training

In recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month (May) and Police Week (5/12 – 5/18), Dutchess County Sheriff Kirk Imperati and Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino commend the nearly 200 local first responders, including many law enforcement officers, who are taking advantage of the first series of “First Responder Resiliency Awareness” training courses, designed to help overcome the stigma that can prevent first responders from reaching out for mental health support. The course is being offered throughout Dutchess County. The Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office hosted a session today at the Law Enforcement Center in Poughkeepsie with more than 50 first responders in attendance.

Through the nature of their work, first responders are confronted with stress and trauma far more than the average individual. The life span of a first responder is, on average, 20 years less than that of the rest of the population. Since 2018 more than 1,200 first responder suicides have been reported across the United States to 1st H.E.L.P., a site that tracks first responder suicide statistics and provides training and support. First responders often avoid seeking help to avoid being perceived as weak or unfit for duty. The First Responder Resiliency Awareness course seeks to overcome those misconceptions and stigma.

With a focus on peer support, the First Responder Resiliency Awareness course empowers first responders with essential skills and strategies to strengthen resilience amidst the continued demands in their respective roles. Participants delve into fundamental concepts and techniques aimed at stress management, maintaining well-being, and fostering mental resilience in the face of ongoing challenges. This necessary training will provide a pathway to further development into resiliency officer training, peer support and critical incident stress management.

The training is open to and encouraged for all Dutchess County first responders including Firefighters, EMS, Law Enforcement, Public Safety Dispatchers, Corrections Officers, and Probation Officers. Three additional courses will be held at local fire departments over the coming weeks.

The course is a collaboration among the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office (DCSO), the Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response (DCER), and the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health (DBCH). It is taught by Melissa Lawlor, who was appointed as DCER’s volunteer Deputy Coordinator for First Responder Health and Wellness and DCSO Sergeant

Alonzo Montanya, who also serves as the lead Law Enforcement liaison for this undertaking.

During his tenure as Sheriff, Sheriff Imperati has prioritized the need for peer support in the first responder community, working with Mental Health America (MHA) of Dutchess County to have an in-house behavioral specialist, as part of the ECHO program, to support the well-being of law enforcement officers. The MHA specialist, along with the existing Critical Incident Stress Management team, will be part of a formal Resiliency and Wellness Unit the Sheriff is implementing in the near future.

Regarding the collaboration, Sheriff Imperati said, “As the Sheriff’s Office works together with these County agencies, the hope is to create a first responder matrix of services and a peer support network that will help our first responder community to get better together. Now more than ever, our first responders need to feel supported and have to know they’re not in this alone.”

Expanding access to mental health is also a top priority for Serino and she has given her full support to the program. “Protecting the mental health of our first responders is vital. These dedicated men and women put their lives on the line in order to protect their community each and



Participants attend a First Responder Resiliency Training held at the Dutchess County Law Enforcement Center earlier this month.

-Courtesy photo

every day and witness unthinkable tragedies. Our law enforcement officers respond to every call, never knowing what they may face. It has never been more important to ensure they have the tools and resources they need to handle the stresses and emotional tolls of their roles,” said Serino.

First responders interested in the training, including upcoming sessions, can sign up online.

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# MEMORIAL DAY 2024

## Korean War veteran's name is inscribed on Courts of the Missing, presumed dead

By Kristine Coulter

Gilbert Mosher Dobbs was a Dutchess County resident. Dobbs was born in 1923. He served in World War II and Korean War.

According to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency website, Dobbs, who was born in Poughkeepsie, was with the 8th Bombardment Squadron, 3rd Bombardment Group (Light). The site goes on to state: "On January 8, 1951, a B-26B Invader (tail number 41-39379A) departed from Iwakuni Air Base, Japan, with a crew of three aviators. The briefed mission was a night intruder operation targeting main supply routes south of Pyongsan, with a stop at Taegu (K-2) Air Base before returning to Iwakuni. Approximately seventy minutes after takeoff, the Invader's crew checked-in with the air control station at K-2 (call sign Mellow), and reported no difficulty in flight and that it was proceeding on course to the target." This, it states, was the last contact made with this aircraft. It never landed at K-2 or any other friendly air base in the area, and all three crew members remain unaccounted-for.

William "Bill" Meehan, a Wappingers Falls resident and veteran, is a relative of Dobbs.

"I was a kid," he said earlier this year about hearing stories regarding Dobbs. Meehan went on to become a weatherman in the U.S. Air Force.

Dobbs, who joined the U.S. Air Force, was the pilot of this Invader when it went missing. "No returning prisoners of war mentioned having contact with 1st Lt. Dobbs, nor was he seen at any know holding point, interrogation center, hospital, or permanent POW camp. He remains unaccounted-for. Today, First Lieutenant Dobbs is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. His name is also inscribed on the Korean War Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC, which was updated in 2022 to include the names of the fallen," states the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency website.



*Gilbert Mosher Dobbs, left, was a veteran of World War II and fought during the Korean War. He was listed as MIA and then was presumed dead on December 31, 1953.*

-Courtesy photo

Based on all information available, DPAA assessed the individual's case to be in the analytical category of Deferred.

According to American Battle Monuments Commission, "First Lieutenant Dobbs was awarded the Air

Medal with 7 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Purple Heart, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation and the Republic of Korea War Service Medal."

It is noted that Dobbs' name is inscribed on the Courts of the Missing at the Honolulu Memorial. According to [www.abmc.gov](http://www.abmc.gov), Dobbs was listed as MIA and then was presumed dead on December 31, 1953.

## World War II hero to be remembered during Memorial Day Ceremony

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"Lt Peattie did his job to defend our country in time of war. Lt Peattie's patriotism and self-sacrifice led to the

defeat of our one-time enemy and made the world a safer place," remarked Delamater.

### Ceremony to honor the fallen

The community can expect to hear "a patriotic theme from our guest speakers

and a reflection on the past sacrifices made by all service men and women in war and peacetime," Delamater said of the planned ceremony scheduled for Memorial Day.

As for the time capsule, it "should

hold some surprises for all of us, as we do not know the exact contents which was placed therein by Kiwanis Club Historian Ben Hammond on May 31, 1924," said Delamater.

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# Viewpoints

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## Students deserve to 'live authentically'

### To the Editor:

As a parent within the Wappingers Central School District, I've been monitoring the intimidation and dehumanization of our gender nonconforming children for the past two years. This has escalated to an unacceptable level as could be seen by the statements made during the May 13, 2024, WCSD school board meeting. In addition to various harassments fomented by high school students, this past March 18th a student at John Jay High School created a petition and convened a student walk-out in which participants allegedly spewed transphobic comments.

Our students deserve to live their lives authentically. Groups like Moms for Liberty have distorted facts, misinforming the district's parents, and creating chaos. Continued inaction by the district has permitted this mindless and needless situation to spiral out of control.

Karen Svoboda  
Fishkill

Executive Director, Defense of Democracy

## Rombout Fire Commissioners 'greatly alarmed' about proposed rules

### To the Editor:

The Rombout Fire Commissioners are greatly alarmed after a recent email from Dave Denniston, Vice President of the Association of Fire Districts of the State of New York concerning the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) proposed rule changes concerning the operation of fire departments.

