
Psych Center Veterans Memorial transferred to new home

By Jim Donick

Over the years, organizations across United States placed memorials to their people who had served in individual conflicts or served their country across many periods.

The Hudson Valley, with a long martial history predating even the founding of the United States, has been home to memorials that ranged from the simple to the ornate. They can be found in every village and town, as well as on many buildings and institutions. Sometimes progress or the march of time takes away the site for one of the memorials. People have to decide if it's time to move on or if the memorial should be saved and find a new home.

For decades, the Hudson River State Hospital (later the Hudson River Psychiatric Center) displayed a bronze plaque honoring the men and women of the facility who had served. Founded in 1873, the center was finally closed in 2012. With the closure came a question among local veterans - what should be done with the memorial?

Members of the Poughkeepsie American Legion Post 1466 realized that their post was geographically closest to the site of the Psychiatric Center and thus might be a good home for the memorial.

The Commander of the American Legion Post, Colin Reilly, led the effort to ensure the memorial to countless staff at the Psychiatric Center would be available to future generations.

Making the transition happen and designing an appropriate monument was the effort of several years.

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Helen Murphy first woman to receive Hometown Heroes honor in Pougkeepsie

By Kristine Coulter

Near the roundabout at Raymond Ave., outside of the Juliet Quad, across the street from Vassar College hangs a Hometown Heroes banner. The banner recognizes late Poughkeepsie resident and veteran Helen Murphy, who died at the age of 94 in 2016. Helen joined the Women's Army Corp (WAC) in the U.S. Army in 1942 at the age of 20. This is the first banner to recognize a female veteran in Poughkeepsie.

"She worked for the NY State Army Ordinance Division with an office at IBM," said Helen's youngest daughter Patricia Maio. "In 1942, she joined the Women's Army Corps in the US Army. She was an Air WAC," remarked Maio.

Helen's four brothers also served in the military, Maio noted.

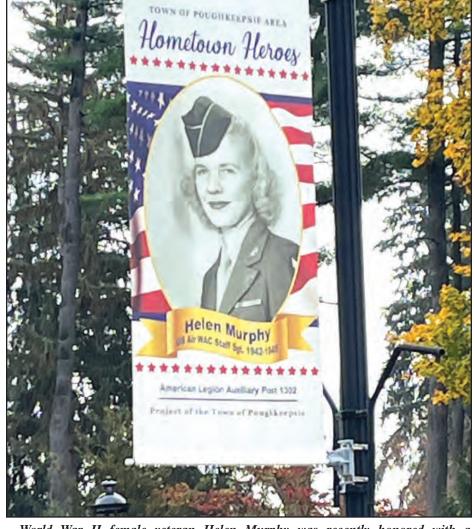
While in Boot Camp, Helen was one of the women selected to be the first contingent of WAC's to go west of the Mississippi River. She was stationed at Santa Ana Air Force Base in California, noted Maio. While stationed in California, she was taken Hollywood.

"When they first were at Boot Camp, they picked the prettiest ones to model the uniforms," explained Maio.

Helen appeared in a recruiting film starring Eleanor Parker, Faye Emerson and Nina Foch, said her daughter. Helen made recruiting appearances on the radio show "Queen for a Day." She even made recruiting appearances on the stage with singer and actor Frank

Helen was transferred to an Air WAC

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World War II female veteran Helen Murphy was recently honored with a Hometown Heroes Banner. Helen Murphy's Banner hangs near the Juliet Quad and Vassar College on Raymond Avenue in Pougkeepsie.

-Photo by Kristine Coulter

Julie's Jungle Playground co-founder to be posthumously honored Nov. 12

By Kristine Coulter

Julie's Jungle in the town of East Fishkill has brought joy and fun to numerous children of all abilities. The accessible playground was the first of its kind in Dutchess County. On the board of directors when the project for the playground began was East Fishkill resident Clare Moran.

"Every aspect of the playground made Clare excited. When you thought she couldn't get more excited, she would get more excited. She would be overjoyed at everything we did," said Janet McHugh, who was on the board of directors with Clare the whole time.

Clare died in 2021 after a brief ill-

"She gave so much and it wasn't just to Julie's Jungle. She gave to the [East Fishkill] fire department. So

much of her went into it. Her excitement and joy are reflected in the playground," said McHugh.

According to the website for Julie's Jungle (www.juliesjungle.org) "A playground is a place for everyone to play and move without limitations, this is what Natalie Keating wanted for children with special needs. She remembers how it was difficult for her sister, Julie, to get around. Julie's Jungle is inspired by a girl who loved to be around people. What better place than a playground? Having special needs made it difficult for Julie to play. An all-inclusive park for children is being developed in her memory for all individuals regardless of their abilities and needs."



Clare Moran, who helped co-found Julie's Jungle Playground in East Fishkill, will be remembered during a ceremony on November 12 at the playground. Moran died in 2021.

-Courtesy photo

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Howland Cultural Center gift show and sale

Howland Cultural Center Holiday Gift Show & Sale from Nov. 18 - Dec. 23, December 21 and December 22open from noon to 5 p.m.

Gifts for everyone on one's holiday list. For more information, visit howlandculturalcenter.org.

HCC is at 477 Main St. in Beacon.

Women's parish club to host annual **Christmas Fair**

The Women's Parish Club of St. Joachim - St. John the Evangelist Church will be holding its Annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 3rd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4th from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be held in St. Joachim's gymnasium, on Leonard Street in Beacon.

Breakfast and lunch will also be available. Outside vendors are not used at this

Embassy Travel **Presents:**





Embassy Travel invites you to join us as we host a Royal Caribbean Cruise Line event on Thursday, November 17. Two presentations will be held from 5-6pm and 7-8pm. Whether you're a regular cruiser or new to sailing, you'll want to meet Gail Goldberg from Royal Caribbean as she tells you about all the latest onboard features and exciting ports of call. Space is limited and we request reservations. Please call 845-221-5000 to save your seat.

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Presentation by: Gail Goldberg from Royal Caribbean Cruise Line International

Appetizers & Wine Will be Served

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embassy@frontiernet.net

MUST R.S.V.P Via phone 845-221-5000 or email to embassy@frontiernet.net Space is limited and guests will receive a confirmation via phone or email.

Castle Point clothing pantry receives coat donation



The Elks Hudson Valley District donated 78 new and slightly used winter coats to the VA Castle Point clothing pantry. The Beacon Elks Lodge #1493 members, Elks Hudson Valley Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services #6180 donated the coats.

Pictured (from left) are Deborah Loughran, Voluntary Services; Atilano Rivera, VAVS Deputy Representative; Kathleen Plumer, VAVS Deputy Representative and Carl Oken, Castle Point VAVS Representative.

-Courtesy photo

Café con Libros at **Howland Public Library**

A Spanish-speaking book club will be held at the Howland Public Library on November 12 at 10:30 a.m. The facilitator will be Emilia Garcia-Sweeney.

For more information, call Gabrielle Esposito al 845-831-1134 ext. 105, or email adults@beaconlibrary.org.





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Rebuilding Together assists county residents for 'Fall Rebuilding Day'

For thirty years, Rebuilding Together Dutchess County has repaired the homes of low-income Dutchess County residents with the help of volunteers from local businesses, PTA's, churches, and more. The volunteers give their time to help their neighbors in need - neighbors helping neighbors.

The connection to and involvement in our community is apparent during the nonprofit's Rebuilding Days, which happen twice a year – once in April and once in the Fall. October 22nd marked this year's Fall Rebuilding Day, during which volunteer teams from Consigli Construction and Central Hudson Gas & Electric made critical home repairs for two Dutchess County families.

John, 73, and Susan, 69, are life-long Dutchess County residents who worked diligently to maintain their Poughkeepsie home. When John's health declined and required multiple surgeries and a long recovery period, their medical bills started to pile up and they had no choice but to put off necessary home repairs they would have previously taken care of.John had installed plexiglass on their aging windows, but it wasn't enough, so Susan would stuff newspaper in the gaps to help minimize the cold drafts that were impacting John. The back steps were lifting away from the house and became so unsafe that Susan wouldn't allow anyone to step out on to them. Consigli Construction was able to replace the aging

windows and the back steps, among many other repairs, giving the homeowners piece of mind. As Susan said, "All that weight that was on our shoulders - it left.' This, she said, was what they felt when they heard that they had been accepted into the Rebuilding Day program by Rebuilding Together.

In Hyde Park, Central Hudson made the bathroom more accessible for Paul, 86, and Carolyn, 82, with a hi-rise toilet and grab bars, replaced old, unreliable smoke alarms, secured a handrail, repaired the front walkway, and painted the front porch. Paul has lived in that home his entire life and the couple have been married for 64 years. These types of repairs are now beyond Paul's ability, so he was grateful for all the work the volunteers did: "I wouldn't have been able to do these things without them, that's for sure." In addition, the couple's roof was replaced through a previous Lowe's Veterans at Home grant.

In all, forty volunteers from Central Hudson and Consigli Construction took the time to make these repairs and a difference in these homeowner's lives. It comes full circle when one thinks about how these homeowners have spent their lives here, raised children here, and worked and volunteered here in Dutchess County.

Rebuilding Together Dutchess County executive director Darcy McCourt explains that "Rebuilding



Consigli Construction volunteers sit on the back steps they just replaced for John and Susan as part of Fall Rebuilding Day earlier this month.

-Courtesy photo

Together makes a distinct impact in the community because of the involvement and support of so many. Local volunteers give back to help those who have invested their lives into this area and the organizations who provide the funding see the importance of that. Our work builds relationships and connections within the community - something we

could really use more of right now."

Funding for each of these projects were provided by Central Hudson, Consigli Construction, Dutchess County, and Lowe's. Other supporters, that contributed in-kind donations and services, include Herring Sanitation, Recycle Depot, and Veith Electric.

Julie's Jungle Playground co-founder to be posthumously honored Nov. 12

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The playground was initially supposed to be 6,000 square feet, said McHugh, but it is now 16,000 square feet. The four-year plan became a 10-year plant, she said.

The Julie's Jungle Garden Dedication Ceremony will take place from noon – 2 p.m. on November 12 at 5 Old Lime Kiln Rd. in East Fishkill. The event will remember Clare and celebrate the completion of the Julie's Jungle Garden.

