

**Camp Nooteming program overview set July 27 at PV Town Hall**

More than 1,000 local young people will have the chance to enjoy summer outdoor learning and fun at Camp Nooteming, Dutchess County's recently purchased camp property in Pleasant Valley. Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro has forwarded a resolution to the Dutchess County Legislature to fund start-up and maintenance of the facility as well as the cost of several camp programs this summer.

Residents are invited to learn more about the Camp Nooteming property, the 272-acre camp the County purchased this past spring, including information about the Camp's operator Pathfinder Foundation and community program opportunities, during a public forum County Executive Molinaro will host on Wednesday, July 27, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Pleasant Valley Town Hall. All are welcome to find out more about the programs planned for this summer, as well as in the future, and have their questions answered.

The funding resolution will allocate \$725,000 from the county's contingency fund to the Department of Community & Family Services and will be combined with previously authorized funds to cover costs including transportation expenses; bathroom, tent, and other equipment rentals; as well as costs to prepare the facility for camp operations and bringing the grounds into good working order, including road maintenance, ADA improvements, tree clearing, hiking trail improvements, and resolving safety and sanitation issues.

The camp operator, Pathfinder Foundation, Inc., has been engaged in preparing the camp for summer operations in coordination with

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**Helping fellow firefighters!**

Stanford Fire Dept. initiates area-wide effort for Ukraine



Members of the Town of Stanford Fire Department are collecting items from area fire departments to ship to firefighters and first responders in Ukraine. From left are Stanford Fire Department 9-11 Committee President Ed Zick, Capt. Alex Wilcha and Nick Grittlow of the Hyde Park Fire Department and Stanford Fire Department members Evelyn Seipp, Chris Robert, Will Moriarity, Tim Gifford and Sean McCarthy. Photo by Curtis Schmidt

by Rich Thomaselli

Ed Zick, president of the 9-11 Committee of the Town of Stanford Fire Department, and his fellow officers Evelyn Seipp and Duffy Layton, were shocked by the images they saw on television.

Not surprised, mind you. After all, the video coming in from half a world away

after Russian invaded Ukraine on February 24 was going to be ghastly. It was war.

But what Zick, Seipp and Layton found just as disturbing was that their brethren – local fire departments in Ukraine, search and rescue teams, emergency medical services – were woefully understaffed and under-equipped.

“Right then I was like, we have to

think about our fellow firefighters in Ukraine,” Zick recalled. “So, the same committee that we had in the department that put together our 9/11 tribute (when the Fire Dept. places 3,000 flags in the ground on the hill in Stanford to commemorate the fateful day), we asked them if we could do something.”

What they are doing is extraordinary.

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**DCSPCA seeks donations to defray parvo treatment costs**

by Kate Goldsmith



Six puppies ill with the highly contagious and deadly parvo virus were recently brought to the Dutchess County SPCA (DCSPCA). Sadly, five succumbed to the disease; and the lone survivor, a sweet little guy named Marley, has been fighting for his life and receiving around-the-clock care.

Expenses associated with treatment for all six puppies have totaled around \$14,000, with the cost of Marley's care

Marley, a 4-month-old puppy rescued by the Dutchess County SPCA, is making a remarkable recovery from canine parvo virus, a life-threatening disease. Here, he assumes a playful stance. Courtesy photo

alone exceeding \$5,300. Donations are requested at <https://bit.ly/DCSPCAMarley>.

DCSPCA Executive Director Lynne Meloccaro was happy to report last week that Marley's condition has improved.

“Marley is recovering--we think he will pull through!” said Meloccaro. “Our team worked very hard to give him the care he needs and we are ecstatic about his improvement.”

Photos taken on July 12, which accompany this article, show a decidedly perkier Marley displaying typical puppy playfulness and curiosity.

On June 24, DCSPCA posted an alert on its Facebook page, warning that

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Dutchess County Public Works. With the short timeframe between the County's acquisition of the property and the start of summer programming, it has been an extensive effort. However, it was a priority for the County that the property could be utilized for programming for this summer and this site-readiness work will ensure the camp is well-equipped for future groups to put the property to use this fall and beyond.

Organizations interested in hosting programs at Camp Nooteeing in the future can email [info@pathfinderfc.com](mailto:info@pathfinderfc.com) for more information.

More than 1,000 young people who participate in Dutchess County and

Pathfinder programming as well as several local community organizations' summer programs will enjoy activities at Camp Nooteeing this summer for more than 7,000 total camper days. The County did extensive outreach to organizations and groups involved as in the County's Path to Promise (P2P) initiative, various youth programming groups as well as neighboring communities and beyond.

Youth will take part in a wide range of activities such as arts and crafts, yoga and meditation, educational programming, hiking, and team sports including basketball, softball, soccer, and volleyball.

Organizations offering youth programming at Camp Nooteeing this summer

include:

- Town of Pleasant Valley Recreation Department
- Boys & Girls Club
- Poughkeepsie City School District
- Family Services

- Cornell Cooperative Extension of Dutchess County
- Marist College Upward Bound
- Rebuilding Our Children and Community • Red Hook Community Library

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The 2022 United Way Kindness Champion will be announced at the event. Nominations for Kindness Champion are open through Aug. 15, with voting for the finalists beginning at 9 a.m. on Aug. 19 and ending at 9 p.m. on Sept. 11. Double votes will be on Fridays, Aug. 26, Sept. 2 and Sept. 9. Nominees must work, live or go to school in Dutchess County or Orange County.

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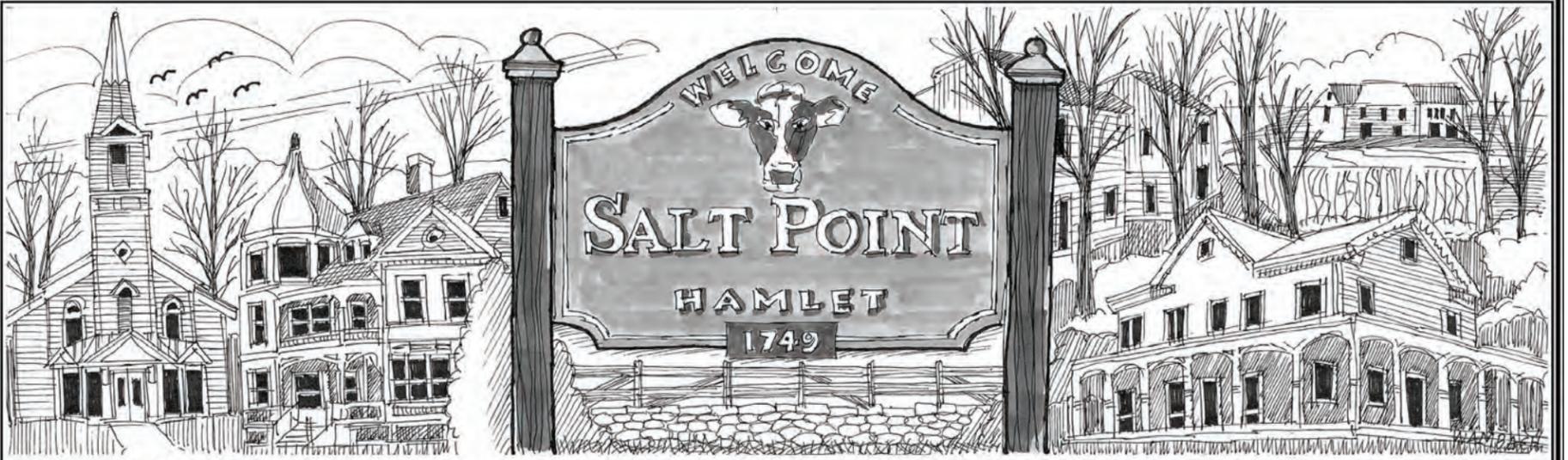
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## DCSPCA seeks donations to defray parvo treatment costs

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a man and a woman were reported selling puppies in public places in Dutchess and Ulster counties.

"The puppies are ill—many have died of parvo which is highly contagious," the alert stated. "These puppies are in need of urgent veterinary care, and should not be purchased."

An investigation by the DCSPCA is currently under way.

"Never purchase a puppy from a stranger in any public space. Anyone selling animals this way is not making money because they have invested in these puppies' care," the alert continued. "Puppies will frequently have been taken from their mother too soon, will often have genetic or contagious conditions, and have never received veterinary care. The cost of care these sick animals will require far outweighs the cheap purchase price."

DCSPCA reported that some of the sick puppies were brought to the shelter by distraught owners. Two of them were rescued from a pond where they had been dumped.

"We did all we could for them, but sadly they were too far gone to be saved," the organization posted on its Facebook page.

According to the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine's website, Canine Parvo Virus (CPV) "most often strikes in pups between six and 20 weeks old, but older animals are sometimes also affected." The disease is devastating in its damage, first attacking the lymph nodes before entering the bloodstream, all the while rapidly dividing. As the disease progresses, it impacts many of the body's systems, particularly targeting the gastrointestinal tract.

"CPV is not always fatal, but when it does kill, death is as a result of either dehydration and shock, along with the effects of septic toxins produced by the intestinal bacteria roaming throughout the bloodstream," notes the Cornell website.

Since the late 1970s, a vaccine to prevent parvo has been a routine part of a dog's veterinary visits.

On July 12, Meloccaro said, "We know that the puppy sellers have been spotted at Woodbury Commons recently, and we have received some very helpful tips from the public. It's difficult because we have to establish the couple's



Marley is the only survivor of six puppies suffering from canine parvo virus who were recently brought to the shelter. As of last week, Marley was recovering. Donations are requested to help defray costs of Marley's treatment, which have exceeded \$5,000. The top photo, taken around July 6, shows a sick Marley lying in his crate. In the photo below, taken this past week, he is looking much more lively. *Courtesy photos*



identities and they are moving around across counties, but we are closing in."

Anyone seeing a man or woman sell-

ing puppies is asked to try to photograph them and send the photo and location to [humanelaw@dcsPCA.org](mailto:humanelaw@dcsPCA.org).

## Local residents can apply for Rebuilding Day home repair

Rebuilding Together Dutchess County (RTDC) is accepting applications for their Rebuilding Day home repair and accessibility modification program. These services are provided at no-cost to qualified homeowners and focus on ensuring that individuals can live independently in safe, warm, dry and healthy homes.

The deadline for applications to be considered for the 2023 Rebuilding Day

program is Aug. 31. Income-qualified Dutchess County homeowners, especially seniors, persons living with a disability, military veterans or parents with school aged children are encouraged to apply.

The Rebuilding Day program takes a whole-house approach. Typical repairs can include replacing a roof or windows, addressing electrical or plumbing issues, fixing a porch, installing a ramp, bathroom accessibility modifications, and much more. By performing these types of repairs, RTDC helps homeowners stay in their homes for as long as they wish.

Neighbors who have been served by the local nonprofit all suggest that their fellow Dutchess County residents apply. Alice commented that it was "a wonderful experience" working with RTDC and felt the volunteers who performed the repairs on her home were friendly and warm. Candida said "I would recommend it highly because you took care of all my needs."

To request an application or ask questions, call the RTDC office at (845) 454-7310. The application and further details can also be found at [www.RTDutchess.org](http://www.RTDutchess.org).

If you are not an applicant for RTDC's programs, you can help your neighbors in need by:

- Encouraging others to apply: Program qualifications and the application can be found at [www.RTDutchess.org](http://www.RTDutchess.org) or by calling 845-454-7310.

- Using RTDC as a resource: If you think your workplace, church, or club might benefit from learning about RTDC's services and how they can help assist members of their community, contact [info@RTDutchess.org](mailto:info@RTDutchess.org).

- Making a donation: Donations may be made online at [www.RTDutchess.org](http://www.RTDutchess.org) or mailed to P.O. Box 3695, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

- Volunteering: Sign up for our e-newsletter to receive information about requests for volunteers: [www.rtdutchess.org/get-email-updates](http://www.rtdutchess.org/get-email-updates)

Since RTDC's founding in 1992, more than 14,100 volunteers have been engaged assisting over 1,050 Dutchess County homeowners with critical home repairs and accessibility modifications valued at over \$7.5 million in market value.

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# Molinaro presents about county's Youth Center at national conference

Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro recently discussed the development and potential of the County's forthcoming countywide youth center, the Youth Opportunity Union (The YOU), and the County's Path to Promise initiative with attendees at the national A Gathering of Leaders: Power of Place conference, hosted by the William Julius Wilson Institute (WJWI) at Harlem Children's Zone (HCZ) in Washington, D.C.

In October 2021, a team of senior HCZ leaders, including President and CE Geoffrey Canada and CEO Kwame Owusu-Kesse, visited Poughkeepsie, meeting with Molinaro, City of Poughkeepsie Mayor Rob Rolison and members of the Poughkeepsie Children's Cabinet and touring the future site of the YOU. Dutchess County, the City of Poughkeepsie and the Poughkeepsie City School District recently formalized a partnership with the HCZ through a

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a local collective impact organization, the Poughkeepsie Children's Cabinet, in which all three public institutions are key stakeholders.

Impressed by their visit to Poughkeepsie, HCZ leaders invited Molinaro to discuss the YOU as part of this afternoon's panel discussion, titled "Neighborhood-Based, Cradle-to-Career Work and the Public Sector," which convened public officials and individuals with experience working with the public sector discuss how to effectively partner with local governments to advance neighborhood-based, cradle-to-career work.

Molinaro said, "Dutchess County's innovative Youth Opportunity Union will transform the lives of countless children, countywide, for years to come. We are building a first-of-its-kind model for the Hudson Valley and New York State, one that can be replicated throughout the country. The Harlem Children's Zone and



County Executive Molinaro joins (from left) Former Mayor of Philadelphia Michael Nutter, CIO of Blue Meridian Partners Jim Shelton, and Special Assistant to the CEO of Purpose Built Communities Ben Lewis at the "A Gather of Leaders: Power of Place Conference" in Washington, D.C. *Courtesy photo*

Geoffrey Canada, have been invaluable collaborators, offering Dutchess County their vast experience and resources to help ensure the YOU's success. I appreciate the HCZ's desire to see the YOU flourish, and I thank them for the opportunity to discuss the project with such an eclectic group of national leaders, all of whom share the same goal: seeing our future generations succeed."