"In February, OSHA published a proposed rule that will revise the current 29 CFR 1910.156 "Fire Brigade" standard to make it a multi-discipline "Emergency Response" standard that would require fire departments, EMS agencies, and other rescue services to comply with a wide range of responder safety and health initiatives. This will have far-reaching and possibly devastating effects on Fire Districts and Fire Departments across New York State."

The Rombout Fire Commissioners are concerned about these proposed rules will have on the recruitment, retention and the budgetary effects with the increased training and equipment requirements. Following the tragic attacks of September 11, OSHA, with all Federal agencies, were directed to strengthen their preparedness to respond to terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies. OSHA released the new proposal this February with a 90- day public comment session. The Dutchess County Board of Fire Commissioners, with the Association of Fire Districts of the State of New York (AFDSNY) and the National Volunteer Firefighter Council (NVFC) agreed that this was not enough time to fully understand the 608-page new standard rule changes and how it would impact each and every one of the fire districts in the New York State. They successfully lobbied to push back the date for public comments to June 21. The Rombout Fire Commissioners do agree that many of these updates are long overdue to the 44-year-old "Fire Brigade Standard" to meet the new technology and technical advances that have evolved in that time. But the fire commissioners also have a responsibility to the Rombout taxpayers to be fiscally responsible without putting undue financial pressures on them. The increased training requirements, required new equipment, administrative and health costs, will do just that.

The major OSHA directive from Congress was to formulate a standard that is economically and technically feasible. The Fire Commissioners have significant questions as to whether the entire proposed standard falls within these guidelines. OSHA approach is one size fits all fire departments but providing fire protection is surprisingly complex in New York State and each fire department needs are different. But our mission is the same, to serve our community.

If this proposed standard goes through ALL fire departments across New York and Dutchess County will need to comply. The members of Rombout Fire Company help contribute to reducing costs to the New York State taxpayer. FASNY reports that New York State's nearly 100,000 volunteer firefighters save New York taxpayers \$3.87 billion annually in salary, benefits, and potential debt service. FASNY also added that property taxes across the state would rise on average 26.5 percent without them. There is an initial estimate cost of \$8 billion in New York State to update stations and apparatus to the new standard IN ADDITION TO the taxpayers' current annual costs. Preliminary estimates for the Rombout Fire District are that residents would see a severe increase for fire protection on their tax bill.

We are asking for your support and if you are a New York State resident, by signing a petition against this new proposed regulations. To sign this petition, go to this link: [https://www.change.org/p/call-to-action-osh-1910-156?recruiter=1334481811&recruited\\_by\\_id=246a7570-e538-11ee-929f-65b5e0d33f50&utm\\_source=share\\_petition&utm\\_campaign=p petition\\_dashboard&utm\\_medium=copylink](https://www.change.org/p/call-to-action-osh-1910-156?recruiter=1334481811&recruited_by_id=246a7570-e538-11ee-929f-65b5e0d33f50&utm_source=share_petition&utm_campaign=p petition_dashboard&utm_medium=copylink)

For 53 years, the men and women of Rombout Fire Company have followed the proud American tradition of being volunteer firefighters that dates back to 1736. Every day and night they respond to your call during your greatest time of need. You can be assured that we will continue to do so until these new regulations have been resolved so that it benefits both the firefighters and our community that we serve and live in.

Rombout Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners

### EARLY DEADLINE NOTICE

Due to a holiday press schedule for Memorial Day, we will have an early deadline for our May 29 paper. All editorial submissions are due by noon on Thursday, May 23; and all advertising is due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 23. Contact [cschmidt@sutchessnews](mailto:cschmidt@sutchessnews) for more information.

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## Beacon Police Blotter

The following is from the City of Beacon Police Department.

April 3: Fraud- Main Street- Zebediah Schildkraut, 31, of Brooklyn, was charged with criminal impersonation second degree, criminal possession of stolen property fourth degree and possession of a forged instrument second degree.

April 4: Property Damage-Municipal Plaza-Ryan A. Manzi, 32, of Beacon, was charged with criminal mischief third degree, harassment second degree, resisting arrest and reckless endangerment of property.

April 5: Disturbance-South Davies Terrace- Enaizha J. Williams, 20, of Yonkers, Westchester County, was charged with Obstruction of Governmental Administration, Resisting Arrest & Endangering the Welfare of a Child.

April 5: Auto Accident- Wolcott Avenue- Caller reported a past occurred incident of a vehicle hitting a building. Report taken.

April 5: Unattended Death-Beacon- Officers responded to a call for an unattended death. Report taken. Investigation conducted.

April 6: Warrant- Newburgh-Paula P. Roussos, 44, of New Windsor, Orange County, was processed on an open bench warrant.

April 6: Suspicious Condition- Main Street- Caller reported graffiti on her building. Report taken.

April 7: Warrant-Newburgh-Matthew A. Rodelli, 54, of Milton, was processed on an open bench warrant.

April 9: Harassment- Main Street- Caller reported an individual that has harassed him on several occasions in his place of business. Report taken. Investigation conducted.

April 15: Auto Accident-South Walnut - Officers responded to a call for a vehicle that ran into a building. Report taken. Investigation conducted.

April 15: Warrant-Municipal Plaza-Paula P. Roussos, 44, of New Windsor, Orange County, was processed on an open bench warrant.

Number of Calls- 328  
Auto Accidents- 8  
Domestics: 5

# 'The Gift' dedicated during Art Day in Wappingers Falls

By Kristine Coulter

The 3rd Annual Art Day in the Village took place in the Village of Wappingers Falls on May 18. Art Day in the Village featured "a diverse array of artists from around the area, performing live art demonstrations and showcasing their work in pop-up art booths dispersed across the village," according to the organizer.

A dedication ceremony for a mural, called "The Gift," created by local artist and event coordinator Brian Zickafoose, took place in the early afternoon on East Main St. at Patsy's Pizzeria. The artwork, it was noted, "symbolizes the village's commitment to fostering the arts."

The artist recently told Beacon Free Press, "'The Gift' is a mural that speaks to me deeply, as it encapsulates the essence of artistic inspiration and its profound impact on both the individual and the community. As we stand before it, we are drawn into a world where creativity transcends the ordinary and transforms the mundane into something extraordinary." He added, "The heart of the mural, a celestial scene unfolds before our eyes. A winged hand descends from the heavens, carrying a paintbrush—an ethereal gift bestowed upon us from the divine realms. This imagery resonates with me on a spiritual level, as it symbolizes the transcendental nature of creativity and its ability to connect us to something greater than ourselves."

Against the backdrop of the village,

said Zickafoose, characterized by its drab colors and ordinary buildings, "the rainbow emerging from the paintbrush's tip bursts forth with vibrant hues. This rainbow serves as a visual metaphor for the transformative power of artistic expression, infusing our surroundings with beauty, joy, and possibility."

"The Gift," Zickafoose stated, is not only a celebration of artistic expression "but also a reflection of the human experience—of our capacity to imagine, create, and inspire. It serves as a reminder of the inherent beauty that resides within each of us and the transformative potential that lies in embracing our creative impulses." The actual time spent on the artwork was around 40 hours, he said.