"Our board of directors over the years have become like family. Losing Clare was like losing a family member. We were all so much a part of each other's lives," said McHugh.

Steve Caswell is a Julie's Jungle board member and treasurer. He said via email, "Clare put her heart and soul into the entire Julie's Jungle playground project. It's only fitting that we dedicate a portion of the playground to Clare.'

In the event of inclement weather, the event will take place indoors at the East Fishkill Fire District Headquarters, 2502 Route 52, in East Fishkill. One can check for updates at www.juliesjungle.org.

The garden at Julie's Jungle Playground in East Fishkill. A dedication ceremony will be held on November 12.

-Courtesy photo

Board of Health meeting set for November 17

The Dutchess County Board of Health will be holding their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 17, at 4 p.m. at the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health at 85 Civic Center Plaza – Suite 106 in the City of Poughkeepsie or one may participate via Microsoft Teams by calling 1-516-268-4602 and enter the Conference ID number: 848 725 86#.



Hudson Valley Depression Glass Club

50th Anniversary Fall Show and Sale 2022

Veterans Memorial Building 413 Main Street, Beacon, NY

Saturday, November 12th 10am-4pm

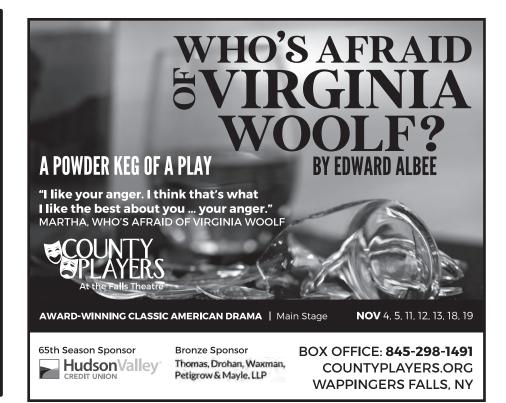
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NOTICE OF EARLY DEADLINE

Due to a holiday press schedule for Thanksgiving, the Nov. 23 issue of Beacon Free Press will have an early deadline. All editorial must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 16; and all ads must be received by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17. For more information, contact Kristine Coulter (editorial) at newsplace@aol.com or Curtis Schmidt (advertising) at cschmidt@sdutchessnews.com.

Great Philharmonic collaborative performance

To the Editor:

Last Saturday night, the Hudson Valley Philharmonic, with the Vassar College Choir and soloists Courtenay Budd, Jacquelyn Matava, James Ruff and Sergio Martinez, conducted by Christine Howlett, became Richard Einhorn's "Voices of Light."

Under the screening of Carl Dreyer's "The Passion of Joan of Arc," we entered the mystical, spiritual, metaphorical and political "womb in which Joan was conceived."

The voice of Joan was sung ethereally by Eden Bartholomew, Shanti Fowler-Puja, Madeleine Donat and Isabel Granger.

Considering the events happening around the planet, this production seemed timely, with gorgeous music as background to the burning of Joan of Arc. It was wonderful to hear the Orchestra, especially since there are only two more concerts this season. The audience stood up and applauded at the end of this fantastic evening. Please visit hypmusicians.org for more information on the Philharmonic and its' future.

Joan Grishman Hyde Park

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Elks truck event a success thanks to community



The Beacon Elks Lodge #1493 Touch A Truck event held earlier this month was a big success for the community. An estimated 100 children were able to admire, sit in and activate the sirens and whistles of the trucks, buses and 4-wheelers.

The Elks would like to thank the following: Glenham Fire District, Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Beacon Fire Department, Beacon Highway Department, Beacon Police Department, Beacon City School District, Dutchess County Sherriff's Office (4-wheelers), Dutchess Snapple Distributors, Royal Carting Refuge, Momma's Towing, Scouts Troop 41 and those who helped, Mike Zanzarella, Ryan Lewis (Elroy), Cathy Oken, Scott Birkler, Sharon Haviland, Daniel Carey, Terri Greenough, Marie Prisco and Carl Oken.

Pictured are Carl Oken, Youth Activities Chair, Scout leaders Jennifer See and Robert See, Elroy and children.

-Courtesy photo

State Police issues warning about phone scams

The New York State Police in Westchester County are warning citizens of a phone scam after receiving multiple calls on what is known as an "Imposter Scam." These scams usually involve someone calling and claiming to be from a trusted source such as law enforcement. The caller will claim to be an officer, possibly even using the real name of a local police officer, and could utilize technology that displays the fake name or a number matching the police disguise on your caller ID.

The caller will attempt to convince the victim that they are in violation of the law, have an outstanding warrant, or have a relative involved in an emergency. They will then state money is needed for fines, medical payments, or bail. These scams ask for large sums of money transferred in unusual ways devoid of any face-to-face interaction. Once these thieves have extracted money they may also call back and try to get more.

The New York State Police offer the following tips to protect against the Scams:

- Take a pause. Scammers create a sense of urgency to prey on victims' emotions and their love for family members.

- Verify any supposed emergency by calling friends and family before sending money. This is especially important if a potential victim has been warned not to do so by the caller.
- If the caller purports to be a bail bondsperson, ask where the relative is being held and contact the facility directly.
- If the caller purports to be a law enforcement officer, get the exact agency name, hang up, and call that department directly.
- Be suspicious of anyone who calls unexpectedly asking to be sent money.
 - Never send cash through the mail.
- Never purchase pre-paid debit cards or gift cards for the purpose of transferring money.
- Develop a secret code or "password" with family members that can be used to verify the identity of family members over the phone.
- Ask a question that only the real family member would know the answer to, such as "what was the name of your first pet?"
- Set Facebook and other social media settings to private to limit information available to scammers, such as the names of relatives.





DCHS annual Autumn Auction set Nov. 13

The Dutchess County Historical Society (DCHS) is conducting its annual Autumn Auction and the hammer falls on Sunday, Nov. 13.

The DCHA remains committed to being the most meaningful source of Dutchess County history; through the responsible archival stewardship of tangible objects, modern interpretation and creative presentations of its history to the public.

"We are proud of our community outreach, including the Oral History Project and local history workshops with area schools and educators," said DCHS Trustee Antonia Mauro. "Through our range of publications, virtual programs, the Yearbook and Annual Meeting, the Dutchess County Historical Society continues its mission to preserve our local history.

The DCHS Autumn Auction is the organization's single, major fundraising event of the year. DCHS does not receive any regular Federal, State or County funding. "We rely solely on donations, membership dues and private sponsorships from people like you. Please support the 100+ year old mission of DCHS to collect, preserve, interpret, and share the history of Dutchess County from the period of the arrival of the first indigenous peoples until the present day," said Mauro.

If you are not able to attend this year's Autumn Auction, please consider becoming a member or making a donation to DCHS here at dchsny.org/short/

The Dutchess County Historical Society 2022 Autumn Auction catalog offers a wide variety of unique items including historic experiences, private tours, gift certificates, vacation stays &

View the DCHS Autumn Auction catalog on the Absolute Auctions website at: https://aarauctions.com/servlet/Search.do ?auctionId=5741&categoryName&fbclid =IwAR1tlrmT5TqMZw2KZgOeoi3omgl O73bsCDS8AShRx_Ua6BPnNjQufLwA

Here are some Examples of Auction

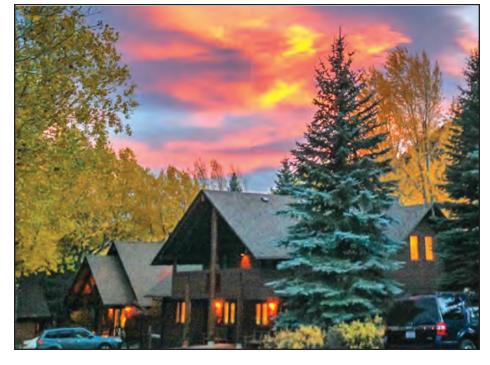
#73 – Boat & Walking Tour for Group up to 4 People to Bannerman's Island on the Hudson River, Beacon

Enjoy an afternoon on the Hudson River with a tour to Bannerman's Island. The tour includes a 30-minute boat ride over to Bannerman Island aboard the Estuary Steward and

a guided 1.5-hour walking tour of the island in which you will visit the famous Bannerman Castle ruins and gardens.

#7 - Bardavon Opera House Unique Back Stage Experience plus Four Tickets for the Sixth Annual Performance of Handel's Messiah

The Bardavon 1869 Opera House is generously offering four seats to its venue on December 17, 2022 at 2 p.m. ... celebration of Handel's master work, featuring orchestra, the Cappella Festiva Chamber Choir and soloists...Before the show enjoy a backstage tour of the beautiful 1869 Bardavon Opera House. Also included is a membership to the Bardavon which allows you advance notice of Bardavon presented shows plus the opportunity to buy tickets before the gen-



One of the highlights of this year's DCHS Autumn Auction include a One Week Vacation Rental at Ram's Horn Village, Estes Park Colo.

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eral public.

#12 - Behind-The-Ropes-Tour of Locust Grove Mansion: Value - \$300

Completed in 1851, the Italianate style mansion at Locust Grove was designed by architect Alexander Jackson Davis for Samuel F. B. Morse, the inventor of the telegraph...your private tour for a group up to eight people is escorted by Executive Director Ken Snodgrass will reveal the family histories and offer an engaging experience with the collection. Wine and cheese on the veranda overlooking the Hudson River will follow your exclusive tour.

#18 - One Week Vacation Rental at Ram's Horn Village, Estes Park Colorado: Value - \$1500

This Five Star - Gold Crown rated property is strategically situated high in the Rocky Mountains north of Denver and backs up to the Rocky Mountain National Park. This two-bedroom, twobath townhouse comes completely furnished and outfitted with everything you will need for an enjoyable stay. The unit will accommodate up to six people when utilizing the living room sofa bed. Ram's Horn Village has lots of unique amenities and is conveniently located, a short walk to downtown Estes Park.

#25 - Private Visit & Refreshments Group Up To 12 of the 19th Century Poughkeepsie Home of Scrabble Game Inventor Alfred M. Butts: Value - \$600

Bring your group of up to 12 adults into the 19th century historic home of Alfred Mosher Butts, the inventor of America's favorite game, SCRABBLE! View the beautiful interior of the first floor of this grand Victorian on Academy Street in Poughkeepsie! Hear the history of Mr. Butts and play America's favorite game! Step back in time, sip a 1950s cocktail and enjoy retro hors d'oeuvres.