The YOU will be a state-of-the-art youth facility for children and families throughout Dutchess County, which will serve as home to the Path to Promise initiative, to be built on the site of the former YMCA site, located at 35 Montgomery Street in the City of Poughkeepsie. The YOU project has received ample interest from a variety of organizations, including the nationally renowned HCZ. County Executive Molinaro has committed to spend \$25 million, including \$10 million from American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds, for the YOU's design and construction; design is still ongoing, and a major fundraising campaign will be undertaken to build off the County's initial investment.

The conference convenes hundreds of cross-sector leaders, practitioners, and policymakers to deepen HCZ's work to drive social and economic mobility, at scale, for the most vulnerable children and families in the country. Attendees include Blue Meridian Partners' Place Matters Investees and leaders in the field of place-based partnerships, philanthropic partners, and public sector leaders. Among other local stakeholders, Mayor Rolison, Poughkeepsie City School Board Member Dr. Felicia Watson, Dutchess County Assistant

Commissioner for Youth Services Karmen Smallwood and Rob Watson, co-founder and advisor to the Poughkeepsie Children's Cabinet and Director for Partnerships and Community Impact for EdRedesign Lab at Harvard Graduate School of Education, are among those attending the event.

Taking place over three days, A Gathering of Leaders: Power of Place conference has three main goals:

- Align on an understanding of the importance of community-based, cradle-to-career strategies and vulnerable neighborhoods in place-based partnership work;
- Foster a community of practice by celebrating progress, sharing what's working, highlighting innovations, and discussing challenges; and
- Provide clarity on ways WJWI and other key actors can help leaders accelerate our work.

In addition to Molinaro, the conference attracted dozens of speakers, including, among others:

- Miguel Cardona, U.S. Secretary of Education;
- Michael Nutter, former mayor of Philadelphia;
- Dr. Lester Young, Chancellor, New York State Education Department, Board of Regents;
- Dr. Michael McAfee, President and CEO, PolicyLink; and
- Dr. Russell Booker, Executive Director, Spartanburg Academic Movement.

Residents can learn about the progress of the YOU project, as well as learn about its history, by accessing its website, [Sthe-you.org](http://Sthe-you.org).

## Helping fellow firefighters! Stanford Fire Dept. initiates area-wide effort for Ukraine

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Zick, Seipp and Layton realized that the equipment that they have and that other departments in Dutchess, Ulster and Columbia counties have might be ready to be replaced by local standards, but is still outstanding enough to have a long shelf life and help their compatriots in Ukraine. So they have been spearheading a drive to collect as much equipment as they can to send overseas.

Through a contact who knows of a Ukrainian church in Ohio, they have been able to touch base with a fire department in Ukraine.

"Ed is the mastermind of all this. We all just play little roles in his big picture and he would never say that, but it's true," said Seipp, who is the president of the Stanford Fire Co. "I am just one of the moving parts."

Not true, Zick said. Seipp and Layton have helped coordinate the needs to get and pick up equipment from other departments around the area. That includes turnout gear, ropes, pick axes, bottles to filled with air when they arrive in Ukraine, firefighting clothing, stretchers, burn sheets, and so much more.

"Our big thing is always safety, safety, safety, and we were just so upset to see on the news that these firefighters were

going to fight fires in street clothes," Seipp said. "We have been so overwhelmed by the generosity. We went over to Millbrook just today and picked up two truckloads of equipment."

The process hasn't been without its roadblocks, however.

For one, Zick said he is dealing directly with the community fire department in a small town in Ukraine.

"We just didn't want to start collecting things and send over there through government channels," he said. "Not that we don't trust their government, but there is a war on. We prefer to find a way to send it directly to the fire department (in Ukraine)."

But that has been one of the roadblocks. While Arnoff Moving and Storage graciously donated storage space to house all the equipment, Zick still has to figure out how to ship it to Ukraine. To that end, there will be a fundraiser during Stanford Community Day on September 17 to help defray expenses. Zick and Seipp said they hope to start shipping some items as soon as the end of summer.

"We want to make sure it arrives and we want to make sure it gets used," Zick said. "This is just the right thing to do."

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	Asheville HOU	10	10	.500	4.5	5-5	W4
	Winston-Salem CWS	10	11	.476	5.0	3-7	L4
	Hickory TEX	9	12	.429	6.0	4-6	W2
	Greenville BOS	7	12	.368	7.0	4-6	L2

## Top prospect Domiguez promoted to Renegades

by Rich Thomaselli

He's finally on his way. What had been speculated about since spring training is going to happen in a matter of days.

The New York Yankees, parent club of the High Class A Hudson Valley Renegades minor league baseball team, announced Saturday that outfielder Jasson Domínguez – one of the highest ranked prospects in the franchise and one of the highest in all of baseball – has been promoted to Hudson Valley.

Domínguez will join the team on Friday on the road after the All-Star Break concludes, and will make his home debut at Dutchess Stadium on July 26.

Domínguez is ranked as the No. 3 Yankees prospect and the No. 39 prospect in all of baseball by MLB.com.

"Jasson is a great kid who loves playing the game and is a joy to be around," said Renegades manager Tyson Blaser. "I

got to work with him all last year in the FCL and he comes ready to play every single day. You can obviously see his raw tools and his talent on display every single night. We are really excited to have him."



Jasson Domínguez

Domínguez, 19, hit .266/.374/.440 in 75 games with Single-A Tampa to start the season. He hit a home run Saturday night at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles while representing the American League in the annual Futures Game that showcases baseball's top prospects.

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5 Everson Pereira CF	HV	73	288	55	79	13	6	9	43	34	87	19	5	.274	.354	.455	.809
6 Tyler Hardman 3B	HV	68	238	26	60	10	0	13	47	28	79	10	4	.252	.330	.458	.788
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10 Carlos Narvaez C	HV	55	171	24	35	7	0	8	21	28	56	4	2	.205	.327	.386	.713
11 Spencer Henson 1B	HV	49	174	28	37	5	1	8	28	20	62	1	2	.213	.308	.391	.699
12 James Nelson 3B	HV	42	124	16	29	5	0	1	19	29	40	16	7	.234	.385	.298	.683
13 Aldenis Sanchez CF	HV	69	231	27	57	7	1	1	23	36	79	27	7	.247	.354	.299	.653
14 Eduardo Torrealba 2B	HV	42	131	16	29	5	1	1	18	12	26	9	2	.221	.301	.298	.599
15 Pat DeMarco RF	HV	57	202	13	42	9	0	0	12	11	61	5	3	.208	.250	.252	.502
16 Saul Torres C	HV	6	16	2	2	0	1	0	1	2	10	0	0	.125	.222	.250	.472
17 Cristian Perez SS	HV	24	69	7	12	2	0	0	5	2	19	2	0	.174	.194	.203	.397
18 Grant Richardson CF	HV	2	7	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	5	0	0	.143	.250	.143	.393
19 Ben Rortvedt C	HV	4	12	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	.083	.267	.083	.350
20 Blane Abeyta P	HV	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000	.000
20 Nelvin Correa P	HV	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	.000	.000	.000
20 Charlie Ruegger P	HV	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	.000	.000	.000

## Pitching Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WHIP	AVG
1 Matt Sauer P	HV	5	1	3.29	15	15	0	0	0	0	76.2	57	33	28	6	11	27	91	1.10	.207
2 Blas Castano P	HV	3	7	3.86	15	14	1	0	0	0	74.2	77	35	32	7	8	23	70	1.34	.266



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## Renegades win series finale with 'Walk-Off'

by Rich Thomaselli

Still hot and now in first place.

The Hudson Valley Renegades scored their first walk-off win of the season on Saturday night at Dutchess Stadium, dispatching the Greenville Drive 5-4 in 10 innings. The win gave the Renegades a 13-7 mark to start the second half of the season. Aberdeen, which won the first half, stands at 11-10.

The victory came ahead of Sunday's rainout, giving Hudson Valley an extra day off as minor league baseball, just as in the Major Leagues, went into a four-day All-Star Break.

With runners on second and third and no outs in the bottom of the 10th, Eric Wagaman lined a walk-off single to right-center off Robert Kwiatkowski to score Aaron Palensky with the winning run.

The Renegades took the lead in the

bottom of the first when Wagaman doubled off the wall in left to chase home MLB rehabber Ben Rortvedt. Cooper Bowman added a solo home run in the third off Tyler Uberstine and James Nelson scored in the fourth when Aldenis Sanchez was caught in a pickle between second and third.

T.J. Sikkema turned in another spectacular outing for the Renegades, allowing two runs on only one hit and one walk in a career-high 5.1 innings. The southpaw struck out 10 batters, giving him double-digit strikeouts in back-to-back appearances.

Greenville rallied to tie the game with three runs in the top of the sixth, and the Drive took a 4-3 lead in the eighth on a Gilberto Jimenez RBI double.

Down to their final strike for two consecutive batters, the Renegades rallied to tie the game in the bottom of the ninth when Cody Scroggins walked three and uncorked a wild pitch to

score Sanchez with the tying run.

In the bottom of the 10th, Palensky pinch-ran for Rortvedt as the automatic runner and advanced to third on a Seigler single, setting the stage for Wagaman's heroics.

Sunday's game between the Renegades and the Drive was the last scheduled game this season between the two teams this year and will not be made up.

Fans holding tickets to Sunday's game can exchange them for a ticket of equal-or-lesser value for any other Renegades home game during the 2022 season. Exchanges must be done in-person at the Renegades Ticket Office at Dutchess Stadium.

The Renegades travel to Wilmington for a three-game series starting Friday and then are back at Dutchess Stadium on July 26 to start a six-game series against Brooklyn.



Eric Wagaman celebrates after he lined a walk-off single to right-center to score the winning run on Saturday night over the Greenville Drive. Photo by Dave Janosz

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### GLINER'S KORNER

## Starting the second half strong and working to fill the stadium

Every week, Hudson Valley Renegades President Steve Gliner sits down with reporter Rich Thomaselli to discuss the team in particular, and minor league baseball in general.

Well we're at the All-Star Break, or the unofficial midway point of the season. Can you assess how the first half of the season has gone for the Renegades, on and off the field?

I think it's gone really well so far. I think we've played really well so far, especially now that we're in the second half of the season. We're in first place and I think how they break up the year into two seasons really gives some teams a new life. In the first half, we had that one team in our division, Aberdeen, that really ran away with it. But that's the great thing about the re-start.

You've gone through this type of split season when you were down in Florida.

You played the first 66 games of the year and then the records went back to 0-0 about a month ago for the next set of 66 games. Can you really see that switch in players and teams even though there's no "time off," per se, between the first half and second half?

It really is like a re-set and the players know this. Plus, a lot of parent teams are making adjustments and moving players around, so in many cases it's a completely different roster in the second half. You could have a team that was under .500 in the first half who suddenly has a great team in the second half. So you never really know, and that's part of the nature of minor league baseball. It can go either way.

Do you feel like you've communicated that to the fans who have known nothing but a short-season Single A team for 25-plus years?

Yes, we have standings available at

guest services right away when you come in. A lot of people do pick that up and we put it in our video boards as well. And plus, we always have Zolz (public address announcer Rick Zolzer) saying things like 'Your first place Renegades!' So that always helps.

From the attendance reports, you're really filling Dutchess Stadium.

The crowds have been really good. Historically, now is the time – right after school ends, early summer – that people come to see us. I still think it's going to take another season or two before our fans fully realize that we're a long-season Class A team that starts playing in April now instead of the middle of June. I mean, think about it. We were a short-season team for 20-something years. We didn't have any season at all in 2020 due to COVID. We started more than a month later than we would have, in May, last



year because of COVID. So it kind of threw everybody off. Our goal coming out of June was to see the kinds of crowds that we traditionally have seen in our existence here, and I believe we are.

# 'Greatest Generation' veterans have amazing stories to share

Recently I was notified that another World War 2 veteran in Dutchess County had died. His name was Edwin Joba. We belonged to the same church for some time, but I really got to know Ed after I returned from my walk across America in 2019. He was such an enthusiastic supporter of my mission to raise awareness for our heroes. He wasn't a large man, and he seemed even smaller with his walking cane and stooped back. But even though he was in his 90s, Ed always had a smile on his face. He always wanted to hear my stories -- but like all our World War 2 veterans, I knew Ed had even more amazing stories of his own.

Ed's upcoming funeral service reminds me that we are losing the last of our heroes from the Greatest Generation. It makes me very sad to think there will come a day when we won't have any World War 2 veterans among us. That's why it's so important for us to cherish the remaining members of the Greatest Generation, each and every day. Imagine all the stories, the knowledge, and the history we will lose when there are no longer members of that generation in our com-

munities.

When I joined the Poughkeepsie VFW, the very first member I spoke with at the Post was a World War 2 veteran. His name was Stu Vidal, and he told me the story of his service in the South Pacific as he watched the Enola Gay take off from the island of Tinian, bound for Japan carrying the atomic bomb. As he told me his incredible story, I realized you can't find this sense of history in any school textbook. These veterans of World War 2 are the textbooks themselves, and when they are gone, the stories are gone as well. This is why the young folks of today need to have conversations with our older veterans, to better understand the world they live in now.

Stu Vidal passed in March 2020 at the amazing age of 103 years old. He was a father figure and a friend to so many here in Dutchess County. He had such an impact on our community in so many ways, and it's sobering to think there will come a time when someone will ask, "Who was Stu Vidal?" Keeping these stories alive should be a top priority for all of us.

