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Sea monkeys head to space!

Red Hook High students excel in unique experiment

by Olivia Fried

Red Hook High School student Tucker Sheahan laughed while pointing to the golden monkey earring dangling from his right ear. His love for monkeys, Sheahan says, is one of the reasons why the five students chose to study sea monkeys (brine shrimp) for their biology class' science experiment.

Eventually, the team of five high school seniors, including Sheahan, Jessica Amato, Zola Campisi, Avis Roszko and Raphael Senterfit-Sanjuan, settled on an experiment testing the impact of microgravity on hatch rates of the brine shrimp. The experiment was chosen from over 300 students' projects, grades 7-12, across both Linden Avenue Middle School and Red Hook High School (RHHS).

A team of Red Hook teachers selected three projects to send to the Student Space Experiments Program (SSEP), who created the initiative, and they selected the brine shrimp experiment. The SSEP, also known as Mission 17, is a part of the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education and is a program oriented to inspire the next generation of scientists by fostering the sending of student-designed science experiments in the International Space Station.

RHHS biology teacher and science department head, Deborah Beam, found out about the program through a "stray email" sent out by the school's former principal. The program piqued Beam's interest and she started to further research and inquire about the possibility. After

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Madi's Way opens June 25 in honor of Madison Dingee



by Pamela Freeman

A ceremonial ribbon-cutting for Madi's Way, an agricultural/educational learning center dedicated to children and families faced by emotional struggles, will take place on Sunday, June 25 at 1 p.m. All are invited to tour the grounds, and join in the festivities which will include a sampling of upcoming classes, refreshments, music, and visiting the farm and its animals.

Madi's Way is located on the property of Ruby Hill Farm at 2325 Salt Point Turnpike in Clinton Corners.

Madi's Way was formed in memory of



Madi's Way learning center, honoring Madison Dingee (left), will be opened in a Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting to be held on June 25 at 1 p.m. Madi's Way is located on the property of Ruby Hill Farm at 2325 Salt Point Turnpike in Clinton Corners. Courtesy photo

Madison A. Dingee, a beloved daughter, sister and friend. Madi passed away in a car accident one week shy of her 17th birthday in December of 2021. Her beauty shined both inside and out, and her spirit will continuously live on in the hearts of her family and community. The goal of Madi's Way is to remind families that children are conceived out of love, and they deserve a safe and supportive environment to grow and thrive.

Madi's Way will provide children with

the opportunity to free their minds and spirits of any struggling thoughts and enjoy some peaceful and productive time in an environmentally friendly atmosphere. The center offers personalized, interactive learning opportunities such as gardening, agriculture, reading sessions, life skills such as sewing, painting, yoga, and recreational activities. All are invited to walk the grounds, feed the goats, or be

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Renovations set for former Millbrook icons



Oakleigh Thorne discusses plans for a multi-use park on the site of the former Bennett College at a gathering on June 3. Courtesy photo

by Rich Thomaselli

It has been a long time coming, and the future is finally bright for two iconic fixtures in Millbrook.

The members of the Millbrook Community Partnership (MCP) plan a soft opening of a multi-use park on the grounds of the former Bennett College site in September. The park will include hiking and biking trails and be divided into East and West. The MCP also plans to put out to bid soon

the renovation of the Thorne Building in the Village of Millbrook.

Oakleigh Thorne IV informed an invitation-only crowd of the plans on June 3. The committee has raised \$18 million of the expected \$21 million price for both renovations.

"I think we will need \$25 or \$26 million when it is all said and done, mostly because of inflation," said Thorne, who predicted that the Thorne Building would be

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NPS to re-issue request for proposals for Hyde Park Drive-In

After issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) in February 2023, to lease, operate, and maintain the Hyde Park Drive-In Movie Theatre, the National Park Service (NPS) has received valuable feedback and suggestions from interested applicants. To increase the competitiveness of the opportunity, and to reduce the restrictions initially outlined in the RFP, the National Park Service has cancelled the RFP and will re-announce a revised RFP later this summer.

"We appreciate the great feedback by potential applicants and want to ensure the treasured drive-in has the best care-

takers moving forward," noted Park Superintendent, Amy Bracewell. "We recognize that the initial timeline goal of operating this summer was tight and hope by re-releasing a new RFP at the end of the summer, we can make a selection in the fall and a prospective operator can use the winter to make any needed improvements before the 2024 season. This landmark is iconic for our community and we want to make sure it is a success."

The new RFP will be released sometime within the next two months. Information will be shared publicly and also listed on the park's website at

www.nps.gov/hofr. As per United States law, this lease opportunity is open to all interested persons and businesses on a competitive basis. Any individual or business may submit a proposal, including

past operators. The proposal judged best under the proposal selection criteria will be given an opportunity to negotiate a final lease agreeable to both the selected offeror and NPS.

NOTICE OF EARLY DEADLINE

Due to the July 4th holiday, Northern Dutchess News will have an early deadline for the July 5 issue.

All editorial must be received by Thursday, June 29, at noon. All advertising must be received by Thursday, June 29, at 5 p.m. Contact cschmidt@sdutchessnews.com for more information.

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being told of some extra COVID-19 education fund money that would finance their participation in the program, Beam kick-started Red Hook's involvement in the SSEP, meeting with the scientists from the SS and learning about the steps they needed to take.

In mid-August the teachers met to discuss planning and deadlines and, "then they had to hit the ground running," as Beam said.

With a month less of prep time than other schools around the country, they needed to put in extra time to meet the November deadline. Beam tells of "SSEP Fridays" where the teams would put in the extra work outside of class time. And this was on top of all of the other work in which the students were involved.

All five students are taking International Baccalaureate classes as well as being involved in music, sports, volunteer work and the arts. Roszko plays the saxophone, Amato does education-based volunteer work, Campisi is involved in the arts, Senterfit-Sanjuan plays travel soccer and Sheahan has a job outside of school.

Superintendent of Schools Janet Warden speaks to the incredible motivation of this group of students.

While the students agreed that it was a lot to balance, they also said it was well worth it and a great experience. Beam explained how many of the skills they used in this project would be very helpful in college and in their future careers. The experiment required writing and communication skills, time management and research skills.

And there was a lot of research to be



A group of Red Hook High School students talk about their experiment with sea monkeys (brine shrimp). The experiment is a part of the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education and is a program oriented to inspire the next generation of scientists by fostering the sending of student-designed science experiments to the International Space Station. Right: Red Hook High School art students created this patch. Courtesy photo & image



done. The first part of this project was figuring out what could actually go into space. Beam said that she had figured it would be a box they were sending into the spacecraft, but later learned that it was merely a skinny tube, approximately six-inches long in which they had to fit their entire experiment.

"There are booklets on what can and can't go into space," Beam said. The team would research an idea and send it

off to be approved by the SSEP and would hear back that, "that would be on page 14 of your 'do not travel list,'" Beam joked.

After months of trial and error (and thanks to a fixation with monkeys) the team decided that the sea monkeys would be a good model for the human body.

"We researched some of those problems with bone porosity and muscular dystrophy that happens with astronauts who spend a long period of time in space, and we thought we could connect that to the brine shrimp," Campisi explained.

"A good indicator of whether microgravity impacts their development is whether they hatch or not," Roszko added. "So it made sense that the brine shrimp would be a vague indicator – analyzing the impact on a more simplistic organism that doesn't have as many variables at play as humans do," she continued.

Similar to many modern-age science experiments, the students that participate in the SSEP are tasked with finding a model organism that they can use to make connections and analyze them.

The experiment will be performed back at Red Hook, as well, for a controlled experiment and then, of course, in space. In the International Space Station there will be astronauts who will be tending to the experiment for the four to six weeks that it is in space. In the six-inch long plastic tube are locking devices to keep the brine shrimp in place. The locking mechanism splits the tube into three

compartments, one for the shrimp eggs, one with water and one with a reactionary fluid.

In addition to the science experiment, Red Hook's art department is also playing a role in the project. Art teachers at the middle- and high-school levels worked together to create another competition: this one was to design a patch to represent the mission. Art teacher, Julia Shultis, touches on the significance of interdisciplinary work and how it has been great to see the students combining science and art.

Out of a total of 210 submissions, ninth-grader Taia Mokii was selected for her artwork, a design incorporating the space mission with a Ukrainian flag, as Mokii is Ukrainian herself. Further, in addition to the 37 communities in the U.S. and a Canadian province, Ukraine will also be participating in Mission 17.

The experiment will be performed sometime in December 2023, and the team is hoping to get back together during their winter breaks to analyze the data. They are all very excited to see the results, and everyone involved agrees that it has been an amazing opportunity. In fact, Red Hook has already put in their proposal for Mission 18.

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renovated by 2026.

He also said that all 10 buildings on the Bennett site that needed to be razed to create the park have been done, but they did leave one building intact. The building on campus that served as the home to the president of Bennett College, will now become a visitor and Information Center when it is all complete. Thorne said the committee has thought of everything so far, including lighting for the trails and "doggy doo-doo" dispensers.

"We've tried to be very thorough," he said with a laugh.

There are several phases to the project, including the removal of all asbestos, and he expects it will take a couple more years to fully complete. The west side of the fully renovated park will have a bandshell, and a great lawn for concerts, fairs and farmers markets, among other events. Thorne said they also planned to construct a museum for artifacts from Bennett College, which was built in the late 1800s, became an all-girls college, and closed down in the 1970s.

The Thorne Building will take a little longer to renovate, but it will become a spectacular community center with a lot

of hidden gems. That already includes a dance theater. And they have the perfect person on the committee to oversee that aspect of it – Cora Cahan, newly appointed CEO of the MCP. She worked several decades ago with then New York City Mayor David Dinkins to clean up Times Square. It resulted in the opening of seven new legitimate Broadway theaters.

"She's wonderful," Thorne said. "That's big for us. She's our first professional person on staff."

"I love the building," Cahan said. "It's not a dance studio yet, but it is big enough to be one. We will have everything from ballet to hip hop. This building is yearning to be reinvented for the town of Millbrook and the Hudson Valley. What an interesting and compelling project. It's important to reconsider it and reinvent it for the 21st century."

There will even be digital arts, she said.

"To bring that campus to meaningful life and to combine it with this building really speaks to the beauty of life," Cahan said. "The two of them together really spoke to me."



Cora Cahan, newly appointed CEO of the Millbrook Community Partnership, discusses renovation plans for the Thorne Building in the Village of Millbrook. Below, supporters gather at an invitation-only event on June 3. Courtesy photos



BEATRIX FARRAND GARDEN TO HOST WEEKEND OF EVENTS

Storyboards with Staatsburg Library: Friday, June 16-Sunday, June 18, 3 p.m.

Bring a young reader to the garden and enjoy exploring "If You Plant a Seed" by Kadir Nelson with Staatsburg Library's Storyboards. Explore the flowers while following a numbered display of this adorable book with your little book lovers.

Planting Seeds of Mindfulness & Poetry: Saturday, June 17, noon-2 p.m.

Join Jerrice Baptiste in the Beatrix Farrand Garden for a short guided visualization for stillness and a conversation about how practicing mindfulness can help us arrive at writing poetry.

Jazz Concert with Trombonist Craig Harris & Bassist Christopher Dean Sullivan: Saturday, June 17, 3-4:30 p.m.

TRANSART and The Beatrix Farrand Garden Association are pleased to announce an afternoon in the garden with internationally-acclaimed trombonist and composer Craig Harris and celebrated bassist Christopher Dean Sullivan. The event will be free and open to the public.

The Beatrix Farrand Garden at Bellefield is on the grounds of the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site, at 4097 Albany Post Road (Route 9) in Hyde Park. Visit www.beatrixfarrandgardenhydepark.org for more information.

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up close and personal with the sheep, chickens, and the miniature ponies during designated time windows. The center aims to help children develop skills that will enhance their mental and emotional well-being.

"We are thrilled to open our doors to the community and provide a safe and supportive environment" said Diana Romero. "We are grateful for the volunteers and educators who have joined us in our mission, and we look forward to working together to make a positive impact in the lives of children."

Funds generated through donations will be used directly to provide these services to all children and their families, especially those affected by divorce or loss of a loved one. Madi's Way is currently seeking volunteers and paid educators to join their team. People who are interested are welcome to contact Diana Romero at (917) 733-9363. Madi's Way is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

Future plans include forming alliances with local organizations, schools, and camps to reach as many children as possible. This spring Madi's sister Emily Ann Jackowski helped to organize a book fundraiser for Madi's Way at Millbrook Central Schools.