#34 - Private Tour of 1754 Lent House in East Fishkill for Group up to 4 with Wine & Cheese Reception: Value \$250.

The Isaac Lent house was once used for church meetings before the Dutch Reformed Church of Hopewell was built c. 1764. Learn the history of this house, told to you by the family in period dress.

#50 - Guided Historic Tour for Group up to 8 People of Beacon's East End plus \$100 Gift Certificate to Carter's Restaurant and Lounge, Beacon: Value \$300

Step back in time with historian David Turner and take a relaxing stroll through Beacon's historic East Side. See the city as it looked in the 1860s-1920s with dozens of vintage photographs of the area's landmarks and daily life. Finish the tour at the former Melzingah Hotel, now Carter's Restaurant and Lounge.

(Left) Another highlight of the DCHS autumn auction is a Guided Historic Tour for a Group up to 8 of Beacon's East End, plus \$100 Gift Certificate to Carter's Restaurant and Lounge, in Beacon.

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Poughkeepsie resident arrested for possession of controlled substance with intent to sell near **Dutchess Community College**

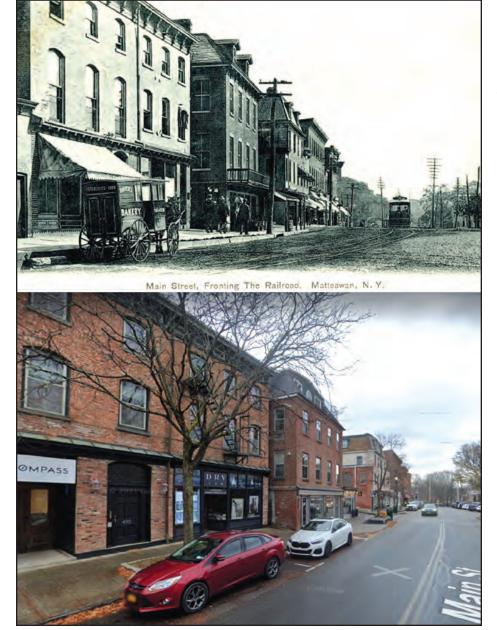
The Dutchess County Drug Task Force Faircloth was ordered to appear in the reports the arrest of Charles Faircloth, D.O.B. 08/19/45, a Town of Poughkeepsie resident, for Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the third-degree with intent to sell, a class B Felony, on November 3. Task Force Agents executed a search warrant at Faircloth's residence located within the Pendell Commons apartment complex in the Town of Poughkeepsie, according to law enforcement officials. This apartment complex is in close proximity to Dutchess Community College.

Task Force Agents seized narcotics and U.S. currency as a result of this investigation, according to Task Force officials.

Town of Poughkeepsie Justice Court on November 7 for arraignment.

The Dutchess County Drug Task Force was assisted by the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office Patrol Bureau. As with any criminal case the charge described above is merely an accusation and Faircloth is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

If anyone has information regarding this case or about any other individuals selling drugs in Dutchess County, you are urged to contact the Drug Task Force confidential tip line at 845-463-6040 or by sending an email to the following web address:DrugTaskForceTips@gmail.com.





Molinaro releases 2023 Executive Budget with 12% County Property Tax rate cut

Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro has released his 2023 Executive Budget, with continued focus on tax relief for residents and businesses while improving the services on which county residents

The 2023 budget proposal features a 12 percent property tax rate decrease for 2023 and the lowest property tax levy in 14 years. As proposed, since 2015, the County property tax rate has been cut 32 percent and the property tax levy reduced by more than \$8.1 million with the Molinaro administration's unwavering commitment to conservative fis-

cal management.

The 2023 Executive Budget documents are available online for review at dutchessny.gov/2023budget.

Additionally, the County Executive will hold two in-person town hall forums about the 2023 Executive Budget proposal:
• Tuesday, November 15th, at 6 p.m. at the

Pine Plains Town Hall, located at 3284 NY-199, Pine Plains

• Tuesday, November 29th at 6pm at the East Fishkill Town Hall, located at 330 Route 276, Hopewell Junction

"At a time when costs are going up all around us, Dutchess County Government remains committed to cutting costs for county residents and businesses, with our eighth consecutive property tax rate decrease and our ninth straight county levy decrease," said Molinaro. "I have always been committed to returning tax dollars to taxpayers whenever possible and we do this once again with this 2023 budget proposal while expanding our commitment to provide compassionate care for our most vulnerable residents – our older adults, veterans, those of all abilities and those living with mental health and sub-

stance use issues – and continue to plan a brighter future for our young people."

Gregg Pulver, Chairman of the Dutchess County Legislature, said, "Having worked closely with County Executive Molinaro for years. I know, his dedication to Dutchess years, I know his dedication to Dutchess County residents, and this Executive Budget carries on his record of putting taxpayers first, again delivering tax relief. Together, we have been committed to prudent economic planning and conservative financing and this has served us well to be strongly positioned Dutchess County to face the historic inflation we are currently seeing. As we begin our scrutiny of this budget proposal, our goal continues to be serving the best interests of the residents we serve.

The 2023 property tax levy, the amount the County collects in property taxes, proposed in the Executive Budget is \$99.45 million, a reduction of nearly \$369,000 from the 2022 levy and is the ninth straight county levy decrease. The tax rate, which is calculated by dividing the property tax levy by full value assessments, will decrease from \$2.85 to \$2.50 per \$1,000 of true value assessments as a result the tax levy reduction, as well as the continued growth in true value assessments (tax base). The County's tax base has grown to nearly \$40 billion thanks to continued focus on economic development and job growth, evidenced by the County's commercial vacancy rate in **Dutchess County**

remaining the lowest in the region as Dutchess attracts new investment from companies from Amazon and Pepsi Frito Lay among others.

Clothing and footwear items less than \$110 per item will continue to be sales tax free in the 2023 budget, providing savings for families. Sales tax revenue, which represents 45% of total County revenue, is forecasted at \$250.5 million for 2023, a 1% increase over 2022 projected sales tax receipts. The conservative sales tax growth projections are based on inflation rates forecasted between 1.6% and 3.5% in 2023 and minimum consumer spending growth. \$43 million in sales revenue is budgeted for distribution to local municipalities based on the sales tax agreement announced earlier this

Total 2023 appropriations equal \$560,369,932 compared to 2022 modified budget (actual spending) of \$601 million. In 2022, county spending was notably higher as , county spending was notably higher as the County seized the opportunity to pay down debt and avoid future indebtedness by utilizing fund balance. Paying off debt created \$1.6 million in interest savings and by paying for several capital projects up front instead of bonding for them, the County avoided approximately \$10 million in future

interest payments based on expected rates.

The 2023 Executive Budget focuses on several key areas:

Creating A Safer Community
The 2023 Executive Budget prioritizes public safety with commitment to ongoing police reform and modernization as well as mental health and opioid use response.

The budget proposal includes two new Deputy Sheriffs serving as additional School Resource Officers, expansion of the Drug Task Force with new participation from the Town of Fishkill, and a full year of the new Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program, an evidence-based program of street outreach in partnership with People USA where case managers work "without walls" to connect with individuals who have unmet behavioral health needs.

Funding for body worn cameras is also included in the 2023 budget proposal as a continuation of Police Reform and continuation of Police Modernization initiatives. The Dutchess County Sheriff's Office as well as nine other municipal law enforcement agencies and the New York State Police, will be equipped with body worn cameras that are on the same interoperable system. With this investment, all police agencies in Dutchess County will now have a body worn camera program. Body worn cameras, along with other best practices, are important tools for increasing public trust and protecting officers

Dutchess County Acting Sheriff Kirk Imperati said, "In Dutchess County, we are never satisfied with the status quo and we are always working collaboratively to improve and enhance how we protect and serve our community. We are doing groundbreaking work here in Dutchess and it is a team effort among law enforcement, county departments, community agencies and many others. I appreciate County Executive Molinaro's ongoing support of our law enforcement officers and our collaborative efforts to ensure public safety and get help for those in need.

The 2023 Executive Budget also supports local fire and police agencies with \$500,000 funding for the Municipal Investment Grant Program (MIG) to award grants for building agency capacity and capability. Additionally, the budget proposal includes the purchase of a fire simulator vehicle to provide a safe training tool for vehicle fires and auto accidents for use by agencies across Dutchess County.

The multi-year Public-Safety Radio Network System project continues with funding in the County's Capital Plan to establish a common radio network to

interoperability and countywide coverage for all public safety radio users. The initial \$10 million funding was approved by the Dutchess County Legislature in February 2022, and the Capital Plan includes a \$20 million commitment over the next five years. That commitment, however, is expected to be offset by grants totaling up to almost \$7 million.

Serving Our Families - Youth, Veterans

and Seniors

Dutchess County continues its commitment to its older adults, veterans and young people, and the 2023 Executive Budget bolsters that pledge with enhanced services and new programs to serve each group.

The budget includes funding for several new programs through the Office for the Aging (OFA) to protect older adults throughout Dutchess County, including a partnership with local financial institutions to raise awareness of elder financial exploitation, which continues to rise nationwide. A new "Friendly Calls" service will alleviate the feelings of loneliness and isolation some seniors feel, connecting them with volunteers who will call them weekly, speaking with the older adults for 20-30 minutes and providing all-important social interaction. A new Hoarding Task Force will be developed to tackle the mounting issue of amassing clutter and the physical and mental impact such behavior has a on a senior; and the OFA will offer an evidence- and web-based caregiver education and support platform, at no cost, to any unpaid caregiver in the County to help families build skills to manage care at home for loved ones of any age.

The County's Division of Veterans'

Services continues to ensure Dutchess County's heroes receive the benefits, services, and programs they've earned through their service to their country; and the 2023 Executive Budget again supports events for County veterans – including, among others, appreciation gatherings and movie days, as well as annual commemorations on Memorial Day and Veterans Day – and funding for ongoing programs. The budget appropriates \$350,000 for a full year of Mental Health of America of Dutchess County's (MHA) Housing, Employment, Re-integration, and Outreach (H.E.R.O.) program, which provide services to homeless veterans or veterans in danger of becoming homeless by finding permanent housing. An additional \$230,000 will fund MHA's Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans' Peer Services Project, Vet2Vet, which offers support groups, social activities, assistance in finding housing and/or employment for homeless veterans and advocacy for benefits. The Tommy Zurhellen Fund, which increases veterans' access to opportunity and self-sustainability, receives an additional \$20,000 in the 2023 Executive Budget; and \$150,000 will be directed to fund another year of the popular Veterans Microgrants Program.