The term "The Greatest Generation" comes from a 1998 book by Tom Brokaw where he profiled members of the generation who grew up in the Great Depression and fought in World War 2 and Korea. I can't think of a better name for this amazing group who sacrificed so much and rose to the challenge of defeating the Axis powers; when we say they saved the world, this is not an exaggeration. Subsequent generations have met their own challenges, of course, but it was the Greatest Generation who definitely set the bar, and set that bar high. We owe these folks so much!

As an aside, Frank Buckles was the last American veteran of World War 1, and he died back in 2011 at the incredible age of 110. Once Mr. Buckles had passed, our entire connection to that part of our history was lost forever. I shudder to think what we will lose when the last American veteran of World War 2 passes on.

Whenever we have the opportunity to talk with the World War 2 veterans in our lives, we must take it. We all know the young kids don't exactly jump when you ask them to sit down and interact with the older folks, so we should make an extra effort to connect these disparate generations to make sure the story of the Greatest Generation lives on in honor and respect.

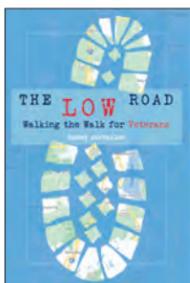
Thank you to our World War 2 veterans for saving the world eighty years ago. And thank you, for listening! See you next time!

A Navy veteran, Tom Zurhellen has



World War 2 veteran Sgt. Stuart Vidal died in March 2020 at the age of 103, leaving a lasting legacy of service to his neighbors and fellow veterans in Dutchess County. *Courtesy photo*

been Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in Poughkeepsie for the past three years. In the summer of 2019, he walked across America from Portland, Oregon, to Poughkeepsie to raise awareness on veteran suicide and veteran homelessness in our country. He continues to work with local veterans in need through the VetZero Project, in partnership with Hudson River Housing.



#### TAKE THE HIGH ROAD AND BUY 'THE LOW ROAD'!

Tom Zurhellen chronicles his 2019 VetZero Walk Across America in his new book, "The Low Road: Walking the Walk for Veterans." The Walk raised awareness of the plight of many veterans in our country, and called attention to the fact that, every day, 22 veterans take their own lives. Proceeds from "The Low Road" will go directly to help local veterans in need through the VetZero Project at Hudson River Housing. The book costs \$22 and can only be purchased at [www.hudsonriverhousing.org](http://www.hudsonriverhousing.org).

## Vet2Vet Support Group to meet July 27

MHA of Dutchess County Vet2Vet Support Group will meet on July 27 from 3 to 4 p.m., at 515 Haight Avenue, Poughkeepsie. Masks are required.

These groups serve as an outlet for veterans to discuss with peers their opinions, challenges, successes and anything else in order to regain balance in their lives.

The groups are free, confidential and judgement free. They are open to all veterans despite discharge type, time in services or period of service. Active & Inactive and National Guard members are welcome as well. RSVP is required.

For more information, call (845) 473-2500, ext. 1306 or 1307 or 1365.

## DC Veterans Appreciation Picnic set Aug. 6 at Camp Nootemeing

### Reservations required by July 27

Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro and Division of Veterans' Services Director Adam Roche invite veterans to the Red, White, and You! Veterans Appreciation Picnic on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Camp Nootemeing, located at 22 Camp Nootemeing Road in Salt Point. This free event is open to local veterans and one guest and will be an afternoon of camaraderie, food and music. Registration is required and can be submitted at [dutchessny.gov/veteranspicnic](http://dutchessny.gov/veteranspicnic).

The reservation deadline is Wednesday, July 27.

Molinaro said, "In Dutchess we are always grateful for the service of our veterans and for putting it all on the line to protect our freedoms. Our Red, White, and You event is one way to show our appreciation to these local heroes. We encourage all veterans to attend, eat, and enjoy Camp Nootemeing. I look forward to interacting with all in attendance."

The Veterans Appreciation Picnic will give veterans the opportunity to interact with other veterans while enjoying barbecue food, catered by Tavern 23, and listen to live music from country recording artist Jordan Stoner, who will provide an acoustic set from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Local country band, StringMasters, will be performing from 1 to 3 p.m. Attendees will have the chance to take in the

grounds and scenic views of Camp Nootemeing, including checking out the new state-of-the-art soccer field, home to Pathfinder FC.

Division of Veterans Services Director Adam Roche said, "The Red, White and You! Appreciation Picnic is set to be an amazing afternoon. Camp Nootemeing is beautiful and scenic, which made it a perfect location to hold the event and I'm confident our veterans will enjoy it. We owe veterans extreme gratitude for their sacrifices, and this picnic is a great way to express our appreciation for their service to our nation. We are happy to offer this event to our local heroes for a fun opportunity to relax and bond. I hope many can attend!"

Special thanks to local businesses and volunteers for participating and donating services. Tavern 23, Associates Golf & Utility Vehicles, Dutchess County Medical Reserve Corps, local radio personality "Uncle Mike" and MHA's Vet 2 Vet program are all contributing to the event.

The picnic will take place at "Upper Trail Head" at Camp Nootemeing. Directional signs will be posted to help attendees easily locate the picnic area. Courtesy golf cart rides will be available for those physically disabled and in need of assistance getting from the parking lot to the picnic area.

For further information, contact the Dutchess County Division of Veterans Services at (845) 486-2060 or visit [www.dutchessny.gov/Veterans](http://www.dutchessny.gov/Veterans).

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## Barrett's bills to support hospitality sector signed into law

Assemblymember Didi Barrett (D-Dutchess/Columbia) announced that three bills she sponsored and passed to help the Hudson Valley craft beverage and hospitality sector have been signed into law by Governor Kathy Hochul. They include a bill to expand the Dutchess Wine Trail; legislation authorizing the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) to both produce and serve craft beverages; and a measure allowing more small restaurants to serve Shochu, a traditional Japanese beverage.

"The Hudson Valley is home to a growing number of creative eateries and craft breweries, wineries, cideries, and distilleries – as well as the world-renowned Culinary Institute of America, which since 1946 has trained some of the world's most renowned chefs and gastronomists. These places have all been great economic drivers for our communities, employing local residents, supporting local farms and businesses, and attracting and catering to neighbors and visitors alike," said Barrett, a member of both the Assembly's Agriculture Committee and the Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development Committee. "Through this legislative package, we are providing tangible support to these diverse institutions that are so critical to our regional economy."

The first law expands the Dutchess Wine Trail, which previously linked just Clinton Vineyards and Millbrook Vineyard, by adding the Milea Estate Vineyard in Staatsburg to this expanding agri-tourism trail that attracts visitors from across the country.

"The Hudson Valley offers so much in the arena of wine making as evidenced by the growing number of visitors to our tasting rooms," said Phyllis Feder, Proprietor of Clinton Vineyards. "We are excited to have Milea Estate Vineyard as part of the Dutchess Wine Trail supporting my belief in the excitement and benefits of Agri-Tourism."

The second bill signed by Gov. Hochul exempts the CIA from the "Tied House Laws," enabling them to better train the next generation of craft brewers, distillers and winemakers.

"We are grateful to Assembly Member

Barrett for sponsoring a bill drafted collaboratively by The Culinary Institute of America, the New York State Senate and Assembly, and State Liquor Authority which was recently signed into law by Governor Kathy Hochul. This special legislation allows the CIA to expand its relationships and educational offerings with the alcohol, beer, wine, and mead beverage industry," said Rick Tietjen, Chief of Staff and Information Technology at the Culinary Institute of America. "The ability to come together in the development of a unique piece of legislation demonstrates how a private not-for-profit higher education institution like The Culinary Institute of America can work closely with State elected representatives, in the Assembly and Senate, and a State Agency such as the SLA, to further higher education opportunities in New York."

The final bill concerns the classification of Shochu, a traditional Japanese distilled beverage, under the state's alcohol laws. Previously, Shochu was not permitted to be served at restaurants that only carried a beer and wine license. This law allows Japanese restaurants to serve Sochu without needing to get a more costly liquor license.

"Shochu has been a prized part of Japan's historical and cultural heritage for more than 500 years and holds a privileged and special place in the lives of Japanese people," said Mikio Mori, Consul-General of Japan in New York. "This bill's passage is thrilling news for Japanese restaurants and the many current and future Shochu-lovers across New York that can now enjoy greater access to this wonderful product. Sake is only made from rice, but Shochu can be made from core ingredients such as sweet potato and barley, which give it a wide range of flavors. Shochu is delicious when served simply, either with hot water or on the rocks, but is sophisticated and equally delicious in a cocktail. Each Shochu has its own unique ingredients, production method and story behind it. I hope that many more New Yorkers will discover the drinking pleasure of this unique distilled beverage."

## Legislature seeks citizens to serve on committees and boards

Citizens Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence

Member – 1 Year Term

The Citizens Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence works to solicit and consider advice and recommendations from the community-at-large with respect to the problem of domestic violence. This committee meets every fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.

Environmental Management Council

Member – 2 Year Term

The primary mission of the EMC is to advise the Dutchess County Legislature and County Government on matters affecting the preservation, development, and use of the natural resources, features and conditions of Dutchess County that impact the quality of the environment. The EMC also considers matters referred to it by the County Legislature for research and recommendations. For further information and meeting dates, please visit <https://dutchessemc.org/>

Fire & Safety Advisory Board

Two Citizens, 1 EMS Council Rep and 1 Fire District Association Rep – 3 Year Term

The purpose of the Fire and Safety Advisory Board shall be to serve in a consultative capacity to the Dutchess County Legislature, the Standing Committees of the Legislature, and the principal heads of the County Departments, Commissions, and Agencies, in matters pertaining to the suppression, prevention, and relief from the ravage of fire and other disasters which may be the obligation of the Fire Service of the County. The board meets bimonthly, third Monday starting in January at 7:30 p.m.

Fish and Wildlife Management Board (District 3)

Landowner Representative (alternate) – 2 Year Term

Must reside on rural lands that engage in production of agricultural commodities or forest products.

Sportsman (alternate) – 2 Year Term

Encourages the preservation and development of fish and wildlife resources on privately-owned lands and waters, and to improve public recreational access to these resources. This Board meets March, June, September, and December on the third Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Mental Hygiene Board

Member – 4 Year Term

The Dutchess County Mental Hygiene Board created under New York State Mental Hygiene Law is an advisory group that works in conjunction with the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene to develop annual, intermediate, and long-range plans for mental hygiene

services in Dutchess County. Board members also represent and work to ensure mental hygiene needs are being met. For further information and meeting dates, visit the Department of Behavioral & Community Health via [www.dutchessny.gov](http://www.dutchessny.gov).

Resource Recovery Agency

Member – 3 Year Term

The Resource Recovery Agency is a public benefit corporation created by the New York State Legislature for the purpose of providing solid waste management services for Dutchess County. For further information and meeting dates, visit: <http://www.dccra.org/>

STOP-DWI Policy Planning Board

Member – Open Term

The Dutchess County STOP-DWI Program's mission is to deter drunk/drugged driving through enhanced enforcement, prosecution, rehabilitation, and education services. This program meets on the second Tuesday during the months of January, May, June, September, and December at 3:30 p.m. For further information, please visit STOP-DWI.

Tick Task Force

Member – 2 Year Term

The mission of the Tick Task Force is to develop long-term goals and make recommendations to the Legislature in the efforts of understanding and safely controlling ticks and reducing Lyme Disease and other tick-borne diseases. The Tick Task Force meets March, April, May, August, September, and October at 4 p.m. For further information please visit: <https://www.dutchessny.gov/Department/s/County-Legislature/Tick-Task-Force.htm>

Veterans Affairs Committee

Two Members – 2 Year Term

One of Which Must Be a Veteran or Immediate Family Member of a Veteran

The Veterans Affairs Committee has the duty to make recommendations and advise the County Executive through the Director of Veterans Services, on issues of concern to Dutchess County veterans, and that in addition to advising the Legislature prior to taking any action which may affect veterans in accordance with their original charge, to also inform and advise the Dutchess County Legislature on any potential legislative matters of interest to veterans. This committee meets as necessary.

If you are interested, send a resume and a brief letter of interest to the Dutchess County Legislature, Attention: Leigh Wager, 22 Market Street, 6th Floor, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or email to [lwager@dutchessny.gov](mailto:lwager@dutchessny.gov).

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## Blood donors have chance to receive Shark Week shirt

The American Red Cross and Discovery are partnering for Shark Week and invite people to dive in to help save lives by giving blood or platelets in July. The Red Cross saw a steep drop in blood and platelet donations last month, and donors are asked to make appointments now to prevent a blood shortage this summer.

In June, the Red Cross collected approximately 12 percent fewer blood donations than needed – one of the largest monthly blood donation shortfalls in recent years. When less people answer the call to donate, the blood supply shrinks – and that could mean blood products aren't ready for hospital staff to reach for in emergencies.

Thanks to Discovery, all who come to give blood or platelets in July will automatically be entered for a chance to win an exclusive Shark Week merchandise package that includes:

- Beach bike

- Smokeless portable fire pit
- Paddle board
- Kayak
- \$500 gift card to put toward accessories

Those who come to give July 21-24 will get an exclusive Shark Week T-shirt from Discovery, while supplies last. Details are available at [rcblood.org/sharkweek](http://rcblood.org/sharkweek).

By making and keeping blood and platelet donation appointments in July, donors can connect with patients through a lifesaving gift. To book a time to give, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in July:

July 26: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Millbrook Fire House, 20 Front Street Millbrook;

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# New Yorkers can sign up for monkeypox information texts

Gov. Kathy Hochul announced on July 14 a new SMS-text notification effort to deliver the latest monkeypox information directly to New Yorkers, this is the newest component of New York State's ongoing monkeypox response.

New Yorkers can sign up for text messages—which will include alerts about cases, symptoms, spread, and resources for testing and vaccination—by texting "MONKEYPOX" to 81336 or "MONKEYPOXESP" for texts in Spanish. By providing a zip code, New Yorkers can also opt-in for location-based messages.

