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HV community assists areas devastated by hurricanes

By Kristine Coulter

Teamsters 294, with UPS and other partners, are collecting supplies for those who were recently affected by hurricanes. Stephen Farrell, who is a full-time package delivery driver for UPS, has been working with drop-off sites and businesses collecting donations.

The Town of Poughkeepsie resident, who said he is representing his own beliefs and not speaking on behalf of his employer, "This was my idea." He remarked, "It's heart-breaking. I'm a big community person. My neighbor and I throw a block party every year [for a sense of community.] These people's communities were destroyed."

One may go to hvhelps.com to check site locations and hours and community partners that are participating.

The Wappinger Town Hall is one of the drop-off sites for items that will go to communities in the Southeast that have been devastated by recent storms. A Hurricane Relief Drive began on Oct. 14 in Wappinger and runs until Oct. 18 (other sites run until Oct. 19). One may drop off non-perishable food items and toiletries at the Wappinger Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Lane, during business hours, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. There is a collection box inside of the town hall. Otherwise, one can drop off donations in sealed bags, closed boxes outside of the front doors.

"It's crucial for our community to come together in support of storm victims. Participating in the collection of items not only provides immediate relief to those in need but also fosters a sense of solidarity and compassion among our residents. It demonstrates that we stand united in times of crisis and are willing to help our neighbors rebuild their lives," said Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini.

Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor Rebecca Edwards said in an email to residents, "Hudson Valley residents are coming together to help

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Sheep & Wool farm families form heart of NYS Festival

By Curtis Schmidt

Family farms and businesses are at the heart of the New York State Sheep & Wool Festival. Many of them are "regulars" at the annual event that draws over 50,000 enthusiasts from the Hudson Valley, New England, East Coast and even international locales.

This year's Sheep & Wool Festival is set this coming weekend – Oct 19 and 20 - at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds in Rhinebeck. Visit sheepandwool.com for a full listing of everything from competitions to book signings, demos, food and vendors.

Elizabeth and Stephen Shafer and their family have been bringing their Romney sheep to the Festival from their Anchorage Farm since the 1980s. This practice has led to the building and nurturing of relationships with fellow farmers and those in the many facets of the wool and fiber business that they are able to renew each year at the ever-growing event.

The Shafers, who have been honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Dutchess County Sheep and Wool Growers, started their sheep flock in Amenia in 1981.

"First into our flock was a Dorset ewe from Red Hook that we bought at the Bred Ewe and Ewe lamb sale in Rhinebeck," said Stephen. "Next year we started adding the Romney breed. After the death of my wife's father, we moved everything to an old farm in Saugerties. We specialized in raising purebred Romneys to sell to other breeders."

He said, "We chose Romneys because



Stephen Shafer is pictured with two Romney sheep at the family's Anchorage Farm near Saugerties. Stephen and his wife, Elizabeth started their sheep flock in Amenia in 1981. *Photo by Elizabeth Shafer*

their fleeces are a favorite with hand-spinners and (the sheep) are temperamentally easy-going."

The Sheep and Wool Festival is all about education and many of the farm families are ready with plenty of facts and history.

"Romneys are a long-wool or strong-wool breed that emerged in England. Romneys came in some numbers to America in the early 1900s," said Stephen. "The typical Romney is white, but natural-colored Romneys are valued

for their own sake. We fastened on the breed because we liked how they look and behave, 'easy keepers' that children could work with."

The Festival is obviously all about the wool and the many types. Stephen is happy to explain the differences.

"At the upcoming Festival, the sheep are all of breeds regarded especially for their wool. Some of the breeds in the show ring (for example, Merino, Cormo, Rambouillet) have 'fine' wool, a single

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On Friday, Oct. 11, Barbara Hobens, Chair of Hyde Park's Shade Tree Commission, spoke at the dedication of a cherry tree in honor of Eleanor Roosevelt on the 140th anniversary of her birth. *Photo by Kate Goldsmith*

Cherry Tree dedicated to 'Hyde Park's First Lady'

By Kate Goldsmith

HYDE PARK – Friday, Oct. 11, was the 140th anniversary of Eleanor Roosevelt's birth. That morning, community members and civic leaders gathered at Hyde Park Town Hall to remember the woman known as "Hyde Park's First Lady" by dedicating a cherry tree in her honor.

Barbara Hobens, Chair of the town's Shade Tree Commission and former Town Historian, led the dedication with a short speech.

"Although Eleanor Roosevelt is known for her love of violets grown here in Dutchess County, she also enjoyed cherry trees," Hobens said, adding that Eleanor initiated the first Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D.C. on April 19, 1934.

The tree that was dedicated on Oct. 11 is a Higen Cherry tree (*Prunus × subhirtella "Autumnalis"*), known as the Autumn Flowering Cherry. Its semi-double pink flowers bloom fully in the spring and again in the fall, but not as vigorously, Hobens said.

Richard Mattocks, Coordinator of Hyde Park's Climate Smart Communities Task Force (CSC), said the money to purchase the tree came from the CSC's Environmental Fund.

"The Environmental Fund has received NYSERDA grants for our Climate Change activity performance," emphasizing that no town tax money was involved in the tree's purchase.

Also speaking at the event was Shantha Thangiah, MBA, President of

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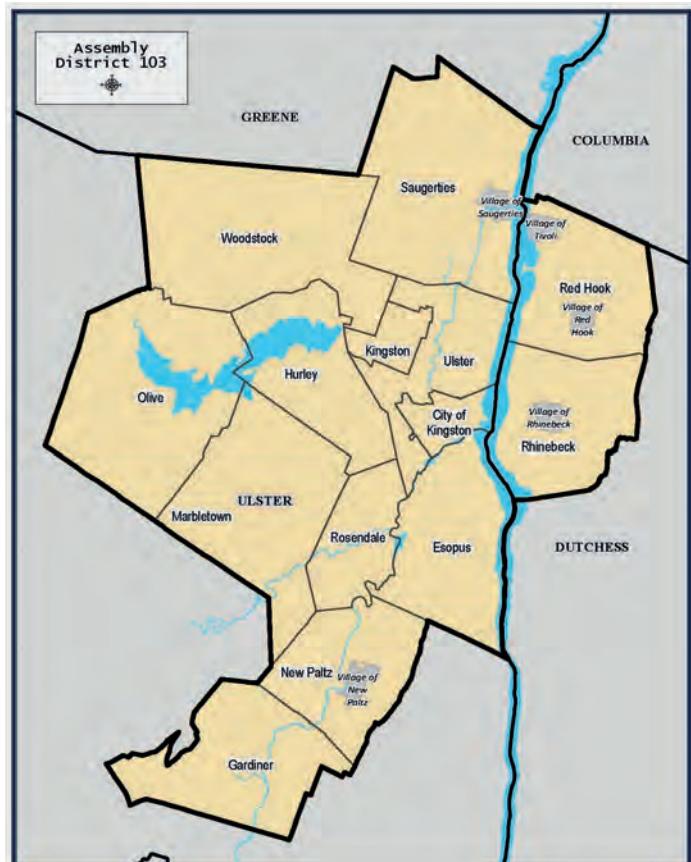


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the Mid-Hudson Valley Chapter of the United Nations Association of the United States of America. He spoke to Eleanor Roosevelt's groundbreaking role in the United Nations and her spearheading of that body's Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948.

"Seventy-six years later, we're still fighting for the Human Rights she created," said Thangiah.

At the close of the ceremony, those gathered sang "Happy Birthday" to Hyde Park's First Lady.

Looking upward, Hobens closed with, "I have a feeling she's smiling down on us."

A group of community members and civic leaders gathered at Hyde Park Town Hall for the Cherry Tree Dedication on Oct. 11. Behind the group is the tree, familiarly known as an Autumn Flowering Cherry. *Courtesy photo*



MILLBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATION SET OCT. 17

"Exploring Private Cemeteries in the Town of Washington" is the topic of Millbrook Historical Society's next meeting, set Thursday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m. This slide presentation at the Millbrook Library, led by new Town Historian Peter Devers, will explore names, stones, and family stories from the Town of Washington. Attendees may be surprised to learn how many there are within the town's borders.

Millbrook Library is at 3 Friendly Lane in the Village of Millbrook. For more information, email millbrookhistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

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fiber of which is about half the thickness of one from a 'long' wool such as Lincoln, Romney, or Cotswold," said Stephen. "Medium wool characterizes two breeds perennial at Rhinebeck, Corriedale and Columbia. These breeds were developed by crossing a fine wool breed with a long wool. Fine wool is soft to the touch, good for clothing that touches the skin. Wool from long wool breeds is best for rugged sweaters and is the mainstay of wool carpets."

While fleece and yarn sales attract many of the festival-goers, the sheep farm families like the Shafers take a strong interest in the competitive events. And, since it's all about winning, they definitely know what the judges are seeking when they hand out the coveted ribbons.

"The judges look for elements of body structure that indicate general health, vigor and reproductive fitness and also

for how an individual fits with a published breed standard that in great detail describes the ideal sheep of that breed and gender. The ideal is rarely seen," said Stephen. "At a wool sheep show, the judge may put as much as 50% weight on how the sheep's fleece meets its breed standard. In any show, some exhibitors are more adept than others at presenting their animals, while some sheep are more seasoned at being shown, yet judges focus on the animals."

This all adds up to an extreme strong interest from the sheep farmers.

The plaque on the Shafer's Lifetime Achievement award reads "for years of endless labor," which equates to four decades of friendship and cooperation with other sheep raisers in the Hudson Valley.

"We look forward to years more of both in some of America's best sheep country," said Stephen.

County Community Services Board to meet on Oct. 21

The Dutchess County Community Services Board will be holding their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 21, at noon at the Community Mental Health Center, at 230 North Road,

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Retired generals, Cabinet members, 'Waves of Republicans' all agree Trump must never be in the White House again

To the editor:

The events of 1/06/21, Donald Trump's love of autocrats, taking the word of Putin over his own intelligence, his gross mishandling of the pandemic and lying to the American people (just read the book "FEAR" by Bob Woodward as he interviewed Donald Trump over a 7-month period) are a clear danger to America.

Lying, name calling and toxic rhetoric, lack of knowledge of history, lack of empathy and moral compass clearly speak to who he is. Bigotry and anti-semitism, pathological lying regardless of who it hurts, and his thin-skinned pettiness – all make Trump unfit to be president of this country.

Just listen to his past Cabinet members, communication directors, military leaders and personal staff who have all left him and declared him a danger to our country, our national security and democracy. They all have first-hand accounts.

Over 750 retired generals and former security leaders signed an "Open Letter to America" stating "We love our Country, Unfortunately we also fear for it," while sighting Trump's disrespect and disregard for the military and rule of law, his belittling of a Muslim Gold Star parent of a slain U.S. soldier, the disregard of John McCain and the sacrifices he made as a 5-year P.O.W. etc. They said and I quote "He is destructive to the very fiber of our democracy, has no concept of leadership, putting the nation first. He is driven by what's best for him personally, including trying to overturn an election because he lost."

He regularly incites violence, hate and divisiveness. ABC News has identified 54 criminal cases which invoked Trump in connection with the violence, threats and assaults that all have links to the former president in court documents and public statements. He has mocked the near fatal attack of Paul Pelosi, husband of the Speaker of the House. And he hosted the white supremacist and holocaust denier Nick Fuentes at Mar A Lago soliciting his support.

Read the book "PERIL" by Bob Woodward and Robert Costa detailing in chronological order the depths Trump has gone through to overturn the election.

We need good, solid and honest Conservative leadership. Donald Trump is anything but that. Waves of Republicans who have never voted for a Democrat are voting for Kamala Harris, not because they agree with her policies, but to protect democracy, our country and our Constitution from a tyrannical leader who craves power - not patriotism.

Kevin Murphy
Millbrook

Senator Hinchey's hard work for housing

To the editor:

One of the most vexing problems facing us today is the lack of affordable housing. The very definition of "affordable" is absurd; municipalities setting aside new units for "affordable" apartments use measurements for AMI (area median income) to establish rents that are wildly UNaffordable for the Hudson Valley families who are theoretically eligible.

Fortunately, NYS Senator Michelle Hinchey has worked relentlessly and smartly in the State Legislature to address the housing crisis. Her efforts to create tax exemptions for homeowners who build accessory dwelling units (ADUs) paid off, with owners now eligible for a five-year exemption on assessed increases in the home's value. More ADUs will increase the housing supply. Also, she brought back \$10 million to communities with land banks. That money will help renovate old buildings that can become sustainable homes for families.

Renters will benefit from the Senator's work in several ways. Proliferating short-term rentals have reduced the long-term housing supply and robbed communities of anticipated tax revenue. Hinchey sponsored and helped pass bipartisan legislation that would create New York's first short term rental registry. If signed into law, municipalities would have the information they need to determine how much more housing they need to build in our communities while collecting sales and occupancy taxes to support local services.

Additionally, Senator Hinchey wrote legislation that allows communities to stabilize rents when vacancy rates drop below 5%, keeping the Hudson Valley affordable.

Senator Hinchey has notched important wins for homeowners and renters. We are lucky to have her on our side. And we are smart—after all, we elected her! This November, it's time to once again vote Senator Michelle Hinchey into office.

Tom Denton
Highland

Healthy Minds for Children, a grass roots group that cares about children and youth

To the editor:

Our Grass Roots Group was formulated 12 years ago to establish treatment options in Dutchess County for Children and Youth suffering from mental illness, especially those in crisis. In our Dutchess County, we need a Mental Health Crisis/Wellness Center that is close to home and offers families the ability to support, comfort and be totally part of their child's treatment program.

Presently, this is not happening. The children and youth are sent downstate to various facilities, such as, Four Winds, Rockland Hospital and Valhalla. These are distances that are over an hour away. Most parents work, maybe even two jobs to make ends meet. Maybe they do not have a car. If they do have a vehicle, they can-

not afford the gas to get down to visit their loved one.

If we had a facility in Dutchess County, they could visit often and be a total part of their child's treatment program. They would become a support to their child's follow up treatment program on the road to wellness.