Ruby Hill Farm is a small family-owned farm and a hidden gem owned by Diana Romero and Richard Dingee. The

farm store offers fresh beef, pork, turkey and chicken; organic vegetables, eggs, and fruit, along with a selection of locally made products such as cheese, ice cream, honey and maple syrup and hand-crafted items by local artisans. Ruby Hill Farm supports local artists and will be hosting craft vendors throughout the summer. Craftspersons interested in participating should contact Diana at the phone number above. The shop is open year round: Monday-Wednesday, 2-6 p.m.; Friday, 1-6:30 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Sunday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

For more information about Madi's Way visit <https://www.rubyhillfarm.com> and click on the link for Madi's Way. Scholarships are available and may be applied for by completing the application on the website. Upcoming special events and programming will be listed on the website. Watch for an announcement of the summer strawberry festival.

RSVP for the event by calling (917) 733-9363 or registering online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/madis-way-ribbon-cutting-ceremony-tickets-652045976067>.

Madi's family would like to ensure that all children are able to participate in the programs. Please complete the application on the website to nominate a child in need.



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Pride month celebrates LGBTQ+ community, services available for individuals, families

To the editor:

June is Pride Month. As many people are celebrating the LGBTQ+ community, it is important to reflect on the support available for individuals exploring their gender expression, gender identity and sexual orientation. According to NAMI, LGBTQ+ individuals are twice as likely as heterosexual individuals to experience mental health struggles; fortunately, there are services available to assist these individuals and their families.

At Coordinated Behavioral Health Services (CBHS), we partner with wellness providers throughout the Hudson Valley to connect individuals to support within their community. This includes services for mental health and substance use issues, empowerment and peer support services, educational and employment services and many more depending on you and your needs.

For members of the LGBTQ+ community, these services can be especially helpful. LGBTQ+ individuals often must deal with discrimination because of their sexual or gender identity. This, compounded with stigma and fear of judgment, can make it difficult to find assistance.

This Pride Month, and every month, let's remember to be an ally to the LGBTQ+ community and to lead with acceptance and compassion. If you or a family member are struggling or unsure of your next step, please reach out and we will help you find support.

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- Letters appearing on the Viewpoints page are the views of the writers alone and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Northern Dutchess News.

Do not grow weary; continue to support Ukraine

To the editor:

We sincerely thank this paper for carrying the blue and gold “WE STAND WITH UKRAINE & AMERICA” banner on the front page reminding us weekly that our American values and our place – the place of The West – in the world remain intertwined with a Ukrainian victory and defeat of Russia and its medieval barbarism.

Anyone who reflects upon the lessons of the last two decades should understand that weakness drives Russian escalation. It was not NATO expansion which caused Russia to invade fully in 2022, but rather the failure of The West to react appropriately to Russia’s initial invasion of the Donbas and annexation of Crimea in 2014. If we encourage Ukraine to negotiate a peace with the Russian Federation, which concedes sovereign Ukrainian territory, we will concede victory to Putin and which will ensure a destabilized Europe for decades to come. We did not negotiate with Hitler. It is up to Ukraine to decide how to prosecute this war, when to negotiate, and it is in our core national interest to support them through to victory and into NATO to secure the resulting peace.

The Soviet Union was never held to account for its barbarism and atrocities, and this legacy of impunity has extended to its Russian Federation descendant. Putin and the Russia which supports him must be held accountable for their terrorism of civilians with bombings, rape, torture and—with this week’s destruction of the Kakhovka Dam imperiling hundreds of thousands of innocents—flooding. Until Russia is stopped, the world will not be safe for Europe nor for democracies anywhere.

We have this in our power to do so at a cost which is comparatively cheap. To paraphrase Senator Lindsey Graham, it’s the best investment in our defense and security that we could ever make.

We urge our neighbors and your readers to not grow weary, to continue to support Ukraine with fundraising and blue and gold displays, and to contact our President and representatives to demand that they do more to ensure the victory the world needs.

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Clinton Rec to start Walking Club

The Town of Clinton Recreation is starting a Walking Club. Everyone is welcome.

Walk outdoors around a course at the Town Hall campus.

This will be a weekday activity; dates and time TBD.

Those who are interested are asked to RSVP to Carol Mackin at townclerk@townofclinton.com.

Community Foundations honors Community Service at Garden Party

The Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley (CFHV) will honor four individuals with long and impressive commitments to philanthropy and community service at its annual Garden Party on Sunday, Sept. 10. The event will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Borden Estate, at 323 Borden Road in Wallkill, Ulster County, where an historic mansion is flanked by sweeping views of the impressive grounds and Catskill Mountains.

At the Garden party, the CFHV will recognize Eli B. Basch of Ulster County, Nathaniel S. Prentice of Putnam County, and David and Randi Petrovits of Dutchess County for their extraordinary community service.

Net proceeds from the event will sup-

port the CFHV Community Grants program, which provides annual funding support to nonprofit organizations in Dutchess, Putnam, and Ulster counties.

“I am delighted to be this year’s chair of the Community Foundations’ Garden Party event. It is our opportunity to recognize and extend heartfelt appreciation to our honorees Eli Basch, David and Randi Petrovits and Nat Prentice,” remarked Jane Garrity, Garden Party Chair and Citizens Bank President, “The Community Foundations successfully invests and supports our many non-profit organizations. Please join us for a delightful afternoon, and see you in the garden!”

Visit communityfoundationshv.org to purchase tickets and for more information.

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Hinchey introduces bill to bring reliable cell coverage to all New Yorkers

State Sen. Michelle Hinchey (SD-41) has introduced a new bill, The Cellular Mapping Act of 2023 (S6318), which would direct the Public Service Commission (PSC) to study the coverage and reliability of cell phone service in New York State and develop a comprehensive map to help guide the build out for statewide coverage.

Hinchey said, "In 2023, reliable cell service is an indisputable necessity, and yet the cell service dead zones and under-

served areas in our rural and Upstate communities continue to hamper our daily lives, stymie economic development and impede emergency response and public safety. My bill ... is the first step toward achieving statewide cellular coverage for all New Yorkers, and it's about time. I look forward to getting it passed this session to ensure that all New Yorkers have reliable, adequate cell coverage."

The Cellular Mapping Act of 2023 calls on the PSC to perform the

following:

- Study call completion rates and download speed tests throughout the state and create a comprehensive map of which areas are served, underserved, and unserved within one year.

- Create and publish on its website a detailed cellular service access map showing access by location, including call completion rates, download speeds — advertised versus experienced, and the number of available cell service

providers, along with prices.

- Hold at least four regional public hearings to hear from stakeholders within the same yearlong timeline that the mapping is being completed and provide an opportunity for customers to challenge the results of call completion rates and speed tests at each location.

- Report findings to the Governor, Senate, and Assembly and work with cellular service providers to prioritize access to coverage.



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GP	Greensboro PIT	31	24	.564	1.0	7-3	W1
JSP	Jersey Shore PHI	29	27	.518	3.5	5-5	L3
AB	Aberdeen BAL	28	28	.500	4.5	6-4	W2
WW	Wilmington WSH	26	30	.464	6.5	3-7	L1
B	Brooklyn NYM	24	32	.429	8.5	3-7	W1
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GB	Greenville BOS	32	25	.561	-	7-3	L1
WC	Winston-Salem CWS	30	24	.556	0.5	4-5	W1
BG	Bowling Green TB	26	26	.500	3.5	6-3	L1
ATL	Rome ATL	27	30	.474	5.0	4-6	W1
AS	Asheville HOU	24	29	.453	6.0	4-6	L2
HT	Hickory TEX	21	32	.396	9.0	4-6	L1

RENEGADES ROUNDUP

Renegades stay in first with strong outings at Jersey Shore

A five-run outburst in the top of the 10th inning led the Hudson Valley Renegades to an 8-4 victory over the Jersey Shore BlueClaws on Friday night at ShoreTown Ballpark.

The two teams split the first four games of this critical South Atlantic League North Division series.

Then the Renegades won the final two games on Saturday and Sunday. Another strong start by Chase Hampton and early offense helped the Renegades post a dominant 4-0 win over the Jersey Shore BlueClaws on Saturday night.

On Sunday, another historic performance by Drew Thorpe guided the Renegades to a 1-0 win over the BlueClaws. Following an amazing start last Sunday against the Aberdeen IronBirds, Thorpe turned in another one of the best starts that the Renegades have ever gotten. Across 7.0 shutout innings, the right-hander struck out 12, the most by a Hudson Valley pitcher in a single game since 2005 (the earliest year where game-by-game records are available online). In his last two starts, Thorpe (5-1) has thrown 15.0 shutout innings while allowing just six hits, two walks and striking out 19 batters.

The BlueClaws took the lead in the bot-

tom of the first of the game on Friday as they jumped on Juan Carela two batters into the frame. After Nick Ward was hit by a pitch, Marcus Lee Sang drove him in with a triple to left-center. Two batters later, Andrick Nava lifted a sacrifice fly to center to score Lee Sang and give Jersey Shore a 2-0 lead.

In the bottom of the third, the BlueClaws tacked on another with a two-out rally off Carela comprised of a Rixon Wingrove single and a Nava double off the wall in right to extend the advantage to 3-0. Carela settled down after that, and did not allow another run across his 5.2 innings of work. The right-hander walked only one and struck out 10, marking the second consecutive start that he reached double digits in strikeouts.

Hudson Valley broke through against Gunner Mayer in the top of the fourth. Anthony Garcia singled and advanced to third on a Grant Richardson double with one out. Eduardo Torrealba lined a 1-0 pitch into left for a single to plate Garcia and cut the deficit to 3-1. The Renegades tied the game in the top of the sixth, as Grant Richardson tripled to score Spencer Henson and came home on a Torrealba

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Players Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	Avg	OBP	SLG	OPS
1 Aaron Palensky	LF HV	32	125	29	44	9	2	12	34	15	34	10	0	.352	.434	.744	1.178
2 Spencer Henson	1B HV	42	156	32	44	10	0	8	27	16	44	1	1	.282	.358	.500	.858
3 Spencer Jones	CF HV	48	204	31	54	18	3	7	30	16	77	14	5	.265	.318	.485	.803
4 Benjamin Cowles	2B HV	42	146	23	41	6	0	6	17	15	52	4	0	.281	.355	.445	.800
4 Alexander Vargas	SS HV	44	181	25	40	7	3	6	23	14	53	8	4	.221	.279	.392	.671
6 Grant Richardson	RF HV	39	141	17	28	5	1	5	20	16	43	5	0	.199	.298	.355	.653
7 Marcos Cabrera	3B HV	33	118	14	25	7	2	3	16	13	42	3	1	.212	.290	.381	.671
7 Anthony Garcia	RF HV	24	87	21	18	3	1	3	13	15	42	1	2	.207	.320	.368	.688
9 Antonio Gomez	C HV	42	155	20	37	11	0	2	19	14	57	0	1	.239	.306	.348	.654
9 Ben Rice	C HV	15	44	15	15	2	0	2	10	18	10	3	0	.341	.559	.523	1.082
11 Josh Breaux	DH HV	11	47	6	11	1	0	1	3	3	12	0	0	.234	.280	.319	.599
11 Rafael Flores	1B HV	43	164	16	50	8	0	1	17	15	46	1	1	.305	.361	.372	.733
11 Aldenis Sanchez	RF HV	40	128	18	24	5	3	1	17	19	37	10	2	.188	.289	.297	.586
11 Luis Santos	2B HV	20	57	6	14	2	1	1	6	10	20	3	2	.246	.353	.368	.721
11 Eduardo Torrealba	3B HV	20	60	9	19	1	0	1	8	8	9	4	1	.317	.408	.383	.791
16 Kyle Battle	LF HV	8	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	9	1	0	.000	.105	.000	.105
16 Juan Crisp	C HV	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	.000	.250	.000	.250
16 Caleb Durbin	2B HV	22	78	20	26	5	0	0	8	14	9	15	1	.333	.464	.397	.861

Pitcher Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WHIP	Avg
1 Chase Hampton	P HV	2	1	2.68	9	9	0	0	0	0	47.0	31	18	14	5	0	16	77	1.00	.179
2 Drew Thorpe	P HV	5	1	2.91	10	10	0	0	0	0	58.2	48	23	19	4	0	20	71	1.16	.230
3 Juan Carela	P HV	2	2	3.28	10	9	0	0	0	0	49.1	37	23	18	2	6	18	62	1.11	.206
4 Zach Messinger	P HV	0	4	2.68	10	10	0	0	0	0	50.1	42	22	15	3	0	24	61	1.31	.226



Renegades Extra!



Thorpe's dedication brings weekly pitching honor

by Rich Thomaselli

For the second time in three weeks, the South Atlantic League (SAL) Player of the Week is wearing a Hudson Valley Renegades uniform.

Drew Thorpe has been named South Atlantic League Pitcher of the Week for the week of May 29-June 4.

He had a bravura performance that triggered the award.

In his lone start of the week, Thorpe threw a career-high 8.0 shutout innings, allowing just one hit while walking two and striking out seven. He became the first Renegades pitcher to throw 8.0 innings without allowing a run since Aug. 17, 2008, when Tyree Hayes threw 9.0 shutout innings in a complete game shutout at the Lowell Spinners. It was only the fourth time since 2005 that a Renegades starter completed 8.0 innings in a start.

