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Beacon Santas assist local families

By Kristine Coulter

Beacon Santas assisted local families this holiday season. Local licensed real estate salesperson Stephanie Dignan explained how Beacon Santas began.

“Beacon Santas came from some good old-fashioned heart-break, honestly. I was fresh out of a relationship, finally had some expendable income - the means to buy presents (give!), but no one to really get presents for, and, gosh, I don’t know... I just sort of thought about the irony of all the people who have the opposite problem, and how I likely wasn’t the only person in my position,” explained Dignan via email. “So much of getting anything done in life is by connecting people to one another. And this was no different.” Dignan noted that Beaconites, in her experience, say ‘yes.’

“People want to help; the key is to make helping accessible. People have so much goodness in their hearts,” said Dignan.

To participate, explained Dignan, all one had till earlier this week to join the Beacon Santas group on Facebook.

“All a “Santa” [had] to do is comment on a post if they’d like to be part of a team or adopt a family on their own. Once that happens, I connect the Santa to the recipient, and they take things from there,” said Dignan. Families in need of a Santa were able to write until December 20.

“This year we will top over 250 families adopted since we started in 2019. There have been hundreds of children whose Christmas mornings have been profoundly impacted by our Santas, and even more Santas who have shown up year after year to not only generously help, but enthusiastically participate,” said Dignan. “They’ve offered Christmas dinners, paid rents, met in person, stayed in touch. It is much more than presents. It’s humanity. It is the cleansing of shame inherent that we’re conditioned to feel when we need help, never mind muster the courage to ask for it,” said Dignan.

According to Dignan, “Beacon Santas relies on simple truths... that children are innocent, that every child deserves joy, and that the only answer to ‘I need help’ should be ‘We can help you.’”

‘This place will never leave me’ Molinaro tells residents in farewell

Reflecting on his 11-year tenure, Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro presented his farewell address to the community on Friday, Dec. 16. Entitled “We Made a Difference.” Molinaro addressed residents, County officials and local leaders gathered in the Legislative Chambers in the County Office Building in Poughkeepsie.

Molinaro, who took office on Jan. 1, 2012, will assume his new role as Member of Congress in the United States House of Representatives on Jan. 3, 2023.

Friday’s address not only highlighted the myriad accomplishments of Molinaro’s four terms in office – including, among many others, inception of the ThinkDIFFERENTLY initiative, creation of the Stabilization Center as the cornerstone of the County’s innovative mental-health services, sustained tax relief and vital services for children, families, seniors and veterans – but also thanked the more than 1,800 County employees for sharing his vision of dedicated service to Dutchess’ nearly 300,000 residents.

Molinaro said, “No problem we solved, no challenge met, no bridge built, no program developed was accomplished by one mind nor one set of hands. At all hours, every day, County Government employees work to make our community



Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro gives his farewell address entitled “We Made a Difference” on Friday, Dec. 16 in the Legislative Chambers in the County Office Building in Poughkeepsie.

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better, safer, and I’m grateful to all of you for your dedicated service.”

As prescribed in the Dutchess County Charter, County Executive Molinaro will tender his letter of resignation at 11:59

a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023, at which time current Deputy County Executive William F.X. O’Neil will be sworn in as

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Holiday activities are ‘all-inclusive’ at Anderson

By Curtis Schmidt

Including residents in activities is an integral part of care at the Anderson Center For Autism. And that is particularly true when the December holiday period rolls around.

This year’s inclusive holiday activities have ranged from trips to Radio City Music Hall performances in New York City and “The Nutcracker” at the Bardavon in Poughkeepsie to campus and community tree-lighting events to Polar Express Train Rides and baking gingerbread cookies, gifts with Santa and story times.

“We thank all Anderson team members, families, community members, and donors for making this holiday season extra special for the people we serve and truly optimizing the quality of life of individuals with autism, and their families,” said Eliza Bozenski, Chief Development Officer.

A statement at the Anderson Center website reads, “For decades, we’ve invited and encouraged individuals with autism to become more involved in ‘the community,’ which usually meant the neurotypical community. As Anderson helps communities become more Autism Supportive, and with diagnostic rates in the United States at 1 in 44 and rising,

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Right, residents at the Anderson Center for Autism enjoy a variety of holiday activities, including visiting with Santa.

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Celebrating the season at Castle Point

Troop K announces Toys for Tots results



The Hudson Valley Elks and members of the Castle Point, New Hamburg, Chelsea, Dutchess Junction and Glenham Fire departments along with the Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps. conducted a drive-thru for Santa Claus’s arrival at the VA Hudson Valley Health Care Castle Point campus recently. There was caroling for veterans residing at Castle Point VA and facility staff.

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New York State Police in Troop K joined forces with the United States Marine Corps to collect donated children’s toys as part of the national Toys for Tots program this holiday season. Troop K reported that community members and local businesses contributed 594 gifts to local children. All 18 Troop K stations located in Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess and Columbia counties participated in the initiative.

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Additional evidence leads to more charges

in Courtyard Marriott homicide case

Dutchess County District Attorney William V. Grady announced last week that Roy A. Johnson was arraigned before County Court Judge Edward T. McLoughlin on a Superseding Indictment containing additional charges in connection with the homicide at the Courtyard Marriott on Oct. 2, 2022.

Johnson has been charged with the following additional counts: Attempted

Murder in the Second Degree for attempting to cause the death of a hotel employee in the lobby area of the hotel; two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon; and an additional count of Murder in the Second Degree relating to the death of Paul Kutz.

According to Grady, “This superseding indictment is a product of additional evidence that was developed subsequent to

the initial Grand Jury presentation into the tragedy that occurred at the Courtyard Marriott on Oct. 2, 2022.”