Why are we lagging behind on such an important issue as our children and youth? Is it money? No, we have enough. Our Governor Hochul allotted millions and millions of dollars to help the cause, but no one is caring enough to do something about it. We are in a crisis. We need a facility that would house 20 or more beds and allow the children and youth more than a week or so to get better. We need to staff this facility, pay them enough and require quality treatment. We have the Stabilization Center available, but they can remain there 23 hours and 59 minutes. Hardly enough time.

Hopefully our Dutchess County will heed the warning that this mental ill[ness] crisis is only going to escalate given the way things are today. Take a look at all the school shootings that have taken place. Our local politicians are aware of this crisis. Let's ask them to support our mission to help our children and youth and stick together as a community to do our best for our kids. They are our future.

Terry Schneider
Poughquag

Pro-life book still relevant

To the editor:

With abortion a central, even decisive, issue in the coming election, it is certainly worth publicizing some facts reported in a 2016 book by pro-life advocate Terry Beatley titled "What If We've Been Wrong?" The book focused on her interview with America's "Abortion King," Dr. Bernard Nathanson, co-founder of NARAL, the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws.

Dr. Nathanson reversed his pro-abortion advocacy and became pro-life after he received a new imaging machine at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City. This was a few months after the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion on demand. The machine provided far greater clarity than past imaging devices and Dr. Nathanson, on viewing a child in the womb with the mother and for the first time seeing it yawn and stretch, decided, in his words, that this was his patient. He became passionately pro-life.

Prior to this, he had waged, by his own admission, a fervent campaign of misinformation. For example, he claimed that sixty percent of the public favored unrestricted abortion, when the actual number was one half of one percent. Five to ten thousand women died every year from "back alley" abortions, he told reporters. The actual average was around two hundred fifty per year.

The author states that "by repeating slogans and false data, the media created its own narrative and the doctor's lies became the marketed 'truth.' Criminal abortion seemed to be at epidemic levels with dead women down every city alley. It was propaganda, and it worked."

Robert Crolius
Hyde Park

Denounces 'monstrous' deeds

To the editor:

The genocides of the last century have all had their official beginnings. For example, the "Final Solution" was officially implemented when Goring was appointed to head it on July 31, 1939. But he was really following a Nazi directive signed in January of that year which called for the "emigration and evacuation in the best possible way" of all Jews under German control. And all this planning was done after the establishment of concentration camps, most during the late 1930s. In fact, both the German Gestapo and Dachau concentration camp were formed back in 1933.

The extermination of the Palestinian People can be seen as commencing with this most recent mass murder in Gaza called Operation Swords of Iron. But it too has had several starting points. The current genocide in Gaza was preceded by several other savage attacks by the Israeli Defense Force starting in 2006. Each has been more catastrophic than the last, with an ever widening bombing of schools, hospitals, and residential areas. Military action to murder the Palestinians in this open air prison was has been fair game for almost two decades.

At the end of genocide comes a recognition of how human beings can be goaded into becoming monsters. Many even celebrate the bloodletting with a deadly mixture of nationalism, religion, greed and hate. "The only good Indian is a dead Indian."

The American genocide of the Palestinian people will be remembered as the monstrous deed that ultimately undid our bloodthirsty empire.

Fred Nagel
Rhinebeck

Libertarian Party opposes Prop 1

To the editor:

The Libertarian Party of New York (LPNY) opposes Proposal 1, the so-called "Equal Rights Amendment," on the upcoming general election ballot. After careful review of Assembly Bill A1283, we believe its language poses significant risks to the rights and liberties of New Yorkers, and urge voters to reject it, allowing for a future revision.

If passed, Proposal 1 would add a wide array of new anti-discrimination categories, including ethnicity, national origin, age,

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disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, and reproductive healthcare. This extensive list goes beyond similar initiatives in other states, most of which are narrowly focused on abortion rights. Notably, New York's proposal avoids using the term "abortion" altogether.

A key concern is the inclusion of "national origin" as a protected class. In 2021, New York City passed a law allowing non-citizens to vote in local elections, enabling approximately 800,000 new voters. This law was struck down in *Fossella v. Adams*, where the court ruled that it was non-compliant with the New York State Constitution. However, if Proposal 1 passes, the protection of national origin could

potentially overturn this decision by giving legal standing to non-citizens, thereby allowing them to vote in state and local elections.

Similarly, the inclusion of "age" as a protected class raises concerns about parental rights. The LPNY supports parental authority over minors until emancipation, except in cases where due process dictates otherwise. The broad inclusion of age as a category of non-discrimination could lead to expanded autonomy for minors in areas such as medical decisions, as seen in *Parham v. J.R.* (1979), where the Supreme Court acknowledged that parents have the primary role in child-rearing, but also opened the door for state intervention in specific cases. Amplifying age protec-

tions in the state constitution could further erode parental rights, particularly in areas such as gender identity and vaccination, where legislative battles are ongoing.

Section B of the proposal, which could lead to expanded affirmative action and quota systems in the private sector, also raises legal red flags. This section could be interpreted as enabling new mandates for hiring practices, potentially clashing with previous case law on affirmative action, such as the recent Supreme Court decision in *Students for Fair Admissions v. Harvard* (2023). In that case, the Court placed limits on race-based affirmative action in university admissions, signaling that such quota-based systems are legally vulnerable under the Equal Protection Clause of the

Fourteenth Amendment. Section B of Proposal 1 could lead to protracted legal challenges if it attempts to extend similar quota systems to the private sector.

The LPNY sees Proposal 1 as being too risky and imprecise, and it will open the door to unintended legal consequences if passed. We urge voters to vote NO on Proposal 1 and to stay vigilant as legislators work on revising the language for future consideration.

Andrew M. Kolstee
Chair, Libertarian Party of New York



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Hinchey, Serino, and Hyde Park CSD team up to host Skilled Trades Fair

On Wednesday, Oct. 30, Sen. Michelle Hinchey, Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino, and Hyde Park Central School District will host a Skilled Trades and Jobs Fair. The event will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. at Franklin D. Roosevelt High School, 156 South Cross Road, Staatsburg. No RSVP is required to attend.

The fair is designed to connect students and community members with meaningful employment and networking opportunities with small businesses, government agencies, unions, and nonprofit organizations, providing a chance to learn about different career paths available in the Hudson Valley area.

The event is free and open to the public, including students from surrounding Dutchess County school districts.

Hinchey said, "Our Skilled Trades &

Jobs Fair in Hyde Park was a big hit last year that connected employers with local families and students—many walked away with job interviews lined up, and others were inspired to pursue careers in the trades. We're excited to bring this important service back to the community, and we hope to see folks from across Dutchess County at FDR High School on October 30th!"

"There's no one-size fits all approach when it comes to determining your future, and ensuring our students know all the career options available to them is a top priority," said Serino. "The Hudson Valley is home to so many unique opportunities, including those in the trades, and this event aims to equip our students and young adults with information so they can be as prepared as possible."

Hyde Park CSD Superintendent Dr. Pedro Roman expressed his keen interest in the event, stating, "We are delighted to co-sponsor this initiative once again, which will undoubtedly benefit our community. Our Hyde Park leaders and learners will have the invaluable opportunity to engage with a diverse range of community businesses, organizations, and partners. Participants will be able to inquire about apprenticeship programs, educational pathways, and potential career opportunities, while also supporting local businesses in their search for qualified employees. This event represents a mutually beneficial endeavor for all involved."

"FDR High School is excited to host a skilled trade fair for the third year. It is an excellent opportunity for our students to

speak with experts in their respective fields and learn about the various opportunities that our community has to offer. I would encourage all students to attend the trade fair and speak with as many vendors as possible. It is my hope that all in attendance leave the skilled trade fair with insights of the various fields," said Michael Ruella, Principal of Franklin D. Roosevelt High School.

Local trade organizations and businesses interested in participating can fill out a registration form at www.dutchessny.gov (search for "Skilled Trades Fair" and click on the link); or contact the County Executive's Office by calling (845) 486-2000 or emailing CountyExec@dutchessny.gov to request a participation form. Spots will be secured on a first-come, first-served basis.

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hurricane-ravaged communities, thanks in part to Town of Poughkeepsie resident Stephen Farrell. Those who'd like to participate in this volunteer effort can help send supplies to North Carolina, and to other affected areas if donations are sufficient." Edwards noted to stick to items on a specific list by the organizers.

Residents may drop off items at the Poughkeepsie Town Hall, 1 Overocker Road (8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) and any time (no-contact drop off) at the outdoor gazebo at the Senior Center, 14 Abes Way.

For Clinton residents, other questions may be emailed to townclerk@townof-clinton.com or cbancroft@clintoncommunitylibrary.org.

In an email to Fishkill residents sent by Town officials, it was stated: "The Town of Fishkill was more than happy to assist with this effort and has designated The Recreation Center as a drop off location. Items can be dropped off at the Town of Fishkill Recreation Center during business hours from October 14th through October 19th. Items such as ready-to-eat bars, trail mix, dried fruit. As there is no gas or electric services at this time."

"Our fellow Americans are suffering so if you can help with a small donation, it can make a big difference in their lives. While we are sending assistance to the victims of Hurricane Helene, Hurricane

Milton has struck the state of Florida causing massive damage to many communities. Our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone suffering after these storms," stated the email from Fishkill officials.

If one wants to donate, what should one bring?

Some of the suggested items are granola bars, protein bars, jerky, canned vegetables, trail mix, bottled water, formula and canned baby food, child and adult diapers, diaper cream, baby wipes, glucose tablets, feminine products, solar showers, water purification tablets, gas cans, 5-gallon buckets, flashlights and batteries. Items cannot be anything that need to be cooked. No clothes should be donated.

"To our generous residents who donate, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude. Your kindness and willingness to contribute make a significant difference in the lives of those affected by the storm. Together, we are showing that in our town, we care for one another, and no one has to face hardship alone. Thank you for your support and for embodying the spirit of community," Cavaccini said.

Farrell said UPS trucks and drivers for the items to be transported down to the affected areas.

Farrell said the collection for those in



Recent flooding from Hurricane Helene in North Carolina. Hurricane Helene struck the Southeastern portion of the U.S. late last month. Photo courtesy of Asheville, N.C., Fire Department

need has been from Albany to a woman in Westchester County who is storing items in her home until they are taken to the affected communities.

According to the hvhelps.com site, organizers are working with disaster relief groups operating with FEMA in North Carolina.

On Sunday, Oct. 20, from 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., donated aid from the collection will be brought to the Poughkeepsie Galleria, 2001 South Road (Route 9). All are welcome, said Farrell.

The following are collection sites. Please check the hours and dates of operation for each site.

- Poughkeepsie Town Hall
1 Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie
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"The community partners have really stepped up," said Farrell.
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DC Commissioner of Emergency Response to step down Dec. 31

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino announced today that Commissioner of Emergency Response, Dana Smith, is stepping down after eighteen years of service with the County to pursue other opportunities. His resignation is effective December 31.

County Executive Serino said, "We appreciate the many contributions Dana Smith has made during his service with Dutchess County. His commitment to emergency preparedness is unwavering and he has helped to see our community through many emergencies over his tenure. We wish him much success in all of his future endeavors."

During Smith's tenure, the Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response (DCER) has coordinated response to a multitude of emergency events – from significant weather emergencies such as Hurricane Irene, Hurricane Sandy and several major winter weather events, many of which required disaster declarations where DCER coordinated with FEMA to provide assistance to residents.

Under his leadership, training has been a critical priority to ensure readiness for the more than 200,000 emergency calls handled annually by the Dutchess County 9-1-1 Communications Center, as well as prepare for events that are difficult to imagine. Thousands are trained annually at the Emergency Response campus in the Town of Hyde Park, including firefighters, EMS and law enforcement professionals and volunteers. Many exer-

cises and simulations are coordinated each year ranging from Point of Distribution exercises to terrorism response and Active Shooter Hostile Event Response simulations. Citizen Preparedness Training has also been at the forefront for residents to be prepared for emergency situations, including specialized training for families with disabilities as well as animal emergency preparedness.

Smith stated, "Emergency preparedness has always been and will always be a passion for me. It has been a privilege to serve the people of Dutchess County as Emergency Response Commissioner. I am proud of the work we have done, together with community partners, to ensure the safety and security of Dutchess County residents and I look forward to moving on to new chapters."

Deputy Commissioner Shawn Castano will serve as Interim Commissioner as a search committee is launched. The search committee will include representation from the police, fire and EMS community to identify a qualified successor for the continued improvement of public safety and emergency preparedness of our community.

Serino continued, "Emergency response has been a top priority for my administration, and we remain committed to protecting public safety and enhancing emergency preparedness. I look forward to working with the search committee to identify the next leader for this important work."

Town of Clinton certified as Climate Smart Community

Gov. Kathy Hochul recently announced that the Town of Clinton has been certified as a Climate Smart Community through a NYS DEC program launched in 2014 to help communities engage in local actions to address the results of climate change.

Clinton's Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Task Force, a volunteer committee of nine community residents, has been working toward CSC certification since being formed in 2021. The program offers three certification levels to municipal participants (Bronze, Silver, and Gold), depending on local actions taken, completed, and documented.

"We're really elated to be informed by the DEC that 3+ years of hard work by this volunteer community committee has come to fruition," Clinton CSC Task Force Chair Joe Phelan stated. "However, this is only the first step in making our beautiful rural community more environmentally active and responsive, thus tackling the results of climate change head on and benefitting the daily lives of local residents."

To achieve Bronze certification, Phelan and the other members of Clinton's CSC Task Force planned, implemented, and recorded a variety of Town-based actions, including the development of an updated natural resources inventory, a stream/road crossing inventory, a municipal energy benchmarking study, and a municipal greenhouse gas inventory. Local communities accumulate points for planning and implementing actions to support reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving community resilience in the face of the worsening impacts of climate change.

The Town of Clinton is one of 28

newly certified communities in NYS to meet or exceed Bronze designation criteria in third quarter 2024. The CSC designation is shared by 163 NYS municipalities, 146 communities (including Clinton) that hold the Bronze designation, and 17 that hold the Silver. The Town of Clinton's Bronze designation will be active for five years, during which time actions for renewing Bronze certification and/or working toward Silver certification can be submitted.