Zickafoose offered thanks to his associate, Perry Kroeger, who helped work on the painting at Art Day last year, Marq Snyder, Luke Magadan, Jeff Wilson, Elmi Berisha, the property owner, and Durant's Tool Rentals.

Entertainment was provided by Marquis Entertainment.

Event sponsors were Splash Art Murals and Durant's Tool Rentals.

"I hope the attendees of Art Day in the Village [were] inspired to pursue their own creative impulses and tendencies and to connect with the greater community to enrich and fulfill their lives to the fullest extent. We hope to use the Art Day in the Village as a platform to allow broader access to the arts and to launch numerous outdoor, public art initiatives in the years to come," Zickafoose said.



Local artist Brian Zickafoose with Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini during the unveiling of Zickafoose's mural, "The Gift," in Wappingers Falls on May 18. "The Gift" mural is outside of Patsy's Pizzeria in Wappingers Falls.

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## BHS students recognized for showing 'Positivity - Respect - Integrity - Determination - Engagement'

The following is a list of Beacon High School students who were recognized for showing Beacon PRIDE (Positivity - Respect - Integrity - Determination - Engagement) during the third quarter of the 2023-2024 school year.

Madison Abrahamson, Mikayla Acevedo, Jay Adams, Myah Aguilar Montano, Abbie Ahmed, Nadeen Ahmed, Nicholas Albra, Imroz Ali, Kendall Alston, Isabella Amundson, Beckett Anderson, Anabelle Arginsky, Wiles Assael, Jackson Atwell, Emanuele Bagala, Atlas Baltz, Kekoa Baysa, Kevin Beal, Taryn Beardsley, Vincent Bergerson 3rd, Logan Blum, Angelina Bottiglieri, Giovanna Bottiglieri, James Bouchard III, Charlotte Bowen, Amelie Brandl, Danica Brennen, Hartley Brickman, Keyon Brown, Isabel Bunker, Lila Burke, Isabella Bustamante, Carmelo Bynum, Devin Byrne, Vanessa Campanelli, Allen Canada, Douglas Capawana, Mirianjelis Chavez, Christine Chen, Tylor Chiappardi-Monteiro, Skylar Clair, Quinn Clauson, Aidan Cleveringa, Peter Cohen, Shannon Colandrea, Emily Coldrick, Jayden Concepcion, Naomi Conklin, Mateo Cruz, Avery Davis, Mylee Decoteau, Jensen del Puerto-Vitti, Bryanna Deleon, Sofia Diaz, Victoria Diaz, Diego Dickinson Case Leal, Evelina Diebboll, Sofia Domanski, Jordan Dortch, Dante Dyer, William Echevarria, Andrea Edwards, Donovan Ellis, Elijah Epps, Tyler Evans, Khordae Facey, Teo Fairbanks, Malik Faison, Jayden Featherstone, Fionn

Fehilly, Amadea Ferris, Lily Figlia, Tayler Finley, Hailey Fish, Madison Flagler, Alejandro Flores Urzua, Nora Folkes, Khloe Franklin, Brandon Fremer, Isabella Galbo, Aaron Gallego, Leo Garcia, Valeria Garcia, Messiah Gardner, Justin Gerardes, Kayla Gerardes, AvaMaria Gianna, Ayden Gilleo, Samiha Golden, Ja'mes Gorden, Brianna Green, Fallon Groza, Alexander Guobadia, Alyson Guobadia, Julian Hannah, Mackenzie Harman, Sa'yon Harrison, Elma-Taherin Hassan, Jaelynn Hernandez, Miguel Herrera, Dylan Hetrick, Ayden Hooten, Una Hoppe, Ruby Hotchkiss, Lee Humphreys, Ryan Huynh, Essence Ifill, Sarah Lynn Jaafar, Shaun Jabar, Kai Jean-Francois, Teanna Jennings, Gabriel Jones, Mercer Jordan, Alina Joseph, Brady Juhn, Shay Kane, Zuhir Kasem, Taylor Kelliher, Gabrielle Khalil, Makayla King, Ruby King, Pearl Kirigi, Charlie Klein, Wenang Edward Kobarsih, Mia Koller, Syeira Kozlik, Shy'anne Kush, Rory LaDue, Reilly Landisi, Ryan Landisi, Rowan Lane, Isabella Lee, Tania Lindsay, Evan Lombardo, Isaiiah Luis, Molly Lyons, Josephine Mallon, Brayden Manning, Ash Marcus, Alma Mart, William Martin, Paige McCredo, Allen McKay, Aril McKee, Nico McKible, Shyanne McNair, Molalign Meagher, Jada Medley, Gianna Mercer, Emma Merola, Addison Miller, Mira Miller, Jaylen Mitchell, Aiden Montleon, Ronan Moran, Evelyn Moreno, Leighann Moyer, Connor Murphy, Liam Murphy, Michael Murtaugh, Mia Nelsen-Cheyne, Lakota

Newman, Khiana Nicholson, Megan Nicholson, Dilan Novas Mendez, Richie Omira, Christopher Ortiz Jr., Amelia Padilla, Brianne Papo, Amaya Paulin, Lindsay Pedersen, Lilly Pendley, Vanessa Piciacchio, Josue Pintado, Amari Powell, Sophia Principe, Albion Qelaj, Alexander Quinci, Sarah Ramkalawon, Savannah Ray, Shilo Reynolds, Samuel Riquelme Jr., Julian Rivers, Christine Robinson, Daveya Rodriguez, Kiarra Rodriguez, Jenna Rojas, Trevi Romanelli, Santiago Romero, Sebastian Roquel, John Rose, Bethany Rudolph, Breanna Rudolph, Liliana Rybak, Nixon Salinas Jr., Mikaela Sanchez, Noah Sanderson, Alana Santana, Alexi Santana, Michael Santiago, Anastasia Santise, Dominic Sceppaquercia, Kayla Selander,

Sabina Shafi, Chloe Sheffield, Tristan Short Jr., Jacob Signorelli, Neji Simon, Owen Skorewicz, Desirae Smith, Tabitha Smith-White, Brandon Soria, Jayla Soto, Jamir Spence, Jax Spodek, Serena Stampleman, Chelsea Stephens, Harper Strang, Adryanah Sweat, Mika-Gisselle Tates, Allison Thomas, Michai Thompson, Brevin Timm, BrodyTimm, Siarra Tobar, Sortia Tripaldi, Jake Urban, Michael Varian, Connor Varricchio, Marcos Velasco, Rudolph Vergolina, Peter Vermeulen, Roque Vianna, Xavier Wade, Lila Welsh, Parker White, Julie Whittemore, Kayteena Wilkins, Troy Wilkins, Malcolm Wilson, Saoirse Woods, Charles Zellinger, Francis Zezza, and Ryan Zingone Redfield.