Judge McLoughlin continued the remand of the defendant without bail and the case was adjourned to Jan. 20 for further proceedings.

Johnson faces 50 years to life in prison if convicted on the charges contained in the indictment.

The case is being prosecuted by Bureau Chief Kristine Whelan, and Deputy Bureau Chief Angela LoPane under the supervision of Chief Assistant District Attorney Matthew Weishaupt.

It should be noted that an indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant’s guilt.

PSC releases findings from Central Hudson investigation

ALBANY – Following an investigation requested by State Sen. Michelle Hinchey, then-Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan, and Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, the New York Public Service Commission (PSC) recently released its report affirming that Central Hudson demanded unjust and unreasonable charges from thousands of customers, failed to provide adequate and timely billing service and operated an estimated billing system in conflict with Public

Service Law and Commission orders, among other findings.

Hinchey said, “After months of investigation, today, the PSC rightfully found Central Hudson guilty of numerous violations that have directly caused economic harm to its customers. I’m proud that my office, along with Rep. Pat Ryan, Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, and our partners at PULP, have kept the pressure on to ensure an accurate investigation in support of ratepayers.

“In their findings, the PSC found that Central Hudson’s estimated billing practices are in breach of the state’s standards for customer quality and service, and I’m incredibly pleased that my bill to ban estimated billing and require monthly, accurate meter readings has officially been adopted as one of the formal recommendations moving forward. If there is anything this investigation has made clear, it’s that customers across the Hudson Valley

deserve better and that passing my bill to protect customers into law has never been more important. It’s about time Central Hudson’s customers receive justice and answers for the hardships they’ve endured, and I’ll continue to fight to hold the company accountable for its negligent actions.”

At the start of the 2023 state legislative session, Hinchey will be reintroducing her bill (S9469) to ban estimated billing and prioritizing it for early passage.

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Anderson recognizes that today, everyone is part of the ‘autism community.’ We are neighbors, friends, family members, coworkers, professionals, and business owners.”

Here is a look at this year’s events and how staff members include and care for residents.

- Radio City Christmas Show (New York City): Students and staff enjoyed a trip to the city to attend the Radio City Christmas Spectacular Show and lunch. Students with autism may become over-stimulated in nosy environments, so staff members provide students with opportunities to wear special noise-cancelling headphones to reduce overwhelming sounds. Students with autism may also struggle with what to expect in a new environment, so staff members utilize proactive strategies like social stories that outline what to expect in specific situations.

- Campus Tree Lighting: The campus has a large pine tree that the staff and students decorate in December. Staff members work with the students to create ornaments to decorate the tree. They also read stories about all the different holidays celebrated during this time.

- Santa Photos and Delivering of Presents: Santa and his elves go to each residence to deliver gifts to all students on campus. Santa and the elves are trained on how to communicate with each student. Some modes of communication include iPads, sign language and picture icons.

- Baking Gingerbread Cookies: Baking is such a fun winter activity! At Anderson, they utilize visual supports, like task analyses, to assist with baking activities. Task analyses can be visual and/or written supports that break down



Several students from the Anderson Center for Autism took part in a trip to the Radio City Music Show in New York City.

-Courtesy photo

steps to completing an activity.

- ‘Nutcracker’ at the Bardavon: The staff and students attended “The Nutcracker” by New Paltz Ballet Theatre. This event was produced in collaboration with Dutchess County Tourism, ThinkDifferently Dutchess County and The Bardavon, New Paltz Ballet Theatre. The event was specifically designed as a sensory sensitive performance.

- Frosty Fest in Ulster Park and Christmas Lights in Lagrangeville: These are wonderful opportunities for students to enjoy winter decorations from the comfort of a vehicle. Staff and students often stop for treats before or after the events.

- Polar Express Train Rides in

Kingston: Staff and students prepare for this event with social stories of what to expect during the train rides. They often watch the Polar Express movie beforehand. Students who may become over-stimulated with noises are also encouraged to use noise cancelling headphones.

Social stories are presented for events that may be new to resident to determine interests. Staff members utilized stories for Disney and World of Dance as some of the adults are non-verbal and these were events we had not attended previously.

When they plan the NYC trips, they do talk to the adults about the expectations of travel and work on preparing them for waiting and calming techniques.

Molinaro offer farewell to residents

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Acting County Executive to serve out the remainder of the term, which runs through Dec. 31, 2023.

“Bill’s decades of experience and passion for this community will serve him well. I know in the coming year, Bill will continue our work and leave a lasting legacy of his own,” said Molinaro, who will represent New York’s 19th Congressional District. “As we begin a new year, I assume a new role, one with new challenges and ripe with opportunities, but please know I take you – all of you – and the lessons we’ve learned together with me. Though I leave this place, this place will never leave me.”

He added, “Dutchess County is a special place. Having traveled extensively throughout New York, I know this firsthand. For my entire adult life, I’ve had the honor of representing and serving the people of this great county – first as a village trustee, mayor and county legislator, then State Assemblyman, and for the last 11 years, this entire community as your County Executive. We’ve laughed together, cried together. We’ve triumphed in one another’s joys and mourned each other’s sorrows. We have learned, grown, innovated, and thrived together.

“We have repeatedly reached across the aisle, across the state, and across the nation to improve the life of our community and the lives of those who call it home. Make no mistake: Our collaborative approach has made an immeasurable impact on the lives of countless County residents — it has literally saved lives and rebuilt communities – and as I leave this office, I trust that sense of cooperation and understanding will long prevail.”

Molinaro closed, saying, “I thank you all for the opportunity of a lifetime: the chance to serve you, the responsibility to lead, and the opportunity to learn. I hope it might be said of our time together that we didn’t serve to make a point; we served to make a difference. And in that, my friends, we did it. We made a difference.”