ThinkDIFFERENTLY

The Budget expands the scope of the County's successful ThinkDIFFERENTLY initiative of inclusiveness for residents and visitors of all abilities with \$160,000 in funding for several short-term objectives of the forthcoming All Abilities Action Plan, which Molinaro will release in its entirety in early









Obituaries

Donald R. Greenwald



Donald R. Greenwald, a lifelong Hudson Valley resident, passed away at home on Monday, October 31, 2022. He was born in Cold Spring on March 25, 1952 and grew up in the Village of Fishkill. Don was a talented musician who played in multiple bands throughout his lifetime and developed a successful career in the music industry. For several years, he owned a vintage guitar shop in Poughkeepsie. He became a renowned expert in Steinberger and other headless guitar styles, which led to the formation of his company, Headless USA. His dry wit and unfailing sense of humor amused everyone close to him. He was

preceded in death by his mother, Olive (Loenthal) Greenwald in 1989; and his father, Stanley Greenwald, in 2012. Survivors include his brother, Bob Greenwald & his wife Christina; his brother, Todd Greenwald & his wife Karen; his stepmother, Bette Greenwald; his nephews, Owen, Gabriel, and Josh Greenwald; his dear friend and companion, Natalie Thayer; as well as many other loving relatives & friends. Don also leaves behind his faithful Shiba Inu, "Buddy." Visitation was held on Saturday, November 5, 2022 at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, Inc., 1089 Main Street, Fishkill, NY. A memorial service was offered at the funeral home, followed by interment at Fishkill Rural Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Dutchess County SPCA, 636 Violet Avenue, Hyde Park, NY 12538 (www.dcspca.org). For online tributes, you can visit Don's Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

Joseph Duquette

Joseph Duquette was born in Detroit, Michigan on May 25th 1958. Joe grew up in Detroit in the 70's which were challenging times for the city and the auto industry that kept it going. Joe loved visiting his cousins in the Detroit area on his mom's side and in Canada on his father's side of the family. Later in life he recounted the hijinks he got into with his cousins, riding motor bikes and popping wheelies, sampling local brews in Canada where you could buy a beer younger than in the US.

Joe was happier working than in school, and after finishing high school – or perhaps instead of going to high school at times, Joe began driving a truck on long haul rides seeing numerous states and periodically driving into Canada as well. He also worked installing carpets among other jobs.

In the late 1990's, Joe moved with a friend from Detroit to the Hudson Valley where he held a number of jobs over the years from donut shops to the nearby Sears store. With some disabilities that plagued him, Joe retired and found joy working in the back of the Beacon Falls Café as a prep chef and maintenance man. He enjoyed the crew with whom he worked and was grateful for the friendship of the owners, Bob Nevelus and his wife, Linda.

Joe enjoyed living in Beacon where he could walk to his job and stop by at local shops visiting with store owners and the many artists in the area.

At the end of his life, Joe developed AML, a type of blood cancer and he spent his last months in hospice care at Fishkill Rehabilitation in Beacon. He liked to play cards with his cousins from Croton, frequent visits with his close friend Lisa Patrinos from the apartment complex (and his cat, Survivor) and to listen to rock and roll music – the older the better!

Joe passed away peacefully on the evening of October 8th. He is survived by his dear sister Laura Duquette in the Detroit metropolitan area and his many cousins in Michigan, Canada and a few on the east coast who had regular chances to visit him in Beacon. A toast to Joe will be held at the Beacon Falls Café on November 10th as that was how Joe wanted to be remembered.

Blood drive set at Beacon HighSchool

New York Blood Center (NYBC) will be hosting a blood drive at Beacon High School, 101 Matteawan Rd., on November 9th from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. in honor of Paris Moore. The public is encouraged to attend this drive after 2:30 p.m. if they are able.

Paris graduated from Beacon High School in 2018. He was born with sickle cell disease, an inherited red cell disorder that is most common among African Americans. 100,000 people nationwide suffer from this disease, of which 98% are African Americans.

Paris relies on blood donations to keep him alive, receiving monthly blood transfusions to reduce pain, the risk of infections and stroke. Sickle cell disease patients require very closely matched blood products because their bodies make antibodies directed towards transfused red blood cells. These blood products can often only be found in donors with the same racial or ethnic heritage, making donations from people of color particularly important.

As the blood shortage continues, NYBC encourages all who are eligible in the community to honor Paris by donating blood and helping those battling sickle cell disease.

As always, people are not eligible to donate if they're experiencing a cold, sore throat, respiratory infection or flu-like symptoms. Additional information on donor eligibility and COVID-19 precautions is available.

To make an appointment at this blood drive, donors can call 1-800-933-2566.

Richard J. Kreidler

EAST FISHKILL - Richard J. Kreidler, 75, a 45-year resident of the Shenandoah hamlet of East Fishkill, died on October 31, 2022. He was a previous resident of Westchester County, New York. Rick was born in Detroit, MI to Francis and Mildred Kreidler. He was a 1966 graduate of Ardsley High School and a 1975 graduate of Pace University. He was a veteran of the U.S. Naval Reserve and served primarily on the USS Albany (CG-10) during his active duty.

Rick was a Senior Labor Standards Investigator with the New York State Department of Labor, Division of Labor Standards, for 34 years. Upon retiring from State service, he obtained a Private Investigator License.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 52 years, Jessie J. Kreidler. They were high school sweethearts and were married in the historic Union Church of Pocantico Hills on July 4, 1970. Rick is also survived by his cherished sons Drew (Tara) of Aliso Viejo, CA and Dustin (Jennifer Sciglibaglio) of Hamden, CT. He also leaves behind his adored granddaughters Amanda, Brooke, Emma and Abigail. Rick is also survived by his brother William (Kathy) and several nieces. He was predeceased by his infant daughter Claire.

Rick was a soccer coach for a number of his sons' teams throughout the years. He was also a Guiding Eyes for the Blind puppy raiser as well as an AARP Volunteer Tax Aide. He was a member of the USS Albany Association.

Service were private. Arrangements were under the direction of the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc.

Glass Club's Semi-Annual Show Nov. 13



The Hudson Valley Depression Glass Club's Semi-Annual Show and Sale will feature a large selection of glass and pottery.

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The Hudson Valley Depression Glass Club is celebrating 50 years of continuous appreciation and collecting of glass and pottery with the Semi-Annual Show and Sale on Nov. 12 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building at 413 Main Street in Beacon.

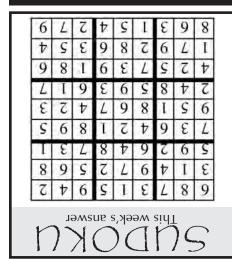
Admission is \$5 per person (children under 10 are free) and includes a raffle entry for a \$10 gift certificate good toward a purchase from any of the vendors or for a 1 year membership in the club.

Refreshments will be available. For show information, please contact Debbie Siller at (845) 702-4770.

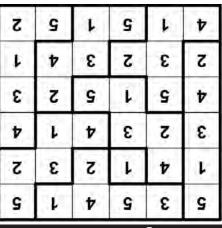
The club meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. (except July and August) and guests are encouraged to come and see what we are all about.

The club began in 1972 in Walden by founding members Elinor Eignor, Bill & Ada Metzing, and Gene & Mickey Meier. The purpose of the club was to bring community members and collectors together to gain knowledge and promote any glass manufactured in America from 1920 thru 1940s known as Depression Era Glass. Some 20 different companies produced clear and colored glass during this time frame such as Hazel Atlas, Hocking, Indiana, Fenton, and Westmoreland. While the club has continued this tradition for the last 50 years, it has grown to now include American pottery companies, some wellknown ones are Roseville, McCoy, Hall, Shawnee, Spaulding and Haegar, and vintage kitchen items, and accessories.

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Assistant Director of County Public Transit honored by NY State organization

New York Public Transit Association (NYPTA) honored Amanda Sammon, Assistant Director of Dutchess County Public Transit (DCPT), with its 2022 Joe Boardman Award at the association's fall conference and Transit Industry Luncheon held this week in Albany.

Having worked for DCPT for 11 years, Sammon currently oversees its day-to-day operations, assists with customer support and ridership building efforts as well as driver recruitment, and maintains relationships with contractors and regulatory agencies to help ensure safe, effective, quality service is provided to both fixedroute and on-demand riders. Sammon has been instrumental in helping lead the team through the COVID-19 pandemic as well as numerous union negotiations during her tenure. She also assisted with the recent transition of DCPT from a management contract to a County-operated system, helping transition 95 individuals into **Dutchess County Government positions.**

County Executive Marc Molinaro said, "Amanda's dedication, leadership, industry knowledge, and work ethic have been invaluable assets to our Public Transit system, helping us build and maintain a safe, reliable service for the riders who rely on it. Her rapport with the drivers and her fellow operations staff have helped ensure as seamless a transition as possible for riders and staff alike and we applaud her for this well-deserved recognition of her hard work."

Sammon said, "I am grateful to the New York Public Transit Association for recognizing our Dutchess County Public Transit team's commitment to providing safe, quality, and efficient public transit to residents and visitors of Dutchess County. Under the guidance of County Executive Molinaro and Public Transit Director Michael Grattini, our division has improved ridership, maintained excellent retention of our dedicated drivers, and has continued its exemplary safety record. We will continue our hard work and dedication towards the shared goal of providing amazing service."

The Joe Boardman Award was started in 2019 by NYPTA leaders in recognition of Joseph Boardman's dedication and leadership in the transit industry. A founding member of the association and past president, Boardman was also an inaugural member of the New York Public Transit Hall of Fame in 1999 for his contributions to the industry. He was devoted to mentorship and cultivating future transportation professionals, serving as head of Amtrak from 2008-2016 and was the longest-serving Commissioner of New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) from 1997-2005. The award is given to transit employees in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments, leadership, and commitment to the industry.

Director Grattini said, "During her tenure with Dutchess County Public



New York Public Transit Association (NYPTA) honored Amanda Sammon, (left) Assistant Director of Dutchess County Public Transit (DCPT), with its 2022 Joe Boardman Award on October 26 in Albany.