It was one of the best pitching performances in all of minor league baseball this year. He is one of only three pictures in minor league baseball this year to throw eight shutout innings.

"Thorpe's dedication to continue to get better week-to-week and between starts has been exemplary," said Renegades Pitching Coach Preston Claiborne. "From the education work he does, to crafting pitches and executing a game plan, he's shown momentous growth. Drew never changes his demeanor, whether he has a quality outing or scuffles. His desire to be excellent is only augmented by how monstrous a competitor he is."

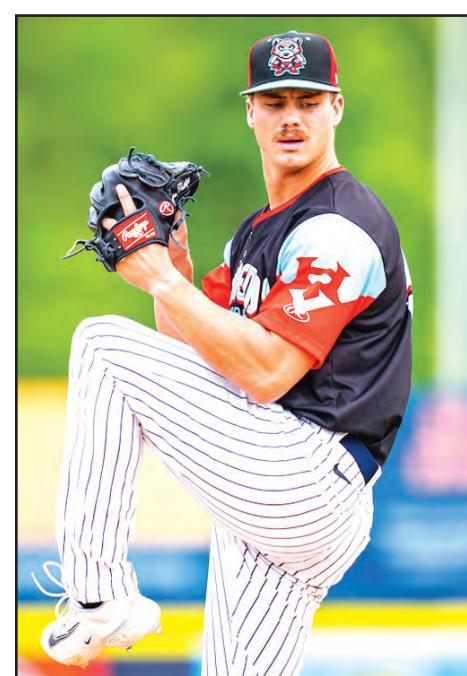
In recognition of his achievement, the Renegades will make a donation of \$500 in Thorpe's name to the Maria Fareri Children's Hospital at Westchester Medical Center Health Network.

Thorpe, 22, was drafted by the Yankees in the second round of the 2022 First-Year Player Draft out of Cal Poly.

Beginning his professional career this season with the Renegades, he leads the SAL in innings pitched (51.2), and ranks tied for 2nd in wins (4), and sixth in strikeouts (59). He is ranked as the Yankees' top pitching prospect and #6 overall by MLB Pipeline, and Baseball America ranks Thorpe as the #2 pitching prospect and #7 overall in the organization.

He joins RHP Juan Carela, who was named SAL Pitcher of the Week for the week of April 17-23; and Aaron Palensky, who was named SAL Player of the Week for the week of May 22-28 as Renegades to garner a weekly award this season.

Drew Thorpe of the Renegades won Pitcher of the Week honors with a career-high 8.0 shutout innings, allowing just one hit while walking two and striking out seven. Photo by Dave Janosz



TYSON'S TIDBITS WITH TYSON JEFFERS

Looking at a great summer and the fun of brainstorming sessions

Each week, writer Rich Thomaselli and General Manager Tyson Jeffers discuss the Hudson Valley Renegades in particular and minor league baseball in general.

What is your measure of success? Like, do you set goals or ticket sales and things like that?

There are certain metrics that we try to hit. Butts in the seats are certainly one of them. Another is our relationship with our sponsors and how do we maximize those. At the end of the day, we are in our 29th year. But there are always going to be ebbs and flows. It's a long game, and you always have to be looking ahead. A lot of it has to do with the talent we have in the front office. A lot of it has to do with all

the people who are committed to the Renegades. Right now, we have one of the most successful teams we've ever had.

You talked about the summer being your bread-and-butter season. Is it shaping up to be that way?

Yeah, it is. This past Saturday (June 3) was our best night of the year. There's a lot of positive momentum right now going into what I guess would be considered the "real" days of summer. We're looking at the pre-sale numbers for the rest of the year, and they are looking pretty good. We hope people come out and continue to support the Renegades.

Are there any fun elements to the job

for you?

There are stressful days, sure, but it's always fun. We're running a business that is predicated on selling fun. And we can't sell fun unless we have fun ourselves. We always think about how to have fun and engage the fans. You should see some of our brainstorm meetings. They are hilarious.

I mean, we would be crucified if we tried some of the stuff that we talk about. But we always have to consider how it's going to impact the fans. But we do have a lot of fun brainstorming ideas and then executing the ones that we like. Seeing them come to fruition is enjoyable. Beyond that, you can just step outside into a professional ballpark. What would be a better workplace than that?



Renegades Roundup

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sacrifice fly off Jason Ruffcorn to even the score at 3-3.

The game stayed tied until the top of the 10th, when the Renegades erupted for five runs off Matt Russell and Tristan Garnett. Ben Cowles drove in automatic runner Kyle Battle with a single to right field to put the Renegades in front 4-3. Rafael Flores followed with a single, and after the runners advanced to second and third on a ground-out, Henson was intentionally walked to load the bases for Richardson. He hit a ground ball to first that he beat out for an infield single to score Cowles. Garnett then threw the live ball out of play thinking time was out, allowing Flores and Henson to score on the error, and Richardson to advance to third. Torrealba singled to plate Richardson and put Hudson Valley in front 8-3.

On Tuesday night, the Renegades opened

the series with a 13-1 victory. The Renegades pounded out 16 hits in the victory.

The Renegades jumped in front in a battle between the top two teams in the SAL North on a three-run double by Marcos Cabrera in the top of the second off Minor League rehabber Jon Duplantier. Hudson Valley added another tally in the top of the third when a throwing error allowed Spencer Jones to score and extend the lead to 4-0. In the top of the fourth, a balk by Tristan Garnett brought Ben Cowles home, and Jones drove in Grant Richardson with an RBI single to extend the advantage to 6-0. Richardson had a huge game, going 4-for-4 with a double and three runs scored while reaching base in all five of his plate appearances.

Josh Maciejewski (1-0), Mason Vinyard, Clay Aguilar and Harrison Cohen combined

for 4.1 scoreless innings out of the bullpen to close out the game. The win gave Maciejewski his 10th with Hudson Valley, making him the winningest left-handed pitcher in Renegades history, and just the second Renegades pitcher to ever record double digit wins.

Wednesday's game was postponed due to the poor air quality from the wildfires in Canada.

That meant a double header on Thursday, and the Renegades did not fare well, losing a pair of pitchers duels, 1-0 and 2-1.

In the opener, the Renegades got a great pitching performance by Zach Messinger (0-4), who allowed just one run on three hits across 5.0 innings, striking out six and walking two. However, in the bottom of the fourth, he allowed a solo home run to Casey Martin that stood up as the game's lone run. Messinger has been a hard-luck pitcher all

year. He does not have a victory all season, but his earned run average is below 3.

Matt Osterberg (2-3) and Tommy McCollum shut out Hudson Valley while limiting the team to only three hits in the game, all singles.

In the nightcap, the Renegades struck first in the top of the third inning. Luis Santos ripped a double down the left field line and scored after two passed balls advanced him to third and then home. Tyrone Yulie turned in one of his better performances of the season, but allowed a run on a Jared Carr RBI double in the bottom of the fifth to tie the game at 1-1. Yulie (1-4) allowed two runs on three hits in 5.2 innings, walking three and striking out three. In the bottom of the sixth, Jersey Shore took the lead on an RBI single by Casey Martin scoring Marcus Lee Sang from second base to give the BlueClaws a 2-1 victory.

Marlene Weber transfers her business to Oasis Medispa

After over four decades of business, Marlene Weber, who has been a pillar in our community, is closing her iconic Salon and Spa located next to Adams Fairacre Farms on Route 44 in Poughkeepsie and is transferring her 37,000 plus clients to Oasis Medispa located on North Water Street next to the MetroNorth train station on the Poughkeepsie waterfront.

Marlene is entrusting Oasis with the care of her clients because she knows the owner, Facial Plastic Surgeon, Dr. Manoj T. Abraham, and his reputation for excellence. A message featured on her website and social media channels advises clients and staff to seek the outstanding services at Oasis MediSpa where she has arranged for all remaining valid gift cards and packages to be redeemed: "Oasis MediSpa has all your gift cards and is ready to ensure you can still receive your spa services. All valid Marlene Weber Day Spa gift cards and spa services have been transferred to their Hudson River location in Poughkeepsie. I have known Dr. Abraham, owner of Oasis MediSpa and renowned facial plastic surgeon, for over 20 years. I know you will be impressed with their extensive service menu and beautiful facility, and I am fully confident in their friendly, kind and skilled staff of beauty and spa

professionals."

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Dr. Manoj T. Abraham is the owner of Oasis MediSpa, located on North Water Street next to the MetroNorth train station on the Poughkeepsie waterfront. Courtesy photo

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3rd annual ThinkDIFFERENTLY Fitness & Field Day set June 29

Dutchess County Executive William F.X. O'Neil invites residents of all ages and abilities to the third annual ThinkDIFFERENTLY Fitness & Field Day at Dutchess County's Bowdoin Park on Friday, June 29, at 11 a.m. This free event will include many interactive vendors, fitness activities and attractions that highlight health and nutrition for people of every ability. All attendees will enjoy a complimentary lunch and go home with a medal for participating in the day's events.

Advance registration is required by June 19 for this rain-or-shine event and can be completed at dutchessny.gov/tfdfieldday.

O'Neil said, "We look forward to hosting [the event] as it provides a variety of resources as well as entertainment to res-

idents of all abilities. The ThinkDIFFERENTLY staff deserve praise, as this event has grown extensively in just a few years. I hope many residents can join us on June 29 as we continue to make Dutchess County an inclusive place for all."

In addition to fitness and health activities, representatives from several County departments and community partners, will be on site to provide families with important information about programs and services available for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities throughout Dutchess County.

The diverse offering of vendors will offer interactive experiences such as exercise programs, games including disc golf and lawn bowling, various arts and crafts, live animals for attendees to inter-

act with from local agricultural organizations, and much more. Rascal, the Hudson Valley Renegades' mascot, will stop by, and the Anderson Center for Autism's ice cream truck, a crowd favorite last year, will also return.

Dutchess County All Abilities Program Director Dana Hopkins said, "We are hard at work getting ready for this year's Fitness and Field Day, and this is sure to be the best one yet. The feedback we have received from previous years confirms this event provides vital information to local individuals and their families and gives residents of all abilities the opportunity to enjoy a day of accessible outdoor fun. Thank you to all our local ThinkDIFFERENTLY partners for joining us to make this event memorable for all."

The Fitness & Field Day is one of the many ThinkDIFFERENTLY events Dutchess County hosts. The County's "ThinkDIFFERENTLY" initiative, launched in 2015, is a call to action to help make Dutchess County a supportive

and inclusive community for individuals of all abilities. Since its inception, more than 100 villages, towns, cities and counties across New York State and across the nation have made the commitment to "ThinkDIFFERENTLY" in their communities. In 2022, ThinkDIFFERENTLY hosted several free, sensory-friendly events at the Bardavon 1869 Opera House, including a movie screening, live storytelling and a performance of the holiday classic, "The Nutcracker." For a list of upcoming events and opportunities, visit thinkdifferently.net.

Bowdoin Park is located at 85 Sheafe Road in Poughkeepsie; ThinkDIFFERENTLY Fitness & Field Day will take place at the park's lower soccer fields, near Pavilion 1. Attendees are encouraged to enjoy the park's many amenities, including the refreshing splash pad, following the free event.

For more information on the ThinkDIFFERENTLY Fitness & Field Day contact Mara Santiago at 845-486-3568 or xsantiago@dutchessny.gov.

FreshConnect vouchers available free to veterans

The Dutchess County Division of Veterans' Services has received an allocation of FreshConnect vouchers to distribute to veterans living in Dutchess County. A New York State program, FreshConnect aims to expand access to fresh food in under-served communities to improve the diets of individuals in those communities and foster economic development. The program offers vouchers for veterans to purchase fresh foods at participating farmers markets and farm stands.

FreshConnect vouchers are available to veterans, service members, and their immediate family members to be used to purchase fresh foods at participating farmers markets and farm stands; a list of vendors, categorized by county, is available at <https://agriculture.ny.gov/farmers-markets-county>.

A limited number of voucher packets, available in increments of \$50 increments – each packet contains 25 vouchers with a \$2 value each – are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Dutchess County Veterans' Services office, located at the MHA Veterans One-Stop, 1335 Route 44 in Pleasant Valley, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eligible recipients must personally sign a FreshConnect Voucher Packet Request and Acceptance Form in-person at the Veterans' Services office to receive

vouchers; vouchers cannot be mailed, and proxies may not pick up and sign for checks.

State guidelines state vendors may only accept FreshConnect vouchers for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) eligible food items, including, but not limited to: baked goods, breads, cereals, produce (fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, etc.), meats, fish and poultry, coffee (whole bean or ground), seeds and plants that will produce food, eggs, pasta, honey, maple syrup, and dairy products.