Winter break program for children offered at Stony Kill

By Kristine Coulter

During their winter break from school, parents can sign up their children, ages 6-12, for a winter program at Stony Kill Environmental Education Center. The program will be held from December 27-30 at Stony Kill, Farmstead Lane, near the border of the towns of Fishkill and Wappinger.

“The programs are geared to ages 6 - 12 with most running primarily outdoors

with some indoor time to allow kids to warm up. This program is a drop off program,” remarked Stacey Lynch Adnams, program coordinator for the Stony Kill Foundation (SKF).

As for what can attendees take part in if they are enrolled.

Adnams replied, “We’ll be offering programs that include playing outdoor nature games, caring and feeding our livestock, making mozzarella cheese, birding basics,

and outdoor cooking on a campfire. Programs are taught by SKF educators.”

She explained, “We ran a winter break youth program last year and had a wonderful group of attendees that enjoyed the programs offered. We saw both new and familiar faces and join us last year and we are hoping for the same this year. We hope the program offers parents opportunities to get their kids outside the week after

Christmas and enjoy some activities at the farm.”

The programs are \$25 per child per program with siblings \$10 per program, stated Adnams. Parents can sign their child up for one or all the programs, she noted. Registration is required and can be found on the Stony Kill website at <https://stonykill.org/education-and-workshops/youth>.

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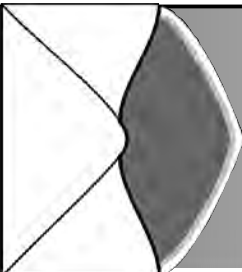
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Letter writer has a couple of
comments on 2023 DC Budget

To the Editor:
Regarding the December 14 article "DC Legislature adds amendments, approves 2023 county budget" about the passing of budget items.
Comment 1 is on the stadium: If taxpayer funds (\$25 million) are going to improvements to create a facility that will house multiple events, that's great.
But the solution here for taxpayers to get funds back would be to add a 30% increase to all tickets sold for all events, until \$25 million is recouped for all taxpayers. Plus, the stadium will now have multiple venues - so the county should get a percentage of the total gate of all things sold, merchandise, food, parking, tickets etc. - seeing we are now fiscal partners and land owners on which the stadium stands. Plus, because of the increase of events, there will be higher utility costs, and third-party vendors, all of which, should pay a franchise fee back to the DC budget, for the right to operate and make more money.
All these revenue streams could pay back the \$25 million. In fact, this should be the process for all public/private funding.
Why our leaders can't think of that is beyond me.
Comment 2 in on bus shelters. No way in the world should a bus shelter cost \$60,000. A new tech and green budget shelter with generated electricity from solar panels on its roof, (should) cost anywhere from \$14,000 to \$20,000 - where's the extra \$40,000 going to?

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Club makes 7th annual donation to
VA Women's Veterans Program



Members of the Dutchess County Chapter of the International Renegade Pigs Motorcycle Club, along with the Lewis Tompkins Hose Fire Co., recently donated 30 \$25 gift cards to the Women's Veterans Program for VA Hudson Valley Health Care System at the Castle Point campus.
The VA Women's Veterans Program serves women of all ages, ranks and levels of authority in every branch of service who have served in the military. Women have served in the military since the Revolutionary War and served have made significant contributions.
For more about how to claim benefits or learn more about the program, visit <http://www.benefits.va.gov/PERSONA/veteran-women.asp>.
Pictured are members of the Dutchess County Chapter of the International Renegade Pigs Motorcycle Club, from left, Mark Thomas, Gary Simmonds and Bob Simmonds. Nikki Embry, from Voluntary Service, was present on behalf of the Women's Veterans Program for VA Hudson Valley Health Care System at the Castle Point campus.

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St. Rocco's 2023
Executive Board sworn in



The 2023 Executive Board for St. Rocco's in Beacon was recently sworn in. Past President Jim DeRose swore in St. Rocco's 2023 Executive Board. Pictured, from left, Lounge Trustee Bill Hustis Jr., President John Mesnick III, Financial Secretary Perry Pendleton, House Trustee Ron McKeon, Treasurer Rich Wetzel, Sergeant of Arms Dominick Maida, Kitchen Trustee Sam Matesic, Corresponding Secretary Mike Sanfilippo, and Vice President Jim Farmer.

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Dr. Raymond M. Houston
new VP of instruction at DCC

Dutchess Community College has named Raymond M. Houston, Ed.D.C.T. vice president for instruction and learning. He will begin his new role on Jan. 17.
In his new role, Dr. Houston will oversee curricula and instruction matters, faculty, personnel and manage the College's academic budget. The vice president will work to improve the efficiency of academic program delivery and ensure sound integration of academic and administrative resources. Dr. Houston will provide the necessary academic leadership to achieve the highest standards of teaching, learning, scholarship and student success at each of the College's locations.
Dr. Houston comes to DCC from Westchester Community College (WCC) in Valhalla, NY, where he served as the Dean of the School of Mathematics, Science and Engineering (SMSE). Dr. Houston began working at WCC in 2010. Prior to transitioning into his role as SMSE Dean in 2018, he served as Adjunct Coordinator, Assistant Department Chair and Department Co-Chair.
Houston's previous experience includes



Dr. Raymond M. Houston
-Courtesy photo
serving as Coordinator for Developmental Mathematics at Robert Morris University in Moon Township, PA, and as Coordinator of Mathematics and Science Tutoring at Point Park University in Pittsburgh, PA.