-Courtesy photo

Transit, Amanda Sammon has developed an incredible support system for the smooth operation of our transit system. Her dedication and leadership skills are impressive. So many Dutchess County residents rely on our transit system, both fixed-routes and on-demand service, to reach doctors' appointments, workplace, grocery stores, and more. We are grateful to Amanda for the integral role she plays

in providing efficient, quality service to our riders."

To learn more about DCPT, visit DutchessNY.gov/publictransit. DCPT also offers a mobile app with real-time bus tracking, schedules, rider alerts, and more. The DCPT app is available for IOS and Android on Google Play and Apple App Store from DoubleMap.

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NOTICE TO **BIDDERS** -

RFB-DCB-32-22 EMERGENCY **RESPONSE GEOT-VALVE HERMAL** VAULT RELOCA-TION, Multi Prime Bids shall be received for the following classes of work: Gen-Construction, HVAC, Plumbing and Electrical. Beginning November 3, 2022 at 8:00AM: Bid Specifications and Drawings may be obtained in person Monday through Friday 8am to 4pm or by mail (provide your FedEx account number or SASE) at: Dutchess County DPW, Business Office, 1st Floor, 626 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, 12603. Upon request, all interested partiesmayreviewthe hard copy of the Bid Specifications and Drawings by visiting tne above referenced address.The bid documents will be distributed on a USB Flash Drive. You must give the following information to obtain flash drive: the Company Name, Address, Contact Name, Phone Number, E-mail Address. All Addenda will be issuedtoPlanHolders via E-mail, but also posted on BidNet Direct (aka Empire State Purchasing Group) site. A refundable deposit of \$15.00 is requiredforeachbidset, in the form of a check made payable to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Fi-

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required for each set ofbiddocuments. The deposit is refundable in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 102 and will be made by the County upon receipt ofawrittenrequestac-companied by said USB Flash Drive. Bids due on or before Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at 2:00pm, and at that time opened and read aloud. Bids received after that time will not be accepted. Bids for the above project will be received by:Diane McKenna, Contract Specialist, Dutchess CountyDepartmentof Public Works (DPW), 626 Dutchess Turnpike-1stFloor,Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Due to COVID-19. the bidopeningforthissolicitation will be conducted through Microsoft Teams Audio Conferencing. Anyone who wishes to hear bids read aloud willneedtocallintothe phone number listed below, in-person attendance at a bid opening will not be allowed. We ask that you call in at least three minutes prior to biddue/timetoensure you are connected properly. All call-ins will be asked to identify themselves by name and organization. Join Microsoft Teams Meeting +1 516-268-4602 United States, Hempstead (Toll) Conference ID: 933 819 278#. Each bid shall be submitted as one paper original and one electronic copy and be accompaniedbyBidSecurity

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(bid bond, certified check, official bank check) or a Letter of Credit (in a form agreeable Dutchess County) in the amount of 10% of the bid amount. Bidders' security will be retained until the successful bidder has signed the Owner-Contractor Agreement and the County has finalized the Agreement. Each bid with Bid Security shall be enclosed in a envelope sealed bearing the name of the Project, Name of the Bidder, and the date and hour of the bid opening, which must be visible upon delivery. A Walkthrough is scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2022 at 9:00am meet at front parking lot, Emergency Response Center, 392 Creek Rd, Poughkeepsie. All parties interested in bidding must apprise themselves of the site conditions immediatelyprior to bidding; if you cannot attend the scheduled walkthrough, you can contact Diane McKenna dpwcontracts@ dutchessny.gov, Questions will be accepted by the close of business November 22, 2022 and emailed to Diane McKenna at dpwcontracts@ dutchessny.gov with the County's response published in Addenda prior to

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ANNUAL ELECTION OF ROMBOUT FIRE DISTRICT **DECEMBER 13,** 2022

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Election of the Rombout Fire District will take place on December 13, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM at the Rombout Firehouse located at 901 Main Street, Fishkill, New York for the purpose of electing one Commissionerfora5year term commencingonJanuary1,2023 and ending on December 31, 2027.

Candidates for District Office of Commissioners must file a pe-

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titionsignedbyatleast 25 registered voters residing in the Rombout Fire District. Petitions must be then filed with the Secretary of the Fire District no later than November 23, 2022.

All residents of the Rombout Fire District duly registered with the Dutchess County Board of Elections as ofNovember21,2022 shall be eligible to vote.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ROMBOUT **FIRE DISTRICT** Jill Muller Secretary

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING BOARD **TOWN OF WAPPINGER DUTCHESS COUNTY, NY**

Project Name: Children's Enrichment Amended Site Plan & Special Use Permit Location: 2321-2325 Route 9D Application:

Nos.: 22-3464 and 22-4105 **PLEASE TAKE**

NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the 21st day of November, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Article IX, Section 240-87 of the Town Law, on the application of

22-3464 (Site Plan) and 22-4105 (SpecialUsePermit)Children's Enrichment

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Project, LLC: To discuss an amended Site Plan and Special Use Permit application. The applicant is proposing to conduct a private club for parents and their children for childhood enrichmenton1.4acresinan HM Zoning District. The property is located at 2321-2325 Route 9D and is identified as Tax Grid No.: 6057-02-987580 in the Town Wappinger.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board has not made a determination of significance pursuant to State Environmental Quality Review Act and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing.

All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Wappinger at the public nearing as stated above. Signed: Bruce Flower,

Chairman Town of Wappinger Planning Board November 3, Date: 2022

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS **HEREBY GIVEN that** the County Legislature of the County of Dutchessatameeting held on October 11. 2022, adopted a local law entitled: LOCALLAWNO.20F 2022, A LOCAL LAW TO **AUTHORIZE** COUNTY REG-

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TIC PARTNERS The intent of this law is establish Dutchess County registryfordomesticpartners of county residents and/or employees.

A copy of the locallawisavailableat the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours. LEIGH WAGER Clerk

Dutchess County Legislature Dated: November 7, 2022

REQUEST FOR BIDS **NOTICE**

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Pough-keepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed for: Bid bids #RFB-DCP-73-22 Occupational Health

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until 2:00 p.m. on the 23rddayofNovember 2022 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchess selecting ny.gov, "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, 845-486-3613.

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a special section honoring our local veterans

America's first national veterans organization: The Grand Army of the Republic

By Jim Donick with Sean Klay

The United States is home to many veterans organizations. There are organizations of specific groups of veterans: Jewish veterans, Catholic veterans, Navy Officer veterans and others. The largest groups, though, are national in scope and welcome veterans of any age or any rank. They are the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). Predating them all as the first national veterans organization was the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). It was formed for Civil War Veterans of the Union side. (There was also a Confederate Veterans organization, the United Confederate Veterans, which was finally dissolved in 1951.) The GAR was founded April 6, 1866.

As a first truly national veterans organization the GAR played a major role, both socially and politically. They hosted annual reunion encampments of their membership to give the members an opportunity to reconnect with comrades.

The GAR became among the first organized advocacy groups in American politics, supporting voting rights for black veterans, promoting patriotic education, helping to make Memorial Day a

national holiday, lobbying Congress to establish regular veterans' pensions, and supporting political candidates. Its peak membership, at 410,000, was in 1890.

Today's celebration of Memorial Day as a national holiday can be credited to the GAR's efforts. One of the first orders issued by General John A. Logan as Commander in Chief of the GAR put Memorial Day on the calendar nationally.

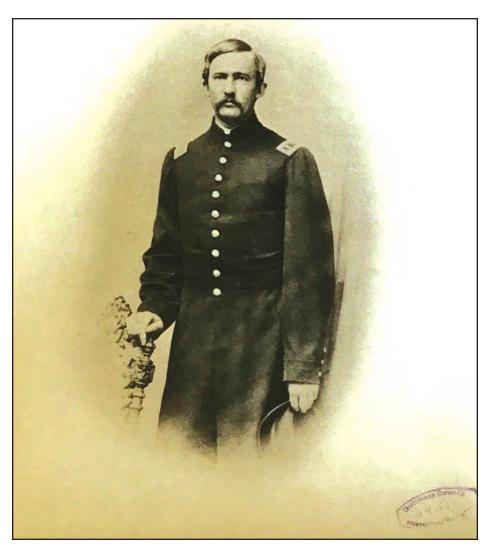
In his General Order No. 11, dated May 5, 1868, first GAR Commander-in-Chief, General John A. Logan declared May 30 to be Memorial Day (also referred to for many years as "Decoration Day"), calling upon the GAR membership to make the May 30 observance an annual occurrence. Although not the first time war graves had been decorated, Logan's order effectively established "Memorial Day" as the day upon which Americans now pay tribute to all their war casualties, missing-inaction, and deceased veterans. For many years General Logan's Order, as it was called, was often read aloud at community Memorial Day Ceremonies along with Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

The organization also worked at healing the wounds of the Civil War and bringing their former foes back into a construc-



The largest of the encampments sponsored by the GAR was the 50th Anniversary Reunion of the Battle of Gettysburg, in 1913. The event included Confederate Veterans, as well. The reunion was seen as a major step in healing the divisions between the former combatants. The Dutchess County GAR was well represented by veterans as well as by widows and families of the 150th New York Volunteers, the "Dutchess Regiment." They had this group photo taken in front of the Gettysburg Battlefield monument to the 150th men who fought and, too often, died there.

-Courtesy of Dutchess County Historical Society



1st Lieutenant Henry Gridley served in Company A of the 150th New York Volunteers, the "Dutchess Regiment." Most of the men he led into battle were his neighbors.

-Courtesy of Dutchess County Historical Society

tive membership in American society.

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A high point of this activity took place in 1913 at the reunion for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Battle at Gettysburg. Despite official concerns "that there might be unpleasant differences, at least, between the blue and gray," the peaceful reunion was repeatedly marked by events of Union-Confederate camaraderie. There are many photos of veterans of both sides shaking hands on the day Pickett's charge was re-enacted. President Woodrow Wilson's July 4 reunion address summarized the spirit: "We have found one another again as brothers and comrades in arms, enemies no longer, generous friends rather, our battles long past, the quarrel forgotten except that we shall not forget the splendid valor."

The members of the GAR produced five presidents of the United States: Ulysees S. Grant, Rutherford B. Hayes, James A. Garfield, Benjamin Harrison, and William McKinley.