According to State guidelines, FreshConnect vouchers are for SNAP-eligible food items only. Vouchers may not be used for any other product at the market; this includes, but is not limited to: beer, wine, and liquor; cigarettes and tobacco; brewed coffee/tea (for consumption at the market); pet foods; soaps and lotions; vitamins and medicines; hot foods (for consumption at the market); other prepared foods (for consumption at the market); seeds or plants that do not produce food (i.e. decorative plants and flowers); and crafts.

Additional information about the FreshConnect program is available on the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets website, <https://agriculture.ny.gov/>.

Congressman Ryan sets workshops to assist Central Hudson customers

Congressman Pat Ryan has announced that he will host a series of workshops with Central Hudson to address billing issues. At least one workshop will be hosted in all three counties represented by the Congressman to increase access and accountability.

The first workshop will be on Friday, June 16 from 9 a.m. - noon in Poughkeepsie at the Poughkeepsie Underwear Factory, 488 Main Street, across from the fire station.

Eight Central Hudson employees will join members of Congressman Ryan's district office to help with individual customer complaints in one-on-one meetings, including problems with meter reading and estimated billing.

"For months, I've pushed Central Hudson to hold in-person sessions to help customers resolve their longstanding billing issues. This is a crucial next step

to getting our community the assistance they deserve and finally holding Central Hudson accountable," said Ryan. "I will continue fighting on behalf of Hudson Valley families and businesses until all customer complaints have been fully resolved and those who have been harmed are made whole."

"We are pleased to partner with Congressman Ryan to meet with our customers face-to-face, listen to their concerns, answer any questions and help solve problems," said Anthony Campiorni, senior vice president of Customer Services and Gas Operations. "We recognize that our customers are frustrated and are hopeful they see we are making the necessary changes to improve. Central Hudson has done more than a dozen similar events already this year to help customers and we continue adding staff so we can reach even more people."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Anderson Golf Classic set June 15

The 2023 Anderson Center for Autism Golf Classic will take place on Thursday, June 15, at The Links at Union Vale, 153 North Parliman Road, Lagrangeville. Cost: \$300 per person; includes golf, raffles, prizes, and breakfast, lunch, cocktail hour, and awards dinner. Unlimited beverage cart and stations are included. All golfers will receive a golfer gift and favor bag. Sponsorships are also available.

For more information, call (845) 889-9208, email: info@AndersonCares.org or visit www.andersoncenterforautism.org/andersonclassic.

Millbrook Historical Society meetings

Millbrook Historical Society hosts programs on the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m., at the Millbrook Library, unless noted otherwise. The schedule for the remainder of the year includes:

June 15: Annual Tea @ Orvis Sandanona: Legacy of J. Morgan Wing Sr. Speaker: Ed Gerrard, Orvis Sandanona, General Manager. Note: Tea will be held 3:30-5 p.m. at Orvis Sandanona, Sharon Turnpike.

Sept. 21: Exploring the Anthony Family Collection, Archive Committee

Oct. 19: Washington Precinct: Fate of the Poor prior to the 1864 County Almshouse. Speaker: Will Tatum, Dutchess County Historian.

Nov. 16: The Bacons: A Local Gentleman Farmer and a Celebrated Actress of the 20th Century. Speaker Ezekiel Sanger, Marist College graduate.

For more information, contact Robert McHugh, President, at (845) 677-4381 or millbrookhistoricalsociedad@gmail.com.

The Chamber Foundation's golf tourney set June 26

The Chamber Foundation Inc., presents its Annual Day of Golf Tournament benefiting the Norman and Rita Nussbickel Memorial Scholarship Fund, on Monday, June 26, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at The Links at Union Vale, 153 North Parliman Road, Lagrangeville. Golfers will enjoy lunch and a cocktail reception, in addition to on-course activities.

Proceeds from the tournament benefit several scholarships and workforce development supportive service program participants. The fund was established in 1987 by the Nussbickel family and the Greater Southern Dutchess Chamber of Commerce's Chamber Foundation in memory of Norman F. Nussbickel. The scholarship also honors Norman's wife, Rita, who passed away in 2006.

Fees to participate in the tournament are: Foursome (Includes 2 Tee Signs), \$1,000; Twosome, \$500; Single Golfer, \$250. Payment is required in advance. For questions, contact (845) 454-1700, ext. 1000, or register online at drcoc.org. Participants must register by June 16.

Stanford Grange to offer

take-out Strawberry Festival dinner

Stanford Grange #808 will host its Annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 17, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville, at 5 p.m. Dinners will be take-out only. The menu will include traditional picnic fare of hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs (let us know what you would like!), potato salad, baked beans, and homemade strawberry shortcake for dessert made with hand-picked local strawberries and homemade ice cream and biscuits. Donation is \$17 per dinner. Drive to the back of the Grange Hall, pay for your dinner, get your food through your car window, and take it home to enjoy. For reservations (which are a must as we will run out

of dinners), call Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869.

Interpretive tours of Vanderbilt gardens set

Beginning on Sunday, June 18, and every third Sunday of the month thereafter through Sunday, Sept. 16, the Vanderbilt Garden Association's interpreters will offer regular free monthly tours from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tours meet outside the Tool House building.

Interpreters will discuss the history of the gardens, with a focus on the Vanderbilt ownership and the mission of the not-for-profit Vanderbilt Garden Association to rehabilitate and maintain the plants, shrubs and trees within the formal gardens as they were in the 1930s just prior to Frederick Vanderbilt's death in 1938.

For more information, e-mail info@vanderbiltgarden.org or visit http://www.vanderbiltgarden.org.

Pine Plains Garden Club sets lectures

The Pine Plains Garden Club will host free lectures presented by Dutchess County Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners. The series includes: June 17 at 2 p.m., Cutting Gardens: How To Create An Endless Supply of Vase Worthy Flowers; and Sept. 9 at 2 p.m., Bulbs For All Seasons. All lectures are held at the Pine Plains Community Room, 7775 South Main St., Pine Plains. Any questions, email Pine Plains Garden Club@gmail.com.

United Way to present

cyber security seminar June 21

The United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region will host a Financial Literacy Seminar: Cyber Security 101 online on Wednesday, June 21, at 10 a.m. Melissa Colon, Financial Education Specialist at ?Mid-Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union will make the presentation. Colon is a certified union financial counselor and has been the Financial Education Specialist at MHV since February 2022. Melissa has 15+ years' experience working in community development, working with community based organizations and school districts. Register at https://www.uwdor.org/financialliteracyworkshops.

Leadership summit set June 22 at Marist

The United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region will present "Elevate: A Leadership Summit for Leaders & Emerging Leaders" on Thursday, June 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Marist College's Student Center in Poughkeepsie.

The Elevate conference provides opportunities for Community Leaders and Emerging Leaders to learn from a dynamic, accomplished group of women leaders. The TED (style) Talk speakers have expertise in executive leadership, management, entrepreneurship, mental health, local government, community leadership, human resources, workforce development and more.

To register and for more information, go to https://www.uwdor.org/ElevateSummit.

Meeting schedule for

County's Mental Hygiene Board

The Dutchess County Mental Hygiene Board meets on the third Monday of each month except for January, February and June (which due to holidays are held the fourth Monday of those months) and there is no meeting in August.

Upcoming meetings will take place at 230 North Road, Poughkeepsie, on June 26, July 17, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, and Dec. 18.

The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact (845) 486-2754.

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Stanford Fire Co. golf tourney set July 28

Support your local volunteer firefighters on Friday, July 28, when the Stanford Fire Company holds its Golf Tournament at James Baird State Park. Registration is at 8 a.m. with a Shotgun Start at 9 a.m. Cost is \$150 per person and includes lunch and dinner. Proceeds from this event will directly benefit the Stanfordville Truck Restoration Fund. To learn more, contact Will Moriarty at wwmoriarty39@optonline.net.

Ryan's Foundation

Sporting Clay Shoot set Aug. 12

Ryan McElroy Children's Cancer Foundation will host its 7th Annual Sporting Clay Shoot at Mashomack Preserve in Pine Plains Saturday, Aug. 12. The Foundation's mission is to help children and families throughout the Mid-Hudson Valley who are suffering from life-threatening illnesses. For more information, contact Art Hart at (845) 546-7928.

FARMERS MARKETS

Arlington: Vassar Alumnae Lawn, 123 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. Thursdays, 2-6 p.m., June 3-Oct. 28. www.arlingtonhasit.org

Hyde Park: Paul's Hyde Park Farmers Market, 4390 Rte. 9 (across from Town Hall), Hyde Park. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. through October. (845) 229-9336 or oakgreen@optonline.net

Rhinebeck: Municipal Parking Lot, 61 E. Market St., Rhinebeck. Sundays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., through Dec. 17. www.rhinebeckfarmersmarket.com

The Littlest Farmers Market, Hackett Farm Supply, 2297 Salt Point Turnpike, Clinton Corners. The Littlest Farmers Market is a farmers market run by kids 12 years or younger who have grown, picked, created or crafted what they are selling. The market will start on June 4, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., and reconvene on June 25, July 16, July 30, Aug. 20 and Sept. 10.

NY Army National Guard promotions

LATHAM, NY -- Major General Ray Shields, the Adjutant General for the State of New York, announces the promotion of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their capability for additional responsibility and leadership.

William Hughes from Hyde Park, assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 258th Field Artillery Regiment, received a promotion March 23, 2023 to the rank of sergeant.

Harley Jelis from Pleasant Valley, assigned to the Headquarters and Support Company, 42nd Infantry Division Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, received a promotion January 31, 2023 to the rank of sergeant 1st class.

Clark Leonelli from Pleasant Valley,

assigned to the Joint Force Headquarters, received a promotion February 21, 2023 to the rank of captain.

Army National Guard promotions are based on a soldier's overall performance, demonstrated leadership abilities, professionalism and future development potential. These promotions recognize the best qualified soldiers for a career in the New York Army National Guard.

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DOT-TO-DOT PUZZLE

See page 19 for finished puzzle (no peeking!)



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By David Kalvit

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RCK edges Commack to win state baseball title

by Rich Thomaselli

BINGHAMTON – State Champs!

Years from now, when members of the Roy C. Ketcham High School baseball team talk about bringing home the second state championship in program history, they assuredly will talk about it in terms of the most unique way they won the title game.

Without getting a hit.

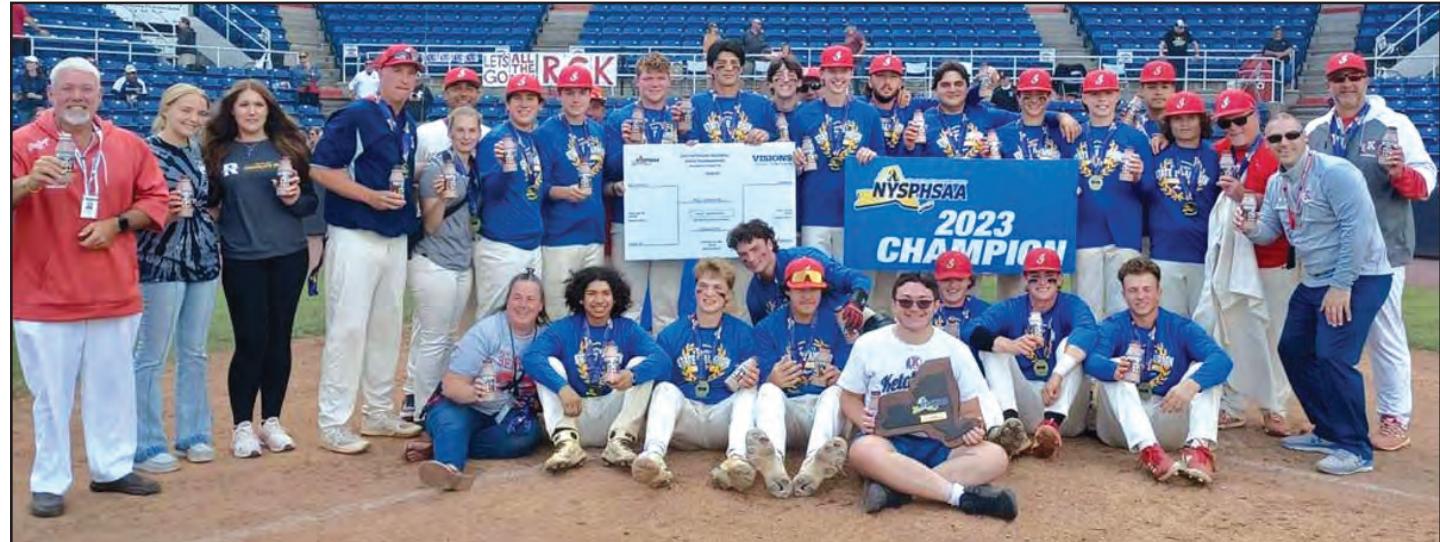
True story.