Open House Holiday Party at Van Wyck Homestead Museum set December 28



Join in the merriment of an evening of friends, food, music, and activities for kids at the historic Van Wyck Homestead Museum - which served as Officers Headquarters during the Revolutionary War, on Dec. 28 at 6:30 p.m. Cara Schuman will play beautiful music reminiscent of what was played at the homestead over 200 years ago. Cara will also lead anyone who is interested in a little sampling of a simple country dance popular in the late 1700s. Musician Steve Kelman will play contemporary music on his guitar and mandolin.

For the child in all of us, one will hear the annual reading of the classic poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" . . . or more commonly referred to as: " 'Twas the Night Before Christmas." There is ongoing controversy over the authorship of this classic poem. It is likely to have been written by Major Henry Livingston Jr. right here in Dutchess County rather than Clement C. Moore who the poem's provenance has always been credited. There will also be games and crafts for children.

The holiday cheer continues in the original colonial kitchen - built in 1732 - with mulled cider, snacks and sweets while sitting by the warmth of the fireplace - still in use 290 years later! There's no admission fee - but donations to help maintain the historic Van Wyck Homestead Museum are greatly appreciated!

The museum is at 504 Route 9 in Fishkill, just south of the I-84 overpass. The driveway entrance is off Snook Road.

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AL Post 427 honors Cindy Latino



The American Legion Post 427 of Wappingers Falls has awarded a Certificate of Appreciation to Cindy Latino (center) for her work to obtain a \$15,000 grant for the Post. Latino worked with First Vice Commander John Karge, Second Vice Commander Frank Steinbuch and Commander Raymond Chase. The grant will be used to help upgrade the Post building to accommodate handicapped individuals and other renovations.

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Public hearing continues on proposed event space, hotel on Wolcott Ave.

By Kristine Coulter

The Beacon Planning Board continued hearing from the public regarding a proposed hotel and event space at 1113 Wolcott Ave., which was the old Reformed Church of Beacon.

"We were last before you on Nov. 9," said Taylor Palmer, with Cuddy and Feder, the attorney representing the applicant.

Since the last meeting, Palmer said, they submitted responses to the public and refined the management plan. Included, he said, was several new parking reports, revised traffic management plans. According to Palmer, the reports confirm there is sufficient parking available in the Tompkins lot, Municipal lot and Beacon lot to anticipate the parking demands. Also included was the historic preservation restoration efforts in the abandoned cemetery, which they reached out to Beacon Historical Society to find appropriate measures, stated Palmer.

Members of the public who spoke were concerned about traffic, privacy and noise levels.

Main Street is important to the city and so too must the site be in context of its best remaining linkage to the Metro-North train station, one resident said. Another member of the public stated there is lack of consideration for the community regarding the plan.

One member of the public commented he is in support of the project and sees it can be positive for the culture of Beacon.

Another commented she does not support the project because it would bring more people, more problems, and more traffic.

Palmer said, "We hear the concerns. We're going to address the noise."

Gavin Hecker, one of the applicants, said what is being tried is to accomplish something that "all of Beacon can be proud of."

The topic was adjourned to January 10.

Town of Poughkeepsie seniors gather for holiday luncheon



Above, Town of Poughkeepsie Recreation Director Janet McHugh, second from left, and Poughkeepsie Town Supervisor Jon Jay Baisley, third from left, with some of the attendees at the recent Club Classic Senior Holiday Luncheon in East Fishkill. Right, Musicians Bill Tamburrino, left, and Wayne Targove perform during the luncheon on December 14.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter

By Kristine Coulter

Members of the Club Classic Senior Center in the town of Poughkeepsie gathered to celebrate the holidays recently. The group held its annual Holiday Luncheon at Mill Creek Caterers in East Fishkill on December 14. The three-hour event allowed seniors the time to catch up with old friends and to make new ones.

Antoinette Vianello is a new member of the Club Classic center.

She said she joined the club "to have more things to do. For the friendships and get-togethers."

Vianello said of the holiday party, "So far it looks wonderful. It's my first time here at Mill Creek. I think I'm going to enjoy it."

Ruta Ronis said about the event, "Everyone is smiling and happy." Ronis, who writes about the senior center for the Town of Poughkeepsie Recreation column that is published in the Southern Dutchess News, said, "It's nice. We do a lot of things in the Center. It's nice to do something out and festive."

Janet McHugh, who is the recreation director for the town of Poughkeepsie, said this year it was decided to "switch it up" and have the luncheon at a separate location from the Center.

"They're really excited," McHugh said about the attendees. "It's so nice to have a change of pace, a change of scenery." McHugh noted that the staff at Mill Creek

Caterers was very accommodating with the planning for the luncheon.

Cissy Cantinieri said she has attended the Center for a long time.

"It's good to get together with everybody I don't see during the week," she said.

Music was performed by local residents and performers Wayne Targove and Bill Tamburrino, both are from the northern part of Dutchess County. They played Christmas carols.

"We love it. It's fun," Tamburrino said about playing at the luncheon. "The people are great."

Poughkeepsie Town Supervisor Jon Jay Baisley stopped by the luncheon. He said the luncheon is a good way for seniors to socialize.

"It's a different atmosphere with different people," said Baisley. Some of the attendees go to the Club Classic Center on different days, so this was a way for them to meet new people, he remarked.

"We're bringing something different," said Baisley about holding the event at the Mill Creek Caterers location.

The luncheon "perks" the seniors up for the holiday season he said. "Some might not be traveling for the holidays still because of COVID or being cautious about their health."

The room was decorated with snowmen, ornaments, and flowers. There was a cake wishing attendees Happy Holidays.

NOTICE OF EARLY DEADLINES

Due to a holiday press schedule, the Dec. 28 and Jan. 4 issues will have early deadlines.

The editorial deadline for the Dec. 28, 2022 paper is Thursday, Dec. 22, at noon. The ad deadline is Thursday, Dec. 22, at 5 p.m.

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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.