"We are building on our ongoing response efforts to bring the latest monkeypox information, tools and resources directly to New Yorkers," said Hochul. "As we continue to work with the federal government to press for more vaccines, I urge New Yorkers to sign-up for these important alerts and stay informed with monkeypox updates in your community."

The new SMS campaign is designed to alert New Yorkers to pertinent information about monkeypox, so they have protective public health facts and resources at their disposal. Messages will span information about how monkeypox presents and transmits, as well as what New Yorkers should do following exposure.

Information about how to sign-up for the text message campaign will be broadly distributed through social media, constituent engagement, community-based organizations, and the State's Excelsior Pass platform.

State Health Commissioner Dr. Mary

T. Bassett said, "In public health, information is one of our most valuable tools. This innovative campaign, which provides texts in both English and Spanish, will help get education and resources directly to New Yorkers - expanding access to updates about monkeypox and availability of vaccines and care. I encourage everyone to sign-up for these alerts, and to stay up to date about the best ways we can all protect ourselves and mitigate spread in our communities."

New York State continues to work closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Monkeypox Response Team on vaccine distribution plans to ensure New York State receives its fair share of vaccine supply as soon they are available to protect New Yorkers, especially for those New Yorkers in communities with high transmission rates. Governor Hochul recently spoke with Dr. Ashish Jha and Dr. Raj Panjabi of the White House to secure additional vaccine doses to meet the needs of New Yorkers.

The July 14 announcement builds on the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH)'s ongoing public outreach efforts on monkeypox, including recently launching a paid, digital advertising campaign to get information to communities experiencing higher rates of monkeypox cases, including gay and bisexual men and other men who have sex with men.

NYSDOH's dedicated website, which stays updated with the latest information,

has free, downloadable materials including a palm card, information card, hand-out, and posters available in both English and Spanish. NYSDOH has already distributed these resources to LGBTQ+ organizations, local county health departments, healthcare providers, and businesses. The posters will be on display at congregate settings statewide, including healthcare centers, mass transit hubs, parks, rest stops, restaurants, bars, and nightclubs.

In addition to public outreach, the New York State Department of Health continues to focus on distributing vaccines to communities. On July 12, NYSDOH announced its second allocation of the JYNNEOS vaccine from the federal government. This supply remains limited and New York State has been aggressively working with the federal government to convey that more supply is urgently needed to meet the preventive needs for New York residents. Local county health departments that have received supply are administering the vaccine directly and

establishing their own appointment processes. Working in partnership with counties, New Yorkers who sign-up for location-based alerts may receive alerts on vaccine availability, clinic locations, scheduling, and other monkeypox-related updates specific to their area.

NYSDOH, in partnership with the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (NYCDOHMH), recently hosted a Monkeypox Town Hall for community leaders led by State Health Commissioner Dr. Mary T. Bassett and City Health Commissioner Dr. Ashwin Vasani. New York City and other local municipalities have set up their own alert systems, and local residents should follow those updates as well. Working in partnership with community organizations and advocates, NYSDOH remains committed to continuing its outreach and maintaining a direct dialogue with New Yorkers, especially those most impacted by the current outbreak.

For more information about monkeypox, visit [health.ny.gov/monkeypox](http://health.ny.gov/monkeypox).

## County Commission on Human Rights' statement of solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community

*The following is a statement put out by the The Dutchess County Commission on Human Rights on July 5 regarding its standing in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community.*

The Dutchess County Commission on Human Rights stands in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community in the face of escalating attacks on each person's right to be who they are and love who they love. These range from efforts to eliminate and potentially criminalize life-affirming health care, exclude students from athletics, deny foster care and adoption of children, and ban literature with inclusive representation and topics, to the targeting of Pride celebrations with a real potential for violence.

All of these actions run counter to the ideals and promise of this country – freedom and equality for all. And they are not only happening "somewhere else." The Commission has documented incidents locally that have targeted the LGBTQIA+ community, including but not limited to the destruction of Pride flags, the harassment of families and their allies, and the banning of literature that centers a person exploring their identity.

The Commission denounces these examples of erasure and bias for what they are – an erosion of civil and human rights – and calls on all people of good conscience to join us in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community.



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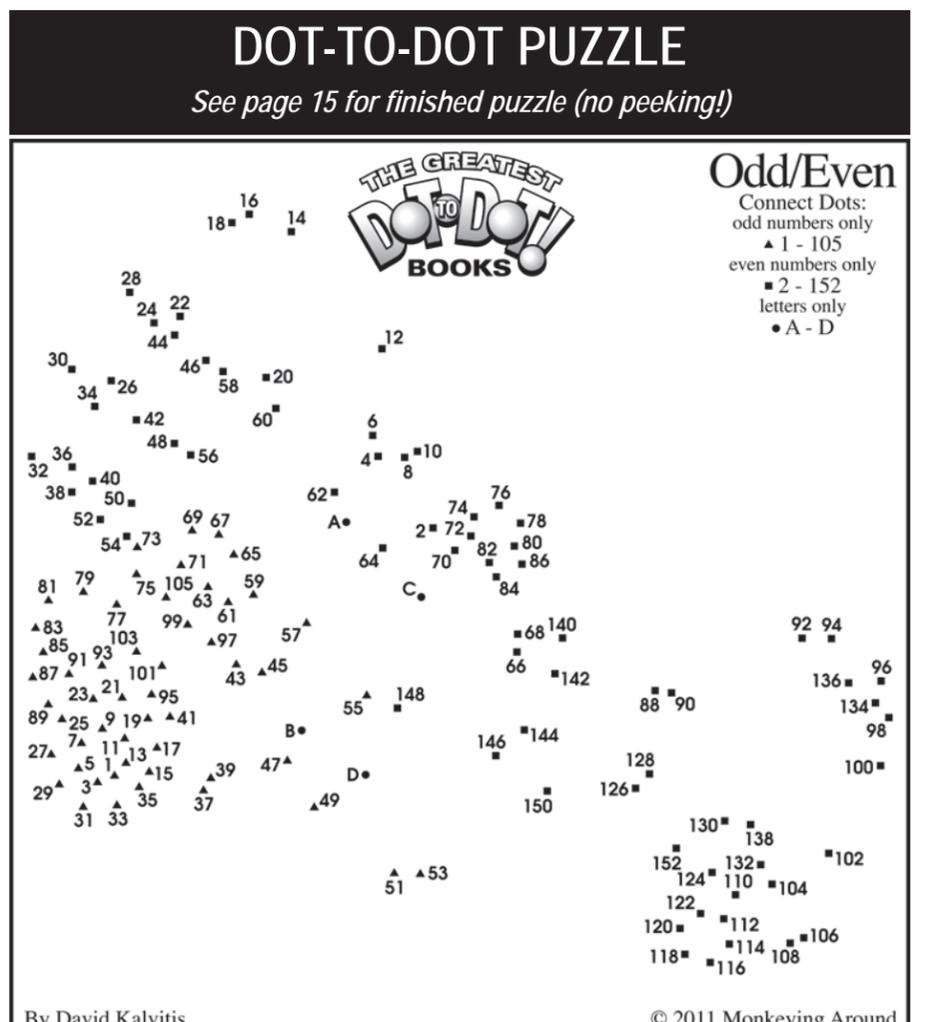
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# Creative Living

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## 'Curtains' to open July 22 in Rhinebeck

Up In One Productions will present the musical comedy "Curtains" at The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck starting July 22. "Curtains" has a score from Broadway powerhouse composers John Kander and Fred Ebb ("Chicago," "Cabaret") and book by Rupert Holmes; this production is directed and choreographed by Thomas Netter and has music direction by Matthew Woolever.

It is the out-of-town opening of the new musical, "Robin Hood," in 1959

Boston. During her curtain call, fading film star and supremely unpleasant and untalented leading lady, Jessica Cranshaw, is mysteriously murdered onstage. The entire cast and crew become suspects. Enter a local detective, who happens to be a passionate musical theater fan, and fun ensues. With a rousing score, dazzling dance numbers, a witty script, and colorful characters, "Curtains" is a hilarious musical-comedy send-up of classic whodunit murder mysteries. The



From left: Nicole Tarcza, Michael Britt, Kandy Harris, and Duane Olson are featured in the musical comedy, "Curtains," opening July 22 at The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck. Left: Peter Kiewra and Rachel Karashay dance. Photos by Olivia Michaels Bogart



Broadway production, starring David Hyde Pierce, garnered 8 Tony nominations in 2007 including Best Musical and 10 Drama Desk Award nominations, winning Outstanding Book of a Musical.

This production features Duane Olson, Nicole Tarcza, Peter Kiewra, Rachel Karashay, Emily Woolever, Terrance Boyer, Amy La Blanc, Kandy Harris, Amber McCarthy, Orey Lopez, Michael Britt, David Foster, Justin Doro, Elaine Young, Douglas Woolever, Michael Clark, Cedric James, Abby Ressa,

Michael Risio, Daniel DelPriore, Ben Simonetty, Janelle Liscombe, Mia DeYoung, Sauliss Martinez, Jalen Carr, Mary Kate Barnett, and Michael Brunetti. Diana di Grandi is the producer.

Performances begin on July 22 and run through Aug. 14, on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets: \$25. Reservations can be made by calling (845) 876-3080 or online at [www.centerforperformingarts.org](http://www.centerforperformingarts.org).

The Center for Performing Arts is at 661 Route 308 in Rhinebeck.

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## The Copake Quintet to perform at Claverack Library

The Two Of Us Productions, the award-winning theater company based in Columbia County, will present The Copake Quintet for an evening of live music in collaboration with The Claverack Free Library. The Quintet will be appearing on Wednesday, July 27, for some great live music along with the Food Truck Wednesday event at the Library.

The Copake Quintet plays a great combination of pop, jazz and American Songbook music, featuring Connie Lopez on vocals, Steve Sanborn on woodwinds, Andrew Stein on keyboard & vocals, Steve Turowski on drums, and on Zach Nayer on bass & vocals. The Quintet will

be playing downstairs in the Marilyn & Bob Laurie Gallery at the Claverack Free Library, 629 NY-23B, Claverack.

Food Truck Wednesday on July 27 starts at 5 p.m., and the live music by The Copake Quintet runs from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Call (518) 500-2524 for more information.

This appearance by The Copake Quintet is free to the public, made possible with funds from the Restart NY Re-grants, a grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature und administered in Columbia County by CREATE Council on the Arts.

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# A Tale of Two Gardens

Shakespeare is the inspiration behind both, but they're different as chalk and cheese.

News flash – there are two Huntington Gardens in southern California. Sue and I found that out the hard way. On a quick trip to Los Angeles for a wedding, we had a morning to spare. Naturally, a visit to the world famous Huntington Gardens was in order. After an hour-long journey south of Long Beach, Sue's phone announced "The destination is on your right. Arrived." We looked around.

Huntington Gardens apartment complex isn't even well landscaped. Turns out we should have punched in "The Huntington Library, Art Museum and Botanical Gardens." So off we went, back up I605 in the HOV lane. By the time we got to the "real" Huntington Gardens just east of Pasadena, we had just enough time to visit their Shakespeare Garden.

"That which we call a rose/by any other name would smell as sweet." William Shakespeare's famous quote is perhaps the best known of his dozens of floral and herbal references from his plays and sonnets. The point of a Shakespeare garden is to feature living examples of his verbiage, usually accompanied by placards explaining the quote:

- Holly – "heigh-ho, the holly! This life

is most jolly." From "As You Like It," though not as familiar as the quotable "All the World's a Stage, and all the men and women merely players."

- Fern – "We have the receipt of fern seed. We walk invisible." From "Henry IV." Since ferns do not produce seed, what was Shakespeare getting at? Sue points out that it might involve humility.

- Grape – "The tartness of his face sours ripe grapes." From "Coriolanus." One of Shakespeare's oft-quoted insults. My favorite is "Thou cream-faced loon! Where got'st thou that goose look?" – Macbeth.

- Fruit – "The count is...civil as an orange, and something of that jealous complexion." This quote from "Much Ado About Nothing" (the title itself is a popular quote) references the bitter orange trees that grew in England during Shakespeare's era, but were killed by the winter freeze of 1739.

- Weeds – "Fie on't, fie! 'Tis an unweeded garden that grows to seed; things rank and gross in nature." A sign at Huntington Gardens held this quote from Hamlet. The surrounding patch of weeds may or may not have been planted on purpose.

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Above: A rose at Huntington Gardens in California. Below: A rose at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie. Photos by Mark Adams



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# County Players announces auditions for 'Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?' in August

County Players, one of the longest running community theater companies in the area, will hold open auditions on Sunday and Monday, Aug. 14 and 15, for the award-winning classic drama "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" by Edward Albee. Auditions will be held at the County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 West Main St. in Wappingers Falls.

This November Main Stage Production is directed by Anna Marie Paolercio. Performances are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 4 & 5, 11 & 12, 18 & 19, at 8 p.m., with 2 p.m. matinees on Sunday, Nov. 13, and Saturday, Nov. 19.

"Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" is considered a masterwork of American drama, with dazzling language and unfor-

gettable characters. There is no dysfunctional stage couple quite like George and Martha. The funny and darkly unsettling duo welcomes you into their living room, along with the young couple Honey and Nick. Lean in to the titillating shock and awe of this masterpiece of modern American Theater, whose characters were just as radical, hilarious, and unforgettable then as they are today.

## Cast Description

**MARTHA\*** – early 50s; a boisterous woman; looking somewhat younger; sexy. She is the daughter of the president of the college, unhappy and domineering wife of George. She taunts him in public but loves him dearly. (\*Smokes cigarettes.)

**GEORGE** – mid to late 40s/early 50s; Martha's husband; studious. Professor of history at the college. He is frustrated with his life and the delusions he and his wife have created. Generally subdued and henpecked. Protagonist of the play.