This new distinction unlocks State funding opportunities for future Town projects by giving Clinton an enhanced score on certain grant applications.

Clinton Town Supervisor Michael Whitton stated: "We are excited for our Town to be identified and certified by the DEC as a Climate Smart Community. We will now be able to address additional community needs related to protecting and enhancing the integrity of the Town's environment. The NYS DEC's acknowledgement of the work throughout our Town that has been addressed thus far will be an impetus for us to expand our capacity to continue to meet these needs through access to additional grant funding."

Phelan said he hopes to see the Town of Clinton work toward a Bronze certification extension and/or a future Silver certification.

"We have attracted a dedicated and passionate cadre of community volunteers, and have developed partnerships with area organizations, such as the Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Hudson Valley Regional Council, to support our work, with their guidance and expertise, toward meeting these locally developed, environmentally supportive goals," he said.



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Rhinebeck HS Drama Club to present 'Clue' Nov. 1-2

You love the board game and the 1985 movie inspired by it ... now come to the Joseph L. Phelan Auditorium at Rhinebeck High School and try to guess "whodunit"!

The Rhinebeck High School Drama Club will present "Clue: On Stage (High School Edition)" Friday, Nov. 1, and Saturday, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m.

Based on the iconic 1985 Paramount movie which was inspired by the classic Hasbro board game, "Clue" is a hilarious farce-meets-murder mystery. The tale begins at a remote mansion, where six mysterious guests assemble for an unusual dinner party where murder and blackmail are on the menu. When their host turns up dead, they all become suspects.

Led by Wadsworth (the butler), Miss Scarlet, Professor Plum, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock and Colonel Mustard race to find the killer as the body count stacks up.

"Clue" is the comedy whodunit that will leave both cult-fans and newcomers in stitches as they try to figure out ... WHO did it, WHERE, and with WHAT!

Directed by Elle Renaldo with Assistant Director & Producer Maia Weiss, "Clue: On Stage (High School Edition)" is based on the screenplay by Jonathan Lynn, written by Sandy Rustin; with additional material by Hunter Foster and Eric Price. The play runs 90 minutes with one 20-minute intermission. It is suitable for ages 8 and older.

Note: This show has simulated gunshots.

Tickets are Reserved Student \$10, Reserved RCSD Teachers/Staff \$10, Reserved Senior \$10 and Reserved Adult \$15. For tickets, call (845) 871-5500 or go to <https://www.onthestage.tickets/show/rhinebeck-hs-drama-aclub/66e2fd836aaa2c0fac840b76>

Joseph L. Phelan Auditorium at Rhinebeck High School is at 45 North Park Road in Rhinebeck. This venue offers accessible parking, is wheelchair-accessible and offers wheelchair-accessible seating.

Questions about the show may be directed to lnatalie@rhinebecksd.org.

County expands 2024 Composting Grant Program options

Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management is expanding the 2024 Composting Grant Program to offer additional options for local municipalities and public school districts to establish composting programs. The program offers the choice of applying for either a 50-percent matching grant to purchase and install an in-vessel aerobic composter or start-up funding to establish food waste drop-off sites.

Dutchess County Executive Serino said, "Dutchess County is proud to collaborate with our municipalities and local school districts on sensible composting programs to reduce food waste and keep our environment healthy for our children and their children. With additional options in the expanded program, municipalities and school districts can choose the option that best fits their community's needs. We look forward to many communities taking advantage of this great program!"

The first option is the purchase and installation of an in-vessel aerobic composter, which provides a controlled decomposition process to turn the organic materials into beneficial compost. The County will match 50 percent of purchase and installation, with funds up to \$50,000 per project.

The second option is the establishment of a food waste drop-off site.

Municipalities and school districts can apply for funds, up to \$20,000 per award, to initiate and establish food waste drop-off stations, where organic material is collected and hauled off-site to be composted.

The updated 2024 Composting Grant application instructions and guidance are now available on the County's Division of Solid Waste Management website; applications must be received by 3 p.m. on Nov. 7.

For inquiries or assistance with the application process, applicants can contact the Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management at 845-463-6020 or solidwastemgmt@dutchessny.gov.

The Composting Grant Program is one of the County's latest initiatives in its continuing efforts to preserve a vibrant environment for future generations. Dutchess County was recently awarded New York State's highest Climate Smart Community distinction, for the County's continued climate action and environmental efforts.

Additional information about Dutchess County's ongoing environmental initiatives is available on the Dutchess County Department of Planning & Development's website.

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Aerodrome officials cease 2024 air shows after death of Coughlin

Officials at the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome have made the difficult decision to cease air show operations for the 2024 season, thereby opting out of the final two weekends of its season.

The decision came after an accident at the Oct. 5 show took the life of long-time pilot and Aerodrome Board member Brian Coughlin.

Biplane rides will be available Monday – Friday by appointment for the remainder of October, as well as the following events:• Saturday October 19 -

Museum open, biplane rides available and pumpkin painting for kids. Sunday October 20, 2024 – Open, details to follow at a later date. Officials wish to thank everyone for their continued support.

They added in a statement "Your outpouring of love and kind messages has been wonderful." They are now looking forward to the 2025 air show season. Officials commented, "We are certain it will be one for the ages for us, for you and for our fallen member, Brian Coughlin."

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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

By Rich Thomaselli

Kozak scores nine TDs as OLL crushes Wallkill

Nine - that's how many touchdowns Drew Kozak of Our Lady of Lourdes High School scored in one game.

He also totaled more than 460 yards from scrimmage in a 66-48 win over visiting Wallkill in a Section 9 game last week.

OLL coach Sean Keenan was astonished and remember this is a man who not only played youth football and high school football, but was a standout at Marist College and coached running back Nick Finger for several years at Millbrook High School.

Kozak's accomplishment was the second highest total in New York State history.

RCK off to 4-1 start after win over Yonkers

Don't look now, but here comes the Roy C. Ketcham High School football team.

And you thought it was just a baseball school.

Dylan Fay scored two touchdowns to lead the Storm to a 31-0 win over Yonkers Force last week. One of the scores was a 36-yard touchdown run.

RCK is off to its best gridiron in 11 years. The program is off to a 4-1 start and the defense has pitched consecutive shutouts.

Roosevelt to host MHAL girls tennis tournament

The Mid-Hudson Athletic League began primarily as a Section 9 league made up mostly of Orange and Ulster County schools.

Spackenkill girls defeat FDR

The Spackenkill High School girls soccer team is starting to find its groove.

After a narrow 3-2 victory over Saugerties, the Spartans went on the road and beat their foes from Franklin D. Roosevelt, 3-1.

Morgan Agosta had a goal in each half in the win over the Lady Presidents.

Celeste Gorres scored the lone goal for Roosevelt.

Both victories for the Spartans came in Mid-Hudson Athletic League action.

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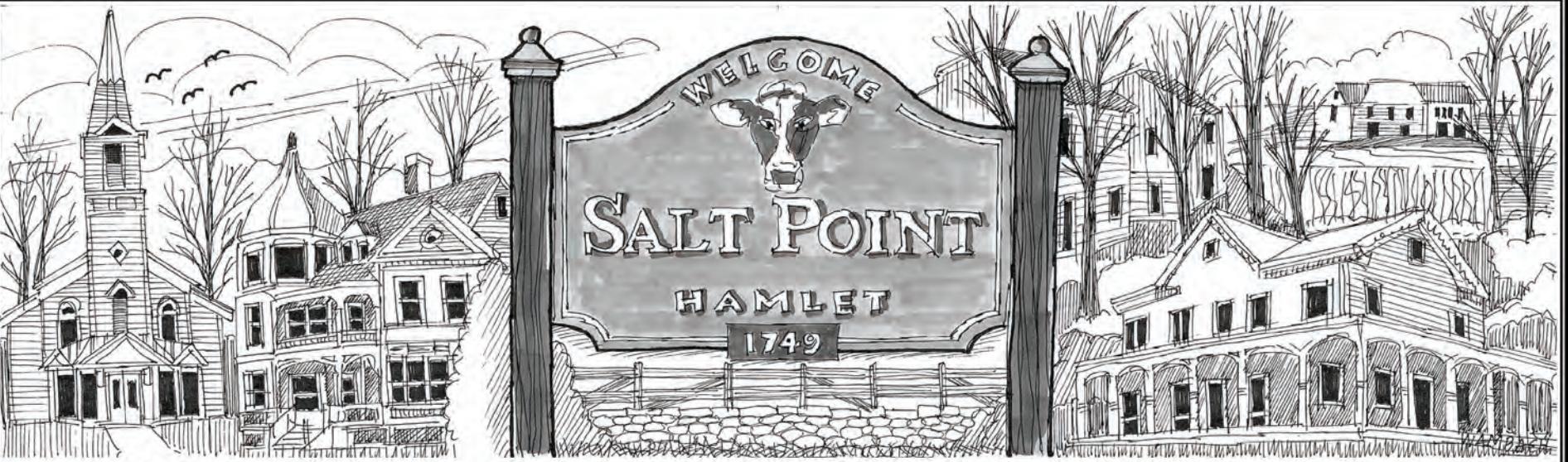
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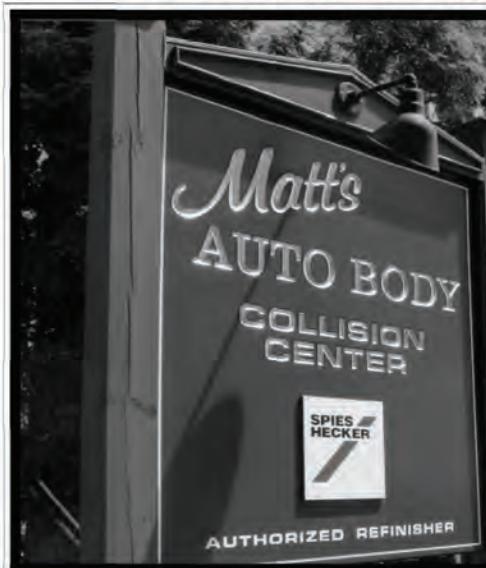
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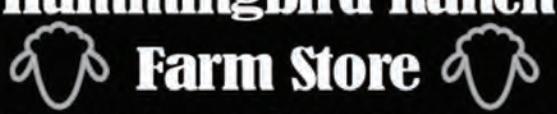
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Ceremony honors 2 new inductees into Sports Museum of Dutchess County



Pictured, above, from left, are Duchess County Executive Sue Serino, Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini, Gus Siko, Jr., Hall of Fame inductee Steve Badgley, and Dutchess County Legislator Robert Faust during the recent induction ceremony at the Knights of Columbus hall in Wappingers Falls. Right: From left, Sports Museum President Bill Ponte, Wappinger Town Councilmember Angela Bettina, Sports Museum Board member John Flanagan, Hall of Fame Award recipient Steve Badgley, Sports Museum Vice President Anthony Marchese, and Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini during the recent induction ceremony. Courtesy photos



Two new members of the Sports Museum of Dutchess County were inducted into its Hall of Fame during a ceremony that was held on Sunday, October 6, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, in Wappingers Falls. Chief Warrant Officer 4 Steven Badgley (Ret.) was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Augustus Julius "Gus" Siko, Sr., a 2nd Lieutenant and a Poughkeepsie High School star athlete who was killed during World War II, was awarded a posthumous induction into the Sports Museum Hall of Fame. His son was on hand to receive the award.

Badgley has always considered

Poughkeepsie his home. Badgley began to box in Beacon. Steve joined the military in 2002. He was a member of the US Army World Class Athlete Program boxing team in Fort Carlson, Colorado.

In 2008, Badgley developed a boxing program. More than 100 soldiers have participated in the program.

Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini presented a proclamation declaring October 6, 2024 as "Legends of Dutchess Day."

For more information on the Sports Museum of Dutchess County, visit www.sportsmuseumofdutchesscounty.org.

Reserve a post at THRIVE: Making a Career in the Arts on Oct. 24 in Poughkeepsie

Aspiring young artists, creatives, and art enthusiasts—mark your calendars for Thursday, October 24! Arts Mid-Hudson, in partnership with Dutchess BOCES, will present THRIVE: Making a Career in the Arts, a free event designed to inspire and guide those looking to turn their passion for art into a successful career. From 5 to 8 p.m., participants will have the opportunity to connect with some of the Hudson Valley's leading creative minds at Dutchess BOCES, located at 5 Boces Rd, Poughkeepsie. This event is free, but spots are limited. Please RSVP to secure a spot at <https://www.artsmidhudson.org/thrive>.

This is an opportunity for attendees to connect with prominent artists, musicians, educators, and media professionals, who will share their unique paths and strategies for success in the arts. In addition, attendees can engage with local organizations such as Arts Mid-Hudson, Empire Training Center for the Arts, Bridge Music/Tower Music, DCC Visual Arts Club, Gramuglia Music & Media LLC, The Art Effect, and En.J.Inn Arts, each offering resources and opportunities to help young artists grow and develop their creative careers.

Panel Highlights

This event will feature a panel of distinguished professionals from a wide range of artistic disciplines, sharing their personal journeys and offering practical advice on how to thrive in the arts industry. The panel will feature a diverse array of accomplished creatives, including:

Joseph Bertolozzi – Renowned composer known for his public sound-art installations like "TowerMusic," where he uses the Eiffel Tower itself as an instrument, and "Bridge Music" on New

York's Mid-Hudson Bridge. His work has reached audiences globally and been featured in top media outlets, including The New York Times and BBC.

Jessica Gramuglia – Founder of Gramuglia Music & Media LLC and music supervisor at Condé Nast, Jessica oversees global music needs for Condé Nast brands and brings over 15 years of experience in music supervision for film, television, and branded content.

Holly McCabe – A multimedia artist and Associate Professor of Visual Arts at Dutchess Community College, specializing in design, drawing, fashion illustration, animation, and motion graphics.

Adam Reid (Reidz) – Teaching artist and media programs manager at The Art Effect, with over 20 years in media production. He connects youth to filmmaking, photography, and creative expression, empowering them with life and workforce skills.