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18. Fight site
19. Orient
20. Is amazed
22. Changed slightly
24. Indisposed
25. Braid
26. Open
29. Loony
30. Fruit salad ingredient
34. Word with johns or shoremen
35. Lung contents
36. Read carefully
37. Nice affirmative
38. Throw here and there
40. Heat in the microwave
41. Property of the deceased
43. Court divider
44. Old Roman garb
45. Word with case or way
46. __ soup
47. Group of contest judges
48. Take place anew
50. Feel rotten
51. Cinderella's dropped item
54. Baltic Sea republic
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8. Reagan, for one
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10. Like a better peach
11. Lacerate
12. Scottish tongue
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21. Antlered animal
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25. Mate
26. Sheets of ice
27. Stir
28. Ms. Bryant
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32. Oklahoma Indian
33. Himalayan nation
35. Part of every suit
36. Domesticated animal
38. __ throat
39. Social event
42. JFK, for one
44. Like an eagle
46. Made a feline sound
47. Abyss
49. Discontinue
50. Beasts of burden
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Mount professor discusses aging and the holidays

‘Tis the season to be jolly, but Christmas can also be a difficult time for aging family members, said Mount Saint Mary College psychology professor Lawrence Force.

“Holidays are a time of tradition, family, and reflection, and there’s a lot of value and strength in that,” explained Force, a gerontologist and director of the Mount’s Center on Aging and Disability Policy.

Reminiscing about Christmases past “can have a positive outcome, but it can also churn up some negative feelings,” he added.

The paradigm holds true for people of all backgrounds, but Force points out that the older one gets, the greater the chance for the loss of a spouse or other loved one during the course of the year, which can influence the holidays. Families could also experience other changes in dynamics, including marriage or divorce.

Thinking about unpleasant or stressful life changes can cast a dark shadow over what was once an enjoyable holiday, especially in the twilight of the COVID-19 pandemic. For most of us, life has returned to normal. But for immunocompromised individuals – often including the aging population – the risk of becoming ill remains a threat.

Force suggests that there might also be another reason for feeling down during the holidays – Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), in which an individual who otherwise has normal mental health can experience symptoms of depression based on the time of year. One possibility is that SAD is related to a lack of the biochemical serotonin, which is thought to be a contributor to feelings of well-being and happiness.

Because sunlight stimulates the production of serotonin in one’s body, winter’s shorter days might be partly to blame for changes in mood.

According to Force, a therapy lamp – which emulates natural light – might help push away the holiday blues. Daytime walks might also help seniors to feel better. Force also suggests drinking more water and getting more exercise.

Force has worked in the field of aging and disabilities for decades as an administrator, clinician, and educator. He has authored and collaborated on books, articles, and technical reports that address topics of aging policy, Alzheimer’s disease, family caregiving, and end-of-life care.

For more information, visit www.msmc.edu.



Lawrence Force, Mount Saint Mary College Psychology professor and director of the Mount’s Center on Aging and Disability Policy. -Courtesy photo by Lee Ferris

Four BCSD students receive Firemen’s Christmas Stockings



For the 42nd year in a row, four students in the Beacon City School District were presented with the annual Firemen’s Christmas Stockings. This year’s winners, one from each of the four elementary schools in the district, each received a five-foot stocking filled with gifts including a smoke detector. The annual event is sponsored by the volunteer firefighters of Lewis Tompkins Hose Fire Co., Beacon Engine Co., Mase Hook & Ladder Co., Dutchess Junction Fire Co. and Slater Chemical Fire Co.

This year’s winners, from left, were Lilah Larkin of Glenham Elementary, Madyson Mericle of South Ave. Elementary, Eric Conklin of Forrestal Elementary and Tabitha Biracree of Sargent Elementary. Posing with the children are Lewis Tompkins Hose members Dave Simmonds and Bob Simmonds.

Firefighters and organizers offer their sincere thanks to Peg Badami who has made the stockings for this event for the last couple of years.

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DANCE JAM DECEMBER 29

Get On Down at the Towne Crier Dance Jam on December 29 at 7 p.m., at 379 Main Street, Beacon. Song requests are welcome. Fine dining, snacks, desserts and full bar are available before and during the dance. Attire is whatever suits one’s mood – from blue jeans to dazzling sparkles. These dances are informal and even if one comes alone, one can always find a friendly partner on the dance floor. All are welcome – singles, couples, friends, newcomers. Admission is \$10.

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Beacon Sloop Club to hold FUNdraisingFriday

FUNdraising Friday at Newburgh Brewery for the Beacon Sloop Club on Dec. 23 from 4 -10 p.m. Attendees can have a beer and something to eat.

Raffle items & auction items. Invite friends and celebrate at The Newburgh Brewery, 88 S. Colden St., Newburgh, Orange County.

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Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley awards \$130,000 to local nonprofits

The Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley (CFHV) announced its Community Grants program has awarded over \$130,000 to nonprofits in Dutchess, Putnam and Ulster counties. The program invests in local nonprofits with general operating, program and capacity building support.

The Community Grants are flexible funds that enable us to respond to emerging and longstanding community needs,” said Sally Cross, President and CEO. “Funded by support from generous donors, this program has supported literally hundreds of nonprofits since its founding. This is a great example of how, by pooling donations large and small, we can have a lasting impact together. We are grateful for the many gifts that have created these funds as a permanent resource for our community.”

“We are excited to have such a diverse, creative and resourceful cohort of nonprofit partners receiving funds this year,” said Cristin McPeake, Vice President of Programs. “The needs of food access, mental health supports and programming for youth continue to increase, but the work and solutions our nonprofit partners provide keeps us inspired and motivated to keep growing our Community Grants program.”