**HONEY** – mid to late 20s/early 30s; rather plain. Nick's immature wife.

**NICK\*** – mid to late 20s/early 30s; Honey's husband; well put together; preppy. He is a new biology professor at the college and is quite ambitious. (\*Smokes cigarettes.)

All actors regardless of age, race, gender, ethnicity, or experience are encouraged. For further information including a detailed list of character breakdown, sides, and audition form, visit [countyplayers.org/shows/auditions/](http://countyplayers.org/shows/auditions/)

## COVID Audition Protocol

At this time, all actors and crew must be fully vaccinated. Please wear a mask and be prepared to show proof of vaccination when you arrive to auditions. The stage manager will provide the audition form (or you may download it from this page, print, fill it out, and bring it with you to the audition).

**SCHEDULE:** Be prepared to list all possible conflicts. Rehearsal schedule will be respectful of performers' time and conflicts. Please note, due to Covid restrictions, fully vaccinated actors planning to audition are asked to carefully consider travel out of state during rehearsals or performances. County Players will follow current CDC guidelines for domestic and international travel restrictions for Fully Vaccinated individuals.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>. Note: There are separate sections for both domestic and international travel which are updated as Covid-19 levels fluctuate. Once inside the theater, you may be unmasked (if fully vaccinated) and/or to read for the audition.

If you require wheelchair accessibility, contact the Box Office at (845) 298-1491.

## Contacts:

Anna Marie Paolercio, Director - [anna0118@gmail.com](mailto:anna0118@gmail.com) or cell: (845) 464-2367; Joseph Pettignano, Publicity Chair - [jpettignano@gmail.com](mailto:jpettignano@gmail.com) or cell: (845) 489-3086

## Get Growing!

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Vassar College's Shakespeare Garden. Photo by Mark Adams

• Daisies, violets, pansies, rosemary – Ophelia's mad scene in "Hamlet" is a cascade of flower quotes and meanings, as the doomed heroine picks apart her bouquet: "rosemary for remembrance," "pansies for thoughts," "There's a daisy. I would give you some violets, but they withered all when my father died."

• And of course, Roses – "What's in a name? That which we call a rose/by any other name would smell as sweet," says Juliet to Romeo: It doesn't matter if her lover is from a rival family. One of 70 rose references in Shakespeare's plays and sonnets, including "Of all flowers methinks a rose best." from "The Two Noble Kinsmen."

Back home we visited the refurbished

"Shakespeare Garden" at Vassar College, down behind Olmstead Hall. What's in a name, indeed. The garden itself doesn't seem to have much to do with Shakespeare. No signs with quotes; the varieties are not labeled, nor are the three statues of medieval-looking characters. We saw some daisies, lavender (referenced in "A Winter's Tale") and a few roses. The garden is quite lovely, though. A garden by any other name....

Mark Adams is an agricultural advisor to the Dutchess County Executive, Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney, Dutchess County B.O.C.E.S. and Cornell University.



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## Ongoing

**Mansion & Landscape Tours**, Wilderstein Historic Site, 330 Morton Rd., Rhinebeck. Wilderstein is a not-for-profit house museum. The estate was the home of Margaret (Daisy) Suckley, a distant cousin and confidante of Franklin Roosevelt. With its exquisite Queen Anne mansion and Calvert Vaux designed landscape, Wilderstein is widely regarded as the Hudson Valley's most important example of Victorian architecture. Guided tour includes the exterior architecture and first floor of the mansion, the landscape, and history of the Suckley family. Sat. & Sun., noon, 1, 2 & 3 p.m. Tickets \$12. Advance online registration encouraged, but walk-ins welcome if space is available. Buy tickets at <http://wilderstein.org/calendar/>

**Museum Tours**, Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, 9 Norton Rd., Red Hook. Museum open daily, through October. Weekend Air Shows: June 18-Oct. 16. Biplane rides available by reservation. <https://oldrhinebeck.org/>

**Tours**, Mount Gulian Historic Site, 145 Sterling St., Beacon. Visitors will hear about Mount Gulian's centuries-long history that shaped our nation, including its part in the Revolutionary War as Patriot General Von Steuben's headquarters. They'll learn about the founding of the Society of the Cincinnati, our country's oldest veterans' organization, and the history of generations of Verplanck family members who lived at Mount Gulian. Visitors will discover the stories of James F. Brown, a fugitive slave who risked his life for freedom, and of Robert Newlin Verplanck's participation in the Civil War as an officer in the US Colored Troops. Artifacts on display span the 18th through the 20th centuries and include antique books, furniture, and an array of Revolutionary War items. Tours of the historic home, 18th-century Dutch barn, and heritage garden will be given on Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sun., at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Season runs June 8-Oct. 23. Advance reservations recommended. Admission is \$10 adults, \$8 seniors, \$5 children (ages 6-18); free for children under 6 and Mount Gulian members. Visitors are required to wear a mask when indoors. (845) 831-8172 or [info@mountgulian.org](mailto:info@mountgulian.org)

## Through Sept. 23

**Red Hook Summer Lawn Concert Series**, Eat-N-Go, 7508 N. Broadway (Rte. 9), Red Hook. Bring a chair or blanket, along with some food from your favorite local restaurant, and enjoy an evening of local bands performing live on Friday nights, 6-8 p.m. The schedule: July 22: Judith Tulloch Band; July 29: Colyer Brown; Aug. 5: Local Jam Aka Nunzzo; Aug. 12: Soul City; Aug. 19: Payne's Grey Sky; Aug. 26: The Moonlighters; Sept. 9: Wyld Blu; Sept. 16: Local Jam Aka Nunzzo; Sept. 23: Forefathers.

## Through Sept. 24

**Exhibit: "Transformations: Rhinebeck's Changing Downtown,"** Museum of Rhinebeck History, Quitman House, 7015 Rte. 9, Rhinebeck. Explore artifacts and photographs of historical businesses and buildings on East Market, West Market, Mill, and Montgomery Streets alongside photographs of what is there today. Open every Saturday through Sept. 24 (except Aug. 27), 1-4 p.m. (845) 554-6331

## July 21

**"A Documentary History of the United States,"** the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library & Museum presents a conversation with authors Alexander Heffner and Brenda Wineapple, 6 p.m. This program will be streamed at the FDR Library's official YouTube, Facebook and Twitter accounts.

## July 21-31

**"Kiss Me Kate,"** The Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 Rte. 203, Chatham. The battle of the sexes takes center stage as former spouses feud onstage and off during a musical presentation of "The Taming of the Shrew." Performances: Thurs., July 21 & 28, 2 & 8 p.m.; Fri., July 22 & 29, 8 p.m.; Sat., July 23, 4 p.m.; Sun., July 24 & 31, 2 & 7 p.m.; Wed., July 27, 2 p.m.; Sat., July 30, 4 & 8 p.m. Tickets \$45. (518) 392-9292 or [www.machaydntheatre.org](http://www.machaydntheatre.org)



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## July 21-Sept. 1

**Twilight Music in the Parks**, Walkway Over the Hudson (Ulster side), Highland. Outdoor summer concert series on Thursday nights from 6 to 7 p.m. Members of the Hudson Valley Folk Guild will perform a musical program from a different artist each week at the Walkway. Free. Weather permitting. For updates, check the Walkway's Facebook page or visit [www.parks.ny.gov](http://www.parks.ny.gov).

## July 22

An Evening with Graham Nash, Bardavon, 35 Market St., Poughkeepsie. Legendary singer-songwriter and member of supergroup Crosby, Stills and Nash (and Young) as well as the popular 1960s British Invasion group The Hollies, 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$49. (845) 473-5288, (845) 339-6088 or [boxoffice@bardavon.org](mailto:boxoffice@bardavon.org)

## July 22-31

**"The Silent Woman,"** Fisher Center, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson. Bard SummerScape presents Richard Strauss' only true comic opera, in a rare new production by Christian R ath. Performances: Friday, July 22; Sunday, July 24; Wednesday, July 27; Friday, July 29; Sunday, July 31. For tickets and more information, visit [fishercenter.bard.edu](http://fishercenter.bard.edu) or call Bard's box office at (845) 758-7900.

## July 22-Aug. 14

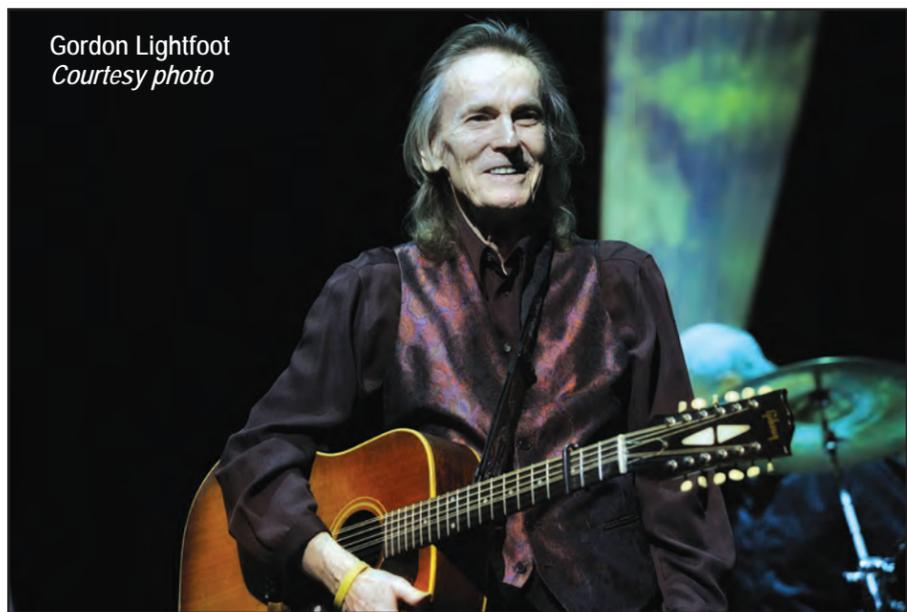
**"Curtains,"** The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. The Tony Award-winning, Broadway musical comedy whodunit from Kander & Ebb, (the creators of "Cabaret" & "Chicago") will be presented live, onstage. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets \$25. [www.centerforperformingarts.org](http://www.centerforperformingarts.org) or (845) 876-3080.

## July 23

**Movies Under the Walkway: "Spiderman: No Way Home,"** Upper Landing Park, Poughkeepsie. Series of free, family-friendly movies shown on the big screen beneath the Walkway Over the Hudson. Children's activities and fun for the whole family will precede each movie. Check-in will begin at 7:30 p.m. each night, and the feature film will begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. This week: Kid's Costume Contest Night - "Spiderman: No Way Home." Advance registration required at [DutchessNY.gov/ParksMovies](http://DutchessNY.gov/ParksMovies)

## July 26

**Gordon Lightfoot**, Ulster Performing Arts Center (UPAC), 601 Broadway, Kingston. Lightfoot's career has spanned more than 50 years and features some of the most iconic songs in the singer-songwriter repertoire, including "Early Morning Rain," "If You Could Read My Mind," "Carefree Highway," "Sundown," "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald," "Rainy Day People" and many more, 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$36. (845) 473-5288, (845) 339-6088 or [boxoffice@bardavon.org](mailto:boxoffice@bardavon.org).



Gordon Lightfoot  
Courtesy photo

## July 27

**Music in the Parks**, Staatsburgh State Historic Site, Old Post Rd., Staatsburgh. Hyde Park Recreation's series of free outdoor concerts held weekly at alternating historic sites, 7 p.m. This week: Four Guys in Disguise. In case of bad weather, concert will be canceled. (845) 229-8086

## CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS EXPO SET IN MIDTOWN KINGSTON

Kingston Midtown Arts District (MAD) will present the Eighth Annual Celebration of the Arts EXPO on Saturday, July 23, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This free community event will provide residents of Kingston and surrounding communities a hands-on opportunity to explore the various art forms of local working artists and arts organizations with interactive art workshops, discussions and demonstrations. This lively, fun day celebrates the arts, creativity and community. There are workshops for everyone of all ages and abilities.

The event will take place at the SUNY Ulster's Kingston Center and will feature a full day of free workshops in a variety of arts genres - including dance, music, puppet-making, animation, photography, painting, spoken word, writing and more. Professional teaching artists will lead all of the workshops with assistance from PUGG, MAD's teen workforce interns managed by The D.R.A.W. arts ed program. The EXPO will also feature panel discussions and tabling from over a dozen local arts and culture organizations.

MAD's mission is to unite, revitalize, and enrich the community through the arts. It is focused on building upon Kingston's existing assets and reputation as an arts-friendly place in which to live, work and play, while remaining inclusive of and equitable to all.



# Talking turkey (burgers)

A lighter version of the beefy classic

As summer and its heat continues so, too, does my desire to keep eating light. Last time I shared some favorite salad ideas, which I hope some of you tried. This time around I'm keeping it light even though I'm adding meat to the equation.

This recipe was inspired by something I had at a restaurant back in the '80s when I lived in Florida, and my take on it is something I eat pretty regularly. For me it just hits all the right marks; it's not too filling, yet satisfies. It's fresh and tasty. I love it and enjoy it year-round, but it's perfect for a summer dinner when a salad isn't quite enough.

A lighter version of the beloved burger, this one features ground turkey. Using ground dark meat keeps it from being dry, as does how you dress it. The way it was served at the restaurant was sans bun and so that's how I like it, though feel free to add bread if you prefer. Me, I tuck in with knife and fork.

Like so much of the summer fare I crave, it has few ingredients, so you taste everything in just the right balance. I can no longer remember the exact restaurant

version – it's been decades and I've been making it this way for so long - but the gist is here: ground turkey, shredded lettuce, ripe tomato (which I forego if they're not in season), cheese and ranch dressing. Other than salt and pepper, that's it. Quick, simple and simply delicious. Their version may well have added something to their turkey, but I keep it pure and simple. I pile the lettuce high, letting it spill onto the plate. It's more like a salad that way. And while you can, and I have, used a more nutritious lettuce than iceberg, this version makes it really light and brings me back to those balmy Florida nights.