Trish Santini – Co-founder and Executive Director of Empire Training Center for the Arts, with previous roles at Little Island and the Guthrie Theater, offering a deep knowledge of arts administration and workforce development.

Daniela Dale Velez – Director of Institutional Giving at The Art Effect and artist at Wild Hudson Studio. Daniela is an accomplished fundraising professional with a passion for arts and social justice, securing grants from prestigious institutions like the Ford Foundation and Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Coat drive under way

Dutchess Outreach has begun collecting coats for the 30th annual Susan DeKeukelaere Memorial Coat Drive, taking place through the end of October. The community can donate washed, gently used, and/or new coats.

Last year, Dutchess Outreach received and distributed over 12,000 coats and winter essentials to those who needed them. This year, Dutchess Outreach is partnering with The Dyson Foundation, iHeartMedia, and many others to ensure our neighbors have something warm to wear this winter.

Coats can be dropped off at the following locations: Chase Bank (285 Main St., Poughkeepsie) East Fishkill Town Hall, 330 Route 376 iHeart Media, 20 Tucker Drive, Poughkeepsie Pleasant Valley Library, 1584 Main Street, Pleasant Valley Raymour and Flanigan Showroom or Outlet, Vassar Road, Poughkeepsie Red Cap Cleaners (all locations) Rhinebeck Bank (all branches) TEG Federal Credit Union (all branches)

Rhinecliff Soup Sales begin Oct. 17

It's time for Fall Rhinecliff Soup Sales, sponsored by Rhinebeck Grange #896. Mark your Calendar for the third Thursday of the month (Oct 17, Nov 14, Dec 19) 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sold by the Quart. \$10. quart. Take Out Only. Rhinecliff Firehouse, corner of Shatzell Ave. and Orchard, Rhinecliff. Pick up at side window on Orchard St. NEW! Pick up also available at Morton Library between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Proceeds go toward the General Fund of Rhinebeck Grange #896 to support community events.

Email: JoBaer2@gmail.com to be emailed the soup choices for each month and pre-order online.

Meet the Candidates Oct. 17 at Stanford Grange

Stanford Grange #808 will host its Annual Meet the Candidates Night on Thursday, October 17, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville, at 7 p.m. Candidates for Local, County, and Regional Office have been invited to attend. Candidates will introduce themselves, state their qualifications for office and goals if elected, and give closing statements. The audience will be able to ask questions to the candidates, but this is not a debate between candidates. The Community is invited to attend. For more

information, contact Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869.

Ham Dinner set Oct. 19 at Salt Point church

Westminster Presbyterian Church, located at 1872 Salt Point Turnpike in Salt Point, is hosting their annual ham dinner on Saturday October 19th from 4 to 6:30PM with take out only. Menu is spiral ham, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, applesauce and a dessert for \$15 for everyone. Reservations with a pick up time required-call Jeanne at 845-797-9621.

Repair Cafe in Pleasant Valley

The next Pleasant Valley Repair Cafe will take place on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1558 Main Street (Route 44). Skilled repair coaches will be on hand to fix everything from electronics to clothing—completely free of charge. Bring your beloved items that need some TLC and learn how to repair them with the help of our experts. Donations are appreciated.

Clinton Historical Society sets Progressive Dinner Oct. 19

The Town of Clinton Historical Society (CHS) will hold a Progressive Dinner fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 19, beginning at 5 p.m. Each course of the dinner (wine and cheese, main course, and dessert) will be held at a different location. Minimum suggested donation is \$60 (\$50 for CHS members). An option to attend just the wine and cheese course costs \$45. RSVP to ljnoval@optonline.net.

Stanford Grange to offer take-out Turkey Dinner Oct. 19

Stanford Grange #808 will host its Annual Harvest Turkey Dinner on Saturday, October 19, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville. All dinners are Take Out Only with pick up at 5 p.m. The menu will include Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Home Grown Butternut Squash, Cranberry Sauce, and Pumpkin Pie for Dessert. The donation for each dinner is \$17. Drive to the back of the Grange Hall, pay for and get your food through your car window, and take your diners home to enjoy! For reservations, contact Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869.

Autism and IDD Information Sharing EXPO set Oct. 22

Anderson Center for Autism will present the Third Annual Resources for Autism & IDD Information

Sharing EXPO on Tuesday, Oct. 22, from 4 to 7 p.m., at Apex Entertainment, 1 Crossgates Mall Road, Albany. Explore a wide range of organizations and resources for people with autism and other developmental disabilities and connect with professionals who are supporting success for this population. The event is free of charge and open to the public.

Booth space and sponsorships available.

For more information: RAISE@andersoncares.org or www.andersoncenterforautism.org/raise or call (845) 889-9625

Stanford Grange to host program on Salem Witchcraft Trials Oct. 22

Stanford Grange #808 will host the second of its Monthly Community Programs - this time on the Salem Witchcraft Trials - on Tuesday, October 22, at 7 p.m. at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82; Stanfordville. The Program, led by Grange Secretary Ryan Orton, will outline what really happened in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1692. Light refreshments will be served. The Community is invited to attend. For more information, contact Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869.

Rhinebeck Garden Club to meet Oct. 23

Wednesday, October 23, 10am. Rhinebeck Garden Club monthly meeting. Off Site. "Pruning Old Wood, New Wood. Fall or Spring?" Demo and talk by Michele Decker, Master Gardener and professional landscaper. Refreshments served. Please bring a folding chair. The meeting is open to the public. Visitors may call Hannah at 914-263-5298 for meeting location, and are asked to join after attending two meetings.

Musical fundraiser set Oct. 26 in Kingston

Sat. Oct. 26 — 7 to 10 pm at UUCC, 320 Sawkill Rd, Kingston. Musical Fundraiser for Delia Arts, a Palestinian organization promoting healing from trauma through music, featuring a variety of local folk and jazz musicians, Native American music, & singalong. Cosponsored by: Delia Arts, EyeWitness Palestine, MideastCrisis.org, Women in Black-New Paltz, Veterans For Peace NYC, and A.J. Williams-Myers African Roots Community Center. Suggested donation: \$25 - \$50. Info: 845-313-8035.

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NDSO opens new season with 'The Golden Age of Hollywood'

Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra (NDSO) kicks off the new season on Sunday, Oct. 27, with a concert themed on "The Golden Age of Hollywood." The performance will take place at 4 p.m. in the Marriott Pavilion at The Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park.

Enjoy timeless music from classics like "Casablanca," "Sunset Boulevard," "Psycho," "Ben-Hur," and more, all inspired by the Golden Age of Hollywood. The concert features guest violinist Uli Speth, who will perform the Korngold Violin Concerto, famously known as the "Hollywood Concerto."

Speth, a graduate of the Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria, has performed as a soloist and as a chamber musician throughout the U.S. He has commissioned and premiered several new pieces

for string quartet, performed live on Vermont Public Radio and KMFA of Texas and has recorded for Public Radio Networks in Austria and in Italy. He has enjoyed performing chamber music alongside members of the Hagen, Emerson, Cavaliere and Ying quartets and members of Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. His solo performances have earned him praise by the critics of the Austin American Statesman and Salzburger Nachrichten, among others.

Since 2005, Speth has served as concertmaster of the Binghamton Philharmonic Orchestra, and in recent years also as concertmaster for the Chappaqua Orchestra and Fenimore Chamber Orchestra. He has also performed with well known conductors such as Gerard Schwarz, Kurt Masur, James Levine, JoAnn Falletta, Marin Alsop and others. A dedicated educator, Uli serves on the faculties of The College of New Jersey, Hartwick College and Eastern Music Festival.

Come early for a special presentation with Joseph Luzzi on "Hollywood's Golden Age" at 3:15 p.m. This pre-concert talk will feature film clips and historical background on the movie music NDSO will present that afternoon. Learn

about the stars of this exciting period and the historical impact of the studios making these films.

Luzzi is the Asher B. Edelman Professor of Literature at Bard College, where he also teaches courses on film and Italian Studies.

NDSO is under the direction of Conductor Kathleen Beckmann. The orchestra's 19th season of programming will focus on film music: the music that has brought realism to the screen and tugged at our emotions over the last 125 years.

For more information, visit <https://www.ndsorchestra.org/>, where one can also download a season brochure, which includes concert details and ticket prices.

The season schedule:

"The Golden Age of Hollywood"
Sunday, Oct. 27
The Culinary Institute of America,
Hyde Park
Featuring Guest Violinist Uli Speth

"Home for the Holidays"
Saturday, Dec. 7
Franklin D. Roosevelt High School,
Staatsburg
Featuring Guest Conductor William Stevens

"Disney and Zimmer"
Saturday, Feb. 8, 2025
The Culinary Institute of America,
Hyde Park

"An Organ in the House"
Saturday, April 5, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.
The Culinary Institute of America,
Hyde Park
Featuring Guest Organist Carl Hackert

"Music of the Knights"
Saturday, June 14, 2025
Joseph L. Phelan Auditorium at
Rhinebeck High School
Featuring Guest Vocalists Scott Coulter, John Boswell and Jessica Hendy



Guest violinist Uli Speth will be featured in the "Hollywood Concerto" this Sunday with the Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra. Courtesy photo

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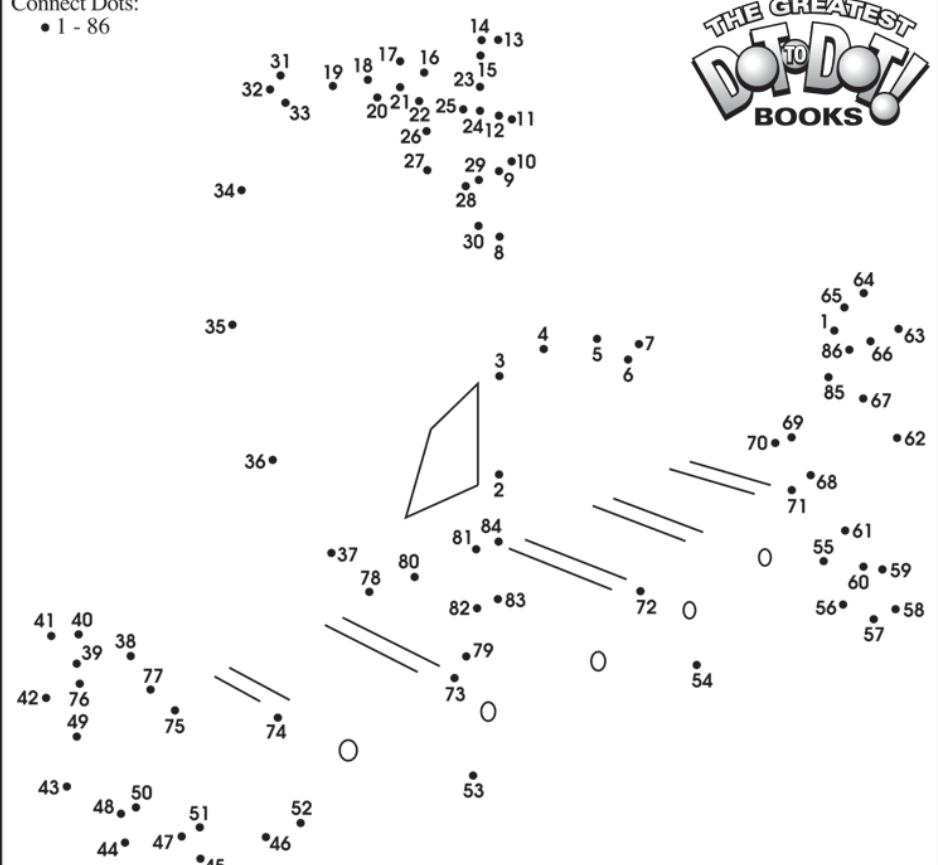
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DOT-TO-DOT PUZZLE

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By David Kalvitis

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'Make Momma Happy'

Sage advice from Pop sets the stage for a peaceful home life.

When I first got married, I wanted nothing more than to buy a piece of land, put a house on it and have my own garden and grape vineyard like my parents. I also wanted the property to be large enough so as to have privacy. However, my wife Lisa wanted to live in a neighborhood so the kids could have friends and ride bikes.

I found a piece of land. After much cajoling, I was able to convince Lisa that it was a great location and a better buy. So with that we started our journey to build our dream house. We spent countless days driving around getting ideas from other houses. We also spent a large amount of time walking in the neighborhood behind the restaurant and looking at some of the newly built houses getting concepts.

After months of gathering, we finally designed our dream home. We contacted a builder and gave him our plans and asked if he could come up with a price. In the weeks that followed as we were waiting for the price, Lisa started having cold feet and told me once again that she wanted a neighborhood, something that our property did not have. Nonsense, I said. You'll love it. Being the great wife that she is, she let it drop, but the seed was planted in my head and I could not shake the foreboding feeling that this was not going to be a good decision.

It was the day before Christmas Eve, and I went to my father for advice. I told Pop that I didn't think that Lisa would be happy living on the property that we had bought. Pop looked at me and told me a story.

"In 1972, I retired to Italy. If you remember we went to Italy on a cruise ship. We settled in a beautiful two-story house with a marble staircase in Parco Polumbo near Largo Patria outside of Naples. It was the town where the U.S. NATO military forces were stationed. It had a school where English was the primary language, so you kids could be

comfortable. We furnished the house with expensive furniture purchased in Naples. I lived 20 minutes from my mother. Everything was perfect. However, it was only perfect for me.

"Your mother and I fought every day. You kids were miserable. Vacation in Italy was one thing; living there was quite another. It was the end of July when I sought out the counsel of a priest, my cousin, Don Michael. I asked him for advice. I told him about our far-from-peaceful family. I wanted to stay, though, because it made my mother happy to have me around. After I said my piece, he sat back and thought for a moment.

"After what felt like an eternity, he asked a very simple question: 'Was there peace in your home in the United States?' It's amazing how simple life is. In other words, if your wife is happy, then you are happy. If your wife is not, then you can never be."

I left my father with his words spinning in my head.

That afternoon we met with the builder. He gave us a price that was right up against our budget. We would be strapped if we built the house. I could tell Lisa was not happy, but she refused to go against me. The next day, Christmas Eve, I called the builder and told him we were going to wait until after the holidays to make a final decision. I called Lisa and told her we were going to wait. That night at church, I prayed and asked God for guidance.