Among the recipients of the 2022 CFHV Community Grants is Finish Strong Wellness Center in Poughkeepsie. When asked how receiving a grant from CFHV will affect their organization, Dennis Woodbine, Executive Director said; “Funds from the Community Foundations 2023 General Operating Support grant will allow Finish Strong to retain a contract accountant that will manage revenue, expenses and

cash flow. The accountant will be generating quarterly reports, including a balance sheet and income statement, filing all tax documents, and assisting with financial planning for 2024. Retaining an accountant will take Finish Strong to the next level of success by safeguarding sustainability, improving service quality, and ensuring transparency and accountability.” Another recipient was the Center for Creative Education in Kingston. Executive Director, Bryant “Drew” Andrews, had this to say; “I really can’t overstate the impact that a Community Foundation grant has on our programs. Supporting the vision of a better world starts with love and support, education, creativity and socialization of our children and their families.”

The Community Foundations’ staff, advisory committees and board of trustees are pleased to award Community Grants to the following organizations:

Grants in Dutchess

Abilities First, Inc., Arts Mid-Hudson, Common Ground Farm, Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County, Inc., Dutchess County Pride Center, Dutchess Outreach, Fareground Community Kitchen, Inc., Finish Strong Wellness Center, Howland Chamber Music Circle, Hudson Valley ReEntry Network, Mediation Center of Dutchess County, Inc., Mid Hudson Aquatics Inc, Mid-Hudson Children’s Museum, Inc., People USA, Ramapo for Children, RDC Loaves and Fishes Inc./ Center of Compassion, Rebuilding Together Dutchess County, Unshattered, Wassaic Project, YIT FOUNDATION

More grants were given to organizations in Ulster and Putnam counties.



Pictured are Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley Dutchess grant recipients.

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Film screening Dec. 29 in Beacon



A screening for the dance film “Remembering Pina” by Susan Osberg, with a new music score composed by J. Brooks Marcus, will be held on December 29 at 7 p.m. at the Beacon Music Factory in Beacon. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion. Donations will be accepted.

Seating is limited, RSVP to susanosberg@mac.com “Pina” on subject line. The event will be catered by Marika Blossfeldt. Masks are suggested but not required.

The film, “Remembering Pina” evokes the memories of performances of the late German choreographer Pina Bausch. In this experimental documentary, the dancers recall movement and stories from their memories of seeing Pina Bausch’s work annually at BAM in Brooklyn. Remembering Pina was filmed at Ballet Arts Studio by Tom Moore.

Work with Dancers Company showing of J Brooks Marcus’ music score (in-progress) for “Remembering Pina,” is made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature.

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Mount hosts annual Vespers service tradition



The Mount Saint Mary College community attended the annual Christmas Vespers service of lessons and carols on Sunday, December 4, in Newburgh, Orange County.
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For the Mount Saint Mary College community, the annual Christmas Vespers service of lessons and carols, which were held on Sunday, December 4, signals the joyous beginning of the holiday season. This is the first time that college has been able to resume the tradition since it was put on hiatus in 2020 and 2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The first Vespers at the Mount took place in 1974. The annual service features lessons and carols like “Angels We Have Heard on High.” Towards the end of the service, the audience joined in singing “Silent Night,” during which the lights are dimmed, and the chapel is illuminated with candles. The event was livestreamed by Knight Productions and the students of Merle Becker, instructor of Digital Media Production at the Mount. The performance can be viewed in full here: www.msmc.edu/vespers2022

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Obituaries

Beverly J. Dworkin



BEACON - Beverly J. Dworkin, a lifelong Beacon resident passed away on December 12, 2022 at the Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie; at the age of 90. Beverly was born on June 19, 1932 in Beacon, daughter of the late William & Edith (Tomlins) Fleming. On December 9, 1950 in Beacon, NY, she married Daniel Dworkin, who predeceased her on August 31, 1998 after 48 years of marriage. Beverly was a homemaker most of her life, she did work at the Kartiganers Hat Shop in Beacon which she enjoyed. She loved gardening, crocheting, crafting and helping those in need. Beverly is survived by her son, Keith Dworkin and her three daughters Toni Taylor, Lisa

Beahan and Debra Brush; she was predeceased by one son Jeffrey Dworkin. She is survived by 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Along with her husband and son, Beverly was predeceased by her five brothers: Harold Fleming, Ralph Fleming, Robert Fleming, Howard Fleming, and a baby-Ralph Fleming. Also her six sisters: May Way, Marie Niver, Clara Hundley Mazzuca, Helen Powells, Lillian DeCaro Dahlia and a Baby-Dolores Fleming. A Private Family Viewing was on Sunday, December 18th at the LIBBY FUNERAL HOME, 55 Teller Avenue, Beacon. The Family gathered for a Cryptside Service on Monday, December 19 at the Fishkill Rural Cemetery Mausoleum, Fishkill, NY. To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.LibbyFuneralHome.com.

Lawrence J. Marchese



FISHKILL - Lawrence J. Marchese “Larry the Legend” a resident of Fishkill, NY, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on December 13, 2022. He was 81 years old. Larry was born in the Bronx, NY on November 28, 1941, the son of the late Louis and Rhoda (Uhlings) Marchese. After high school, Larry started out as a Mechanic until 1995 when he opened Marchese Chevrolet in Fort Montgomery, NY. He continued to own and operate the car dealership until his death. He was an avid boater, known to many as the “King of the River,” he enjoyed jet skiing, golfing, skiing and riding his motorcycle, he was the Master Chef of the family and enjoyed Sunday dinners with his family and friends. Larry is survived by the love of his life, his wife Leslie; his children, Lisa Marchese, Bryan Marchese, and Kristen Walsh and her husband Bryan; grandchildren, Shane Siezmore and Ari Rose Marchese and a grandson on the way; great-granddaughter, Riley Siezmore; his brother, Louis Marchese and his wife Janet; his sister Martha Ruffino; his sister-in-law, Suzanne Crew and her husband Cory; his brother-in-law, Philip Puleo; and several nieces and nephews. Larry was predeceased by his daughter, Laura Marchese; and his brother-in-law, Frank Ruffino. Calling hours were held on Saturday, December 17, 2022, at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill Inc., 1089 Main Street, Fishkill, NY with a service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Larry’s name to either St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 (www.stjude.org) or Disabled American Veterans, Castle Point Chapter #144, 41 Castle Point Rd., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 (www.dav.org). Please visit www.mchoulfuneralhome.com for online condolences and Larry’s Book of Memories.