## JESSE BURGERS

If you couldn't guess, the restaurant was called Jesse's; and living in Florida's heat for two years meant that I pretty much adopted my summer eating habits for all of that time. The restaurant has long since closed, but I will forever be grateful for inspiring this recipe.

### INGREDIENTS

1.5 lbs ground turkey, dark meat or a blend of white and dark

Shredded iceberg lettuce (about 3/4 head for 4 – I like to pile it on!)

4 slices large ripe tomato

Salt and pepper to taste

4 slices Swiss or muenster cheese

Ranch dressing (Thousand Island is good too)

### METHOD

Preheat oven to 350 degrees with oven rack positioned in the middle.

Form 2-4 patties of ground turkey and press the middles to make a slight depression, which prevents them from puffing up too much while they cook. (Ground turkey is pretty sticky, so it might help to rub a little olive oil onto your hands before you make the patties.) Season with salt and pepper.

Heat a cast iron skillet over medium-high heat for about 3 minutes. Add about 1 tablespoon of olive oil and swirl to coat the bottom of the skillet.

Lower heat to medium, place patties in skillet and cook undisturbed until juices start to pool on the top and bottom starts browning, 3-4 minutes. Flip and continue to cook another 3 minutes.

Transfer skillet to the preheated oven and cook about 7 minutes. Turn off oven. Add a slice of cheese to each burger and place skillet back in the oven just until cheese melts, 1 minute or less.

Transfer burgers to plates. Top each with a slice of tomato and a drizzle of Ranch dressing. Top with a mound of

shredded lettuce and drizzle with more dressing. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 burgers

Before you ask, I've never tried these on the grill. Turkey burgers aren't quite as rugged as their beefy counterparts, and my fear is I'll lose one through the grate. Probably unfounded, but then there's the idea of finishing them in the oven, which I like since it assures they're cooked thoroughly. Still, grilling would add a subtle smoky flavor, so I may have to give that a try someday.

Until then I'll keep loving them just the way I make them now, relishing their easy balance and lightness while fondly remembering those long ago days and nights spent in a never ending summer. Simpler times, my friends. SO much simpler! But then, that's what summertime is supposed to be all about. Enjoy!

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## Belongalong experience comes to Locust Grove

Blue Man Group veteran to illustrate musical wooden boxes

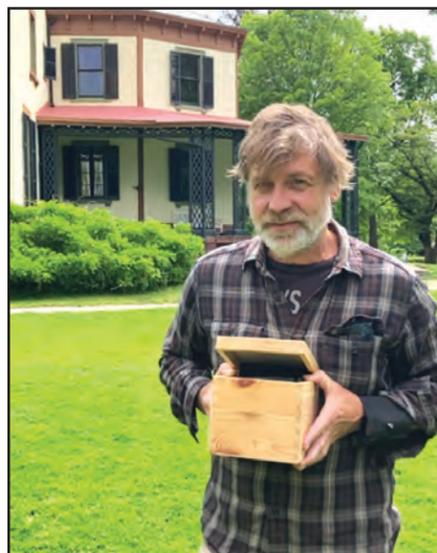
Locust Grove's over 100 year old historic majestic Maples, Beeches and Black Locust Trees will watch over the immersive Belongalong experience with Christopher Bowen on Sunday, July 24 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Locust Grove, the former summer home of Morse code inventor Samuel Morse, is a nature center, museum, education center and wedding/event venue located at 2683 South Road in Poughkeepsie.

Belongalong is a 12-person musical "instrument" created by musician, composer, performer and 30-year Blue Man Group veteran Christopher Bowen. He said Belongalong is 12 "wooden resonating boxes like blank canvases of sound, specially designed to give voice when held close to the participants' bodies. Invisibly connected and fully portable, they enable participants to engage through space in collaborative expression with each other and the environment."

As each person opens and closes their Belongalong box and brings it closer and further away from their chests, the sounds get louder and softer and changes.

According to Bowen at [Belongalong.com](http://Belongalong.com), "Belongalong...invites collaborative music-making and an expansion of the senses by connecting through sounds, images, and space. Belongalong is an experience that is as much about listening and opening up sonic space for others as



Christopher Bowen, a former New York City and now Hudson Valley resident, invented the Belongalong instruments just last year. *Courtesy photo*

it is about one's own expression"

Bowen, a former New York City and now Hudson Valley resident, invented the Belongalong instruments just last year. He approached Emily Ellison, Locust Grove's new Director of Programs and Marketing, to bring them to the Grove because of its bucolic setting; high on a bluff overlooking the majestic Hudson River, ensconced in the shade of its towering giant trees.

Ellison said, "The minute Chris pulled the boxes out and we started experimenting with them, I knew we needed to invite people to enjoy them here at Locust Grove. They are really cool!"

LOOK FOR THAT'S ITALIAN!  
IN NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE

Luigi Coppola shares stories and recipes.



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# Diversions

## 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.

	8	5	6		4			2
2								8
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						9	5	4
	5			7	2			
9		7						1
4					9	3	7	

			2		
3					3
				5	
			3		
4				2	

### ACROSS

1. Hold on tightly
6. Inventory
10. 2/5 of a quarter
14. "Ave \_\_\_"
15. Pi times radius squared
16. Shape
17. All \_\_\_; considering everything
18. Monopoly board square
20. Vehicle for several
21. Frank
23. Lets
24. Seed covering
25. Paul, before he was Paul
27. No longer bearded
30. Norse mythological king
31. Ewe's lament
34. Bern's river
35. Break a traffic law
36. County map abbrs.
37. Original notion
41. Pitcher's stat.
42. White poplar
43. About
44. Snake's "Hello"
45. Wicked
46. Occupation
48. Catch one's breath
49. Yarn
50. Piece of furniture
53. Peddle
54. Presidential monogram
57. Salad toppings
60. Wed without pomp
62. Discharge
63. Use a blue pencil
64. Celebrations
65. Baseball players
66. Like a horror movie
67. Beverage containers

2. \_\_\_ Turner
3. Pakistan's neighbor
4. Nothing
5. In abundance
6. Tag
7. Common metal
8. Eel's home
9. Paver's goo
10. Short cylinder
11. First czar of Russia
12. Ice cream concoction
13. Benevolent group
19. Ancient Celtic soothsayers
22. Fastener
24. Rosary prayers
25. Cubic meter
26. Windward's opposite
27. Depositories
28. Filaments
29. Tapestry
30. Item on a teacher's desk
31. Saltwater
32. Worship
33. Actor Edward
35. Refine metal
38. Bar
39. Long-legged bird
40. Address for a king, once
46. Nixon's birthplace: abbr.
47. Declare without proof
48. Street uprisings
49. Irritable
50. Trucker with a radio
51. Part of a horse's collar
52. Bitter substance
53. Move a little
54. Opening
55. Ship's pole
56. Hardy heroine
58. Plead
59. Solemn vow
61. Ordinance

### DOWN

1. Early 10th-century year

1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13
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17						18				19				
20				21	22					23				
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34						35						36		
37				38	39						40			
41				42							43			
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57					58	59				60	61			
62					63					64				
65					66					67				

The solutions to both the Sudoku & Crossword puzzles can be found on page 18

# Rarely seen Strauss opera to open Friday at Bard SummerScape

Opening Friday, July 22, Richard Strauss's comic opera, "The Silent Woman (Die Schweigsame Frau)" receives a rare American presentation at Bard SummerScape. Harold Wilson, "a stentorian bass ... with impressive focus, carrying power and quiet charisma" (New York Times), heads a strong cast in a new production by Christian R ath, whose SummerScape staging of "Das Wunder der Heliane" prompted Musical America to declare: "Opera productions don't get much better than this."

Running for five performances on July 22, 24, 27, 29 and 31, R ath's exuberant and colorful treatment features the American Symphony Orchestra and Bard Festival Chorale under the baton of festival founder and co-artistic director Leon Botstein, in the Frank Gehry-designed Fisher Center on Bard's campus in Annandale-on-Hudson.

In two pre-performance Opera Talks, which are free and open to the public, R ath speaks before the matinee on July 24, and Botstein before the matinee on July 27. Home audiences around the world can enjoy the opening-night performance when it streams live online on July 22, with an encore stream on July 30.

Like Sergei Rachmaninoff, subject of this year's Bard Music Festival, Richard Strauss is one of the last great exponents of musical Romanticism. In spite of his importance to the field, however, the composer's 11th opera, "The Silent Woman" (1935), was banned by the

Third Reich after just four performances, because of librettist Stefan Zweig's Jewish identity. Even today, despite having long overcome these troubled origins, the opera is still only rarely staged in the States, because of Strauss' fiendishly difficult vocal writing.

Set to Zweig's sparkling libretto, the opera tells the madcap tale of a retired British admiral who craves the quiet life, his nephew Henry, Henry's actress wife, and the scheming barber who intervenes between them. Featuring a counterfeit wedding designed to secure Henry's inheritance, "The Silent Woman" is an intricately plotted screwball comedy in which all is ultimately forgiven.

R ath's production stars bass Harold Wilson as Sir Morosus, the cantankerous naval veteran. Seen earlier this spring in Elektra at the Metropolitan Opera, Wilson is also a familiar face at houses and festivals from Deutsche Oper Berlin to Opera Philadelphia, Santa Fe Opera, Glimmerglass and Caramoor, where his Il pirata performance prompted the Washington Post to urge: "Casting directors take note."

Praised by Opera News for hitting "high notes with ease, singing with a luxuriant warm glow that seduced the ear," tenor David Portillo sings the admiral's nephew Henry, with soprano Jana McIntyre, a Metropolitan Opera National Council grand finalist, as his wife, Aminta; mezzo-soprano Michaela Martens, a "passionate and sympathetic



Jana McIntyre and David Portillo are featured in "The Silent Woman" at Bard SummerScape. Photo by Maria Baranova

vocal actress" (Boston Globe), as the admiral's Housekeeper; and baritone Edward Nelson, winner of the 2020 Glyndebourne Opera Cup, as the Machiavellian barber.

Bard's colorful and elegant costumes are by European Opera Prize-winner Mattie Ullrich, who previously worked on SummerScape stagings of Le roi malgr e lui and Euryanthe, with choreography by Lucille Lortel, Outer Critics Circle

and Tony Award-nominee David Neumann, and lighting by Tony and Drama Desk Award-winner Rick Fisher. The supertitle translation is by Stover Prize-winning poet and translator Peter Filkins.

For complete information regarding programs, tickets, series discounts and more, visit [fishercenter.bard.edu](http://fishercenter.bard.edu) or call Bard's box office at (845) 758-7900.

## Exhibitions

at galleries and museums in the Hudson Valley

**Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center**, 9 & 12 Vassar St., Poughkeepsie. Through August: Exhibition of works by Ivone Milani, Ted Dixon and Sharon Frey in the Visual Art Galleries. Featured in the Hallway Art Gallery at 9 Vassar St. will be photographer Ivone Milani presenting her solo show "The Secret Garden." At 12 Vassar St. will be Ted Dixon exhibiting his abstract paintings in the Hancock Gallery and oil painter Sharon Frey showcasing her anatomical figurative pieces in the Reception Gallery. Visitors must call the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center Office at (845) 486-4571 for access to galleries. Visit [cunneen-hackett.org](http://cunneen-hackett.org) for hours and to review the Visitation Safety Protocols.

**Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center**, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. Through July: "Beyond the Threshold: Contemporary Tibetan Art," on view in the Loeb's Asian Gallery. Among the major themes explored in these wide-ranging works are the impacts of globalization and commercialism on Tibetan culture, the creation and inhabitation of virtual worlds, self-representation and the questioning of identities, interconnectedness and pushing back against expectations collectively imposed upon Tibetans as subjects of the outsider gaze. (845) 437-5632 or [flac.vassar.edu](http://flac.vassar.edu)

**Kaatsbaan Cultural Park**, 120 Broadway, Tivoli. Through Oct. 16: Second Annual Sculpture Exhibition, contemporary artworks installed throughout the lush meadows and woodland walkways of the historic 153-acre property that is an internationally renowned dance residency. [www.kaatsbaan.org](http://www.kaatsbaan.org)

**Rhinebeck Bank**, 6414 Montgomery St., Rhinebeck. Through Aug. 20: New artwork on display by Isabel Livingston (watercolors), Betsy Wilson (watercolors), Nancy Ebel (soft glass) and Gianna Fusaro (multiple media, including acrylic, watercolor and oil).

**Starr Library**, 68 W. Market St., Rhinebeck. Through August: Works by Jim Bennett, Jacqueline Oster & Roni Wilder-Guidi. Art opening: Fri., July 8, 4-5 p.m. (845) 876-4030 or [www.starrlibrary.org](http://www.starrlibrary.org)

**Tivoli Artists Gallery**, 60 Broadway, Tivoli. Through July 24: "Exploring Paper," TAG artists were asked to consider how paper supports their medium. Painting, Printmaking, Graphic Design, Illustration, Collage, Sculpture and Installations, in all paper-media forms and sizes were encouraged. Visit during weekend gallery hours, or make an appointment for a quiet personal weekday tour. (845) 757-2667 or [www.tivoliartistsgallery.com](http://www.tivoliartistsgallery.com)

**Wassaic Project**, 37 Furnace Bank Road, Wassaic. Through Sept. 17: "A Tournament of Lies," the show gathers 46 artists to Wassaic in hopes of harnessing the infinite energy of the life imitates art imitates life imitates art dynamo. Open noon-5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. <http://wassaicproject.org/>

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**Crum Elbow Rural Cemetery Association sets annual meeting**

The annual meeting of the Crum Elbow Rural Cemetery Association will be held on Saturday, July 23, at 2 p.m., at the Quaker Meeting House on North Quaker Lane, Hyde Park.