The next day the entire family got together at the restaurant for Christmas Dinner. The table was filled with traditional Christmas dishes, lasagna, braciole, meatballs, sausage, and pastas. Everyone was happy.

I snuck off into the office and got on my computer. This was the very beginning of the internet and I typed in "House foreclosures in Dutchess County." After about 10 minutes of searching, something came up. Wouldn't you know, the

house in the village behind the restaurant that we patterned our design on was in foreclosure, and far below what we would have to spend to build our house. I ran into the dining room and grabbed Lisa and brought her into the office to show her.

The next day, we called the real estate agent, made an offer and in approximately four weeks were moving into our new home, where we have been happy ever since.

So just remember this advice my father gave me: If your wife is happy, then you are happy. If your wife is not, then you can never be. Oh and a good meatball wouldn't hurt either.

MEATBALLS

Ingredients

1 pound ground beef
1/2 pound ground veal
1/2 pound ground pork
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 eggs
1 oz. ground raisins
1 cup freshly grated Romano cheese
1 1/2 tablespoons chopped Italian flat leaf parsley
salt and ground black pepper to taste

2 cups stale Italian bread, crumbled
1 1/2 cups lukewarm water
1 cup olive oil

Method

Combine beef, veal, and pork in a large bowl. Add garlic, eggs, cheese, parsley, raisins, salt and pepper.

Blend bread crumbs into meat mixture. Slowly add the water 1/2 cup at a time. The mixture should be very moist but still hold its shape if rolled into meatballs. Using a small ice cream scoop, portion out the mixture and roll into balls.

Heat olive oil in a large skillet. Fry meatballs in batches. When the meatball is very brown and slightly crisp, remove from the heat and drain on a paper towel.

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

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TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT SET OCT. 26 IN POUGHKEEPSIE



It's that time of year again when kids traipse around the neighborhood lugging candy bags from door to door. But if one is looking for something different, stop by the New Beginnings Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The event is for kids from toddlers to teens, this event is sure to please. Car trunks decorated for the season will be stocked with candy and activities. Youngsters will be given a bag for collecting goodies, and everyone is welcome to come in costume. Snacks and small crafts will also be provided, and it's all free!

If the weather is inclement, the fun just moves inside the gymnasium. Mark one's calendar for the outing at New Beginnings, 35 DeGarmo Road in Poughkeepsie. All are welcome.

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Leatherjackets and grass: A one-sided love

Most plants grow from the very ends of their roots and stems. But not grasses. The growth point of grasses is the crown, located at the base of the plants. It is the crown that sends up a new tiller (daughter shoot) if the original culm (stem) is cut. This adaptation allows grass to recover quickly from frequent grazing or cutting.

Another adaptation in grass' arsenal is the ability to draw nutrients into its roots to protect itself when it is 'attacked' by an animal feeding on it, or a lawnmower. Grass plants also release hexanal, a chemical that sends the message of danger to other grass plants so that they, too, can store food below ground. The scent of hexanal can be experienced around here March through November as the smell of freshly-cut-grass. It is also a signal which attracts predators, such as birds, who can prey upon grass-eating insects.

Insects

Many Insects are grass-consumers, at least at an immature state in their life cycle. Some are considered pests which can damage grass. The larvae of scarab beetles, Japanese beetles (and their larvae), as well as the larvae of crane flies are just a few examples.

Crane fly larvae that damage turf are called leatherjackets. Their greyish-brown, tough exterior earned them the moniker. When found in abundance, they can cause lawns to develop dead patches and make them vulnerable to drought stress, as well as nutrient deficiencies. Secondary damage can also occur when birds, moles, or foxes damage a lawn in search of the grubs.

Where is your mother?

As larvae, their parentage is not obvious. Leatherjackets are worm-like. They are approximately two inches long and have fleshy projections at the end of their bodies.

The babies' mama is the long-legged crane fly. I spotted two crane flies canoodling near my house this past spring. Crane flies resemble giant mosquitos, which is why they are also known as mosquito hawks!

The adults emerge from the soil in warm, moist weather. The females contain mature eggs when they exit their pupa. As soon as a male is available, they mate. The females then lay their eggs in wet soil. Once the adults have mated, they die. The four life-stages of crane flies take about a year to complete, but only the larvae feed – on grass!

Fall into Spring

The munching maggots begin feeding on lawns after hatching in the fall. They can be numerous after a wet and mild autumn, when the conditions favor their survival. If winters are cold and dry, many don't survive. Populations surge in milder winters. In the spring and summer, as they continue to feed, patchy grass is one sign of an infestation.

Pay attention

This season I put in plenty of flowers, shrubs, and trees, but I haven't spent much time tending to the most common plant on Earth. With widespread distribution across ecosystems, grass is, by far, the most ubiquitous plant. It serves to protect the soil from erosion, aerate heavy soils, and add organic matter. Growing a mix of types of grass gives



Tiger crane flies. Photo by Francine Wizner. Below: Grass diagram. Below, left: Stylized leatherjacket grub (crane fly larvae) Diagram and grub illustration by Rebecca Smith Paul of Pleasant Valley



turf more genetic diversity, elevating the disease tolerance of the lawn. If you want grass to effectively do these jobs, pay it some attention.

Cut grass lower in the fall and survey for pupal cases. Be sure that your lawn has been properly fertilized and irrigated. Improve drainage in wet areas. Aerate the soil to allow for better air, water, and nutrient exchange. Rake leaves to discourage mold and pest damage.

Perform these actions and your grass plants will be sending out plenty of new tillers, many florets will be blooming, and producing copious grains for the next generation! Come April, May, and June, many will enjoy your efforts as your lawn

contributes to New York's pollen count. But, even if you love your grass as much as leatherjackets might, your grass probably won't love you back.

Francine Wizner is a native of the Hudson Valley. She grew up in the Catskills of Greene County and spent over 3 decades teaching in Ulster County. She creates science-themed instructional materials and books, as well as being a Citizen Scientist in the management of her current home in an enchanted woodland of Dutchess County. Find her at <https://www.gertrudekatzchronicles.com/> and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com/>

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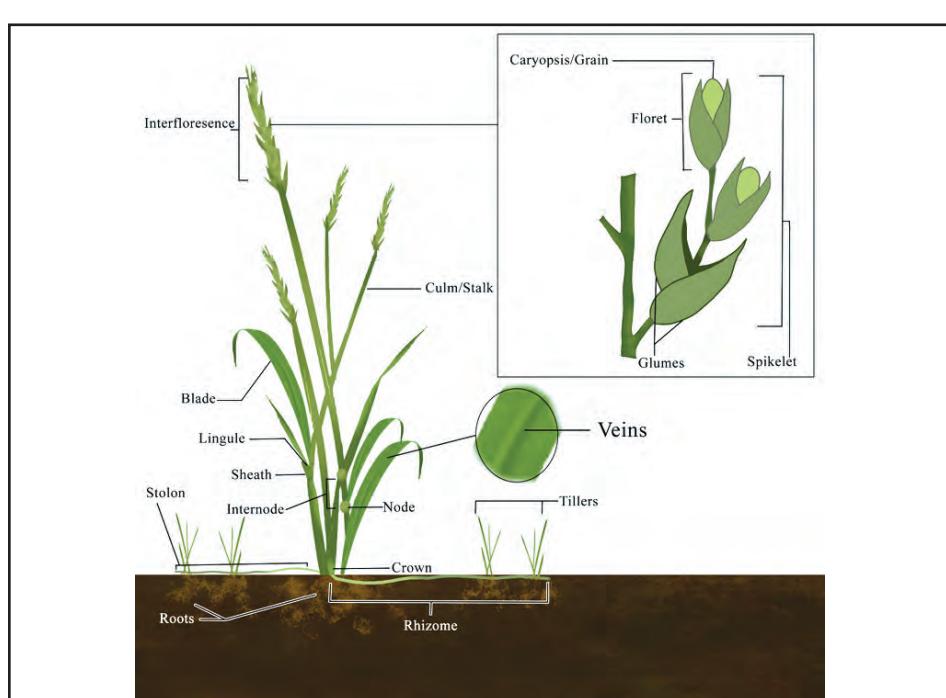
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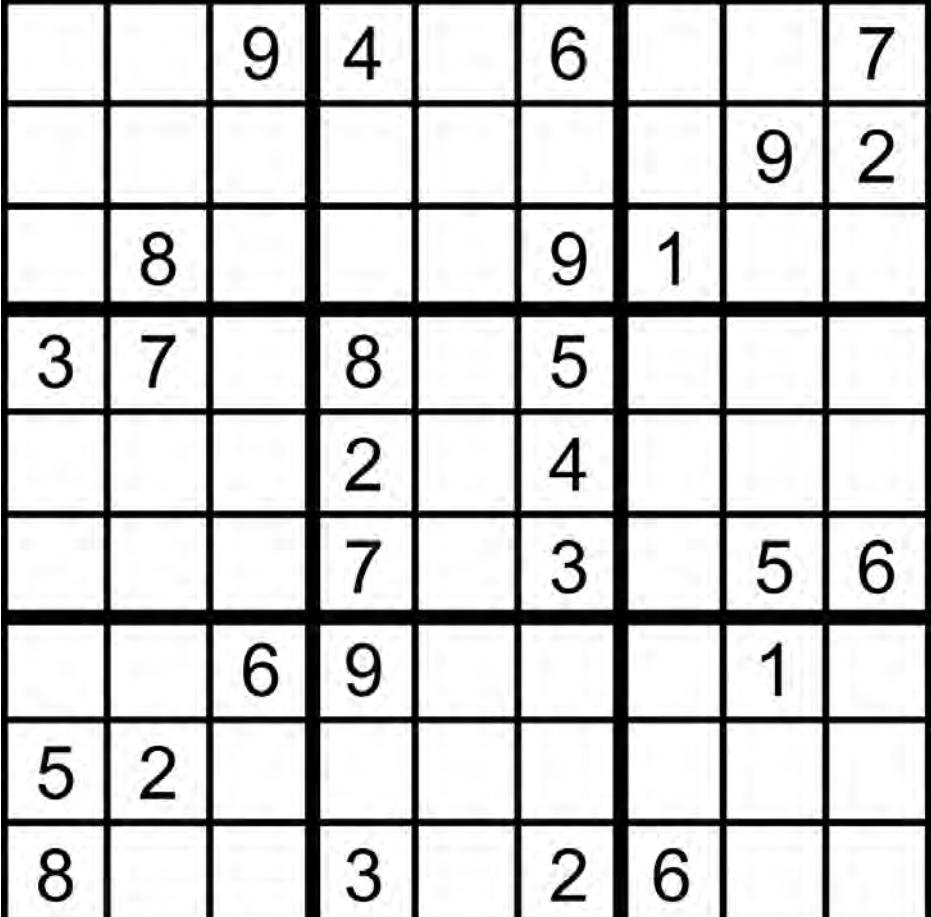


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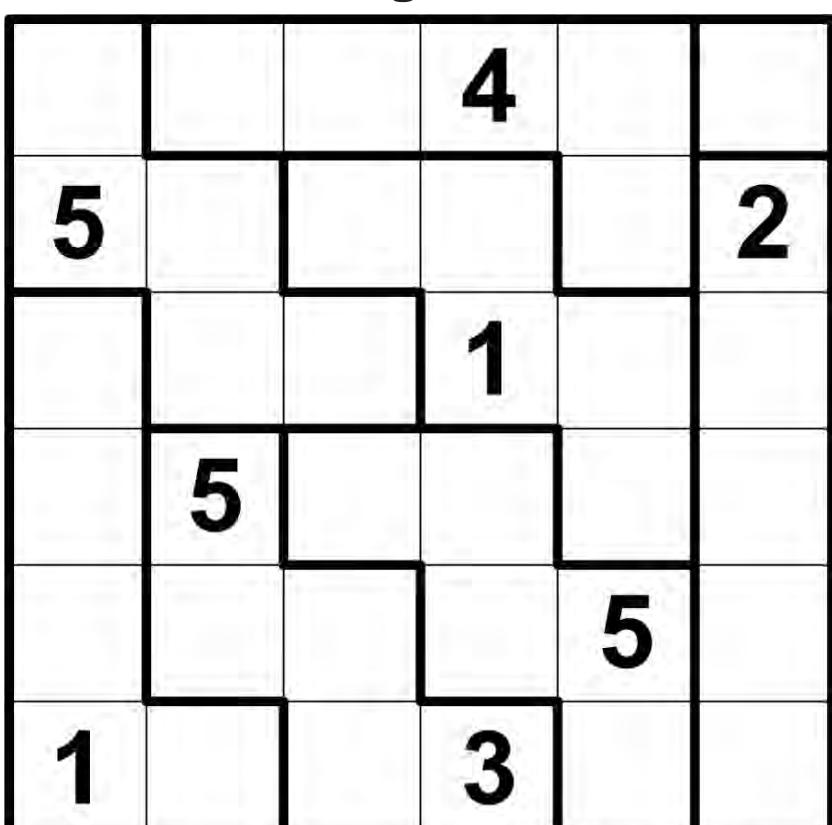
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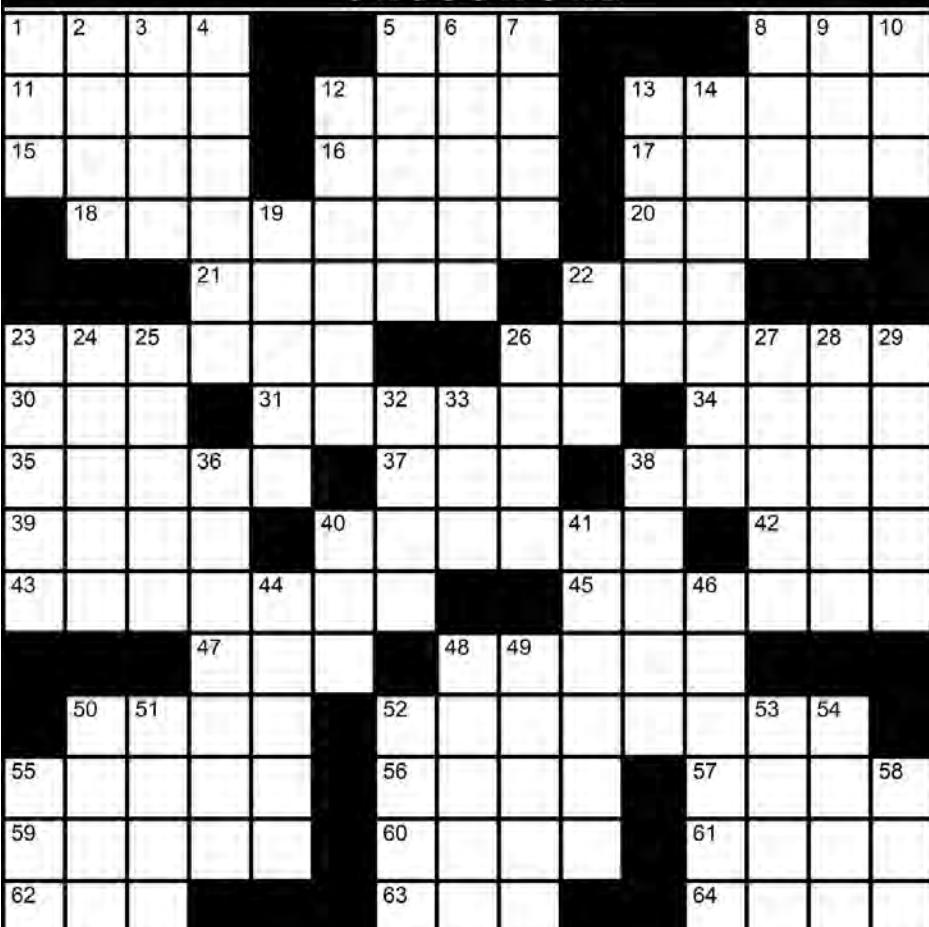
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- Like some Christmas sweaters
- Walt's Mickey
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- *Avenue des Champs-Élysées, technically
- Plural of stria
- Prescribed food selection
- On pins and needles
- Knee-related acronym
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- Political "shelter"
- The night before Christmas
- Eyewash vessel
- Food tester
- King Kong, e.g.
- Milk quantity
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- On one's guard
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- Autocratic
- Earlier in time, archaic
- Use blunt end of pencil
- Sack fabric
- Change shoelace knot, e.g.
- *China's Great attraction
- *Mt. Everest's northern slope location
- Tool handle
- Ranch grazer
- Poison ivy woe
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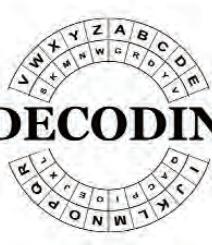