The Indians won the state Class AA title with a 2-1 win over Commack without getting a hit. It was a clinic in defense and pitching at Mirabito Stadium. Junior right-hander Riley Weatherwax was just as brilliant for RCK, throwing a three-hitter.

The Indians finished the season at 28-2.

"Never seen anything like it," said many of the players and coaches as they left the stadium.

Ketcham scratched across two runs in the third inning for the only tallies they would score. The rest was up to Weatherwax, who went the distance, and the defense, including a sterling play



Players, coaches and staff members of the Roy C. Ketcham High School baseball team celebrate winning the 2023 Class AA New York State Baseball Championship in Binghamton on Sunday. Courtesy photo

from shortstop Owen Paino with Commack runners on second and third and two out in the 7th inning on a hard-hit ball by Alex Gonzalez. Paino knocked it down and scooped it up and threw on to first for the final out of the game.

That led to the traditional dogpile cel-

ebration in the infield after the game. It was a celebration 17 years in the making.

RCK has long been the class of Dutchess County high school baseball, and one of the best teams in Section 1, but a second state title has eluded the Indians and coach Pat Mealy for almost a genera-

tion. Quickly, the focus will turn to next year, and the possibility of a repeat since Ketchum only graduates four seniors.

Weatherwax struck out seven, walked three and hit a batter as he levered at times, but still held the Cougars hitless between the 3rd and 7th innings.

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HV Shakespeare Festival receives \$10 million from NYS Arts Council

The Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival has announced a grant award totaling \$10 million from the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) to support the construction of a LEED-Certified outdoor theater, and the ecological land restoration of their new 98-acre site in Garrison.

This grant is part of a record large capital project funding announcement by NYSCA, which totals over \$90.5 million distributed to 19 projects across New York State. The \$10 million award represents one of the largest expressions of support by NYSCA in the state, marking a milestone achievement for HVSF as it receives capital funding from NYSCA for the first time.

Gov. Kathy Hochul expressed her

commitment to New York's diverse artistic and creative endeavors, stating, "From New York City to the North Country, we are investing in our state's robust arts and culture sector to ensure all New Yorkers, regardless of their background, have access to the transformative power of art. Our unprecedented support for this shared vision of accessible and sustainable cultural spaces will result in a stronger economy, more jobs, and improved community and personal health for New Yorkers and our visitors from around the globe."

The news of the NYSCA grant comes during the quiet phase of a large-scale capital campaign designed to transform a 98-acre site in Garrison, a former golf course, into HVSF's first-ever permanent



Gov. Kathy Hochul is pictured with Davis McCallum, Artistic Director of the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival. Photo by Emily Casey



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home, and build a solid foundation for environmental and financial sustainability for the company's future.

A significant portion of the grant will be used to support the construction of a new open-air theater designed by the celebrated architecture firm Studio Gang, founded and led by Jeanne Gang. The timber-frame structure is slated to be the nation's first purpose-built theater to achieve LEED Platinum certification from the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). The funds will also be used for the ecological restoration of the site, creating native meadows, new picnic lawns, and new ADA accessible pathways. These initiatives all align with HVSF's commitment to achieving carbon neutrality for the campus by 2040.

"This transformative grant empowers

HVSF's next chapter as a national model for environmental sustainability in the performing arts and underscores our emergence as a cultural anchor in the region," remarked Kendra Ekelund, Managing Director at HVSF. "We are deeply grateful to Governor Hochul for her long-standing support of our project, which began with her visit to our site during her tenure as Lieutenant Governor in June of 2021. This grant represents an investment not just in HVSF's mission, but also in the numerous communities we serve in the mid-Hudson region. We are so thankful to NYSCA for this robust and profound investment from New York State."

Davis McCallum, Artistic Director at HVSF, added, "We are honored to be a

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by luigi coppola

Top 10 Italian movies

Pop presents Luigi's fave flicks in his inimitable manner.

The other day I was watching "The Godfather" and I started to think what are the best Italian movies of all time.

After some soul searching, I came up with my list. I have enlisted my father to read this list.

Pop: Luigi, whata this. You wanta me to reada this. OK. This is a sona Luigi's list for a the best Italian movies ofa all time. Coma on Luigi. Alla time? Whata you thinka youa so important you can maka a list. OK. Hera we go.

Numer 1: "The Godafather." Luigi, this was a gooda movie. I lika the Marlon Brando anda Al Pacino. Hey dida you know there was a Coppola ina the book? Anyway...

Numer 2: "The Godafather numero

2." Luigi. Ima put this movie witha numero 1. This was a gooda movie. I lika the part when they show Sicily. Ita reminds me ofa my home town.

Numer 3: "Goodfellas" - Luigi, ma I noa lika this movie. Too much spara spara (shooting).

Numer 4: "Big Night" - Oh I lika this one. It's about two brothers who opena a restaurant. I laugha a lot. It reminds me when I open the first restaurant with a my brothers.

Numer 5: "Moonstruck" - I only gonna say one ting about this movie. The bigga Knife!

Numer 6: "Rocky" - Ia lika Sylvester Stalone. Hesa gooda fella.

Numer 7: "Life is Beautiful." Thata movie maka me cry. Ita remind me ofa

what life wasa like in Italia during the war.

Numer 8: "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" - Whya you puta this ona the list. Ita no about Italian. Basta. Ima no read anymore. Forgedaboutit. Ima gotta go make the asparagus with a pasta.

TUBETINI WITH ASPARAGUS

Ingredients

1 bunch fresh asparagus
1/3 cup diced shallots
2 cloves garlic, peeled
1 tablespoon olive oil
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 cup heavy cream
salt & pepper
1 lb. tubetini pasta
cracked black pepper
toasted pine nuts
grated lemon rind
grated Parmesan cheese

Directions:

Trim the ends off of the asparagus spears and cook them in lightly salted water for about 5 minutes until tender.

Cut off the tips, reserve and set aside, then cut the stems into pieces.

In a saucepan, heat the oil and cook the shallots about 3 to 4 minutes.

Add the garlic and cook until the garlic is golden.

Add the cream and chopped asparagus stems and heat over a low flame.

Add the grated Parmesan cheese, and stir.

Taste, and season with salt and pepper.

Keep the sauce warm while you cook the pasta.

Drain the pasta, then toss with the sauce and reserved asparagus tips until everything is heated through.

Serve in individual bowls garnished with pine nuts, lemon rind, and black pepper.

Luigi Coppola is one of five brothers born to Francesca and Antonio Coppola. The Coppola family came to America from Naples, Italy in 1954. Antonio and his brothers opened their first restaurant in Poughkeepsie in 1961. Luigi and his brothers Nick, John, Antonio and Vincent have carried on the family tradition in the way their parents taught them, using classic recipes taught to them at their apron strings. Visit their website at www.coppolas.net.

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NDSO presents 'The Duke and Satchmo' jazz concert

The Northern Dutchess Symphony and Orchestra (NDSO) will present the grand finale of its 17th season with a jazz concert titled "The Duke and Satchmo." This concert, featuring timeless jazz classics, will take place on Saturday, June 17, at 7:30 p.m., at the Joseph L. Phelan Auditorium, located at Rhinebeck High School, 45 North Park Road, Rhinebeck.

Immerse yourself in the music of two jazz legends, Duke Ellington and Louis Armstrong. The program features Ellington's symphonic work, "The River," which was commissioned by Alvin Ailey. Additionally, the program includes iconic favorites "Sweet Georgia Brown," "Hello Dolly," "What a Wonderful World," and "St. Louis Blues."

Before the concert, ticket-holders are invited to join pianist Larry Ham and NDSO Music Director Kathleen

Beckmann for a pre-concert talk at 6:45 p.m. Gain insights into the music of Ellington and Armstrong, as well as Ham's approach to jazz improvisation and his arrangement of "Caravan" for this performance.

Tickets for the program are \$38 per person, with discounts for seniors and students. To buy tickets and get more information about the concert, visit www.ndsorchestra.org or call (845) 635-0877.

Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra was formed in 2006 to bring live orchestral music to northern Dutchess County and the surrounding Hudson Valley area. The orchestra offers the best possible live performances of classical music at family-affordable prices. Since the beginning, Artistic Director Beckmann has conducted the orchestra.

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HV Shakespeare Festival receives \$10M from NYS Arts Council

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part of this historic investment from Governor Hochul and NYSCA in the future of the Arts in New York State. The funding will not only allow HVShF to create a permanent, open-air theater venue in the heart of the Hudson Valley, a unique experience that will inspire audiences for generations to come, but it will also enable us to enhance backstage facilities for our company of artists, and make key improvements to the visitor experience for our audiences. Our aspiration is to be the greenest theater in the country, and this remarkable support from NYSCA advances us mightily on the path to that goal."

In her live announcement on June 6, Hochul added, "We're going to continue bringing Shakespeare to the Hudson Valley, and I had a chance to visit and witness the incredible work that you're

doing. And I just knew that we had to continue supporting this. There are so many different ways that you can touch the soul. It's with your eyes. It's with your ears, listening to the music. It's also just becoming engaged in a story - a story that's over, I don't know, 500 years old, hundreds of years old, that it continues to this day to tell stories that have incredible relevance."

NYSCA Executive Director Mara Manus said, "We are immensely grateful to Governor Hochul and the New York State Legislature for this historic level of capital grant-making. These critical investments will support visionary expansions, essential facility improvements, and community-building strategies that will promote health, safety, and accessibility. We commend the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival for their bold

and inspirational project that will deliver the measurable benefits of the arts to New Yorkers and our visitors for generations to come."

NYSCA Chair Katherine Nicholls said, "Capital projects for the arts are an investment in our communities, our health, and our prosperity for decades to come. On behalf of the Council and staff, I congratulate the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival on its vision and dedication to serving the residents and visitors of New York and we look forward to seeing all that will flourish from this initiative."

NYSCA's Large Capital Improvement Grants for Arts and Culture support arts and cultural institutions across the state that are undertaking impactful, large-scale capital improvements. Grants range from \$2 million to \$10 million for proj-

ects with a total cost of \$4 million or more. This funding will support investments to expand cultural programming, reach new and diverse audiences, and promote accessibility. These grants will also help advance the State's goals around diversity, equity and inclusion and will require all grantees to commit to social equity initiatives and access plans that serve all New Yorkers.

NYSCA's Large Capital Improvement Grants program is administered in coordination with Empire State Development, which reviews applications to evaluate the potential for projects to support local placemaking, community development, and downtown revitalization efforts.

For more information on HVShF's new home, visit <https://hvshakespeare.org/newhome/>.

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Incredible support for 4-H at A-Fair to Remember Gala

Supported by local businesses, individuals, volunteers and, of course, the kids themselves, the 2023 4-H A-Fair to Remember gala fundraiser was an overwhelming success.

Held courtesy of Millbrook Winery on Sunday June 4, approximately 130 guests enjoyed a fun-filled program. Our 4-H'ers wowed visitors with their knowledge of their projects including agriculture, animals, bees, arts and crafts and shooting sports. At every booth, the youth had activities and often giveaways to engage and educate attendees.

The food was excellent with a variety of food trucks. The kids were especially happy with the free popcorn, cotton candy and shaved ice. But as always, the star of the show was the authentic "Fair Shakes" provided by the Dutchess County Dairy Committee.

A silent auction ran throughout the event with over 30 prizes up for grabs. Auctioneer Marc Tommell joined us to sell quality items, creating excitement and adding to the festivities.

The gala raised over \$20,000 which will be used to support up to 350 children to participate in the Dutchess County Fair. These youth have been working on projects all year to earn the right to exhibit. As costs rise, we will provide individual scholarships in partnership with the Dutchess Land Conservancy, as well as fun activities for all including dorm "sleepovers" with movies and popcorn, a Barn Bash including tug-of-war and ice cream, and a free family pasta dinner.

In 2022, we were also able to bring over 40 children from immigrant families to the fair to learn about agriculture and experience this incredible Dutchess tradition. Through our partnership with Dover Free Union School District and Northeast Dutchess Immigrant Services, we plan to do the same this year.

Supporters were too many to name individually but we are grateful for every one of them. Thank you all!



Program Leader Jane Rodd poses with 4-H Clover Crew members at the 4-H A-Fair to Remember gala fundraiser. Courtesy photo

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From farms to fashion: There is a lot to 4-H

The Clover Crew 4-H Club members engage in many fun projects, including cooking and community service. A highlight is the Fashion Revue which takes place in spring.

Between October and March, they choose a project, select fabrics and learn the techniques required to create a beautiful garment. In April, they have their sewing skills evaluated, receiving feedback from expert needlewomen.