**Outdoor Movie Night set July 30 in Stanford**

The Stanford Special Events Committee and the Stanford Grange will present "A League of Their Own" for Outdoor Movie Night on Saturday, July 30, at sunset, behind the Grange (movie will begin when it's dark). Bring chairs, flashlight, bug spray and a picnic (suggested).

**Morton Memorial Library to host free shredding event**

Free Shredding Day at Morton Memorial Library is set for Saturday, July 30, from 10 a.m. to noon. Bring up to three banker-sized boxes of shreddable materials. For more information on what can and cannot be shredded, visit <https://www.recordstoragesolution-sinc.com/what-to-shred.php>.

Morton Memorial Library is at 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff.

**Golf Tourney Sponsorship/Foursomes available**

The 5th Stormville Fire Company golf tourney will be held on Monday, Aug. 8, at Trump National Golf Club - Hudson Valley. 10 a.m. registration, 11 a.m. lunch, gold at noon, 5 p.m. dinner & raffle prizes at the golf course. \$225 per golfer (includes golf, cart, on-the-course drinks/snacks, lunch & dinner). Sponsorship opportunities available. This is a great

way to get together with friends and relatives and also to promote your business while supporting the Stormville Fire Co. Please contact Bill for more information at (845) 629-4726 or [www.stormvillefire.org](http://www.stormvillefire.org).

**United Way's Community Breakfast set Sept. 14**

Reservations are open for United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region's annual Community Breakfast will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 7:30 to 9 a.m., at The Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel. The 2022 Kindness Champion will be announced at the Community Breakfast.

For more information, tickets, sponsorship, advertising and donations, go to [www.uwdor.org/breakfast2022](http://www.uwdor.org/breakfast2022).

**Red Hook Hardscrabble Day set**

Red Hook's annual Hardscrabble Day will take place on Saturday, Sept. 17. The popular event will be centered in the Village Parking Lot and feature live performances all day: child-focused entertainment in the morning, teen bands in the afternoon, and the opening acts and headliner will start around 5 p.m. Those who would like to volunteer are asked to contact Amy Smith at [Events@redhooknyvillage.org](mailto:Events@redhooknyvillage.org).

Stay up to date by following the Hardscrabble website: [www.hardscrabbleday.org](http://www.hardscrabbleday.org).

**Tours scheduled at Vanderbilt gardens**

The Vanderbilt Garden Association's interpreters will be in the formal gardens on every third Sunday of the month through October to offer free monthly tours from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tours meet outside the Tool House building. Future dates include Aug. 21, Sept. 18 and Oct. 16.

For further information, e-mail [info@vanderbiltgarden.org](mailto:info@vanderbiltgarden.org) or visit <http://www.vanderbiltgarden.org>.

**FARMERS MARKETS**

**Arlington:** Vassar Alumnae Lawn, 123 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. Thursdays, 2-6 p.m. through Oct. 27. [www.arlingtonhasit.org](http://www.arlingtonhasit.org)

**Paul's Hyde Park Farmers Market:** Across from Hyde Park Town Hall on Route 9. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. through October.

**HOUSING UPGRADE HELP FOR OLDER DUTCHESS ADULTS**

Help is available for qualified Dutchess County older adult homeowners through the county's Senior Citizen Owner-Occupied Property Rehabilitation Program. This program upgrades existing owner-occupied housing by assisting low- and moderate-income senior citizen households to complete rehabilitation on properties with housing quality standard or code violations.

Applicants must be income qualified, age 62 or older, a fee simple owner of the property, a U.S. citizen or a lawful permanent resident of the U.S., and must meet income guidelines.

Eligible properties also meet the following qualifications:

- a. Only single-family, detached, owner-occupied units whose value, after rehabilitation, is not more than \$333,000.
- b. Properties must contain one or more substandard conditions that do not meet federal, state, or local health, safety, and fire codes.
- c. Properties must have a minimum of \$1,000 in repairs but must not exceed the \$20,000 maximum.
- d. Properties in any Dutchess County municipality, except the City of Poughkeepsie.

Eligible improvements include major system repairs necessary to meet HUD Housing Quality Standards (HQS) and the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (NYS Building Code). The program's focus is repairs to "major systems" including but not limited to furnaces, plumbing, structural (roofs, walls, decks/porches), electrical, necessary handicapped accessibility improvements, conventional septic systems, lead based paint abatement, bathrooms, and kitchens with significant deterioration, window, and appliances (see below).

General property improvement, improvements to outbuildings, maintenance and cosmetic improvements are prohibited. There are specific policies for window and appliance replacement, septic upgrades, and handicapped renovations.

For more information and full qualifying details, contact Audra Murray at the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development at 845-486-3633 or [amurray@dutchessny.gov](mailto:amurray@dutchessny.gov); or Mike Peratikos at 845-486-3637 or [mperatikos@dutchessny.gov](mailto:mperatikos@dutchessny.gov).

**FOR OFA PROM ENTHUSIASTS**

The enduring popularity of the OFA Senior Prom is such that we're still getting inquiries about whether it will happen this year, nearly three years after the last prom took place.

Will it happen this year? As of right now we're comfortable in saying...probably. Let's just say we're keeping our October calendar free. You do the same.

If the prom goes ahead, it'll be our 25th, which makes it the Silver Anniversary prom. For those of you who spend months mulling over how to dress

for the prom, "silver" is your theme. Dressing up is completely optional, but those who do dress up would be in the running to be the "Duke and Duchess" of the prom.

In the meantime, we're planning a warm-up of sorts: a free concert with "Echoes of Sinatra," on Thursday, Aug. 25, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Grandview (176 Rinaldi Boulevard, Poughkeepsie).

Dancers will be happy to know that there'll be an open dance floor during the show, plus light refreshments at intermission.

Reservations are required for the event; space is limited. Call 845-486-2555 during business hours (9 am - 5 pm weekdays) to make your reservation.

**HOME DELIVERED MEALS AND PICNIC VOLUNTEERS WANTED ASAP**

Volunteer drivers are currently needed immediately, to drive for the Office for the Aging Home Delivered Meals (HDM) program throughout Dutchess County. Whether you're available one weekday or five, we can accommodate your schedule. Mileage reimbursement is available for HDM drivers who use their own vehicles; reimbursement rates were increased as of July 1st to reflect the higher price of gasoline.

Hundreds of senior citizen residents of Dutchess County live in their own homes but are unable to cook, shop, or prepare meals. They have received essential help from the HDM program, which makes hot, nutritious midday meals available for most locations in the county Monday through Friday, along with frozen and shelf-stable meals for cases when inclement weather prevents delivery of hot meals.

We're also looking for volunteers to assist guests at any of the following upcoming OFA Picnics. All picnics take place on Wednesdays.

July 27 - Pleasant Valley (West Road School)

August 3 - City of Poughkeepsie (Stitzel Field)

August 24 - East Fishkill (Recreation Park, Hopewell Junction)

August 31 - Beekman/LaGrange (Freedom Park, LaGrange)

To learn more about OFA volunteering, contact the Office for the Aging at 845-486-2555 or [ofa@dutchessny.gov](mailto:ofa@dutchessny.gov).

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**Red Hook CSD Board of Education meeting dates for 2022-2023**

- Wednesdays
  - 6 p.m. Executive Session
  - 7 p.m. Public Start Time (unless otherwise noted)
  - Friday, Aug. 5, 6 p.m.; Aug. 24, 6 p.m.
  - Sept. 14
  - October (Committee Meetings to Start)
  - Oct. 19
  - Nov. 16
  - Dec. 14
  - Jan. 18
  - Feb. 8 Budget Workshop with Admin Team (no committee meetings); Feb. 22
  - March 8, March 22
  - April 12; Tuesday, April 25 BOCES Vote 8 a.m.; April 26
  - May 3 (public hearing), May 17
  - June (No Committee Meetings)
  - June 7, June 21
- For more information, contact Elena Maskell, District Clerk, Registrar & Secretary to the Superintendent, at (845) 758-2241, ext 55010, or [emaskell@rhcsd.org](mailto:emaskell@rhcsd.org).

*Answer to this week's Dot to Dot (puzzle on page 10)*

*Answers to this week's diversions (puzzles on page 16)*

**Suguru solution**

2	1	3	2	5	2
3	4	5	4	1	3
1	2	1	3	5	4
4	5	4	2	1	3
1	3	1	3	4	5
4	5	2	5	2	1

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**SUDOKU**  
This week's answer

7	8	5	6	3	4	1	9	2
2	1	4	9	5	7	6	3	8
6	9	3	2	1	8	5	4	7
1	6	9	4	2	5	7	8	3
5	4	8	7	9	3	2	1	6
3	7	2	8	6	1	9	5	4
8	5	1	3	7	2	4	6	9
9	3	7	5	4	6	8	2	1
4	2	6	1	8	9	3	7	5

## Application period open for entry-level law enforcement civil service exam

Gov. Kathy Hochul announced that the application period is now open for New York State's entry-level law enforcement civil service exam. The exam, which is used to fill titles in the Department of Environmental Conservation, the Office of State Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, and the State University of New York, will be held in the fall. Qualified candidates can apply to take the exam at <https://www.cs.ny.gov/police/> until 11:59 EST on Wednesday, Aug. 3.

People interested in being considered for entry-level law enforcement positions within state government must first meet the minimum qualifications for the title or titles of interest and register for the civil service exam by submitting all the required information by Aug. 3. All candidates who are qualified to take the New York State entry-level law-enforcement exam will receive an admission notice via mail approximately two weeks prior to the date of the written test. The admission notice will provide the candidate with details about when and where they are scheduled to appear, along with other pertinent information. Candidates will also receive a reminder email in advance of the exam, which will include information on the latest COVID-19 requirements for in-person state civil service examinations.

The entry-level law enforcement exam is used to fill the following titles within each agency:

- DEC - Environmental Conservation Police Officer Trainee I & Forest Ranger I
- Parks - Park Police Officer Trainee
- SUNY - University Police Officer I

The Department of Civil Service (DSC) estimates that approximately 400 entry-level law enforcement positions statewide will be filled over the next year.

The exam will also be used for local examinations to fill positions in municipal police departments and sheriff's offices. Candidates interested in taking the local examinations for municipal police departments and sheriff's offices, should apply directly through the local civil service agency.

In May, Hochul announced DEC and Parks' commitment to the National "30x30 Pledge" to increase the departments' diversity by adding more women to the ranks of its police officers. This followed an earlier pledge by the New York State Police to boost the number of state troopers who are women. The ultimate goal of the 30x30 Initiative is to reach 30 percent of women in police recruit classes by 2030, and to ensure policing agencies are truly representative of the jurisdiction the agency serves. Women, veterans, and New Yorkers from historically under-represented communities are strongly urged to apply for this examination, which can lead to great public service careers.

As part of the launch of the entry-level law enforcement exam, New York State has launched a statewide social media campaign, which will include videos, web content, and a new informative webinar from DCS, to help attract candidates to apply for the exam.

Campaign content and additional information, including a test guide to prepare applicants for the exam, is available at [www.cs.ny.gov/police](http://www.cs.ny.gov/police).

To learn more about working for the State of New York and how to take the next step in pursuing a rewarding career in public service, please visit the Department of Civil Service website and follow the Department on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

## American Heart Association seeks 12 Hudson Valley women for BetterU program

### Applications for free, 12-week heart-health improvement program are due Aug. 1

Only 1 in 5 Americans have optimal heart health, using the American Heart Association's Life's Essential 8 measurement. The Go Red for Women's 12-week BetterU program is offering 12 Hudson Valley women the chance to be one of the five.

The BetterU is a free heart-health makeover challenge sponsored by Antalek & Moore Insurance Agency, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation & Ulster Savings Bank. Applications are due on Aug. 1, and the program will begin in mid-August.

During the program, the women will work out with trainers at Gold's Gym and learn strategies for better health in weekly seminars and with the support of the group. Topics will include nutrition, understanding your numbers like high blood pressure and cholesterol, sleep and more. The group will provide support to each other, and regular health assessments from Nuvance Health will measure their success.

"I applied because I lost my mom at

the early age of 57. As a mother and grandmother, I am approaching this age and knew I needed to get my act together and do just that...become a 'better u,'" said Susan Pagonis, partner at Antalek & Moore Insurance Agency; 2020 and 2021 chair of the Hudson Valley Go Red for Women Luncheon; and 2019 BetterU participant. "I became very close to my group and still stay in touch. I've learned to break some bad habits and if there is a setback, to not become too discouraged, but just keep pushing and try to get back on course. Antalek and Moore is all about community and helping others and that goes with helping others help themselves, and this program fits our mission perfectly. There is nothing but positive thoughts, hope, help and energy from the BetterU. We can all learn a thing or two about improving ourselves inside and out and why not do this with a great group of women looking to do the same?"

The 2022 BetterU class will be recognized at the Nov. 18 Go Red for Women Celebration at the Culinary Institute of America.

Q92 is also a sponsor of the BetterU.