Robert (Poppy) Alan Adams



FORMERLY OF POUGHKEEPSIE - Robert (Poppy) Alan Adams, 73, of Ocala, FL, died suddenly on Wednesday, December 7th in Marion County, FL. Robert was born on May 12, 1949 in Plainfield, NH to the late George Adams and Ruth “Nanna” Alexander. Robert is survived by his wife, Ann Linda Adams, of Ocala, FL; his Step Mother, Dorothy “Dotty” Adams, his siblings: Bruce, Chuck, Stewart, and Doug Adams, Steve and Wendy Alexander, his five children and their spouses: Bethany and Mike Davis, Jessica and Scott Prichard, Jason and Brigitte Adams, Kristy and Philip Morse, Michelle and Joe Califano; his 11 grandchildren: Jordan, Gabrielle, Johnny, Kenzie, Scott, Nate, Matty, Elle, Shelby, Joey, and Sophia; his step children and their families: John, Billy, Heather; his best friend and companion dog, Katie; and many other family and friends. Robert enlisted in the United States Army, serving in the Vietnam War. Following his marriage to the late Susan Lee Ford in New Hampshire; Robert settled in Poughkeepsie, NY with his children where he explored many entrepreneurial opportunities. Robert was a business owner, artist, chef, kitchen designer, and inventor. In the latter part of his life, Robert became a very proud Grandfather, and thus, our Poppy. He enjoyed fixing, collecting, creating; but most of all spending time with his loved ones. Robert was a proud and active member of the Rolling Greens Community Church, located near his home in Florida where he spent many of his final years enjoying retirement and the sun with his loving wife, Linda. He loved adventure, spontaneity, road trips to Maine or Lake Champlaigne; lobster and clams; golf cart rides and walks with his best friend Katie; chatting with old and new friends; helping anyone that crossed his path; coming up with new ideas and inventions or teaching his grandchildren to “always keep your eye on the ball”. He will be remembered for his acceptance, kindness, heroism, and unconditional love. The family welcomes friends and loved ones to join them for a Celebration of his Life on Thursday, December 29th at The Grandview, located in Poughkeepsie, NY from 6-8pm with a brief eulogy immediately following. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you stop and take a moment to dance, travel, hug your loved ones; and especially, help someone in need or pay it forward. If Poppy has taught us anything, it’s that love and kindness will prevail; and you must always dance.

Cheryl G. Rosen-Christmas

POUGHKEEPSIE - Cheryl G. Rosen-Christmas, 79, of Poughkeepsie, NY passed away on Monday, December 12, 2022 Born on July 30, 1943 in Brooklyn, NY, she was the daughter of Louis and Shirley Weinberg. Cheryl had been a local resident for 51 years. She had worked in sales for Raymour & Flanigan until her retirement. Cheryl was married to Edward Rosen and then to Carlton C. Christmas, both who predeceased her. Cheryl is survived by her children; daughter Candy Reed (Gene) of Poughkeepsie, NY, daughter Holly Rosen of Wappingers Falls, NY and her daughter Jessica Decker (Joeseeph) of Hurley, NY, Grandchildren Melissa Henderson, Joshua Reed, Sean Decker, and Travis Decker and her great-grandson Conner Jacob Henderson. Cheryl loved her family, children, grandchildren and enjoyed spending time with them. She was an avid garage saler and self-proclaimed “garage sales queen.” She spent much of her retirement traveling with friends and trips around the world. Service will be held at a later date.

Mount Nursing students serve community with Nuvance hospital

Mount Saint Mary College Nursing students collaborated with Nuvance Health hospital system recently on a community wellness project. Students from the Mount’s Adult Health II course provided the community with free and easily accessible health screenings for diabetes, blood pressure, and high cholesterol. They also administered influenza and other vaccinations. In attendance were also Nursing students from Dutchess County Community College (DCCC). Almost 100 community members received free screenings. “This was an excellent opportunity for the Nursing students to provide care to the community while utilizing their nursing skills,” said Lynette DeBellis, instructor of Nursing and Chair of the School of Nursing. She added, “The health fair helped the community reach many uninsured or underinsured individuals who otherwise would not have had health care.” This isn’t the first time the Mount has collaborated with Nuvance: Two years ago, the college partnered with Nuvance to supply COVID-19 vaccines to the frontline workers in Nuvance hospitals. For more information, visit www.msmc.edu.



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Applications being accepted for 2023 DC Poet Laureate

Arts Mid-Hudson has announced applications are now being accepted from individuals interested in serving as Dutchess County's 2023 Poet Laureate. Dutchess County Executive Marcus Molinaro established the Dutchess County Poet Laureate post in 2016 to honor local outstanding poets, integrate poetry into the community, enrich the education of our young people, and enhance the County's position as a cultural center in the Mid-Hudson region.

Nominations for this position may come from individuals or organizations within or outside Dutchess County and poets may self-nominate.