The last member of the Grand Army of the Republic, one Albert Woolson, died in 1956 at 109 years of age. He was the sole officially listed survivor of the approximately 3 million men who had served in the armed forces of the Union. After Woolson's death the GAR was formally dissolved. Many of their records were handed over to local American Legion or VFW Posts.

There were 11 GAR Posts in Dutchess County after the Civil War. The best documented to date is likely the one in Millerton, the Henry Gridley Post 617. It existed from 1887 to 1933. The GAR naming posts after deceased local soldiers created a model that is followed to this day by American Legion and by some Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts.

Millerton Post 617 was named in honor of 1st Lieutenant Henry Gridley, who was born on September 17, 1836. His father was a successful businessman who owned large amounts of real estate. He was also engaged in significant mining and iron manufacturing in the Harlem Valley.

When the Civil War broke out in 1861, young Gridley was in his third year at Amherst College in Massachusetts. His family and friends worked hard to convince him to stay until graduation rather than leave college and enlist immediately. They succeeded and he finished his studies.

Following graduation he quickly responded to the opportunity to join in recruiting a company for the "Dutchess Regiment" that had only recently been authorized. This company would later be designated as Company A of the 150th New York Volunteer Infantry. It was in that Company that Gridley was commissioned as a First Lieutenant. The 150th was first sent to help protect Baltimore, but in July of 1863 they were ordered north to a little town in Central Pennsylvania.

The regiment saw its first combat at Gettysburg from the 1st to 4th of July in 1863. At Gettysburg the 150th lost 45 men, most of them on the third day of the battle when they were on the right flank facing General Pickett's epic charge.

Gridley and the Dutchess County boys

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went on to take part in many of the largest and bloodiest battles that ensued, first at Chattanooga and then, starting in May of 1864, as part of Sherman's campaign to move from Eastern Tennessee to capture Atlanta. The move on Atlanta was a bloody slog with 128 days of nearly unbroken combat. Atlanta was captured on the second of September. Along the way, though, Lt. Henry Gridley and his men were used by Sherman wherever and whenever they were needed.

On the 22nd of June, said to be the

first sunny day in some time, Gridley was commanding Company A and directing their fire at oncoming Confederate troops. In the fire fight that day, Gridley's war came to an end. He was killed by a bullet to his heart. He died there and was buried near where he fell. Later his remains were recovered for his family and brought home to Dutchess County. Lt. Henry Gridley now rests in his family plot in the South Amenia Cemetery along with other members of his family, including his mother and father.





Another GAR veteran, Pvt. Edward Horton, served in Company A under Lt. Henry Gridley. Just over 30 years old when he enlisted, Horton was one of the older recruits in the company. The day Gridley was killed near Kennesaw Mountain, Horton would have been nearby and could have had a hand in moving his body to safety. Unlike too many, Pvt. Horton went home safely and lived well into the 20th century. He is buried in what was then called the Presbyterian Churchyard but is now the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

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Poughkeepsie female WWII veteran honored with Hometown Heroes Banner

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recruiting office on Hollywood Boulevard, where she was Secretary and Chaufferette, "I love the word 'chaufferette,' said Maio, to the Commander of that unit. Helen would accompany him to various civic and publicity agendas. She would then model the uniform and make recruiting appearances.

At 23 years old, Helen was honorably discharged at the rank of Staff Sgt. in 1945, said Maio. She went to work for the U.S. Veterans Administration in Poughkeepsie until 1947, said Maio. Helen married Lt. Warren Murphy, who was from East Fishkill, in 1947.

During her marriage, while raising her five young daughters (Karen, Linda, Maryann, Kathleen, and Patricia), Helen lived in California, Alaska, Japan and Germany, due to her husband's career.

"I think she liked Japan. She went there twice," said Maio. "Life was not easy for my mom at all in the service. Five girls; my dad often flying away (for work)."

Maio remarked, "My mother did enjoy being in the service and a service wife." She lived on three bases in California, said Maio. The family also moved every two years, Helen and her husband moved back to Poughkeepsie after his retirement in the late 1960s.

Maio stated that her mother "was really in her element at the American Legion Post.

"She was a veteran and she said 'I don't want to be in the Ladies Auxiliary," said Maio. Helen eventually ran for Commander of Arlington American Legion Post 1302, said Maio, and was the first Female Commander of that Post.

"She was very proud of that. She was very involved in the Legion until her 90s," said Maio. Helen died in 2016. Ann Shershin is with the Post.

"I was aware of the Town of Poughkeepsie's Hometown Hero banners and noticed that all the banners hung in the Arlington were of men. I knew Helen Murphy from the American Legion Auxiliary Post 1302. She has also a member of American Legion and proud of her service during World War II. I thought it would be lovely for Helen to be remembered with a hometown hero banner," said Shershin. "My Auxiliary unit agreed to sponsor the banner. I contacted Helen's daughter, Patricia Maio, and the Dutchess County Veterans Affairs, and they helped to get Helen's discharge papers. American Legion supplied the picture We put everything of Helen. together and summited the application to the Town of Poughkeepsie. It took a

banner happen."

Shershin said a group went to see the banner and to have their picture taken with the banner that honors Helen.

whole community to make the

"One of the other members, Eleanor Rolla, said that she had known Helen Murphy for many years and was proud to have been able to join us at the banner," remarked Shershin.

Maio said, "I absolutely love the banner." Maio stated she never considered having a banner for her mother "as an option."

"That is an example of how dedicated they (Ladies Auxiliary and American Legion members) are to the veterans."

The location of the banner is not lost on Maio either.

Helen used to take her daughters to what was then the Juliet Theater and she worked at Vassar College.

"She was very proud of herself and other servicewomen," said Maio.



Pictured with the banner for Helen Murphy on the corner of Raymond Avenue and Collegeview Avenue, (from left) are Noel McCaffery, Michelle Cady, Ann Shershin, Elizabeth Ramsey, Patricia Maio, Barbara Hogan, and Eleanor Rolla.

-Courtesy photo

Foam & Wash to offer free car wash to veterans, active duty members Nov. 11

Continuing a tradition, Foam & Wash invites all active duty and former members of the military to have their vehicle washed free of charge on Veterans Day. Veterans may visit any of Foam & Wash's five soft cloth facilities in Poughkeepsie, Wappingers Falls, Fishkill, Newburgh, or Vails Gate and at 15 North Grand Avenue in Poughkeepsie as well as 20 Merritt

Boulevard in Fishkill from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11, to receive a complimentary \$20 Simoniz Hot Wax & Shine Car Wash.

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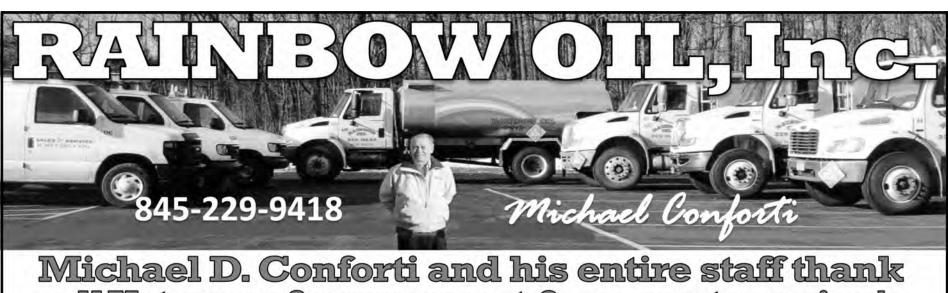
Todd Baright said, "My family and I believe that it is very important to appreciate and remember our men and

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Hudson Valley Renegades recognized by Veterans of Foreign Wars for support of local veterans

The Hudson Valley Renegades, the High-A affiliate of the New York Yankees, were recognized for their dedication and commitment to veterans throughout the Hudson Valley at the Veterans of Foreign Wars state conference in Albany on Saturday, Oct. 15.

The Renegades were honored for their Veteran of the Game program, sponsored by AARP New York. At each game from July through the end of the 2021 season, the Veteran of the Game program hosted active and retired military families and honored them with a special on-field ceremony and jersey presentation in the third inning.

"While we can never fully pay back the sacrifices that our veterans have made to ensure our freedom, the Veteran of the Game program was something special that we could do to show a small token of our appreciation," said Marcella Costello, Renegades Community Partnerships Manager. "It was one of the most moving parts of our games, and we are looking forward to continuing the program for years to come."

"AARP NY was proud to show our support for the brave men and women who serve our country through the Renegades' Veteran of the Game program," said Robyn Haberman, associate director of Community Engagement for AARP. "There are so many selfless heroes deserving of recognition, and AARP is committed to not only helping tell their stories but to providing resources and information that empower them as well."

The proclamation from the VFW states: "The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States express our sincere appreciation of your support to our veterans through community work of the Hudson Valley Renegades in honoring and highlighting local veterans at team events."

The Renegades are committed to supporting veterans in the Hudson Valley in ways beyond the Veteran of the Game program, hosting an annual Veterans Appreciation Night, where the team rebrands as the Hudson Valley Veterans military-inspired uniforms. Thousands of veterans in surrounding counties come to Dutchess Stadium for special pre-game ceremonies and the game that evening. The specialty jerseys are then auctioned off to support the Mental Health America of Dutchess County's Vet2Vet program and their myriad services for local veterans.

Service to veterans was also a key cornerstone of the Renegades' participation in the Yankees' HOPE Week initiative (Helping Others Persevere & Excel). Renegades players, coaches and front office staff all visited the residents at Liberty Station in Poughkeepsie, a housing complex for veterans which offers a supportive living environment in the company of other vets.



Hudson Valley Renegades Community Partnerships Manager Marcella Costello accepted a proclamation from the VFW state conference on behalf of the Renegades for their dedication and commitment to veterans throughout the region.

-Courtesy photo

Psych Center Veterans Memorial transferred to new home

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For decades the Hudson River State Hospital (later the Hudson River Psychiatric Center) displayed this bronze plaque honoring the men and women of the facility who had served in the military. Founded in 1873, the center was finally closed in 2012. Since the closure, members of the Poughkeepsie American Legion Post 1466 have taken over custody of the memorial to ensure that the veterans' memories would be honored and the memorial protected into perpetuity.

-Photos by Jim Donick

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Joseph Alves of "Joe's Masonry" arranged the foundation to create an impressive monument. Making the transition happen and designing an appropriate monument was the effort of several years.