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SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH		W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
	Greensboro PIT	23	16	.590	-	7-3	W1
	Jersey Shore PHI	22	17	.564	1.0	6-4	W2
	Hudson Valley NY Yankees	19	17	.528	2.5	5-5	L2
	Wilmington WSH	19	18	.514	3.0	4-6	L1
	Aberdeen BAL	20	19	.513	3.0	5-5	W1
	Brooklyn NY Mets	20	19	.513	3.0	4-6	W2
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH		W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
	Bowling Green TB	21	18	.538	-	6-4	L2
	Rome ATL	19	18	.514	1.0	4-6	L3
	Winston-Salem CWS	19	20	.487	2.0	7-3	W2
	Asheville HOU	17	21	.447	3.5	5-5	W3
	Greenville BOS	17	22	.436	4.0	5-5	L2
	Hickory TEX	14	25	.359	7.0	3-7	L1

## Historic crowd



On Wednesday, May 15, the Renegades welcomed a raucous sellout crowd of 5,619 on Education Day. It was the largest crowd in Renegades history, and the largest crowd in the history of Heritage Financial Park. It eclipsed the previous largest crowd of 5,601 on July 3, 2015, vs. Brooklyn, and was the seventh time that the Renegades announced over 5,500 fans in attendance for a game. Education Day is one of the best promotions of the year. The franchise had a rare morning start and buses brought in children from local schools.

-Photo by Dave Jonasz



### Players Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
1 Jared Serna SS	HV	35	133	27	35	9	0	7	26	26	23	4	5	0.263	0.388	0.489	0.877
2 Jesus Rodriguez C	HV	34	133	24	41	7	1	5	20	16	22	3	3	0.308	0.384	0.489	0.873
3 Jace Avina CF	HV	26	100	17	31	12	0	4	18	14	33	4	0	0.31	0.412	0.55	0.962
3 Omar Martinez DH	HV	31	108	14	26	4	1	4	11	29	31	0	0	0.241	0.406	0.407	0.813
3 Kiko Romero 3B	HV	23	69	12	15	2	0	4	13	17	31	4	1	0.217	0.393	0.42	0.813
6 Rafael Flores 1B	HV	27	94	11	26	10	0	2	18	15	27	1	1	0.277	0.378	0.447	0.825
6 Roc Riggio 2B	HV	27	106	18	22	6	2	2	10	21	22	6	2	0.208	0.341	0.358	0.699
8 Kyle Battle LF	HV	17	33	10	5	1	0	1	3	6	17	4	0	0.152	0.293	0.273	0.566
8 Josh Moylan 1B	HV	29	97	13	22	3	1	1	10	20	27	0	1	0.227	0.361	0.309	0.67
10 Beau Brewer 3B	HV	13	38	3	10	1	0	0	2	5	11	0	0	0.263	0.349	0.289	0.638
10 Juan Crisp P	HV	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Cole Gabrielson RF	HV	21	62	11	11	5	0	0	4	11	19	2	2	0.177	0.363	0.258	0.621
10 Anthony Hall RF	HV	11	33	3	3	0	0	0	1	9	13	1	0	0.091	0.286	0.091	0.377
10 Garrett Martin LF	HV	14	46	7	10	4	1	0	9	3	16	5	1	0.217	0.333	0.348	0.681
10 Nelson Medina CF	HV	26	90	7	14	2	0	0	11	9	46	6	0	0.156	0.24	0.178	0.418
10 Alexander Vargas SS	HV	5	15	1	3	1	1	0	5	3	1	1	1	0.2	0.316	0.4	0.716

### Pitcher Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WHIP	AVG
1 Cam Schlittler P	HV	3	0	2.03	6	6	0	0	0	0	31	13	11	7	4	2	12	37	0.81	0.123
2 Ben Shields P	HV	1	1	3.51	9	2	0	0	0	1	25.2	22	12	10	3	1	4	34	1.01	0.227
3 Trent Sellers P	HV	4	1	2.82	10	0	0	0	0	1	22.1	14	11	7	2	0	16	30	1.34	0.173
4 Sebastian Keane P	HV	2	3	5.06	7	7	0	0	0	0	32	32	18	18	1	3	16	29	1.5	0.274
5 Cole Ayers P	HV	1	2	2.78	14	0	0	0	2	3	22.2	18	10	7	1	2	7	28	1.1	0.214
6 Matt Keating P	HV	0	1	3.27	10	0	0	0	2	3	22	13	9	8	2	0	10	25	1.05	0.165
7 Joel Valdez P	HV	1	0	2.29	10	0	0	0	2	3	19.2	12	5	5	0	2	6	24	0.92	0.182
8 Kyle Carr P	HV	0	2	6.49	7	7	0	0	0	0	26.1	32	27	19	2	1	23	22	2.09	0.305
9 Jackson Fristoe P	HV	0	1	5.29	6	6	0	0	0	0	17	16	11	10	1	1	14	19	1.76	0.267
10 Baron Stuart P	HV	1	1	4.13	5	5	0	0	0	0	24	23	12	11	1	2	11	16	1.42	0.253
11 Brian Hendry P	HV	1	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	11	5	2	0	0	0	6	15	1	0.125
11 Leonardo Pestana P	HV	1	0	1.86	6	0	0	0	0	1	9.2	1	2	2	0	0	5	15	0.62	0.036
13 ILuis Arejula P	HV	1	3	5.93	9	0	0	0	1	3	13.2	11	11	9	1	1	9	14	1.46	0.224
14 Geoffrey Gilbert P	HV	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	2	10	0.43	0.043
14 Hueston Morrill P	HV	1	1	8.31	7	0	0	0	1	2	8.2	12	8	8	2	1	2	10	1.62	0.324
14 Mason Vinyard P	HV	1	0	2.45	4	0	0	0	0	0	7.1	3	3	2	0	0	3	10	0.82	0.12
17 Yorlin Calderon P	HV	0	0	2.84	3	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	4	3	2	0	1	2	7	0.95	0.167
18 Steven Fulgencio P	HV	1	1	6.35	6	0	0	0	0	1	5.2	4	7	4	0	1	6	5	1.76	0.19
19 Juan Crisp C	HV	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0





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## RENEGADES ROUNDUP

### Renegades take home series vs. Jersey Shore, improve record to 19-17 in South Atlantic race

**By Rich Thomaselli**

There really is no place like home. After losing five of six games in Aberdeen two weeks ago, the Hudson Valley Renegades are right back in the thick of the South Atlantic League North Division race.

The team won the first four games of a series at home against Jersey Shore before losing 14-8 on Saturday and 6-5 on Sunday. The Renegades now have a record of 19-17 on the season and are playing a six-game set at Brooklyn this week.

On Friday night at Heritage Financial Park, Hudson Valley captured a 6-3 win. Jersey Shore went ahead 1-0 in the top of the second on a sacrifice fly by Andrick Nava. Sebastian Keane (2-3), settled in after that and was nearly unhittable for the rest of the night. In a career-high seven innings, Keane allowed just one earned run on three hits and struck out four while not issuing a walk. He retired the last 14 batters he faced and didn't allow a baserunner after the third inning. He was the first Renegades pitcher to complete 7.0 innings in a game this season.

The Renegades struggled to generate offense early against Eiberson Castellano, who struck out seven in 5.2 innings. However, in the fifth Kiko Romero started a rally when he walked with one out and stole second. Cole Gabrielson drove him home with a two-

out broken-bat single to tie the game at 1-1.