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By Will Tatum

On April 19, 2025, the 250th anniversary cycle of the American Revolution will kick off in earnest with the commemoration of the "Shot Heard 'Round The World." The local history community in Massachusetts, along with the National Park Service staff that operates Minute Man National Park, have spent the better part of the past twenty-five years preparing for this event. Hotels are sold out and crowds of tens of thousands are expected in the wider Lexington and Concord, MA, area to witness the re-enactment of the epic clash between British soldiers and Massachusetts militia.

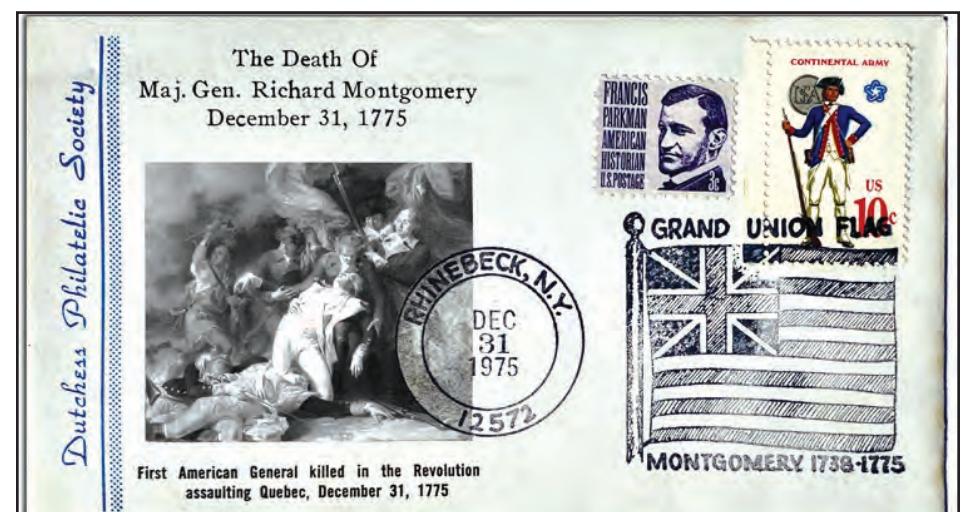
After this event, other engaging 250th anniversaries will quickly follow: the Battle of Bunker Hill in June, the Invasion of Canada in the Fall, and the evacuation of Boston in March 2026. Much like the war itself, we will face a high tempo of opportunities for commemoration leading to July 4, 2026, when the Federal effort will climax with the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. That will be a big day for the Lower Hudson Valley, thanks to

OpSail 2026 bringing a flotilla of large sailing ships of all eras and modern military vessels to New York Harbor. If you thought Fleet Week was a big deal, hold onto your hat.

After July 2026, with Federal attention quickly sunsetting, state and local groups will be left to their own resources and initiatives to commemorate or ignore the subsequent seven years of anniversary events. For the Mid-Hudson and the State of New York, 2027 will be a vital year, including the anniversaries of the British invasion of the Hudson Valley, which culminated in the Burning of Kingston and Clermont, along with the Battles of Saratoga. Plans for subsequent years are still sketchy at best, though New York remained an important seat for the struggle over American Independence until the British evacuated Boston in November 1783 (2033).

What has Dutchess County's History Community been up to on the Rev250 planning front? We initially began our efforts in 2019, establishing local planning committees to encourage grassroots engagement and ensure that the details of local history would be honored. The

An update on our Rev250 planning



Above: Among the earlier local "Rev250" anniversaries next year is the death on December 31 of 1775 of Rhinebeck's General Montgomery. This special issue cover from the bicentennial of the event in 1975 was published by Dutchess Philatelic Society. *DCHS Collections*

COVID pandemic severely disrupted, but did not entirely halt, those planning efforts. Much thought and speculation has centered on the issue of what funding will be available for Rev250. With our state Rev250 commission still not seated, the outlook for us on the county level relies entirely on local forms of support. We are therefore looking to achieve the most bang for the buck, investing our planning time and effort into events that offer Dutchess County residents and visitors the greatest return on investment.

If your interests trend towards fireworks displays, parades, and outdoor parties, fear not: there will be plenty of those activities on offer in 2026. July 4th has always been a mainstay day for fireworks and civic observations in Dutchess County. The Village of Fishkill has hosted an annual July 4th reading of the Declaration of Independence on the front steps of village hall for over a century. The parade in Hyde Park is another long-running favorite, along with the relative newcomer of the fireworks display at the Walkway Over The Hudson. Northern Dutchess residents have long enjoyed the fireworks displays from across the Hudson, courtesy of our Ulster County neighbors. I expect that as we approach 2026, the number of these offerings will grow and expand throughout the year. Planners in the Town of Stanford have informed me that they are exploring a fireworks display for their community day later in 2026, which provides a nice example of how other communities can spread their commemorations and celebrations across the calendar year.

When history is involved, somewhat more cerebral pursuits are always on offer. My office is collaborating with the Dutchess County Historical Society (DCHS), with input from historians across the county, to design and launch a traveling exhibit introducing residents and visitors to the Revolution within Dutchess County. This exhibit builds on DCHS's previous successes including the Year of the Veteran Exhibit in 2018 and this year's Firefighting exhibit. Designed to be portable and thought provoking, the six banners of the exhibit will explore different aspects of the Revolution, ranging from the hard choice between supporting the established government of the British Empire or joining the Revolution to the local industries that sustained the war effort. QR codes will direct interested visitors to expansive online content where they can learn even more about the nitty-gritty details of life in Revolutionary

Dutchess.

Historical dramas offer a new entry onto the Rev250 scene that provides an additional opportunity for residents and visitors to engage with our local past. While "Hamilton" is the blockbuster example of how performing arts and history can cooperate to engage new audiences, it is by no means a new phenomenon. History communities in other states have long sponsored historical dramas, such as "Horn in the West" at Boone, North Carolina, or "The Lost Colony" at Roanoke, North Carolina. During the Bicentennial of the Ratification of the US Constitution in Poughkeepsie in 1988, a local planning community sponsored "The Deciding Vote," a drama centered around how the Poughkeepsie debates over the proposed US Constitution not only secured New York's entry into the Union, but also set the stage for the Bill of Rights. On September 14, 2024, a successor production, "The Fateful Hour," explored similar themes during a performance at Upper Landing Park. A few days later, on September 16th, the Dutchess County Historical Society hosted a production by Bard College Professor DN Bashir that explored LaFayette's inspirational visit to Dutchess County in 1824 through the eyes of two free persons of color. Efforts are under way to encourage similar collaborations between arts and history as we move into Rev250.

With a potential nine years of commemorative events ahead of us, there are tremendous opportunities to present the local facets of the globally-significant founding of our country to the public. Stay tuned to the pages of this paper, to the Dutchess County Historical Society's webpage (www.dchsn.org) and to the Dutchess County Department of History's webpage (www.dutchessny.gov/history) for updates. We look forward to exploring many exciting stories of our local past together over the years to come.

Will Tatum has served as the Dutchess County Historian since 2012. He holds a Ph.D. in Early American History from Brown University and has published broadly on the American Revolution. His local work includes coordinating the historians, historical societies, and historic sites of the Dutchess History Community, improving access to historical records held across Dutchess County, and delivering signature programming, including the Dutchess County Historic Tavern Trail series.



Performances emphasizing local history will be a focus of "Rev250." This is a photo of the playwright and actors involved in DCHS's September 16 performance of "Journeys" at FDR Presidential Library & Museum. "Journeys" is the story of a free Black couple from the Town of Washington who named their son Lafayette Williams shortly after Lafayette's 1824 visit. Left to right: Aaron Morton as Tom Williams; Alexis Braxton as Jane Williams; DN Bashir, lead artist; and Michael Halbert as Lafayette. Courtesy photo

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A & E CALENDAR

Through Oct. 27: "Bat Boy: The Musical," The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. Presented by Rhinebeck Theatre Society. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets \$29. Pay What You Will at the door ONLY Opening Night Friday, 10/11. (845) 876-3088 or www.centerforperformingarts.org

Through Oct. 27: The Haunted Fortress of Stanford, 11 Creamery Road, Stanfordville. Open Fri. & Sat., 6:30-9:30 p.m.; Sun., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cash only; no open-toed shoes. Sensory Friendly Show on Sun., Oct. 20, 2-4 p.m. This Sensory Friendly event allows guests to walk through the entire Haunted Fortress during the daytime. NO scary sounds, NO creepy actors, NO strobe lights, NO cost. Check (845) 868-7782, www.townofstanford.org or Facebook for foul weather cancellations.

Oct. 17: Big Read Conversation, Sadie Peterson Library in the Family Partnership Center, 29 N. Hamilton St., Poughkeepsie. "Let's Get Personal: Stories from Black Leaders in our Community," 6:30 p.m. In this conversation, panelists Ernest Henry, a councilmember from the 1st Ward of the city of Poughkeepsie, and Dennis Woodbine, the Founder and Executive Director at Finish Strong Wellness Center, Inc., share their powerful stories that focus on social injustices and their breakthrough experiences. www.poklib.org

Oct. 18 & 25: Haunted History Ghost Tours, Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, 9 Norton Rd., Rhinebeck. These walking tours will be filled with tales of pilots lost, adventures ending in tragedy, and tales of the haunted history of the Aerodrome. Tours will begin at 6, 6:30, 7:15 and 7:45 p.m. and last about 70 minutes. Tickets \$20, reservations required. (845) 752-3200 or <https://oldrhinebeck.org/>

Oct. 18-19 & 25-26: Legends by Candlelight, Clermont State Historic Site, Germantown. Come face-to-face with "ghosts" of Clermont's past and hear their tales of glory, loss, failure and success. Some will be funny, others scary, but all the stories are true. Visitors will be led to the house through a landscape covered in flickering jack-o'-lanterns, then into the mansion for a haunting experience. Space is limited and advanced tickets are required. Fri. & Sat., tours every half hour from 6 to 8 p.m. (518) 537-4240 or www.friendsofclermont.org

Oct. 18-19 & 25-26: St. James' Graveyard Tours, St. James' Episcopal Church, Rte. 9, Hyde Park. Led by a trained guide, tour-goers will walk through the cemetery (which is over 200 years old) and meet seven "residents" at six different locations. The tours are produced and directed with the help of theater professionals. Tours 6:30, 7, 7:30 and 8 p.m.; they last approximately one hour. All ages are welcome, but the tours are most suitable for ages 5 and older. Cost: \$25 per person (\$15 for children 12 and under). Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.simpletix.com/e/2024-st-james-historic-graveyard-tours-tickets-184934> or call the Parish Office at (845) 229-2820.