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## OBITUARIES

### Jason Antonelli (Reichgut)

The life of Jason Antonelli ended peacefully at the age of 51 on July 6, 2022, in Newburgh, NY, when an unexpected cardiac event took him suddenly from his cherished family and friends. Jason's youth and formative years were spent in Hyde Park, where, until he changed his name in later life, he was known as Jason Reichgut. He graduated from Roosevelt High School where, because of his ability to be an engaging team player, he rowed as a member of the varsity crew and also was Co-Captain of the varsity soccer team Jason loved all sports, but no matter where he lived, he remained a devoted and avid Yankee fan. As a child he loved music and theater, and in high school he landed a leading role in West Side Story. Jason went on to graduate from SUNY Oneonta as a Communications major. With a personality that could light up a room and an uncanny ability to carry on a conversation with anyone, Jason was a natural in the hospitality industry. He moved to Arizona and then to California pursuing a career in organizing and staging events at various venues including Universal Studios, The Getty Center, and celebrations after the Oscar awards. Jason recently moved to the entertainment and hospitality capital of the country, Las Vegas, to continue his career, but with the devastating effect of the pandemic on this industry generally and on Las Vegas in particular, Jason returned home to Hyde Park to consider his next course in life. Jason is survived by his mother, Carole Wolf, of Hyde Park, NY, by his brother, Spencer Reichgut and his life partner, Joli Tompkins, of Poughkeepsie, NY, and by his sister,

Angelique Levi, and her husband, Andrew, of Fairfield, CT; as well as by loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and nieces. He was predeceased by his father, Detlef Wolf, by his uncle, Dennis Ladoff, and by his beloved maternal grandparents, Rhoda and Max Ladoff. Jason was a wonderful and loving son, brother and a devoted grandson who will be missed by all who knew him. Funeral arrangements were private and at the convenience of the family. A Celebration of Life is planned and will be held in the near future. Gifts in Jason's memory may be made to Mental Health America of Dutchess County, 253 Mansion Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or online at [mhadutchess.org/support-mha/](http://mhadutchess.org/support-mha/). To send Jason's family an online condolence please visit his obituary page at [www.sweetsfuneralhome.com](http://www.sweetsfuneralhome.com).

### Domenick C. Dell'Accio

Domenick C. Dell'Accio, 86, of Hyde Park, NY passed away on Saturday, July 9, 2022 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center. Born August 11, 1935 in Brooklyn, NY, he was the son of the late Charles and Maria LaStella Dell'Accio. Domenick worked for the NY Transit Authority as a mechanic before retiring upstate. On October 19, 1958 he married the former Barbara Lutz at the Holy Family Church in Brooklyn. Barbara predeceased him on March 4th, 2021. Domenick ("Pops") was a big man with an even bigger heart. There was nothing he enjoyed more than having his family with him - immersing himself in the conversation until he found his time to strike with a quick-witted word of wisdom. He was always a hard-working man who never had a clean pair of hands, whether from

work at the bus depot, standing over the grill, or tending to his vegetable garden. We will always miss you, and we promise to "just keep laughing" for you, Dad/Grandpa/Great-Grandpa. Enjoy the dance floor with Grandma. Domenick was predeceased by brothers Vincent and Patsy Dell'Accio. He is survived by his sister, Josephine Roselli; his three children: Charles Dell'Accio and wife Ileene, of Monroe; Donna Palmer and husband Edward, of Hyde Park; Deborah Moschitto and husband Leonard, of Howard Beach; 12 grandchildren: Michael and wife Ann Dell'Accio, Marissa and husband Sam Schwartz, Christopher Dell'Accio, Nicholas Dell'Accio, Domenick and his wives Stephanie and Alyssa Cuccia, Joseph and wife Shelley Cuccia, Kristen Cuccia, Lauren Palmer, Jacqueline Palmer, Brinn Palmer, Vincent and wife Farheen Madonia, and Salvatore Moschitto; as well as one great grandchild, Sadie Cuccia. In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place, and both Domenick's and Barbara's lives have been celebrated with family and friends. Domenick's family respectfully requests memorial donations be made to the American Heart Association, P. O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284 ([www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org)), or the Make a Wish Foundation, 1702 East Highland Ave., Suite 400 Phoenix, AZ 85016. Arrangements were made under the direction of Sweet's Funeral Home Inc., Hyde Park. To send an online condolence, please visit [www.sweetsfuneralhome.com](http://www.sweetsfuneralhome.com).

### Jessica Tomah

Jessica Tomah, 40, passed away peacefully on July 11, 2022 at her residence. She was born on March 4, 1982 in Poughkeepsie, to Stuart Tomah and the late Yvonne Sitterly. A graduate of Stissing Mountain High School. Jessica worked as the finance manager at Healy Brothers Ford in Beacon. Jessica was a devoted and loving friend, cousin, niece and daughter. Although she had no biological children she poured her love and affection to her dear poodle Toby. Her carefree spirit was infectious and she enlightened the Lives of everyone she encountered. Those who knew her loved her deeply. She'll be eternally missed by her family and friends Jessica is survived by her fiancé Jason Ostheim, her brothers, Edmond and Nicholas Tomah, her father Stuart, and aunt Geraldine Tomah. Also, her step father, Allen Mowris, in addition to numerous cousins and many dear friends. She was predeceased by her mother, Yvonne Mowris and her maternal grandparents, Edward Murray and Shirley Yolton. Visitation took place on July 17, 2022 at Peck & Peck Funeral Homes, Pine Plains, NY. Interment will take place privately at the convenience of the family. Memorial donations in Jessica's name may be made to the Dutchess County SPCA, 636 Violet Avenue, Hyde Park, NY 12538. To leave a message of condolence, please visit [www.peckandpeck.net](http://www.peckandpeck.net).

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEX NO. 2021-53821 COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Mortgaged Premises: 34 SPRUCE STREET, PAWLING, NY 12564

Section: 7056, Block: 01, Lot: 186652 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY Plaintiff, vs.

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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, the Town of Wappinger Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the **26th day of July, 2022** at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Section 240-37 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Wappinger to consider the following area variance: **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE**, the Zoning Board of Appeals has not made a determination of significance pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing. **Appeal No.: 22-7759 (Area Variance)** **Brian & Angela Luhrs:** Seeking an area variance Section 240-37 of District Regulations in an R20/40 Zoning District. -Where **45 feet** to the rear yard property line is required, the applicant can provide **8 feet** for the installation of an above ground 12' x 24' oval pool, thus requesting a variance of **37 feet**. The property is located at **6 Park Hill Drive** and is identified as **Tax Grid No.: 6356-01-166971** in the Town of Wappinger. All interested persons will be heard by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above.

**Legal Notices**

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

**NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT**

THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$256,500.00 and interest, recorded on August 21, 2004, in Instrument Number 01 2004 20966, of the Public Records of DUTCHESS County, New York., covering premises known as 34 SPRUCE STREET, PAWLING, NY 12564.

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

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

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

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

Dated: May 31, 2022 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff

Aric H. Peymann, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675

**LEGAL NOTICE** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Fishkill, Mayor and Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing, Monday, August 15, 2022, 6:00 PM Eastern Time at Van Wyck Hall 1095 Main

Street Fishkill NY 12524 FOR THE PURPOSE OF Bill A-2022; A proposed local law to Amend the Village of Fishkill Zoning Code Rules and Special Use Permit Requirements for T a t t o o Parlors

LOCAL LAWS are on file for public review between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday at the Village Clerk's office

**LEGAL NOTICE** PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Chelsea Fire District of the Town of Wappinger, County of Dutchess, New York, will hold a special meeting on Sunday, July 24, 2022. The meeting will commence at 10:30 a.m., at the Chelsea Fire District Office located at 15 Liberty Street, Chelsea, New York, in the Town of Wappinger, and is open to the public.

This notification is being given in accordance with the provisions of Section 94 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York. By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Chelsea Fire District. Claire Gibson Fire District Secretary Chelsea Fire District

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on maps prepared by Stantec Engineering, 3 Columbia Circle, Suite 6, Albany, New York, as filed in the office of the Planning Department, and which site is located at South Drive and being described as a 32.18-acre tax parcel identified as Tax Parcel #132800-6456-03-958962. The site plan application for consideration by the Board is as follows: -Proposed construction of new Building Area A, a 253,800 square foot warehouse building All parties in interest and citizens will be heard by the Board at said public hearing scheduled at said time. **BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL DATED: July 6, 2022**

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## Rhinebeck Bank promotes Temple to VP of Retail Operations & Customer Solutions Center Manager

Rhinebeck Bank has promoted Yvette Temple to Vice President, Retail Operations and Customer Solutions Center Manager at its corporate headquarters at 2 Jefferson Plaza, Poughkeepsie.

A 25-year banking veteran, Temple joined Rhinebeck Bank in 2000 as a teller and ascended to leadership positions in the Bank's customer service and retail banking operations departments.

"I've love being a part of the Bank's evolution and growth as we continue to meet the ever-changing needs of the communities we serve," said Temple.

"We're very fortunate to have Yvette as part of our Retail Banking team," noted Mark Malone, Senior Vice

President, Retail Banking at Rhinebeck Bank. "Her banking experience, leadership skills and commitment to providing superior service to our customers have made her an invaluable resource for the Bank."

Temple holds a Bachelor of Science in Integrated Studies for Organizational Leadership & Communication from Marist College.

When not working, Temple enjoys reading, learning more about the history of the Hudson Valley and enjoying the outdoors with family. She has also served as a parent volunteer/treasurer with a local junior bowling league and has been a Multiple Sclerosis Walk Team co-captain for more than 12 years.

## United Way seeks school supplies for local students in need

Back-to-school season can be a stressful time for many parents in our community. The cost of needed supplies can present a challenge for families who are struggling to make ends meet. This is an even greater obstacle for those experiencing homelessness. With prices increasing all around this year, these families need our help now more than ever.

In response to this need, United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region is hosting its annual Back-to-School drive, to ensure that students living in local homeless shelters have backpacks and supplies for the upcoming school year.

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## The Margarita Kuchma Project Award committee selects 2 final winning projects

The Margarita Kuchma Project Award selection committee has named two final winning projects. Anna Shupack '22 and Sarah Soucek '22 from Bard's Annandale campus won for their project, "The Columbia Collective," a multimedia arts mentorship collective where incarcerated artists are given the opportunity to define their own voices. Michael Nyakundi '23 and Abdullah Naseer '23 from Bard College Berlin also won for their project, "Project MA3: Masanse Na Mayouthman (From Violence to Co-existence)," which focuses on community engagement as a working solution to police brutality in Soweto slums in Embakasi, Nairobi. The two winners will split the \$10,000 award to realize their projects over their proposed timelines. The results of the winning projects will be presented to the Bard community in a public presentation sometime during the fall 2022 semester.

"We want to collaborate with high school and college-age incarcerated women and non-binary individuals at the maximum detention center, Brookwood Secure Center for Youth (formerly titled the Columbia Secure Center for Girls) near Hudson, in order to facilitate an exhibition of their artwork at the Foreland Contemporary Arts Campus in Catskill, New York, and to catalyze the formation of an ongoing multimedia arts mentorship collective called the Columbia Collective," write Anna Shupack and Sarah Soucek. "We want the public to see the other side of their stories. The stories are not heard or seen in the courtroom. We hope to mobilize a network in support of prison abolition for youth in NY and to build a community of mentorship with incarcerated youth that will foster resiliency and collaboration, eliminate recidivism, and build a pipeline to higher education and the professional arts community."

Michael Nyakundi and Abdullah Naseer wrote, "Most solutions to police brutality have involved the often-lengthy process of bringing police to justice through jurisprudence, or, as is the case in the US, demanding for the defunding of police. While these solutions are salient, they rarely mend the bad blood/fears between police and the youth." Their project introduces a workshop where police representatives and youth representatives (a) have a dialogue about ways in which they both can civically engage/communicate in order to promote conviviality and (b) go through various restorative justice measures the police can explore when dealing with crime. They will also organize a community engagement endeavor, such as rubbish collection or a soccer tournament, in which both the police and the youth would engage to further cement a cordial relationship. Further, they plan to lobby members of parliament to promote police and youth engagement in my Soweto slums.

The award winners were decided through a multi-step process. Twenty-five applicants submitted project proposals in an open call round. Five projects were selected to advance to a second round and given an award of \$1000 and another month to conduct research and identify partners and materials needed to realize the project. Two finalists were selected from this stage and awarded a further \$5000 to create a detailed project activation blueprint and timeline. Both finalists were named winners and split the final \$10,000 award to realize their projects.

## Central Hudson names Lora Gescheidle as CFO

Lora Gescheidle has been named Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Treasurer for Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. Gescheidle takes over for Christopher M. Capone on July 1, who will continue with the Company as Executive Vice President until his retirement on December 31.

"The Board of Directors is pleased to appoint Lora to this executive position," said Margarita Dilley, Chair of Central Hudson's Board of Directors. "Lora's extensive background in accounting within the utility industry, coupled with her management experience, makes her an excellent person to assume this role."

In her new role, Gescheidle will have executive oversight of Accounting, Treasury and Finance, and Internal Auditing. Gescheidle joined Central Hudson in 2004 as a member of the Internal Audit department. She has served as the utility's Controller since 2014. Gescheidle is a life-long Hudson Valley resident and has been extensively active in local community organizations including 15 years of service on the board of directors of Astor Services.

"With more than 18 years of experience at Central Hudson, Lora is incredibly well positioned to take on this important leadership role," said Charles A. Freni, President and CEO of Central Hudson. "I am pleased to welcome Lora to our executive team."

Gescheidle replaces Capone, who has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since 2003.

"As we welcome Lora, the Board also extends its sincerest thanks to Chris Capone for his years of outstanding service and dedication to the Company and its customers," Dilley added. "We look forward to his continued contributions through the end of 2022." As Executive Vice President, Capone will retain his oversight of Regulatory Affairs and Environmental Affairs until his retirement at the end of the year.

"Chris has been a pivotal figure and guiding force during several landmark



Lora Gescheidle

moments in Central Hudson's history," Freni said. "His career began as we navigated the changes of deregulation in 2000, he helped oversee the acquisition by Fortis Inc. of Central Hudson in 2013, and he closes out his career as the Company and the local communities emerge from one of the largest economic downturns in generations.

"For more than two decades, Chris has consistently proven to be an adept leader and an invaluable partner who has helped position this Company for long-term stability and success," Freni continued. "I wish him well in his retirement and congratulate him on an incredible career."

In addition to Gescheidle's appointment, Central Hudson has announced that current Treasurer Stacey Renner will transition on July 1 to the role of Vice President, Innovation and Sustainability. Crystal Oakes, who currently serves as Senior Director of Financial Reporting and Tax, will replace Gescheidle as Controller.

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