In the sixth the Renegades took the lead with a big inning. Jesus Rodriguez walked with two outs and Omar Martinez moved Rodriguez to third with a single. Rodriguez then came home on a wild pitch to put the Renegades in front 2-1, with Martinez going down to second. Rafael Flores then drove in Martinez with a single, and Romero followed by launching his fourth home run of the season to right, making it a four-run inning for Hudson Valley and a 5-1 lead.

On Thursday, it was an 8-5 victory over the BlueClaws as Jared Serna and Jace Avina each homered for Hudson Valley.

In the first, Roc Riggio walked, and Serna singled to put runners at first and second. A Rodriguez double drove in Riggio. Martinez then reached on an error by Jersey Shore first baseman Leandro Pineda, scoring Serna and advancing Rodriguez to third and Martinez to second. A balk allowed Rodriguez to score, and a Nelson Medina single later in the frame brought home Martinez to make it 4-0 after one inning.

On Wednesday and Tuesday, the Renegades were also victorious including a 9-3 win in front of 5,619 on Education Day on Wednesday, which is a rare morning start that caters mostly to school children.



*Pitcher Baron Stuart didn't allow a base-runner through 3.2 innings, and faced just one batter over the minimum through five innings on Wednesday.*

*-Photo by Dave Janosz*

### Renegades ramblings: Stuart comes trough in key start

**By Rich Thomaselli**

• **IT IS FINALLY OVER:** The Renegades have returned home after a difficult two-week road trip to Wilmington and Aberdeen. There were 12 games scheduled, but only 10 games were played, after two consecutive postponements due to rain in Wilmington on May 4 and 5.

• **FLORIDIAN EXCELLENCE:** Baron Stuart had a sensational start on Wednesday afternoon for the Renegades. The right-hander didn't allow a base-runner through 3.2 innings, and faced just one batter over the minimum through five. Setting his season-high for innings with six, Stuart allowed just three hits and two earned runs in his first quality start of the season.

• **THE RETURN:** The Jersey Shore BlueClaws returned to Heritage Financial Park for the first time in 2024. Jersey Shore and Hudson Valley were evenly matched last year, with both teams winning 12 of 24 regular season games against one another. Days

after the two teams concluded the regular calendar with a six-game series, the Renegades and BlueClaws faced off in a South Atlantic League North Division Series, with the Renegades winning the best-of-three series with two consecutive wins at home. The two divisional foes will face off 24 times again this season.

• **NORTHEAST FIRE POWER:** On Friday, Sebastian Keane had the best start of his career, and put together one of the best performances of any Renegades pitcher this season. The Northeastern product tossed a career-high seven innings, allowing just one run across three hits and striking out four. Keane retired the last fourteen batters he faced, not allowing a baserunner after the third inning. His outing was the longest of any Hudson Valley pitcher this season. In his last two home starts, Keane has allowed just two runs on seven hits in 13 innings, while striking out 14 batters.

## General Manager Q&A Education Day at the park and and working with field manager

*Editor's note: Each week reporter Rich Thomaselli speaks with Hudson Valley Renegades General Manager Zach Betkowski to discuss thoughts on the Renegades and on minor league baseball in general.*

**Can you talk a little more about Education Day?**

Yeah, you know, as you might have seen this past Education Day on Wednesday was the biggest crowd we've had in our 30-year history. So from that standpoint, it's absolutely pivotal that we have not only one Education Day, but multiple Education Days

because quite honestly this year, we ran out of room. The demand for schools to take their field trip here and make it not only a day out at the ballpark, but truly educational, is really important. Our staff is taking a lot of pride in putting together math videos, science videos, other subjects that you learn in school, too. And we have exhibits on the concourse for the kids to interact with. So it's truly making it something that the teachers can incorporate in their curriculum. And it's not just a day out of school.

**Do you think the early success of the New York Yankees this season filters**

**down to you guys in any way?**

As I have said to you before, even if we went 0-132 I truly don't think our attendance would dip or rise all that much. People come to the ballpark to not see wins and losses, but to just have a really good time and not have to break the bank. And for us, we take a lot of pride in that. Does it help that the Yankees are really good this year? Of course, especially if they make a deep run in the playoffs.

**How often do you have to work with the field manager, Nick Ortiz, and what are your impressions of him?**

We talk every day. We're on the same page

about everything. I understand his job and he understands my job. Like the other day when we had a rain delay. We understand that we need to create a safe environment for the players, as well as understand that there are 5,000 people in the ballpark. He understood the importance of making the best effort to play that game. And I understood the importance of player safety and player performance. He told me a story about growing up and how his mom was a teacher. So he did understand the importance and significance of completing that game for the teachers and the students.

# Hudson River Housing introduces Pat's Place - County's first transitional living facility for young adults

Taking a significant step forward in addressing the urgent need for support and housing for vulnerable young adults, ages 18 through 24 in the community, Hudson River Housing has officially opened Pat's Place, Dutchess County's first supportive, transitional housing facility for young adults.

This new resource will provide transitional housing for up to 24 months and deliver holistic and comprehensive services to address the residents' spiritual, mental, physical and emotional well-being. The Pat's Place program will serve young adults experiencing homelessness, those at risk of losing their housing, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, or those lacking the resources or support to obtain permanent housing and is designed to help these individuals as they develop the means and skills necessary to realistically enter sustainable, permanent housing within two years.

"Pat's Place is an example of all that we can accomplish when we work together as a community," said Christa Hines, president and CEO of Hudson River Housing. "This supportive housing, like all of our youth programs, will act as a haven, a true source of safety, care, and, most importantly, love for Dutchess County's most vulnerable individuals. I cannot wait to see Pat's Place flourish as we continue to fight to end youth homelessness."

Located at 57 South Clinton Street in Poughkeepsie, Pat's Place - named in honor of a staff member of over 40 years, Pat Kellett - is a voluntary, transitional supportive housing program where young adults can reside as they prepare for a successful transition to permanent housing,

something central to Hudson River Housing's mission. The site offers up to 12 private bedrooms, with a shared kitchen, living room and recreational space.

Pat's Place will benefit from an on-site team of staff members, who will work in tandem to develop and implement individualized plans with the residents. Staff will address residents' personal needs and goals, respond to emergencies, facilitate group workshops and activities, cook nutritional meals and provide general support. Building on Hudson River Housing's established partnerships, care managers will link residents to needed community services, resources and opportunities to further support them at Pat's Place and beyond. This transformative program is committed to providing an environment of safety, trust and support between staff, residents and their peers, ultimately facilitating a positive journey toward independence.

Pat's Place is supported by The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the HOME American Rescue Plan through Dutchess County, The Dyson Foundation, and other private contributions. To obtain admission to Pat's Place or more information about its programs, please call 845-337-4407 ext. 406.