Then comes the fun part. On Thursday April 27, the stage



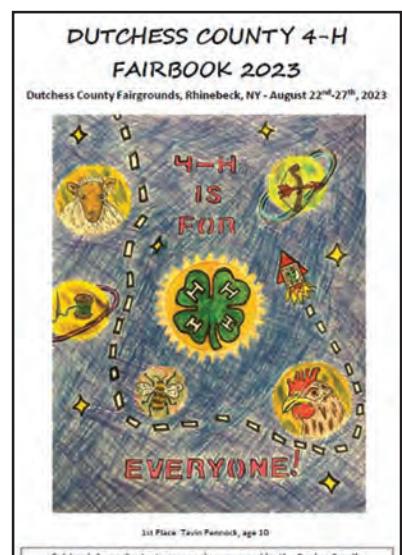
Eight members of the 4-H Clover Crew sewed, then modeled beautiful garments in a beach-themed event at CCEDC Farm and Home Center. Courtesy photo

was erected and the scene was set. Our 8 young models strutted their stuff in front of an enthusiastic audience at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County Farm and Home Center. Each participant received a certificate and flowers.

The event ended with ice cream and a beach-themed trivia contest. To see a repeat performance by these accomplished young people, join us at the Dutchess County Fair!

The 2023 4-H Fair Book is Out!

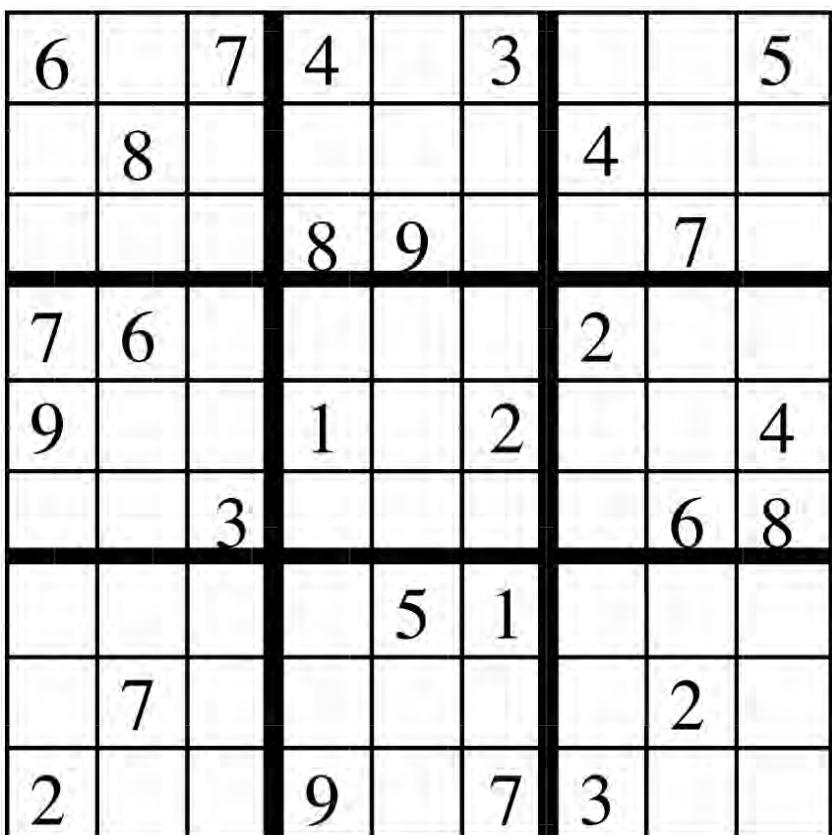
In 2023 we have lots of new activities and classes. For example, every weekday come and meet the animals of the day at our new photo spot behind the exhibit hall! Volunteers and special awards sponsors needed – contact Jane jr825@cornell.edu



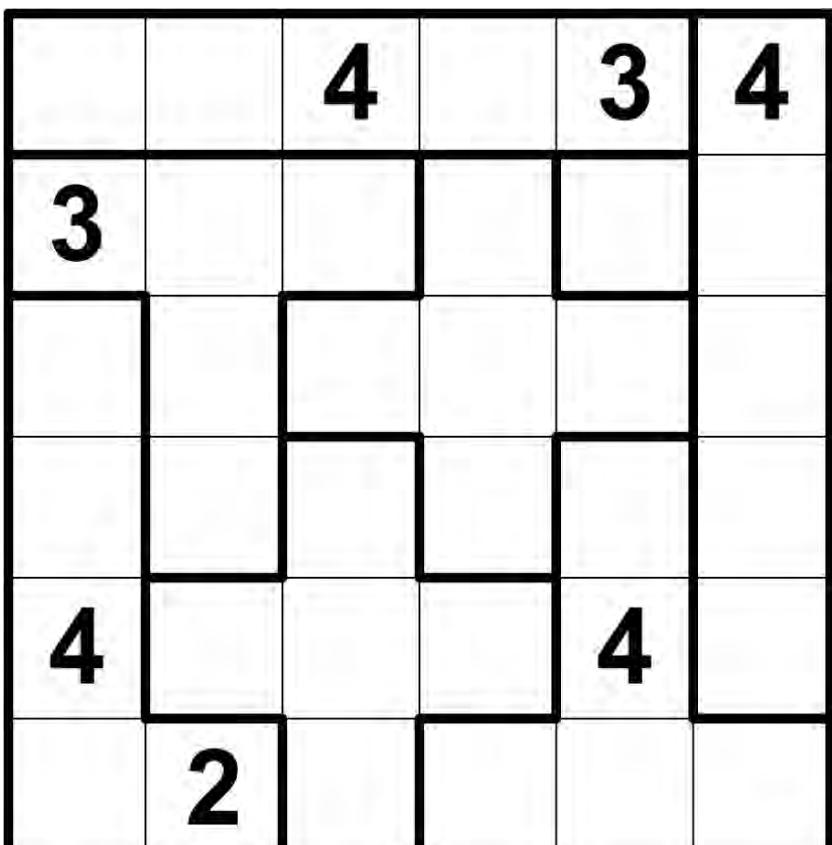
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SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills. The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers. Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order. Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order. Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.



Suguru



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

- Motorist's need
- __ into; collide with
- In poor taste
- Desperate cry
- Sound in body
- Nettles
- American Indian
- Movie dog
- Like a bird
- Cocktail
- Ocean liner: abbr.
- Nonstandard car accessory
- Lock of hair
- Hit
- Perfumes
- Gold measure
- Recipe direction
- Melted rock
- In __; huffy
- Site
- Surmounting
- Duct secretion
- In case
- Work details
- Type of tax
- Let up
- Chocolate source
- Idolizes
- Word with lime or lemon
- Progress
- Place for a carnation
- Oriental nursemaid
- This: Sp.
- Name
- Row
- Weirdo
- Long-eared animals
- Chair
- Filthy quarters

DOWN

- Tutor's question
- "All __"; Irving Berlin hit
- Cavalry weapon
- Dark image
- Continue
- Quartet member
- Intended
- Outline drawer
- Feel horrible
- Kid in the next desk
- Comical Etta
- North Sea feeder
- Takes the lion's share
- Aerie
- Incensed
- __ system
- Skilled
- Taunt
- Admit frankly
- Fools
- Mulgrew or Winslet
- Summit
- Agrees to take back
- Heart chambers
- Legal proceedings
- Entreat
- Give up
- Weighing devices
- Drawer refresher
- Skating rinks and eggs
- Auguries
- Readjust
- Door
- South African village
- Canadian prov.
- Speaker's spot
- École friend
- Grandma's nickname
- Slimy creature: Mid. Eng.

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The solutions to both the Sudoku & Crossword puzzles can be found on page 19

Young artists display works at year-end exhibitions



Students ages 5-13 in the iStation arts program in Red Hook had the opportunity to display their year-end works at two spaces in Red Hook. Taste Budd's hosted an exhibition in May; and Greig Farm will close their exhibition on June 16. The Harvest Gallery on Greig Farm is where iStation offers classes. From top, the photos show the three groups displaying some of their works: Early Elementary (Grades K-2), Upper Elementary (Grades 3-4) and Middle School (Grades 5-7). Courtesy photos

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West Point Band concert to celebrate Army birthday

The West Point Band kicks off its Summer Concert Series with an extraordinary musical celebration in honor of the 248th Army Birthday on Saturday, June 17, at 2 p.m., at West Point's Eisenhower Hall Theatre. This performance is free and open to all; no tickets are required. Note that due to construction at Trophy Point, West Point Band summer concerts will take place at a variety of locations across West Point and the surrounding communities. For more information, visit westpointband.com.

Led by Lt. Col. Daniel Toven, the West Point Band will showcase its exceptional musicianship, transporting the audience

on an inspiring journey through the Army's illustrious history. From rousing patriotic anthems to stirring symphonic compositions, the concert promises to capture the essence of bravery, camaraderie, and resilience embodied by the men and women of the United States Army. The highlight of the evening will be a special cake cutting ceremony, symbolizing the continuation of the Army's proud traditions.

For West Point Band concert information, cancellations, and updates, visit www.westpointband.com, or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter.

'Mystery on the Hudson' to be performed in West Park



Murder Cafe will present "Mystery on the Hudson" at the Hudson House Distillery in West Park (Ulster County) on Saturday, June 17, at 7 p.m. Advance tickets are \$100 per person, which includes a three-course dinner with entrée choice, cash bar and prizes for those who guess whodunit. Visit www.thehudsonhouseny.com or call (845) 834-6007 to purchase. It's 1891 and local leaders of commerce and industry are meeting for a Spring celebration. Guests will socialize with John Jacob Astor IV and his wife Ava, Future governor Levi Morton and his daughter Alice will be present along with Vassar College professor Percy Longfellow. Come join the party and you'll be fussed over by loyal butler, Horace, and fortune-hunting maid, Charlene. Katherine Kerry, a writer for the Kingston Weekly Freeman observes much more than merriment and gaiety when she witnesses a murder. Whodunit and why? The cast of "Mystery on the Hudson" is pictured. Courtesy photo

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A&E Calendar

arts and entertainment happenings

June 15-Sept. 14: Summer Concert Series, Cady Field, 1554 Main St., Pleasant Valley. PV Rec presents its annual Concerts in the Park, 6 p.m. June 15: Southern Dutchess Concert Band, more than 60 woodwind, brass and percussion musicians performing light show tunes, popular standards, marches, light classical and wind ensemble music. (Rain date: June 22.) July 13: Harvest Band, a wide variety of music, contemporary hits, classic rock, oldies, Motown, country, easy listening and standards. (Rain date: July 20.) Aug. 17: Southern Dutchess Concert Band, more than 60 woodwind, brass and percussion musicians performing light show tunes, popular standards, marches, light classical and wind ensemble music. (Rain date: Aug. 24.) Sept. 14: Cherished Memories, an outstanding Doo Wop a cappella group that grew up in an era where groups sang on almost every street corner. (Rain date: Sept. 21.) (845) 635-1111, ext. 203 or www.pvrec.com

June 16: "Love to Love You, Donna Summer," Tinker Street Cinema, 132 Tinker St., Woodstock. Woodstock Film Festival presents a screening of this HBO Original documentary shaped by Donna Summer's own reflections, the memories of close family, friends and colleagues, and

filled with the sounds of Summer's songs, 7 p.m., providing an in-depth look at the iconic artist as she creates music that takes her from the avant-garde music scene in Germany, to the glitter and bright lights of dance clubs in New York, to worldwide acclaim, her voice becoming the defining soundtrack of an era. Tickets \$15. <https://woodstockfilmfestival.org/>

June 16: Richard's Rhinecliff Acoustic Show, Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. Featuring The Moonlighters, Pete Santora, Phil Miller, Dan Epstein, 8-10:30 p.m. Donations to benefit Morton are suggested. (845) 876-7007

June 16-25: "Fiddler on the Roof," The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. Set in the little village of Anatevka, the story centers on a poor milkman named Tevye, his wife, and his five daughters. With the help of a colorful and tight-knit Jewish community, Tevye tries to protect his daughters and instill them with traditional values in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, the universal theme of tradition in "Fiddler on the Roof" cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality, and religion. Presented by the New Deal Creative Arts Center. Directed

by Joseph Gasparini. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets \$27. (845) 876-3080 or www.centerforperformingarts.org

June 17: Jungle Love, MJN Convention Center, 14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie. Voted 2021 Best Band in the Hudson Valley, fronted by Cher, voted 2022 Best Singer in the Hudson Valley by Hudson Valley Magazine, is not just a band, they are an experience. Jungle Love will take you on a musical journey through the '60s, '70s and '80s, performing the best of Classic Soul, Classic R&B, Motown, Disco and Funk all while putting their own dynamic spin on it. (845) 454-5800