Oct. 19: Big Read Keynote Event with Author Anthony Ray Hinton, Lateef Islam Auditorium in the Family Partnership Center, 29 N. Hamilton St., Poughkeepsie. Hinton will speak about his book, "The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life, Freedom, and Justice," 2:30 p.m. The book, the true story of a man who spent 30 years on death row for a crime he didn't commit, is this year's selection for the Big Read, which honors the 60th anniversary of the

Civil Rights Act. www.poklib.org

Oct. 19-20: Harvest Hunt Kids' Scavenger Hunt, Locust Grove Estate, 2683 South Rd., Poughkeepsie. Come enjoy a kid-friendly day in the gardens and find more than 30 decorated pumpkins and whimsical photo ops hidden among the flowers and trees on a Locust Grove scavenger hunt/story walk on the grounds of the historic mansion. Tour at your own pace, stay all day or just as long as you'd like. Costumes encouraged! Bring a picnic to enjoy under the trees, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. This entertaining family program features decorated pumpkins telling the story of Locust Grove, including the people and animals who lived and worked at the historic estate since its first famous occupant lived here, Samuel A. Morse, the inventor of the telegraph. "Drive" a 1913 "Cadillac," ring the bell on an historic "train," sit on "Doodles" the sawhorse pony and more. Adults need to purchase tickets as well. Go to www.lgny.org to purchase tickets. (845) 454-4500

Oct. 19-20: New York State Sheep and Wool Festival, Dutchess County Fairgrounds, 6636 Rte. 9, Rhinebeck. Two straight days filled with all things sheep and wool, including workshops devoted to all sorts of weaving, knitting and basket-making topics and techniques, along with kids' activities and a used equipment auction. Sheep shows and competitions, too. Hours: Sat., 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun., 9 a.m.-4 p.m. <https://sheepandwool.com/>

Oct. 20: Beacon Sloop Club Pumpkin Festival, Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, 1 Red Flynn Drive, Beacon. fun, family friendly event along the shores of the Hudson River, noon-5 p.m. Admission is free; all are welcome. Featured are Hudson Valley pumpkins, freshly baked pumpkin pie served with homemade whipped cream, plus other autumn treats available for purchase. Two solar powered music stages, one dedicated to the children to enjoy, will provide live music throughout the day. The Beacon Sloop Club's boat, the Woody Guthrie, will be taking guests on free sails from the Beacon Harbor, weather permitting. The public may sign up for an afternoon sail to relax and experience the beauty, power and grandeur of the Hudson. Sign up at the Beacon Sloop Club table starting at noon. <http://www.beaconsloopclub.org/festivals.php>

Oct. 20: LaGrange Fall Festival and Makers Market, Freedom Park, 212 Skidmore Rd., LaGrange. A variety of family-friendly fun, noon-4 p.m. Enjoy live music by the Red Barn Band and food trucks that will satisfy every appetite, including Donuts For Days, Dutchess Dog House, Fired Up Pizza, The Cue Danbury, and Wingin' It. There will be games, crafts, inflatables, characters, a sensory tent, a costume parade, a story walk, a spooky pavilion, a military tent and more. Two By Two Animal Haven and the Little Brays of Sunshine Therapy Donkeys. Start your holiday shopping at the Makers Market featuring loads of handcrafted, one-of-a-kind creations. Free admission. www.lagrange.org

Oct. 23: Big Read Event, Boardman Road Branch Library, 141 Boardman Rd., Poughkeepsie. "Activism-Inspired Art Workshop," where participants can enjoy an exciting workshop designed for teens, though all ages are welcome, 6 p.m. Explore various forms of art as well as important issues. Experienced artists and activists will inspire and empower young minds to advocate for positive change through creative expression. No prior art experience is required, and all materials will be provided. www.poklib.org

Art Gallery 71, 71 E. Market St., Rhinebeck. **Through Nov. 3:** Paintings and photography of this month's featured artist, Richard Chianella. Chianella's acrylic pour paintings celebrate color, form, shape and texture, and his photography – with a current focus on birds – reveals a deep appreciation for the beauty, strength and fragility of the natural world. **Reception:** Sat., Oct. 19, 4-6 p.m. www.artgallery71.com

Artists' Collective Gallery of Hyde Park (ACHP), 4338 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park. **Through October:** "Magic!" exhibition by gallery members. achpny@gmail.com, (845) 366-6856, artistscollectiveofhydepark.com

Arts Mid-Hudson Gallery, 696 Dutchess Turnpike, Suite F, Poughkeepsie. **Through Oct. 20:** "Estamos Aquí: Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month," an exhibition that celebrates the richness, diversity, and cultural contributions of Hispanic, Latinx, and Afro-Latino artists in the Hudson Valley. **Artist Talk Closing Reception:** Sun., Oct. 20, 1-3 p.m. www.artsmidhudson.org

Bannerman Island Gallery, 150 Main St., Beacon. **Through January 2025:** "The True Story of Bannerman's Island," Bannerman Castle Trust's 30th anniversary exhibition featuring fine art, historic & contemporary photographs, Bannerman Island antiques & artifacts. www.bannermancastle.org

CCS Bard's Hessel Museum of Art, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson. **Through Dec. 1:** Ho Tzu Nyen: Time and the Tiger, the first in-depth examination of Ho Tzu Nyen (b. 1976, Singapore) in the United States. Widely considered one of the most innovative artists to emerge internationally in the past 20 years, Ho works across a variety of media, including film, video, installation, painting, writing, and performance to critically examine how histories—be they state, cultural, or personal—are continually imagined, negotiated, and performed. **Through Dec. 1:** Carrie Mae Weems: Remember to Dream, exhibition revisits the range and breadth of Weems' prolific career through rarely exhibited and lesser-known works that demonstrate the evolution of her pioneering, politically engaged practice. **Through Oct. 20:** Start Making Sense, exhibition draws upon the exceptional art holdings at CCS Bard. Featured artists include Ida Applebroog, Mark Dion, Andrea Fraser, Lyle Ashton Harris, Mary Heilmann, Chris Ofili, Catherine Opie, Laura Owens, Rirkrit Tiravanija, and Christopher Wool, among others. <https://ccs.bard.edu/museum>

Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center, 9 & 12 Vassar St., Poughkeepsie. **Through October:** Featured in the Victorian Gallery at 9 Vassar St. will be Emily Marchesello, and at 12 Vassar St., JJ Kathe will showcase her pieces in the Reception Gallery with Carol Loizides presenting her artwork in the Hancock Gallery. Visitors must call the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center Office at (845) 486-4571 for access. More info: cunneen-hackett.org

Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. **Through Feb. 2, 2025:** "Reproductive: Health, Fertility, Agency," an exhibition that brings together diverse artistic perspectives to address critical issues including birth, miscarriage, pleasure, access to abortion, trauma, and the loss of fertility. Through a range of media and approaches, the artists provide a space for reflection and dialogue on these vital topics, challenging viewers to engage with the complexities of reproductive experiences and the pursuit of agency. (845) 437-5632 or <https://www.vassar.edu/thelob>

Pictured: Joanne Leonard, "Pear/NoPair/Oh Pere," October 9, 1973 from *Journal of a Miscarriage*, 1973, Collage on paper, Courtesy of the Whitney Museum of American Art

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

Hyde Park Library Annex, 2 Main St., Hyde Park. **Through December:** Wildlife Photography by Daniel Schoonmaker from September to December. Proceeds from the sale of the photos will benefit the library's accessibility project. (845) 229-7791

LAND Gallery, 30 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling. **Through Oct. 27:** "The Sensual Side of Birds," photographs by Jeff Ginsburg and Lu Li. The bird photographs show a strong connection between the photographers and their wild subjects, inviting you into a world of impact, emotion and beauty. **Artists' talk:** Sat., Oct. 19, 1:30-2:30 p.m. www.landgalleryonline.com or www.ShermanArtists.org.

Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. **Through October:** Morton's Celebration of Fiber Arts. (845) 876-2903

Olana State Historic Site, Sharp Family Gallery, 5720 Rte. 9G, Hudson. **Through Oct. 29:** "Afterglow: Frederic Church and the Landscape of Memory," a series of intimate memorial landscapes painted by Church, 19th-century America's foremost landscape painter, and highly personal family artifacts – never before exhibited -- from Olana's collections. The theme of landscape as a vehicle for personal reflection and healing continues outdoors at Olana with "Memories in the Landscape," a self-guided tour of Olana's dedicated rustic benches that bring to life the stories and memories around loved ones. (518) 751-6879 or www.olana.org

Tivoli Artists Gallery, 60 Broadway, Tivoli. **Through Nov. 10:** "Farms, Feathers & Fields," features TAG members capturing the vistas of local farms, and fields, and maybe some birds. Works range in styles and responses from printmakers, photographers, painters, sculptors and mixed media artists. (845) 757-2667 or www.tivoliartsgallery.com

WomensWork.art, 12 Vassar St., 3rd Floor, Poughkeepsie. **Through Nov. 24:** "The Last Breath: Death & Contemporary Art," celebrate the art of Death, Memento Mori and its impact on women/femme artists and their interpretations of the subject matter in their artwork. **Artists' Talk/Closing Reception:** Sun., Nov. 24, 1-3 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

John Brendan Adams

John Brendan (JB) Adams was born on March 2, 1950, in Hempstead, NY, to Lawrence B. Adams of Springville, NY, and Billie Valrae (Taylor) Adams of Nocona, Texas. JB died after a short stay in the hospital in New Haven, CT, on September 9, 2024. He was a two-time survivor of leukemia.

Soon after his birth, JB and his family moved from Long Island to Red Hook, NY. Throughout his childhood JB adored all things science, technology, engineering and math. These were likely gleaned from his father, who worked at IBM for over 40 years. JB's many hobbies included tinkering and taking apart anything he could find, yet he wasn't necessarily always able to reassemble those projects. He especially loved automobiles and engines. The louder the better, to match his humor, laugh, and overall personality. He became a complete grease monkey, teaching himself how to fix cars and motorcycles.

He graduated from Red Hook Central High School in 1968 and began a career in automotive mechanics. This passion led to an opportunity to transition to HVAC installation/repair and the creation of his own business, Adams Engineering in Poughkeepsie, NY. When Adams Engineering closed in the mid 1990s, JB relocated to Danbury, CT, and continued his entrepreneurial endeavors until his retirement in the mid 2010's.

JB loved music, singing, dancing, and seeing live local music and musical theater. He also loved food! Junk food, seafood, and homemade comfort foods were among his favorites, all washed down with an icy 7-up or Seabreeze cocktail. JB adored travel, especially driving one of his favorite Buick vehicles with velour seats on road trips. Many treasured trips with his children were to Myrtle Beach, Cape Cod, Vermont (skiing), and Florida. JB always wanted to see the wild horses in the Outer Banks, but sadly never made it. His children intend to spread some of his ashes there as one of his many final resting places.

JB is survived by his sister, Lari-Sue (Adams) McDermott of New Windsor, NY; close cousins Anthony Mucci of Guilford, CT, Wendell Adams of Indianapolis, IN, and Gale (Adams) Warner, of St. George, ME; his children Shawn Adams of Portland, OR and Krista (Adams) Mason of Knoxville, TN; grandchildren Emily R. Adams of Washington, DC and Colin A. Mason of Knoxville, TN; and nieces and nephews Kyle McDermott, Kari-Leigh (McDermott) Vega, Robin (Spinner) Tambourino, Kevin Spinner, David Plummer and Steven Plummer.

His family will be holding a private memorial at the family plot in Springville, NY, and in Indianapolis, IN, where his mother is interred.

Donations in JB's memory may be made to The American Cancer Society, your local children's museum or community theater.

Patricia Ann Ford Boyce

HYDE PARK - "Pat" was born in Hudson, NY April 29, 1935. Her parents Charles A. Ford, and Orville D. Ford (nee Oudt) traveled along the Hudson and Mohawk Rivers for his work with New York Central Railroad throughout most of Pat's formative years. She attended many schools throughout her school life and graduated from Utica Free Academy in 1952. She married Arthur Locke Jr. in 1954 upon his honorable discharge from the United States Air Force and resettled in the Rhinecliff area. They subsequently raised two sons.

Pat is predeceased by her husband Edgar Boyce and her parents Charles and Orville Ford. She leaves to cherish her memory her two sons, Arthur Ray (Eileen) Locke III, Charles P. "Chuck" Locke, and Anne Marie Locke. She is also survived by her stepchildren, Ricky L. (Alice) Boyce, Terry L. Boyce, Scott C. Boyce, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A service of remembrance was held on October 9, 2024, at the Rhinebeck Reformed Church, Rhinebeck, NY.

Paul H. Carey

DOVER PLAINS - Paul H. Carey, 78, a lifelong Dover Plains, NY resident passed away on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at his home in Dover Plains surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Carey had a long career with New York State and retired on November 16, 2000 as the Carpenter Shop Foreman for the Taconic DDSO at the Wassaic, NY campus.

Born November 13, 1945 in New Milford, CT he was the son of the late Francis H. and Margaret (Patrie) Carey of Dover Plains. He attended school in Dover Plains in his youth. On October 11, 1969 in Dover Plains, he married Sharon Dahoney. Mrs. Carey survives at home in Dover Plains. Mr. Carey was a member of the CSEA and was a life member of the Chestnut Ridge Rod & Gun Club in Dover Plains. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and he enjoyed collecting and selling quality firearms in his spare time. Paul and Sharon could often be seen cruising in their 1972 blue Ford Mustang Convertible in and around Dover Plains, often with a local dignitary riding and waving in the back seat while participating in various community parades and events. Paul's favorite pastime was spending time with his beloved grandchildren, of which each one held a special place in his heart. He will be deeply missed by his loving family.

In addition to his wife of nearly 55 years, Mr. Carey is survived by three daughters, Jennifer Besanceney and her husband Michael of Becket,

MA, Ella K. Royer of Dover Plains and Ronda Vinci and her husband Salvatore of Wingdale, NY; seven grandchildren, Michael Marks, Salvatore Vinci and his wife Heather, Michelle Besanceney and her companion Shane, Kristin Biagiotti and her husband Michael, Courtne Greenlese and her husband Robert and Connry and Colbie Royer; three great grandchildren, Levi Greenlese, Ava Greenlese and Renzi Biagiotti and several extended family members.

At Mr. Carey's request, all arrangements will remain private. Memorial contributions may be made to Hudson Valley Hospice, 374 Violet Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or to Chestnut Ridge Rod & Gun Club, P.O. Box 660, Dover Plains, NY 12522. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, Millerton, NY. To send an online condolence to the family or to plant a tree in Mr. Carey's memory, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Grace Cincotta

Grace Cincotta, 92, a longtime Red Hook resident passed away on October 6, 2024 surrounded by her loving family.

Grace was born on April 8, 1932 on the island of Lipari (Italy) to the late Salvatore and Marianna (Barca) Raffaele. Grace married Vincenzo Cincotta in 1953 in Italy and arrived in America on Thanksgiving day that year.