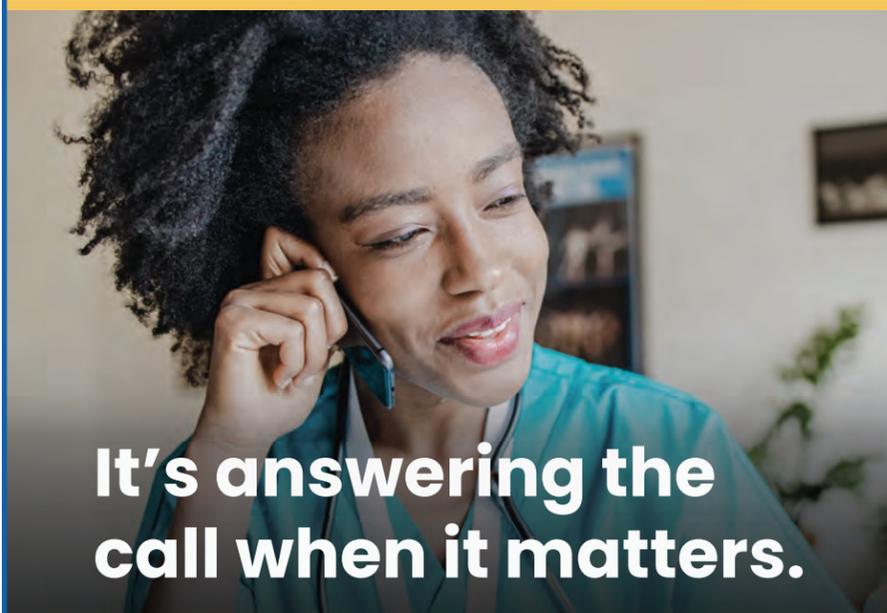
If interested in donating to Hudson River Housing's 2024 Youth Services Campaign to support Pat's Place and its other youth initiatives, please visit Hudson River Housing's GiveLively or consider donating items from Pat's Place Amazon Registry. For more information about Hudson River Housing, visit [www.hudsonriverhousing.org](http://www.hudsonriverhousing.org).



Pat's Place's grand opening and ribbon-cutting celebration, hosted by Hudson River Housing, was held on May 3.

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# Spring Antiques at Rhinebeck set May 25-26 at Fairgrounds

Barn Star Productions and Frank Gaglio invite all to attend the Spring edition of Antiques at Rhinebeck. Hundreds of talented exhibitors have been squirreling away treasures for everyone to discover this coming Memorial Day Weekend at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds in Rhinebeck.

The entire show is indoors with connecting breezeways to your favorite dealers without going outdoors.

The show opens at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 25 till 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. till 4 p.m.

From 18th century American and European furniture to Mid Century Modern, creative lighting, pottery, textiles, Asian design, toys and banks, period ceramics, glass, fantastic folk art, garden decor, camp and rustic furniture, Native American silver and turquoise jewelry, baskets and weavings, folk signage, vintage and designer jewelry, Oriental rugs, fine Hudson River Valley art plus so much more.

Comments show manager Frank Gaglio, "Rhinebeck has been like New Year's Eve for collectors, decorators, seasoned buyers and those new to the antiques world with a brand of fireworks all our own! Once you have been introduced to the historic beauty and practicality of objects from the past, you develop an appreciation for the creators of these time-tested objects and



Frank Gaglio of Barn Star Production invites everyone to experience "the passion that grows within" once you are introduced to the historic beauty and practicality of objects from the past.

Courtesy photo

the passion grows within. The best part of living with antiques is the "story" so join us at Rhinebeck and listen closely as our exhibitors have much to share."

With free parking, food concession, friendly handicap access, golf cart transports for those needing a ride, complimentary antiques publications and merchandise pick up service, Rhinebeck tries hard to win your support and patronage. And don't forget young collectors also love the visual experience of exploring from booth to booth while guests under 18 are free!

Art, author and antiques dealer Marion Harris is returning to the show and will be featuring works by British artist Derek Carruthers whose specialty are large canvases of artist models in a variety of surreal poses sure to captivate your attention.

Advance Tickets are available on the website at barnstar.com, so login now and have more time to spend at the show! Need to speak with someone about the show, call 914-474-8552 or email them at barnstar1@aol.com.

Sorry no pets allowed except Service Certified.

Remember our show slogan, "Save Natural Resources...Buy Antiques!"

## Mayfest Market set for west side of Walkway on Memorial Day weekend

Extended to three days on Memorial Day Weekend, the Mayfest Farmers and Makers Market brings a curated selection of the Hudson Valley's finest producers – farms, distilleries, breweries, wineries, restaurants, artists, artisans, and more – to the Hudson Valley Rail Trail and west approach to Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park on Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26 from 12-5 p.m., and on Monday, May 27 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Each day, more than 190 vendors will exhibit their wares for purchase, with many agribusinesses offering free samples or tastings.

For complete information about this showcase of the best of the Hudson Valley, visit walkway.org/mayfest.

General admission to Mayfest is \$5, with entry valid for any of the three days. Admission includes full access to all vendors, samplings of wine, beer, and spirits from more than 30 area purveyors, full schedules of live music and specialty performances, art installations, games and activities for kids, and much more. Walkway members and children under 12 receive free admission each day. To learn more about Walkway membership and to secure your complimentary Mayfest tickets, visit join.walkway.org. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Walkway nonprofit organization.

"Over the last five years, Mayfest has become a beloved springtime event in the Hudson Valley," said Lori Robertson, Executive Director, Friends of the Walkway Nonprofit Organization. "This year, we're extending the festival to three days so even more people can enjoy the best our region has to offer alongside the amazing views of Walkway Over the Hudson."

### Mayfest and Walkway Over the Hudson Honor Veterans

Taking place on Memorial Day weekend, Mayfest and Walkway Over the Hudson proudly supports the Hudson Valley's veterans community. Attendees can shop and sample from veteran-owned businesses including Do Good Spirits, Soldier Solutions, and Wild Bill's Craft Beverages while learning about critical veteran support services and programs from the Ulster County Veterans Agency and Hudson Valley Hospice. After Mayfest concludes on Monday, May 27, all are invited to gather at the Walkway's Center Overlook (by the flagpole) for a moving Memorial Day Sunset Flag Changing Ceremony beginning at 7:30 p.m.

### Sample Top Local Wines, Beers, and Spirits

For attendees 21 years of age and older, the chance to sample from more than 30 of the area's top wine, beer, cider, and spirits producers is included with every \$5 Mayfest ticket. Interspersed with all vendors, guests will find local favorites like 1857 Spirits, Catskill Moonshine Co, City Winery Hudson Valley, Black Button Distillery, Brooklyn Cider, Mill House Brewing Company, Sloop Brewing, Nine Pin Cider, Speak Easy American Liquor, Freefall Sangria and more offering bottles for purchase and tastings of their top products. And if you'd like a little more than a taste, stop by City Winery's vintage pouring truck presented by Romeo Kia of Kingston for demonstrations and unique cocktails all weekend long or Catskill Tap & Ladder's retrofitted 1970s German fire truck turned portable ale house for a pint of top local beers.

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# Obituaries

## Linda A. Pavone



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Linda Ann Pavone, a resident of Wappingers Falls since 1991, and previously of Hopewell Junction, died peacefully at home on March 30, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. She was 80.