June 17: Movies with Spirit: "Samsara," Vivekananda Retreat, Ridgely, 101 Leggett Rd., Stone Ridge. The stunning documentary shows the dueling rhythms of nature and humanity, 7 p.m. Shot in extra-wide 70mm film, providing IMAX-like resolution, the wordless documentary, with musical accompaniment, explores the wonders of the world, from Asia and Africa through Europe and the United States. It shows sacred sites and natural beauty, along with human excesses and industrial sprawl. The 2011 movie runs for 1 hour 42 minutes and is rated PG-13. The screening will be followed by a facilitated discussion. Refreshments will be served. Attendees over age 12 are asked to contribute \$10 a person. (845) 389-9201 or gerryharrington@mindspring.com

June 17: "Unfolding Olana: A Day of Dance," Olana State Historic Site, Rte. 9G, Hudson. Led by acclaimed choreographer Michael Spencer Phillips and architect Dino Kiratzidis, this unique event will immerse visitors in a captivating celebration of movement and artistry, set against the stunning backdrop of Olana's 250 acres of artist-designed landscape. Visitors are encouraged to pack a picnic and spend the day exploring the site, as pop-up performances will unfold throughout Olana's

landscape. "Unfolding Olana" will culminate with a sunset performance at 8:15 p.m. as the sun sets behind a Catskill Mountains and Hudson River backdrop. Tickets are free; reserve online at olana.org or in person at the Olana Visitor Center. (518) 751-6879

June 17 & 24: A Backyard Concert Series, Hyde Park Library, 22 Main St., Hyde Park. Free Saturday concerts performed by local talent in the courtyard (or in the Annex in case of rain). No RSVP needed. June 17: Flash Company, 4 p.m. Local Celtic music trio (Eric Garrison, Jim Pospisil and Bryan Maloney) will bring a taste of Ireland to you wherever you are. June 24: Betty and the Baby Boomers, 4 p.m. Acoustic quintet from the Hudson Valley wraps distinctive harmonies around songs of their own creation and others from tradition, classic folk singers like Pete Seeger, as well as contemporary artists. (845) 229-7791 or hydeparklibrary.org

June 18: Local Produce Readers Theatre: Father's Day Howl, The Stissing Center, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains. By members of Hudson Valley's Howl Playwrights collective, these short plays examine the relationships we have with our dads ... or not! 3 p.m. Tickets \$5. www.thestissingcenter.org

June 21: "Murder at the Speakeasy," Beekman Arms, Rte. 9, Rhinebeck. Presented by Murder Cafe, 7 p.m. Dutch Schultz has opened a speakeasy to give girlfriend Lu Lu a place to sing but flapper Rosie isn't having it. You'll dance, dine and gulp the best hooch anywhere until tempers flair, bullets rain and the law shows up. A body will fall and it doesn't look like the Charleston did it. Whodunit and why? Cost \$75 per person, includes 3-course dinner with entree choice, cash bar, show and prizes. Tickets: beekmandela.materinn.com; information: (845) 876-7077, ext. 361.

EXHIBITIONS

Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center, 9 & 12 Vassar St., Poughkeepsie. **Through June:** Featured in the Victorian Gallery at 9 Vassar St. are the works of Robert Goldwitz; and at 12 Vassar St. are Susan Angeles in the Hancock Gallery and the ArtEast Dutchess Group Exhibit in the Reception Gallery. cunneen-hackett.org or (845) 486-4571

Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. **Through Sept. 3:** "Between the Lines: Innovation and Expression in Women's Sewing Samplers," a fresh new look at a medium traditionally dismissed as "women's work" and relegated to the category of "female accomplishment." The exhibition explores how women makers from across Europe and the Americas expressed creativity and individuality from within the confines of this formulaic medium. (845) 437-5632 or www.vassar.edu/thelob.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library & Museum, 4097 Albany Post Rd. (Rte. 9), Hyde Park. **Through Dec. 2024:** Developed in collaboration with a distinguished committee of scholars, "Black Americans, Civil Rights, and the Roosevelts, 1932-1962" centers the historical voices of many Black community leaders, wartime service members, and ordinary citizens who engaged the Roosevelt administration directly and who pushed for progress. Within this context, the exhibit examines the political evolution of both Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt regarding racial justice. www.fdrlibrary.org

LAND Gallery, 30 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling. **Through June 25:** "Impressions," photographs by Jane Haslam. (845) 490-2281 or www.landgalleryonline.com

Millbrook Library, 3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook. **Through July 30:** "I Dreamed A Garden," works of 15 member artists of LongReach Arts, a Hudson Valley artist cooperative. (845) 677-3611

Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. **Through June:** Silkscreen prints by Don Battershall. (845) 876-2903

Olana State Historic Site, Rte. 9G, Hudson. **Through Oct. 29:** "Terraforming: Olana's Historic Photography Collection Unearthed," an exhibition focusing on Olana's remarkable trove of nearly 5,000 19th-century photographic prints, collected by the artist Frederic Church between 1850 and 1900. An installation of 48 original photographs within Olana's Sharp Family Gallery will include original and historically significant works by pioneering early photographers, including Eadweard Muybridge, William James Stillman, and Claude-Joseph Désiré Charnay. (518) 828-1872 or www.olana.org

Palmer Gallery, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. **Through Aug. 1:** "Vassar Views: The Art of Tarryl Gabel & Tatiana Rhinevault," two local Hudson Valley artists celebrate Vassar's unique architecture and landscapes. (845) 437-5370 or vassar.edu

Tivoli Artists Gallery, 60 Broadway, Tivoli. **Through July 2:** The Small Works Show, featuring the art of nearly 30 artists working in a variety of methods, media, and of expression. Size is the only limitation in this exhibit of works no larger than approximately 11 X 14 inches. Participants in the show are: Ania Aldrich, Elisabeth Barnett, Melissa Braggins, Ted, Braggins, Anna Cinquemani, Peggy Farrington, Anita Fina, Janene Gentile, Lana Hirsch, Stevan Jennis, Linda Lavin, Gina Palmer, William Shilling, Cecelia Sinclair, Guy Sobering, Silvana Tagliaferri, Elizabeth Young, Maria Kolodziej-Zincio. (845) 757-2667

WomensWork.art, 4 S. Clinton St., Poughkeepsie. **Through June 24:** "Kitchen: Utilitarian Made Beautiful." (845) 293-3660 or www.womenswork.art

Events at Morton Library

MORTON LIBRARY
82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff
(845) 876-2903
<https://morton.rhinecliff.lib.ny.us/>

Thursday, June 15 @ 5:00 pm
Morton Presents: Flex Your Memory to Master Names and Faces with Brent Sverdloff

We are all in the business of building relationships, and that starts with remembering someone's name. Getting a name right inspires confidence from the outset and helps others remember you—a powerful advantage in any personal or professional situation.

Come learn why we often retain many details about the people we meet but forget their names almost at once. Engage in fun, imagination-based games that teach you how to make names stick.

You will leave understanding why "flexing your memory" is as vital to your health as diet, exercise, and rest—as well as how the Covid pandemic has impacted our ability to remember names and faces.

Memory expert and author Brent Sverdloff will share his knowledge and sell copies of his book, "How Could I Forget You! A Creative Way to Remember Names and Faces" (\$20, cash or check)

Free and open to the public. Registration requested.

Saturday, June 23 @ 7:00 pm
Round the Bend Theater Co.

Round The Bend Theatre presents a reading of "One Good Tree" by Robert

Barnett and Directed by Beth Ryan Troxell.

A fundamentalist preacher and his wife were shot dead in their beds. A gay son confesses online. An internet provocateur whips up public outrage. Sandy and Naveen, the boy's lawyer and a therapist, need to craft his defense. But David refuses to cooperate.

Free and open to the public. For more information: roundthebendtheatre.org

Saturday, June 24 @ noon
Rhinebeck School of Music Student Concert

An afternoon of eclectic performances from students of all ages, instruments, and styles - from solo piano pieces, to full bands - from young children, to adults.

An opportunity for the community to hear and see the diversity and talent that represents Rhinebeck School of Music.

For more information contact: www.rhinebeckschoolofmusic.com -

Saturday, June 24 @ 6:30 pm
Oblong Books Presents: Lorrie Moore, "I Am Homeless If This Is Not My Home: A Novel" (at Morton)

Join us to hear Lorrie Moore discuss her first novel since *A Gate at the Stairs*—a daring, meditative exploration of love and death, passion and grief, and what it means to be haunted by the past, both by history and the human heart.

Tickets are free. Registration is required. Oblong will have books available for purchase.

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OBITUARIES

Armando S. Cammarano

HYDE PARK - Armando S. Cammarano, a devoted husband and loving father, 81, of Hyde Park, died unexpectedly on Monday, June 5, 2023, at home with family by his side. Born December 5, 1941, in Brooklyn, he was the son of the late Armando Cammarano and Josephine Coppa Cammarano. After graduating college, Armando went on to foster a long, productive and distinguished career. He started at Brookhaven National Labs in Long Island, NY prior to his move to the Hudson Valley in the 60's to work at IBM. His career as an engineer spanned over 30 years in Fishkill, NY before retiring in 2003. During his tenure at IBM, he obtained several awards and patents while making lifelong friends. On March 23, 1974 he married the love of his life, Maureen (McBride) Cammarano. They spent 49 wonderful years together enjoying the simple pleasures in life. Maureen survives at home but will forever remember the special man that he was. After retirement, Armando could often be found around the house gardening, cooking and relaxing poolside. In his free time, he enjoyed laughing with friends and neighbors, fishing, taking photos, and most of all talking about politics. Along with his wife he is also survived by his three children, Donna Steneck, Christopher Cammarano and Andrew Cammarano as well as three grandchildren, Emily Steneck, Patrick Steneck, and Karadyn Jaycox, whom he all adored. Along with his parents he was predeceased by a sister, Asunta (Sue) Kelty. Calling hours were on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at Sweet's Funeral Home, 4365 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park, NY 12538. A prayer service will take place during calling hours. Cremation followed. Armando's family respectfully requests memorial donations to Wounded Warrior Project 370 7th Ave., Suite 1802 New York, NY 10001 or St. Jude Children's Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105. Arrangements are under the direction of Sweet's Funeral Home, Inc., Rte. 9, Hyde Park. To send an online condolence, or for directions, please visit Joyce's obituary at www.sweetsfuneralhome.com.

Judith M. Rockefeller

HYDE PARK - Judith Marie Rockefeller, 81, a lifelong Red Hook resident, passed away on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at the Golden Hill Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Kingston, NY. Born on June 3, 1942, in Rhinebeck, NY, she was the daughter of the late Philip John and Mildred (Young) Rockefeller. Judy graduated from Geneseo State College and later earned a Master's degree at the University of Albany. Judy worked as a Librarian at the Rondout Valley Middle School for many years. Upon her retirement in 1997, she became very active in the Red Hook Public Library's - Friends of the Library. Judy was also an active member of St. John's Reformed Church in Red Hook. A number of dear cousins; her good friend, David Mitchell; and many other close friends survive her. Friends called at the Burnett & White Funeral Homes on Sunday, June 11, 2023. Funeral services were held on Monday, June 12, 2023 at St. John's Reformed Church, Red Hook, NY, with Pastor Alisha Riepma. Interment took place in the family plot at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in Red Hook. Memorial donations may be made in Judy's memory to the St. John's Reformed Church, 126 Old Post Rd, North, Red Hook, NY 12571 or a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Burnett & White Funeral Homes 7461 S. Broadway, Red Hook, NY. To sign the online guest book, please visit www.Burnett-White.com.

Joyce A. Iaccino

HYDE PARK - Joyce A. Iaccino, 76, of Hyde Park, New York died peacefully on June 2, 2023, at home with her family by her side. Born December 13, 1946, in Poughkeepsie, she was the daughter of the late Samuel Cerniglia and Mary Cerniglia Valentino. Joyce went to Mount Carmel Parochial School and graduated from Our Lady of Lourdes High School in 1966, before heading off to Rider University. She then started her career working for IBM before returning home to raise a family. Years later, she and her husband, Vince, ran a successful Auto Upholstery business specializing in pre-war cars. She, herself, hand tufted all the leather interiors that were sewn by Vince, all the while supporting her children in all their endeavors. She could often be found cooking,

baking, reading a good book, or watching the NY Yankees and NC State games. On March 16, 1973, she married Vincent A. Iaccino. Mr. Iaccino predeceased her on April 12, 2010. She is survived by her three children, Louis V. Iaccino and wife, Brenda-Jean, Michelle A. Iaccino, and husband Steve Robertson, and Michael A. Iaccino; five grandchildren, Andrea, Brooke, Breanne, Taylor, and Griffin. Mrs. Iaccino is also survived by her brother, Ron Cerniglia, and wife, Lynne; nephew, Sam Cerniglia; stepsister, Joanne Butterfield, and husband, Jim; stepbrother, John Valentino; and many dear family and friends. In addition to her husband and parents, she was also predeceased by her brother, Carl Cerniglia. Graveside services were on Thursday, June 8, at St. Peters Cemetery, 171 Salt Point Tpk. Poughkeepsie. In lieu of flowers Joyce's family respectfully requests memorial donations to the Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation, 80 Washington St., Suite 204, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, (www.hvhospice.org), or, the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, P.O. Drawer 498. Emmitsburg, MD 21727 (www.fire-hero.org), or, the Dr. Carl Cerniglia Memorial Endowment, Campus Box 7474, Raleigh, NC 27695. (www.shorturl.co/Cernigiamemorialendowment) Arrangements are under the direction of Sweet's Funeral Home, Inc., Rte. 9, Hyde Park. To send an online condolence, or for directions, please visit Joyce's obituary at www.sweetsfuneralhome.com.