With the monument he has also created a larger memorial, a brick walk and plaza in front of the memorial to expand its impact and to memorialize other community veterans as well. The bricks are engraved with sentimental phrases; with the names of veterans

and with the years of their service. The construction of the brick plaza appears nearly complete and the memorial, with its flagpole and plaza, welcomes visitors today.

The American Legion Post is located at 50 Legion Road in Poughkeepsie, only a couple of miles from the site of what had been the Hudson River Psychiatric Center. Call 845-486-8123 or visit J.LivingstonePost1466@gmail.com for more information.

Three Red Hook brothers in the Civil War

By Will Tatum

Initially a day for observing the de facto conclusion of "The War to End All Wars," November 11th has expanded into a commemoration of the sacrifices made by individuals who gave up years of their lives to defend American freedoms. In consequence, Veterans Day is as much about the monotony of military life as it is about grand battles.

The service personnel who returned from far-away postings and conflicts often brought back engaging stories that lingered in their communities for the remainder of their lives. Sometimes, those stories were more about the inner workings of the military than battlefield exploits.

An example of both comes from the Civil War service of three brothers from Red Hook. All three enlisted in the 150th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment, initially raised in 1862 in response to a threatened federal draft. This unit was also known as "The Dutchess County Regiment," since communities across the county in partnership with county government, worked hard to enlist the required number of recruits. Two of the brothers served for the entire war, while the third joined later, still managing to participate in one of General William Tecumseh Sherman's legendary campaigns. The twist in this story does not involve their military service, however, but the inability of officers to spell the brothers' names correctly.

The New York State Military Museum in Saratoga Springs maintains an excellent database of Civil War regimental data and is the starting point for this saga. The Adjutant General of the State of New York's report on the 150th NY, available on the museum's website, records three Showerman Brothers from Red Hook: Allen, Horatio and Peter.

Allen and Peter enlisted in the 150th NY in August and September 1862, mustering into Company F commanded by Captain John L. Green. Both brothers made it through the war, participating in all of the regiment's engagements from Gettysburg through the 1865 Carolinas Campaign. Allen was 38 and Peter was 29 at their dates of enlistment. Horatio, their younger brother, enlisted at Fishkill in August 1864 to serve one year. He joined his brothers in Company F for Sherman's final march through the Carolinas. Peter and Horatio took part in the victory parade in Washington, D.C., in June 1865, while Allen ended the war in a military hospital in Troy, New York.

Mystery of names

The name mystery begins with this report: In addition to their abbreviated records of service, the Adjutant General's Office noted that Horatio was also listed in the rolls by the surname of "Sherman" and that Allen appeared on some rolls with the surname of "Shorman." A look at the official muster roll of the regiment from October 11, 1862, (also available on the New York State Military Museum's website) records a Peter Sherman and an Allen Sharman in Company F.

The County's Bounty Book, recording the enlistments of soldiers in 1862 who received a bonus payment for volunteershows neither Showerman,

Sherman, nor Sharman in Red Hook's contingent. The book does record, however, an Allan Shamerhorn and a Peter Shamerhorn, both enlisted by John L. Green. No Shamerhorns appear on the official regimental rolls in Company F.

Finally, there are the gravestones, which mark the final resting places of Showerman and Horatio Allan Schowerman in the Red Hook Methodist Cemetery, Village of Red Hook, and Peter Showerman in St. John's Cemetery, Upper Red Hook. Peter was the first of the brothers to pass on: He succumbed to dyspepsia in 1869. Allen lived until 1892, while Horatio died in 1935. It is from Horatio, the longestlived of the 150th NY brothers, that the final twist in our story comes.

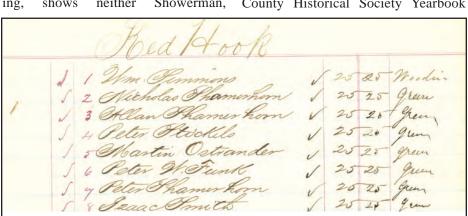
Horatio's tale

In August 1920, a local reporter interviewed Horatio for an article that appeared in the August 16th edition of the Rhinebeck Gazette newspaper. Entitled "Horatio Sherman, 86, Never Was In School," the interview covered all aspects of Horatio's life. According to voungest Sherman/Showerman brothers, his family was poor and could not afford to send him to school in his youth. He left home at the age of 10 to become a farm worker, which may explain why he enlisted at Fishkill.

His only break from agricultural labor came during his year-long service with the 150th NY. Horatio related that he was only in one battle, but that it last three days and nights-probably the Battle of Averasboro, North Carolina. He also vividly remembered the epic march from North Carolina to Washington, DC, to participate in the final victory parade and mustering out. Horatio reported making the march in 18 days, having "hoofed it every step from Raleigh to Washington." The article closed on a somber note, observing that Horatio was in ill-health and intended to move across the Hudson to live with his son in Rondout.

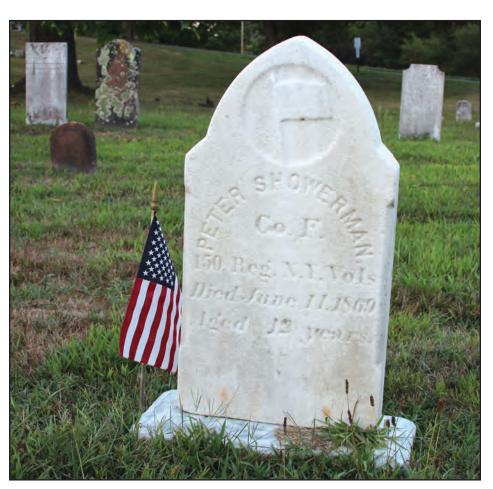
Could Horatio's tale of a missed education offer an explanation for how three brothers could be listed with such varying last names? Unable to write or spell their own names, were they left at the mercy of the phonetic spelling of the officers who recorded them on the official roles? In his "History of Education in Dutchess County, 1716-1959," Charles Donald King Jr. recorded that free public education came late to New York. It was only in 1867 that the State Assembly passed a law requiring universal public education for residents. While the one-room schoolhouse system predated that law, sprouting up in some villages as early at the 1790s, rural areas of the county continued to depend on private academies or chu'rch schools for most of the nineteenth century. In Red Hook's case, an academy opened in Upper Red Hook in the 1820s, but required private tuition. So it is possible that the three brothers did not benefit from formal education and the recording officers spelled what they heard.

If you want to learn more about the 150th New York's service during the Civil War, check out the Dutchess County Historical Society Yearbook



The page for Red Hook from "Dutchess County Volunteers, 1862," the county bounty book, shows the entries for Allen and Peter Showerman as "Shamerhorn."

-Photo courtesy of Dutchess County Clerk's Office



Above is a grave marker for Peter Showerman in St. John's Cemetery, Upper Red Hook. Allen Showerman's grave at the Red Hook Methodist Cemetery on Cherry Street in the Village of Red Hook features a similar marker.

-Photo courtesy of Dutchess County Historian's Office

series (available online at dchsny.org) and "A War to Petrify the Heart," the letters of veteran Richard Van Wyck, compiled by the East Fishkill Historical Society. Special thanks are due to Kathy Fox, a descendent of Peter Showerman who keeps the family history alive, and

the 150th New York Regimental Association, which you can visit online at 150thnewyork.org.

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Veterans Day events throughout the county

Dutchess County Executive Marcus J. Molinaro and Veterans Services Director Adam Roche invite residents to participate in Dutchess County's Veterans Day ceremony at the Dutchess County War Memorial on Friday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. The Dutchess County War Memorial is located at John K. Rinaldi Memorial Park at the intersection of Raymond Avenue and Main Street in the Town of Poughkeepsie. The event is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend to honor local veterans.

Veterans Day is a national holiday which honors America's veterans for their willingness to serve and to show appreciation for all their sacrifices. Local municipalities throughout the county will also be hosting Veterans Day ceremonies to honor and remember those who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

The Dutchess County Division of Veterans Services reached out to local municipalities and community organizations and has compiled a listing of events taking place on or around Veterans Day. The event listing follows below with contact information provided for additional inquiries.

2022 VETERANS DAY **COMMUNITY OBSERVANCES**

(Based on information provided by municipalities & community organizations.) Listed by date, then alphabetically by municipality

Hopewell Junction:

Thursday, November 10, 2022 @ 7:00 AM

Ceremony Location: John Jay High School, 2012

Hosted by: American Legion Post

Point of Contact: Jim Reynolds @ 845-221-7273

Amenia/Dover Plains:

Friday, November 2022 11, @ 11:00 AM

Ceremony

Location: Fountain Square, intersection of 343, 44 and 22, Amenia

Hosted by: VFW Post #5444, and Dover Plains

Point of Contact: Vicki Doyle @ 845-489-7826

Beacon:

Friday, November 11, 2022 @ 11:00 AM

Ceremony

Location: Memorial Building, 413

Main St., Beacon

Hosted by: VFW Post # 666 Point of Contact: Harold Delamater

@ 845-337-6509

Town of Fishkill:

Friday, November 11, 2022

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony

Location: Town of Fishkill War

Memorial, 801 RT 52

Hosted by: Town of Fishkill Point of Contact: Virgil Capollari @ 845-394-3115

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2022 Friday, November

@ 7:00 AM

Flag Display

Location: 799 Rte 82, Hopewell

Hosted by: American Legion Post

Point of Contact: Jim Reynolds @ 845-221-7273

2022 Friday, November 11, @ 8:00 AM

Poppy Distribution

Location: Stewarts Lake Walton Rd, and Flory's Route 82 Hopewell Jct,

Convenient Mart Route 52, Fishkill Hosted by: American Legion Post

Point of Contact: Jim Reynolds @ 845-221-7273

Hyde Park:

2022 Friday, November 11,

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony

Location: Hyde Park Town Hall &

Hyde Park War Memorial

Hosted by: American Legion Post #

Point of Contact: Michael Athanas @ 845-233-5999

Millbrook:

Friday, 2022 November 11,

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony

Location: Veterans Green

Hosted by: Millbrook VFW Post #

Point of Contact: Jeff Moseman @ (845) 505-4336

Millerton:

Friday, November 11, 2022

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony Location: Veterans Park, at the inter-

section of Main Street and Dutchess Ave

Hosted by: Millerton American Legion Post #178

Point of Contact: Sean M. Klay @ 518-929-3624

Friday, November 11, 2022

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony

Location: 9 North Main Street

Hosted by: American Legion Post 426 Point of Contact: George Keeler @

518-398-7391

Town of Poughkeepsie:

Friday, November 11, 2022 @ 11:00 AM

Ceremony & Laying of Wreath

Location: Dutchess County War Memorial, Raymond Ave & Main Street Hosted by: Dutchess County

Veterans' Services Point of Contact: Paige Walag @ 845-486-2060

Red Hook:

Friday, November 11, 2022

@ 7:00 PM Ceremony

Location: Red Hook Veterans Memorial Park, North Broadway, Red

Hosted by: Veterans of Foreign Wars

Point of Contact: William Moore @ 845-758-8175

Rhinebeck:

Friday, November 11,

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony Location: Rhinebeck Cemetery, cor-

ner of Route 9 South and Mill Road Hosted by: Women's Auxiliary &

Montgomery American Legion Post

Point of Contact: Dennis McGuire @ 845-656-1839

Village of Tivoli:

Friday, November 11,

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony Location: Legion Post #524, 88

Broadway, Tivoli Hosted by: Harris Smith American

Legion Post #524

Point of Contact: Fred Gruntler @ 518-537-4948

Town of Wappinger:

Friday, November 11, 2022 @ 1:00 PM

Ceremony

Location: Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls

Hosted by: Town of Wappinger

Recreation Department

Point of Contact: Jessica Fulton @ 845-297-3670

Village of Wappingers Falls:

November 11, Friday,

@ 11:00 AM

Ceremony Location: Major Joseph McDonald MIA/POW Park, East Main St.,

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Wappingers Falls Hosted by: American Legion Post #427 & VFW Post #5913

Point of Contact: Raymond C. Chase

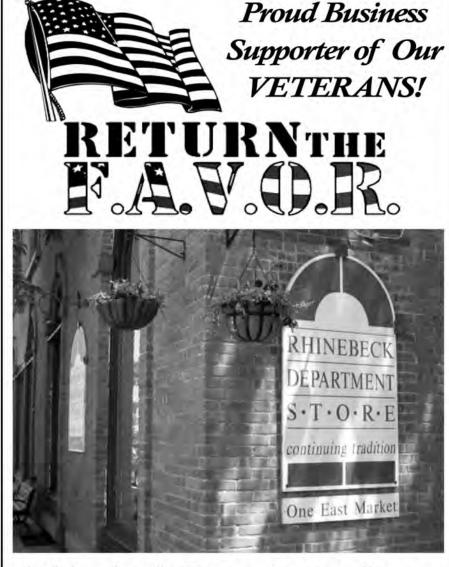
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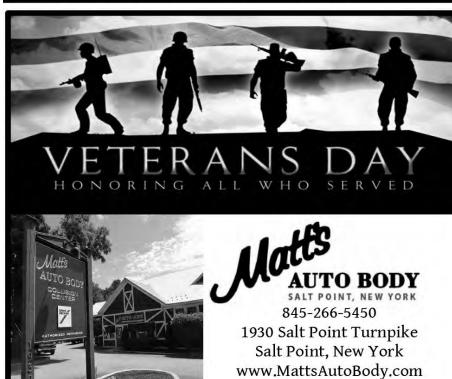
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Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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The heavy lines indicate areas, called cages, from one to five squares in size. Fill each cage with unique digits, counting up from 1. So for example a 2-square cage contains the numbers 1 and 2; and a 5-square cage contains the numbers from 1 to 5. Adjacent (touching) squares, even ones that touch diagonally, may never contain the same number.

ACROSS

- 1. Staircase parts
- 6. Branch
- 10. Lose one's footing
- 14. Dissect
- 15. Exchange fee
- 16. __ purpose; pointlessly
- 17. Game site
- 18. Secret Service agent
- 20. Hosp. employees
- 21. Opening
- 23. South American range
- 24. Actress Deborah
- 25. Shed feathers
- 27. Gratify
- 30. Poi source
- 31. Bakery purchase
- 34. Like meringue
- 35. Carrier
- 36. Crawling insect
- 37. "Get real!"
- 41. Last gueen of Spain
- 42. Upper crust
- 43. Regal address
- 44. Draft board: abbr.
- 45. City in the Silver State
- 46. Landlord
- 48. Prudent
- 49. Stop
- 50. Well-known
- 53. Scotch and
- 54. Caesar, for one
- 57. Math, English, etc.
- 60. Info on a book spine
- 62. Melody
- 63. __ vera
- 64. Brontë or Dickinson
- 65. Willow or birch
- 66. Information
- 67. Challenges

DOWN

- 1. Operation memento
- 2. Revolve

- Summers abroad
- 4. Play on words
- 5. Black suit
- 6. Toil
- 7. Composer Stravinsky
- 8. Prefix for wife or west
- 9. Altar __; acolyte
- 10. Feat
- 11. Washerful
- 12. On the subject of
- 13. Whale groups
- 19. In abundance
- 22. Unprocessed metal
- 24. Danny ___
- 25. Dull surface
- 26. Nabisco treat
- 27. Walks the floor
- 28. Wild felines
- 29. Bombeck and others
- 30. Role for Jay Silverheels
- 31. Capital city
- 32. Preamble, for short
- 33. Old anesthetic
- 35. Strong string
- 38. Ridicule
- 39. Hombre's cheers
- 40. Right-hand man: abbr.
- 46. Youth
- 47. On cloud nine
- 48. Piece of pie
- 49. Flexible tubes
- 50. Hurriedly
- 51. Acidity
- 52. Feature for
 - horses and lions
- 53. Flat-bottomed boat 54. Mix in a bowl
- 55. He: Lat.
- 56. Actress Susan & family
- 58. Gent
- 59. Suffix for text or project
- 61. " little teapot, short and stout..."

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Car Show sets fund-raising record for Locust Grove

The annual Locust Grove Car Show has grown from a minor event on the motoring calendar to one of the most important "don't miss" car shows of the season. The show has developed a significant following over the last 15 years. It celebrated its 16th anniversary this year.

The event is managed by the estate and by the Hudson Valley Antique Auto Enthusiasts, an organization dedicated solely this event and raising money to support this treasure of the Hudson Valley that is the Locust Grove Estate.

The team from the Hudson Valley Antique Auto Enthusiasts met with Locust Grove Executive Director Ken Snodgrass on Nov. 1 to present him with the proceeds of another great year. The club's chairman, Tom Weisman, handed over the check for \$14,000 and noted that it was a new record for the event. The previous high point had been a check for \$10,000 after the last event prior to COVID.

Snodgrass noted, "this doubles the fund we are putting together for restoration of

the Carriage House and for roof repairs. It helps a great deal."

Reflecting on the success of the 2022 show, event chairman Herb Lorenz noted that "this was far and away the best show we've ever done here. The number of entries, the variety of cars, and the quality of them was simply outstanding."

Hudson Valley Antique Auto Enthusiast's Chairman, Tom Weisman, promises an even bigger event for 2023.

"We are looking for more volunteers, as well as for more sponsors," he says. "Part of our success this year was due to the increase in sponsorship, and we will try hard to build on that next year. Another key to our success this year was our administrator, Heather Blume, who made sure that we stayed close with the advertisers for any follow-ups required."

Anyone wishing to help out next year or interested in becoming a sponsor should reach out to the organization's president, Mike Butler, via email. He can be reached at mbutler@itcnorth.com.



Locust Grove Executive Director Ken Snodgrass accepts the check from Hudson Valley Antique Auto Enthusiasts chairman Tom Weisman while much of the organizing team looks on. From left to right are Ken Snodgrass, Herb Lorenz, Patrick McDowell, Joe Doyle, Heather Blume, Rob Blume, Mike Butler, and Tom Weisman.

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Cary Institute to present talk on 'zoonotic diseases' Nov. 10

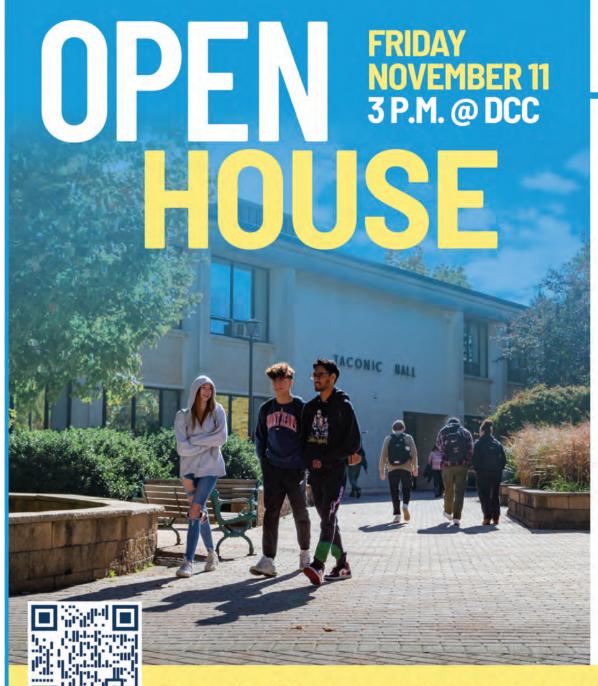
Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies will present a virtual science talk featuring Cary Institute disease ecologist Dr. Barbara Han in conversation with Cary President Dr. Joshua Ginsberg on November 10 at 7 p.m. Coronaviruses, Monkeypox, and Ebola are all examples of "zoonotic diseases" – those that spread

from wildlife and domesticated animals to people. Zoonotic pathogens claim millions of lives each year, and outbreaks are increasing in frequency.

What if we could forecast pathogen spillovers and diffuse them before they harm people, other animals, or ecosystems? This question is at the heart of Han's research program. Working at the intersection of ecology, computing, and global public health, she is developing new tools to predict and preempt zoonotic disease outbreaks.

Using machine learning, a form of artificial intelligence (AI), Han's models have revealed mammal species most like-

ly to harbor COVID-19 and cause spill-back transmission of harmful variants to people. She has also led research on global patterns of zoonotic disease in mammals, including Nipah and Ebola hotspots, bat species most likely to spread filoviruses, and rodent and carnivore species likely to serve as zoonotic disease reservoirs.



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