Linda was born on January 13, 1944, to the late Herman and Dorothy (Traub) Schneider in Poughkeepsie, New York. She attended Wappingers High School where she was a majorette in the band, prior to her graduation in 1961. Linda went on to work for IBM in East Fishkill in manufacturing.

On October 12, 1991, Linda married the love of her life, Peter Pavone in Hopewell Junction. He survives at home. Additional survivors include her son, Michael Glover of Hyde Park; her daughter, Kelly Glover of Hyde Park; her daughter, Melissa (Glover) Corrao of Wappingers Falls; her grandchildren, Cavu and Bijou Corrao of Wappingers

Falls, Kyle Cassidy of Lafayette, PA, Melissa Cassidy of Silvercreek, NY; and her great grandchild, Cason Gross of Silvercreek, NY. Linda was predeceased by her parents, Herman Schneider (December 8, 1994) and Dorothy Schneider (April 24, 2003).

Linda found joy in assisting underprivileged children and families. She had the opportunity to embark on numerous hot air balloon rides, pursued her passion as a stained-glass artist, and found joy in gardening. Her top priority in life was nurturing and cherishing her relationships with her family and friends.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2024 from 12 – 4 pm at Anthony's Catering, 799 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, NY.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her name to Hudson Valley Hospice, [www.HVHospice.org](http://www.HVHospice.org) or Alzheimer's Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org). Please visit Linda's Book of Memories at [www.McHoulFuneralHome.com](http://www.McHoulFuneralHome.com).

## Rose Barton

POUGHQUAG - Rose Barton, 82, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on May 11, 2024, at her home.

Rose was born on June 24, 1941, in Palermo, Sicily, in a mining cave. She was the daughter of the late James and Theresa Gambino. At the age of four, Rose immigrated to Hudson, NY, where her family worked in the textile industry. Her first job was in a factory, cleaning and cutting mushrooms.

In her early teens, she met her soulmate, Bruce Barton, at Hudson High School. They bonded over their shared love of sports, with Rose excelling in field hockey and Bruce in basketball. On November 12th, 1961, they were married in Hudson, NY. They spent four years in Cornell, NY, where Rose supported Bruce as he completed his degree at Cornell University. Shortly after, they returned to the Hudson Valley, where Rose pursued her bachelor's degree in nursing. Rose dedicated many years of her career to Vassar Brothers Hospital, where she was promoted to Head Registered Nurse of the neurology and orthopedic floor. She always prioritized the needs of her patients and worked closely with her fellow nurses. Later, she left the nursing field to join her husband and son as business partners and operators of The Apple Core farm stand and Barton Orchards, both located in Dutchess County, NY. Rose played a vital role in the establishment of The Apple Core, envisioning small wooden stands inside the packing house to display the bags of fresh apples and later moving them outside for weekend travelers. Her vision brought The Apple Core to life, and it continues to serve the local community year-round 37 years later. Whether as a nurse or a business owner, Rose had a unique ability to connect with people. She touched the lives of customers and patients alike.

In her last several months, Rose started to live life again after caring for her beloved husband for so many years. She became known as "Spicy Spice" and many people enjoyed following her adventures and field trips.

Rose was predeceased by her beloved husband Bruce on January 1, 2024, after 62 wonderful years together. She is survived by her son, Peter Barton, and his love Jennifer Cunningham of Poughquag and her children Olivia and John; daughter, Priscilla Halbert, and her husband David of Lagrangeville; her grandchildren, Zachary Barton of Poughquag, Heather Halbert and her fiancé Sean McIntyre of Poughkeepsie; her siblings, Salvatore Gambino, Nina McKnight, and Mary Mott; her sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Bette and Charles Hotaling; and several nieces and nephews. The family would like to express their gratitude to Rose's loving caregiver, Ama Torres, and Cindy Renwick, her nurse from Hudson Valley Hospice for their care and support.

Visitation was held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, on Thursday, May 16th, with a funeral service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Rose's memory to Hudson Valley Hospice. Please visit her Book of Memories at [www.mchoulfuneralhome.com](http://www.mchoulfuneralhome.com).

## Beverly Sell

MILLBROOK - Beverly Sell, age 94, of Millbrook, New York, passed away on April 19, 2024. She was born on April 30, 1929, in Syracuse, New York, as Beverly Ann Bogardus, the daughter of T. Elmer and Dorothy Fellows Bogardus. Beverly graduated from Central High School in Syracuse, New York, and Green Mountain College in Poughkeepsie, Vermont. She began her career at WHEN television station in Syracuse, when she met Robert John Sell. They were united in marriage on May 16, 1953, and made their home in Fayetteville and Syracuse before eventually settling in Cazenovia, New York, in 1966. Beverly dedicated several years of her life working at Clark Real Estate and Longley Jones Real Estate before retiring in 1994. Together with Bob, she enjoyed well-deserved travels until his passing in 1999. Known for her kindness and generosity, Beverly was beloved by all who had the pleasure of knowing her. She had a compassionate soul and cherished spending time with family and friends, gardening, playing cards, and visiting the family camp in White Lake, NY. Above all, Beverly treasured moments with her loved ones. She is survived by her daughters, Deborah Sell-Thomas of Constableville, NY, and Wendy Sell of Poughkeepsie, NY. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Doyle Funeral Home with a future graveside service planned in Fayetteville for close family. Beverly's daughters extend their heartfelt gratitude to her caregivers, Rosa, Nancy, and Nomfundo, as well as Ann Marie and Gina from Dutchess County Hospice. Donations in Beverly's honor may be made to Dutchess County Hospice. Beverly's memory will forever live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

## Warren A. Boldrin Sr.



POUGHKEEPSIE - Warren A. Boldrin Sr., beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend, passed away, peacefully at home with family, on May 16, 2024, in Poughkeepsie, NY, at the age of 93. Warren was born on June 16, 1930, in Buffalo, NY, to Samuel and Stella Boldrin.

Warren was a loving and devoted husband to Regina (Phillips) Boldrin, with whom he shared 61 wonderful years of marriage. He was a proud father to his sons, Warren A. Boldrin Jr. (Margaret) of Montgomery, NY, Robert Boldrin (Bridget) of Cary, NC, and Mark Boldrin (Louise) of San Mateo, CA. Warren is survived by his sister, Julia McKee (Robert) of Poughkeepsie, NY, and his

brother Herman (Jerlene) of Poughkeepsie, NY. He adored his grandchildren, Evan, Emily, Brianne Zavala (José), Tara, Sean, and Nicole. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and close friends who will deeply miss his presence in their lives.

Warren served his country with honor, in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a dedicated employee at Central Hudson for 37 years. Warren was a member of the Wappingers Council #1646 Knights of Columbus, where he found joy in giving back to his community and making a difference in the lives of others.

Known for his kindness and generosity, Warren was always willing to lend a helping hand to those in need. He was a compassionate and caring individual who touched the hearts of all who knew him. Warren's warm smile and loving nature will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Warren was preceded in death by his sister, Gloria Dietter, his brother, Henry Boldrin, and his parents. He leaves behind a legacy of love, strength, and compassion.