Answers to this week's diversions

(puzzles on page 16)

Suguru solution

1	5	4	2	3	4
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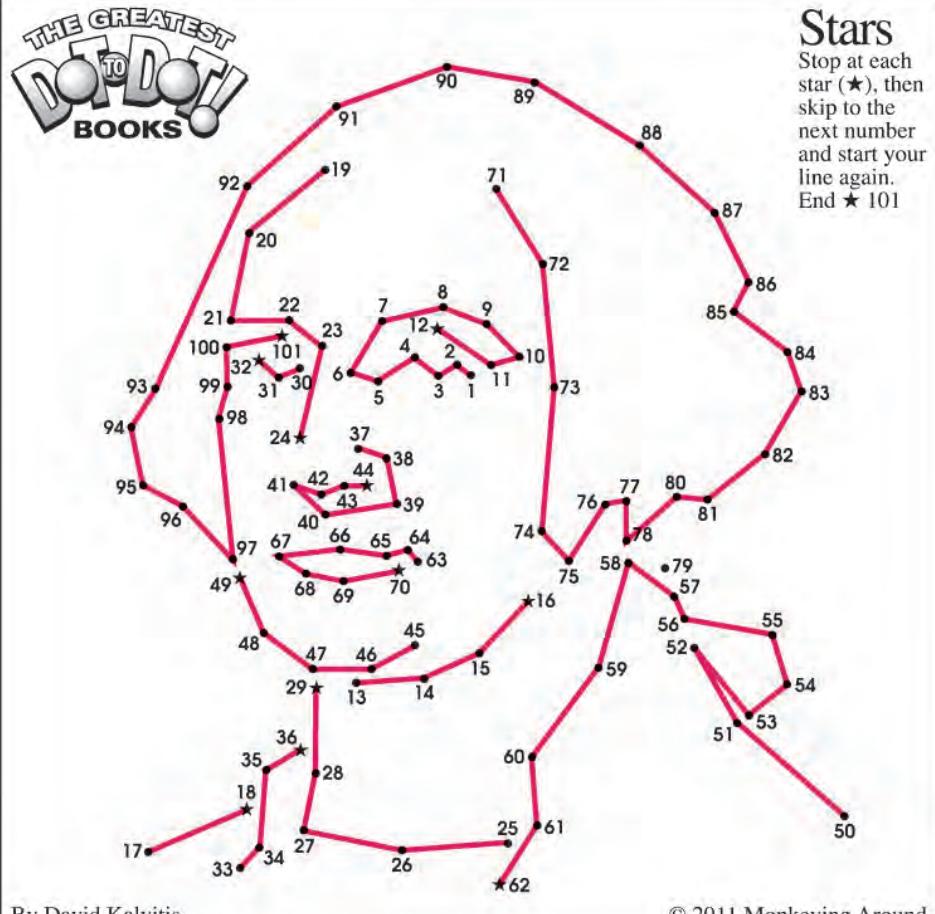
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This week's answer

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SWAT	AROMAS	
KARAT	BEAT	LAVA
APET	PLACE	ATOP
TEAR	LEST	CREWS
EXCISE	EASE	
CACAO	ADORES	
ADE	ADVANCEMENT	
LAPEL	AMAH	ESTA
TITLE	LINE	NERD
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Answer to this week's Dot to Dot (puzzle on page 10)



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TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION: 603/2023					
RE: AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE					
WHEREAS, the Town of Pleasant Valley needs to upgrade its office technology and has been advised of the necessary hardware and software; and					
WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law § 103, a formal bid is required for this package of items; and					
WHEREAS, the attorney to the town has drafted a request for bids, which is attached;					
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT					
RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes release of the attached Request for Bids for Computer Hardware and Software; and be it further					
RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is authorized and directed to advertise the request for bids pursuant to General Municipal Law § 103(2) and to open the bids in accordance with that statute on June 26, 2023 at 12:00 noon.					
DATE: June 5, 2023	MOTION: Councilman Rifenburgh	SECOND: Councilman Mazzella			
ROLL CALL:	AYE	NAY			
Councilwoman Albrecht	X	—			
Councilman Mazzella	X	—			
Councilman O'Hanlon	X	—			
Councilman Rifenburgh	X	—			
Supervisor Del Vecchio	X	—			
Carried.	—	—			

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TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE					
Dated: JUNE 6, 2023					
SECTION I -- INTRODUCTION AND INTENT OF RFP:					
Notice to Vendors					
Sealed bids will be received by the Town Clerk for the Town of Pleasant Valley N.Y. for the package of computer hardware and software listed below.					
Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 noon on June 26, 2023 in the Town Clerk's Office.					
Proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope identifying the Contractor's name, the RFP title, and the RFP due date on the face of the envelope. Proposals shall include the Proposal Sheet in Section IV.					
Submission of a proposal signifies the Contractor's agreement that its proposal and the content thereof are valid, and all pricing submitted with the proposal shall remain in effect for at least one year.					
The Town reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.					
SECTION II -- BACKGROUND AND SPECIFICATIONS:					
The Town of Pleasant Valley seeks a vendor to provide computer hardware and software needed by Town offices. The following items are needed in the quantities indicated:					
1. Hardware elements:					
a. FortiWiFi-81F-2R-POE Hardware plus 3 Year 24x7 FortiCare and FortiGuard Unified Threat Protection (UTP) (x 3).					
b. Outdoor Wireless AP - Tri radio, external antennas included, RJ45 port, BT/BLE, 1x Type A USB (x 2).					
c. L2 POE Switch - 48x GE RJ45 ports (x 1).					
d. HPE ML350 Gen10 Server (x 1).					
e. HP Elite 600 G9 Desktop Computer - Intel Core i5-12500 - 8 GB RAM - 512 GB SSD - Small Form Factor - Windows 11 Pro (x 9).					
f. HP E24mv G4 23.8" Full HD LCD Monitor - 16:9 - Black, Silver - 24" Class (x 9).					
g. LG External Ultra Slim Portable DVDRW Silver - Retail Pack - DVD-RAM/±R/±RW Support - 24x CD Read/24x CD Write/24x CD Rewrite - 8x DVD Read/8x DVD Write/8x DVD Rewrite - Double-layer Media Supported - USB 2.0 (x 2).					
2. Software elements:					
a. Windows Server 2022 Standard - 2 Core (x 10).					
b. Windows Server 2022 - 1 User CAL (x 30).					
c. Windows Server 2022 Remote Desktop Services - 1 User CAL (x 3).					
d. Office 2021 License Standard – Perpetual (x 9).					
The Town will select the proposal (or proposals) that best meets its needs and may select based on best value as provided in Chapter 22 of the Town Code. Speed of delivery will be a consideration, and vendors are asked to provide an estimated delivery date.					
SECTION III -- GENERAL CONDITIONS and FINANCIAL PROVISIONS:					
PRICING: The Contractor warrants that the pricing stated herein shall remain firm for a period of 6 months from the proposal date. Pricing shall include all charges that may be imposed in fulfilling the work.					
SIGNED PROPOSAL CONSIDERED AN OFFER: Submittal of a signed proposal shall be considered an offer on the part of the Contractor. The terms, conditions and specifications of this proposal may become part of the contract, if the proposal shall be deemed approved and accepted by The Town of Pleasant Valley. In the event of a default on the part of the Contractor after acceptance, the Town may take such action as it deems appropriate including legal action for damages or specific performance.					
PAYMENT TERMS: Payment terms are NET 45 days following receipt of invoice and Voucher. Invoices must be submitted to: The Town of Pleasant Valley Attn: Accounts Payable 1554 Main Street Pleasant Valley, N.Y. 12569					
SUBCONTRACTING: The Contractor shall not have the right or power to assign, subcontract, or transfer interest in this contract.					
CHANGES: The Town of Pleasant Valley shall have the right, at any					
SIGNATURE SHEET					
Signature					
Print Name					
City					
Telephone#					
Federal Tax ID#					
The above individual must be authorized to sign on behalf of the company submitting the proposal.					

The deadline for Legals is every Monday @ 12 noon for a Wednesday Publication* *When a public holiday falls on a Monday the deadline becomes Friday at noon.

GENCY ORDER DECLARED BY D U T C H E S S COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Please take notice that on June 6, 2023, pursuant to Article 2B of the New York State Executive Law, Article III of the Dutchess County Charter and Administrative Code Section 3.05, Acting Dutchess County Executive William F. X. O'Neil extended Local Emergency Order #1 and Local Emergency Order #2 in furtherance of Executive Order No. 5 of 2023, dated May 18, 2023. The text of the declaration of state of emergency and local emergency orders is available at www.dutchessny.gov.

DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMER-

DUTCHESS COUNTY EARLY VOTING FOR THE 2023 PRIMARY ELECTION

LEGAL NOTICE POLLS ARE OPEN FOREARLYVOTING AS FOLLOWS:

Saturday, June 17 9 AM – 5 PM
Sunday, June 18 8 AM – 4 PM
Monday, June 19 9 AM – 5 PM
Tuesday, June 20 Noon – 8 PM
Wednesday, June 21 9 AM – 5 PM
Thursday, June 22 Noon – 8 PM
Friday, June 23 9 AM – 5 PM
Saturday, June 24 9 AM – 5 PM
Sunday, June 25 9 AM – 5 PM

At any of the following locations:

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Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market St., Poughkeepsie Wappinger Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Rd., Wappingers Falls

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FATHER'S DAY

Get tickets for Walkway's July 4th fireworks display

On Tuesday, July 4, the Friends of the Walkway nonprofit organization is again offering the public a one-of-a-kind unobstructed view to see the City of Poughkeepsie's annual Fourth of July fireworks display from 212 feet above the Hudson River in Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., the Walkway will open to ticket-holders only to experience this unique vantage point. Tickets, which sell out in advance of the event every year, are on sale now at walkway.org/fireworks. No tickets will be available for purchase on-site at the event.

Walkway members, seniors, and veterans can purchase tickets for \$20, while the public is invited to attend for \$25. Children under 12 are free, however they must be registered at walkway.org/fireworks and valid passes are required. Every guest entering the park after 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 4, including children, needs to have a ticket for admittance. All proceeds support the Friends of the Walkway nonprofit organization and its mission to host community programming, add amenities to Walkway Over the Hudson, and more.

"There's no better way to celebrate Fourth of July than by viewing an amazing professional fireworks display, and there's no better location to see fireworks in the Hudson Valley than from Walkway Over the Hudson," said Lori Robertson,

Executive Director, Friends of the Walkway. "We're pleased to continue this wonderful annual tradition of opening the bridge to family, friends, and the entire community."

On July 4, Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park will begin closing procedures at 4:30 p.m. for setup and safety preparations. It will reopen at 6:30 p.m. to event ticket holders only. The fireworks display will begin between 9-9:30 p.m., and the Walkway will remain open for one hour after the conclusion of the event.

If the event is postponed due to severe weather, the fireworks will launch on Wednesday, July 5. Notification will occur via walkway.org and the Walkway's social media channels.

Due to the unique nature of the July 4th Fireworks Spectacular, all ticket holders are asked to adhere to these special guidelines:

- Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets are strictly limited and will not be sold on-site.
- There is no access to the Walkway's elevator during the event.
- No pets are allowed on the Walkway during this event.
- No bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, scooters, personal fireworks, or firearms are permitted.
- Personal coolers, food, and drink are permitted. The Walkway is a smoke- and



Walkway Over the Hudson will once again present a fireworks display on July 4. Tickets are now available to view the spectacle at eye level. *Photo by Irving Solero*

alcohol-free park.

- All bags, coolers, chairs, blankets, etc. are subject to inspection at entrances.
- All ticket sales are final. No refunds will be issued.

Those with valid tickets are encouraged to carpool and to park at various City of Poughkeepsie and Town of Lloyd locations, or approved on-street parking spaces, and allow ample time to get to the Walkway in time for the fireworks. Ticket-holders may access the Walkway from either the East (Poughkeepsie) or

West (Highland) entrances.

The July 4th Fireworks Spectacular is presented by the Friends of the Walkway nonprofit organization, City of Poughkeepsie, and Q92.1 FM. Special thanks to the Town of Lloyd, New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, New York State Police, local law enforcement, and Walkway staff and volunteers. Visit walkway.org/fireworks or call (845) 454-9649 for complete information.

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