The Dutchess County Poet Laureate will shape the position in their own way, duties typically include public activities with schools, community groups, and the press during the year and contact with writers and readers by mail, email and/or through a website. They will also present their poetry at the State of the County Address, typically held in the first quarter of the year, as well as other appropriate public events, such as National Poetry Month in April. The Dutchess County Poet Laureate will be an advocate of poetry in the community, including, but not limited to, bringing poetry to school children, projects or programs that promote the appreciation of poetry, or poetry workshops with underserved populations in the community. This is an unpaid, honorary position.

The title of Poet Laureate is a time-honored tradition. In 1668, England officially established the post as a royal office. Beginning in the 19th century local Poet Laureates were recognized in their communities and in 1937 the United States created the position of a National Poet Laureate, which has been held by Rita Dove, Philip Levine, Natasha Trethewey and Charles Wright to name just a few. Since that time, individual states and then counties have begun to nominate Poet Laureates.

Nominations for 2023 Dutchess County's Poet Laureate must be submitted by January 20, 2023. Criteria and review process can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/2023dcpoetlaureate>.

For history of past Dutchess County Poet Laureates: www.artsmidhudson.org/dc-poetlaureate.

GAYLE SHEEDY, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF JENNIFER SHEEDY; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF JENNIFER SHEEDY, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,

Defendants.

To the above named Defendants

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$117,550.00 and interest, recorded on February 28, 2000, in Document Number 01 2000 1967, of the Public Records of Dutchess County, New York., covering premises known as 3 IDLEWILD DRIVE, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12601.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: December 7, 2022

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
Oluwatobi Adedokun, Esq.
900 Merchants Course, Suite 310
Westbury, NY 11590
516-280-7675

NOTICE OF 2023 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE CHELSEA FIRE DISTRICT

Please take notice that the Chelsea Fire District, Town of Wappinger, County of Dutchess, New York, will hold an organizational meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Chelsea firehouse, 15 Liberty Street, in the Town of Wappinger, and are open to the public. This notice is being posted in accordance with the provisions of Section 94 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York. By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Chelsea Fire District.

Claire Gibson
Fire District Secretary
Chelsea Fire District

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on November 9, 2022, adopted a local law entitled:

LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2022, A LOCAL LAW TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE OF THE MAXIMUM

EXEMPTION ALLOWABLE FOR COLD WAR VETERAN'S REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

The intent of this law is to raise the exemption levels to combat the effects of inflation.

A copy of the local law is available at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours.

LEIGH WAGER
Clerk
Dutchess County Legislature
Dated: December 16, 2022

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on November 9, 2022, adopted a local law entitled:

LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2022, A LOCAL LAW TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE OF THE MAXIMUM EXEMPTION ALLOWABLE FOR VETERAN'S REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

The intent of this law is to raise the exemption levels to combat the effects of inflation.

A copy of the local law is available at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours.

LEIGH WAGER
Clerk
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Dated: December 16, 2022

LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The following entitled bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on December 8, 2022, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Dutchess, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have

been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated: Poughkeepsie, New York, December 16, 2022

Leigh Wager
Clerk, County Legislature
RESOLUTION NO. 2022211
BOND RESOLUTION DATED DECEMBER 8, 2022. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING certain county preliminary expenses in connection with the design for upgrades and renovations of Hudson Hall at Dutchess community college, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, NEW YORK, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,400,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$700,000 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO PAY A PORTION OF THE COST THEREOF.

Specific object or purpose: Preliminary design expenses in connection with upgrades /renovations of Hudson Hall at DCC

Period of probable usefulness: 5 years

Maximum estimated cost: \$1,400,000

Amount of bonds to be issued: \$700,000 bonds

Other monies: \$700,000 State grants-in-aid

SEQRA status: Type II Action

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A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated: Poughkeepsie, New York, December 16, 2022

Leigh Wager
Clerk, County Legislature
A RESOLUTION NO. 2022212
BOND RESOLUTION DATED DECEMBER 8, 2022. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS OF DUTCHESS HALL AT DUTCHESS COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PHASE I), IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, NEW YORK, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$2,000,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO PAY A PORTION OF THE COST THEREOF.

Specific object or purpose: Renovations/improvements of

Dutchess Hall at DCC (new hydraulic elevator)

Period of probable usefulness: 10 years

Maximum estimated cost: \$2,000,000

Amount of bonds to be issued: \$1,000,000 bonds

Other monies: \$1,000,000 State grants-in-aid

SEQRA status: Type II Action

NEW HACKENSACK FIRE DISTRICT

217 Myers Corners Rd.

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Please take notice that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the New Hackensack Fire District will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, December 27, 2022 at 5:00 PM, at New Hackensack Fire District Headquarters 217 Myers Corners Rd., Wappinger Falls, New York 12590.

The purpose of this meeting will be to conduct all year end business of the New Hackensack Fire District.

December 21, 2022
Frank P. Borquist
Secretary/Treasurer

NOTICE OF 2023 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE HUGHSONVILLE FIRE DISTRICT

Please take notice that the Hughsonville Fire District, Town of Wappinger, County of Dutchess, New York, will hold an organizational meeting on Sunday, January 1, 2023, at 12 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Hughsonville firehouse, 88 Old Hopewell Road, in the Town of Wappinger, and are open to the public.

This notice is being posted in accordance with the provisions of Section 94 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York. By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Hughsonville Fire District.

Kim Flower
Fire District Secretary
Hughsonville Fire District.

Holiday visitors stop at Beacon Elks Lodge to delight local children



The Beacon Elks recently welcomed Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus, Elroy the Elk, Frosty, Rudolph, Elf, and a Christmas mouse to the Beacon Elks Lodge. The holiday visitors delighted children and adults. Organizers thanked Scout Troop 41 and the Beacon Elks for making many children very happy.

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