A funeral service to honor and celebrate Warren's life will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Clinton Street in Wappingers Falls, NY, on May 22, 2024. Gathering to pay respects will begin at 10:30am. The Mass of Christian Burial will start at 11:00 AM. Burial will follow the Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Warren's name to the Heart Association or the Kidney Foundation, organizations that were close to his heart.

Warren A. Boldrin Sr. will be forever remembered for his unwavering love, his selfless acts of kindness, and the profound impact he had on the lives of those around him.

## Richard D. Rhoads



EAST FISHKILL - Richard David Rhoads, 88, an area resident since 1976, passed away peacefully at home on May 15, 2024 after a brief illness.

Born on March 6, 1936 in Des Moines, Iowa, Dick was the son of the late Leonard and Thelma (Sutton) Rhoads. He proudly served in the US Army Reserves. Dick retired as an advisory engineer from IBM in East Fishkill where he was employed for over 32 years.

A life member of the Wicoppee Fire Company, he was also a member of the Wicoppee Fire Company Auxiliary and the East Fishkill Fire Police.

Dick is survived by his children, Jeff Rhoads, Jim Rhoads, and his wife Jeanette, Ken Rhoads, and Ronda Rhoads; his grandchildren, Blake and Megan; and his brother, Dennis Rhoads

and his wife Linda. In addition to his parents, Dick was also predeceased by his brother, Stephen Rhoads.

The family would like to thank Hudson Valley Hospice for their care and compassion, as well as his caretaker, Josie.

Visitation will be held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction on Sunday, May 26 from 12-2pm with a Firematic service beginning at 2pm.

Please visit his Book of Memories at [www.mchoulfuneralhome.com](http://www.mchoulfuneralhome.com).

## Village of Fishkill Police Department recognized for excellence in policy management and training

The Village of Fishkill Police Department has been recognized for excellence in policy management and training in 2023 by Lexipol, the nation's leading provider of policy, training and wellness support for first responders and public servants.

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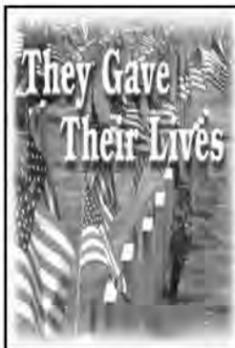
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know me through my lectures on topics of regional history," he said. "My bifurcated interests certainly keep me busy developing new stories to share about our Hudson River Valley as well as expanding my concert programs that strive to keep audiences engaged, enlightened and hopefully entertained." To learn more and see other video samples of his music and lectures, visit [alexprizgintas.com](http://alexprizgintas.com).





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37. Chitchat
38. Willow twig
39. Evening purse
40. Win a race
42. Tucker of "Modern Family"
43. Army bathroom
45. Eucharist plates
47. Opposite of WSW
48. French composer Erik Alfred Leslie \_\_\_\_
50. "Back to the Future" antagonist
52. \*Beatle with Wings
56. Poodle minus d
57. England's medieval royal house
58. Rabbit's cousin
59. Nymph chaser
60. Genealogist's creation
61. Blackhearted
62. George Gershwin's brother
63. "For \_\_\_\_ a jolly..."
64. It often goes with a rod

**DOWN**

1. What the Big Bad Wolf did
2. First name in jeans
3. "Pop it in the \_\_\_\_!"
4. Cuban drums
5. Secret clique
6. Roundish
7. Chronic wasting disease carrier
8. Plug for a barrel
9. \*As opposed to urns
10. Pilot's estimate, acr.
12. Herb for treating menopausal symptoms
13. Shop till you drop, e.g.
14. \*Flying stallion
19. "The Queen's Gambit" game
22. Take your pick
23. \*Biblical Gabriel, e.g.
24. All plants and animals
25. Approximately
26. Shortened word, abbr.
27. Drink request
28. Home to largest mammal
29. Socially acceptable behaviors
32. Malaria symptom
33. \*Nocturnal mosquito eater
36. \*Lightning beetle
38. Recording studio sign
40. Next to nothing
41. Same as intake
44. Reason by deduction
46. Restraint
48. Academy Award for Best Original
49. Chunks of 43,560 square feet
50. Wild hog
51. Itty bit
52. Urban legend
53. Part of cathedral
54. Great Lake
55. Holler
56. Tire meas.

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## Screening of 'The Peekskill Riots' and Q&A with local filmmaker Jon Scott Bennett



Actor, singer and activist Paul Robeson.  
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Hudson Valley filmmaker Jon Scott Bennett.

A special screening of Episode One of the docu-series "The Peekskill Riots," followed by a Q&A session with Hudson Valley filmmaker Jon Scott Bennett will take place at Howland Public Library, 313 Main St., in Beacon on Thursday, May 23 at 6 p.m.

The docu-series will shed light on the historic events of August and September 1949, when violence erupted at benefit concerts for the Civil Right Congress outside Peekskill, featuring actor, singer, and activist Paul Robeson. Citizens of Peekskill, galvanized by racist and anti-Semitic sentiments and disdain for

Robeson's left-wing views and campaign for civil rights, started two riots that resulted in hundreds of injuries, made national news, and unofficially marked the beginning of the McCarthy era, which would nearly erase Robeson from the public consciousness.

Through storytelling and archival footage, Episode One serves as an introduction to Robeson's life and activism and the events leading up to the Peekskill concerts. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with Bennett in a Q&A session following the screening.

RSVP at [beaconlibrary.org](http://beaconlibrary.org).

## Caleb Wilson of Beacon recognized as one of The Citadel's top ROTC cadets

CHARLESTON, SC - The Citadel's mission of producing principled leaders is well demonstrated through the ROTC detachments, which provide cadets with the necessary tools to prepare them for their future military careers after graduation.

The departments, which include Air Force/Space Force ROTC, Army ROTC, Marine Corps ROTC and Navy ROTC, ensures The Citadel is one of the nation's proven producers of top military leaders.

Each year, about 30% of those graduating from the South Carolina Corps of

Cadets earn commissions into all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Annually, the departments nominate their finest cadets and active-duty students for awards. Recipients were honored as a group earlier this spring.

Caleb A. Wilson, of Beacon, was awarded a USAA Spirit Award. The USAA Spirit Award is presented to students in each ROTC department that best display the traits and characteristics that embody the spirit of service to others.

## Poughkeepsie Elks Annual Summer Bash set for June 8

Raise funds for Dollar\$ for Scholars during the annual dinner dance event. The event will feature one of the best Hudson Valley bands, Circle 65, on Saturday, June 8 at the Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge.

Dinner will be a buffet of pasta, eggplant rollatini, chicken marsala, salad, and dessert. Dinner will be served at 6:30

p.m., music and dancing 7-10 p.m. The lodge is at 29 Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie. Tickets may be purchased at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com) for \$50 per person and fees.

Anyone with questions, may email [otherEventinfo@gmail.com](mailto:otherEventinfo@gmail.com) for more information

## Concert set for June 2 at the Hopewell Depot

Enjoy a concert with the Hudson Valley Council Band at the Hopewell Depot from 3-5 p.m. on June 2. Hear band music and then take a tour of local railroad history in

the museum, including the new 1916 wooden caboose.

The Depot is at 36 Railroad Ave., in East Fishkill.