Vincenzo predeceased Grace on May 1, 2012. Grace, a devoted mother and proud homemaker, dedicated her life to creating a warm and loving environment for her family.

Grace carried the traditions of her homeland with her, nurturing her children with love, care, and the values of her Italian heritage. Her home was always filled with the delicious aroma of homemade meals, laughter, and the love of a mother who placed her family's happiness above all else. She leaves behind a legacy of love, sacrifice, kindness, generosity, and a deep sense of family that will continue to live on in her children and grandchildren. She was a longtime communicant at St. Christopher's Church in Red Hook.

In her free time, she enjoyed gardening (especially her tomatoes), cooking elaborate meals, as well as baking her famous bread and many treats. Everyone was welcome to have a seat at the table because everyone was family to her and she never wanted anyone to go hungry.

Grace is survived by her five loving children; Catena (Omar) Fugazot of Highland Mills, NY, Mary Ann (Jim) Kelly of Nutley, NJ, Gaetano "Tom" (Mary) Cincotta of Red Hook, Nancy (Kevin) Pollack of Blauvelt, NY, and Antonetta "Toni" Cincotta (Brian Dykeman) of Rhinebeck, eleven grandchildren, her great grandchildren, her siblings, Antonio Raffaele and Nunziatta Cipriano, along with nieces, nephews and friends. In addition to her husband, she is predeceased by her siblings, Giuseppe and Bartolo Raffaele.

Grace was a caring and generous person throughout her life. She would have been pleased if memorial donations were made in her name to the American Heart Association, the Hudson Valley Food Bank, or Red Hook Responds in lieu of flowers.

Friends and family called on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at Burnett & White Funeral Homes, Red Hook.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, October 11, 2024. Burial immediately followed at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were trusted to Burnett & White Funeral Homes - Red Hook, 7461 South Broadway Red Hook, NY.

Anthony Gabriel Cuozzo

PLEASANT VALLEY - Anthony Gabriel Cuozzo, 20, a lifelong area resident, died on October 5, 2024.

Born in Jacksonville, FL on September 29, 2004, he was the son of Anthony M. Cuozzo, Jr. and Sarah Fraley Cuozzo. Anthony earned his high school diploma from Arlington High School and graduated from the School of Audio Engineering in Manhattan. He was in the process of pursuing a career as an Audio Engineer.

Anthony was an amazing kid who lit up the room and brought joy to all who knew him. He was incredibly funny, making people laugh all the time. He had the talent of being able to mimic any celebrity or cartoon character's voice, which always had his family and friends laughing. He had the most amazing mind and was usually the smartest person in the room. He was creative and artistic, always coming up with new ideas and challenging himself to learn new things. He was even in the middle of writing his own comic and was looking forward to attending the upcoming Comicon in Manhattan. Anthony loved music, whether it was playing classic rock songs on his guitar or creating his own. He taught himself how to play the guitar and was great at mixing music. He enjoyed snowboarding and was looking forward to spending time on the slopes this Winter. He loved his family, especially his little sister Abby, with whom he had a very special bond.

In addition to his parents, he is also survived by his sisters, Isabella and Abigail; his grandmothers, Eileen Reynolds and Ann Marie Cuozzo; his Aunt and Uncles, Stephen Fraley, Thomas Cuozzo, James Cuozzo, Theresa and Rob Hueser; and his cousins, Robert and Andrew Hueser.

Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell

Junction. There was a service on Sunday, Oct. 13. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Anthony's name to Mental Health America of Dutchess County, at 253 Mansion Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

Please visit Anthony's Book of Memories at www.mchoulnfuneralhome.com.

Tekla Deminski

Tekla "Jean" Deminski, 94, passed away on October 5, 2024 at Ferncliff Nursing Home in Rhinebeck, NY.

Jean was born on September 5, 1930 in Belarus to parents John and Melania (Rakowich) Hrucko. Jean married Theodore Deminski and he predeceased her in 1998.

A funeral service was held Oct. 15 at Burnett & White Funeral Homes in Rhinebeck. Burial immediately followed at Rhinebeck Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were trusted to Burnett & White Funeral Homes, Rhinebeck, NY.

Richard A. Gordon

Richard Alan Gordon died peacefully at home, loved and supported by three generations of his family, on Tuesday, September 24 at the age of 83. He was born to M. Arthur and Fanny Beale Gordon on June 4, 1941. He and his older sister Brenda were raised in Massachusetts, first in Jamaica Plain and then Newton. After graduating from Harvard University with a degree in physics in 1962, he pursued an engineering career before ultimately earning a PhD in psychology from the New School for Social Research in 1976.

Richard was a professor of psychology at Bard College from 1973–2008, where he was beloved and respected by his students and colleagues. He directed the clinical psychology program there for many years, and taught courses in psychological disorders and treatment approaches. During his career he supervised well over 125 senior projects. Following his retirement in 2008, Richard continued to teach classes and mentor students for several years.

Richard's primary research interest was the genesis and treatment of eating disorders. In addition to his own book, *Eating Disorders: Anatomy of a Social Epidemic* (Blackwell, 1990, 2000) which was translated into several languages, he published many book chapters, articles, and reviews, and presented papers at major professional conferences. In 2004, he was elected to an Honorary Fellowship with the American Psychiatric Association in recognition of his contributions to the study of biological psychiatry and improving treatment for people with eating disorders. In 2005 he was awarded the Outstanding Civilian Service Medal by the United States Army in recognition of his consulting work on eating disorders and wellness promotion at West Point Military Academy from 2000–2005. In addition to his career as a professor, Richard maintained a psychotherapy practice until recently, when his health no longer allowed him to practice.

Richard was also an accomplished jazz pianist who performed for loyal and enthusiastic audiences in the Hudson Valley as well as in his winter home in Bucerias, Mexico. Before pursuing a PhD in psychology, Richard performed professionally with local jazz musicians in the Boston area, including the renowned sax player Ernie Watts. Throughout his life he dedicated himself to a deep exploration of the music of such jazz greats as Thelonious Monk, Chick Corea, Kenny Barron, and Bill Evans. He was often compared to his musical idol, Bill Evans, which he considered "the compliment of a lifetime."

He and his late wife Patti Hill Gordon (1941–2015) were married for 45 years and raised two daughters together: Corinne and Alexa. Together they built a wide web of friends in the mid-Hudson Valley of New York, where they were involved in many local cultural and civic activities. He and Patti were active in local and national civil rights, environmental justice, and anti-war movements. Richard loved playing tennis and golf, going to the movies, listening to music, and traveling. He never had fewer than five books he was in the middle of reading, on subjects ranging from politics to neuroscience to baseball. His boundless intellectual energy kept him reading, learning, and contributing to his field well into retirement. He was known for his unflagging ability to connect with people with warmth, compassion, and curiosity.

In his surviving family, he leaves behind a rich legacy of musicians, scholars, educators, helpers, artists, and activists reflective of his many interests and talents: his daughters Corinne Gordon Thurstan (Irv Mermelstein) and Alexa Murphy (Christopher); his grandchildren Ayla Thurstan, Rex Thurstan, Noah Murphy, and Mason Murphy; his brother-in-law Richard Hill (Leslie Rudden); as well as his sister Brenda Borovoy (Roger), niece Amy Borovoy (Jonathan Morduch), and nephew Rick Borovoy (Erin). His kind and generous spirit, incomparable intellect, musical talent, and silly sense of humor will be missed by all who knew him.

A memorial service will be held at the Bard College Chapel at 2 pm on Saturday, October 19th. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made to one of the following organizations: Planned Parenthood Action Fund, Doctors without Borders, or the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Arrangements under the care of Burnett & White Funeral Homes, Red Hook, NY.

Maureen McKenna

Maureen McKenna passed away on October 2, 2024 at her home in Red Hook.

Maureen was born in Ireland to parents John and Bridget (Dowd) Mulligan.

Maureen emigrated to America from Ireland as a young woman, full of hope and determination to build a new life. For many years she worked for Blue Cross Blue Shield in Manhattan. It was in this new chapter that she met her beloved husband, Peter. Together, they created a life filled with happiness, love, and shared dreams. Their bond was a cornerstone of her life.

As the years passed, Maureen and Peter relocated to Red Hook, where they found a close-knit community that welcomed them warmly. She was a longtime communicant at St. Christopher's Church, where her faith remained an important part of her life.

Maureen is survived by her siblings, brother, Thomas (Mai) Mulligan of Co. Roscommon, Ireland, sister, Bridie Maroney of Co. Clare, Ireland, sister, Kitty (George) Taaffe of Pearl River, NY, brother, James (Bredge) Mulligan of Co. Mayo, Ireland, and Madge Mulligan of Pearl River, NY; various nieces and nephews; extended family and countless friends.

In addition to her parents, Maureen is predeceased by her husband, Peter McKenna in 2016, her brothers, Michael Mulligan and Sean Mulligan, and her sister in law, JoAnn Mulligan.

Friends and family were received at Burnett & White Funeral Homes, Red Hook on Thursday, October 10, 2024. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Christopher's Church, Red Hook, NY. Burial immediately followed at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Christopher's Church in Red Hook, NY.

Funeral arrangements trusted to Burnett & White Funeral Homes, Red Hook, NY.

Ruth F. Moruzzi

POUGHQUAG - Ruth F. Moruzzi, 86, an area resident for over 60 years, died on October 8, 2024 at the Taconic at Hopewell. She previously lived in Franklin Square, Long Island.

Born on April 14, 1938, Ruth was the daughter of the late Walter and Florence (Selhmeyer) Boernsen. On September 28, 1958 in Long Island, she married Donald M. Moruzzi who predeceased her in 2011.

Ruth retired from Texaco in Beacon where she had been employed as a secretary for many years. She was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church where she taught Sunday School for over 25 years.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, Donald and Anna Moruzzi of Carle Place, Long Island and Susan and Michael Bernardi of Poughquag; her grandchildren, Vincent, Sara, Giana, and Dominic; her sister, Janet Mantel; and many nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., on Friday, October 11, 2024. The funeral service was held at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Fishkill followed by burial at Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery.

Donations may be made in memory of Ruth to Our Savior Lutheran Church. Please visit her Book of Memories at www.mchoulnfuneralhome.com.

Louise Alice Thompson

FORMERLY OF POUGHKEEPSIE - Louise Alice Thompson (Green) passed away peacefully on September 24, 2024, in Fairbanks, AK, at the age of 110. Born on June 7, 1914, in Orange County, Virginia, Louise's parents relocated to Poughkeepsie NY, when she was six months old, where she grew to become a renowned culinary expert. She was affectionately known as "the Little Brown Chef" by the Roosevelts' son, who was particularly fond of her apple pies. In 2001, after decades of enriching the Dutchess County community with her talents, she moved to Fairbanks to be closer to her family. Louise lived on her own until she was 107. A dedicated member of True Victory Baptist Church in North Pole, AK, Louise was deeply involved in her church and community. She was instrumental in founding a senior exercise group in Fairbanks, emphasizing her commitment to health and wellness. Prior to relocating to Alaska, Louise was an active member of Ebenezer Baptist Church, where she began her membership at the age of 17.

Louise is lovingly remembered by her daughter, Diane Leavy; her grandson, Robert Ellis Cave III (Sue); her granddaughter, Arvetta Donaldson-Henderson (Wanda); her great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a multitude of cousins, friends, and church family both nationally and internationally. She was preceded in death by her parents James & Camora Spottswood, her sisters, Marie and Hellen, her granddaughter Leslie Denys Cave, her first husband, James Andrew Green, her second husband, Joseph H. Thompson Sr., and her son-in-law, Fennell Leavy.

A homegoing service was held in Fairbanks, AK on October 5. A second service is scheduled for October 18, at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Poughkeepsie NY. The viewing will take place at 10:00, followed by an 11:00 service. Interment will be at Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery. Rhodes Funeral Home in Poughkeepsie, NY, is assisting the family during this time.

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STATE OF NEW YORK
SUPREME COURT : COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

In the Matter of the Foreclosure of Tax Liens by
Proceeding In Rem Pursuant to Article Eleven
of the Real Property Tax Law by
DUTCHESS COUNTY

**PETITION AND NOTICE
OF FORECLOSURE**

Index No. 2022-53489

The above-captioned proceeding is hereby commenced to enforce the payment of delinquent taxes or other lawful charges which have accumulated and become liens against certain property. The parcels to which this proceeding applies are identified on Schedule "A" of this Petition, which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof. This document serves both as a Petition of Foreclosure and a Notice of Foreclosure for purposes of this proceeding.

Effect of Filing: All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the real property described in this Petition are hereby notified that the filing of this Petition constitutes the commencement by the Tax District of a proceeding in the court specified in the caption above to foreclose each of the tax liens described by a foreclosure proceeding in rem.

Nature of Proceeding: This proceeding is brought against the real property only and is to foreclose the tax liens described in this Petition. No personal judgment will be entered herein for such taxes or other legal charges or any part thereof.

Persons Affected: This Notice is directed to all persons owning or having or claiming to have an interest in the real property described in this Petition. Such persons are hereby further notified that a duplicate of this Petition has been filed in the office of the Commissioner of Finance, the Enforcing Officer of the Tax District, and will remain open for public inspection up to and including the date specified below as the last day for redemption.

Right of Redemption: Any person having or claiming to have an interest in any such real property and the legal right thereto may, on or before said date, redeem the same by paying the amount of all such unpaid tax liens thereon, including all interest and penalties and other legal charges which are included in the lien against such real property, computed to and including the date of redemption. Such payments shall be made to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. In the event that such taxes are paid by a person other than the record owner of such real property, the person so paying shall be entitled to have the tax liens affected thereby satisfied of record.

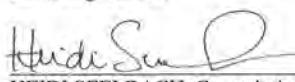
LAST DAY FOR REDEMPTION: THE LAST DAY FOR REDEMPTION IS HEREBY FIXED AS APRIL 16, 2025.

Service of Answer: Every person having any right, title, or interest in or lien upon any parcel of real property described in this Petition may serve a duly verified answer upon the attorney for the Tax District setting forth in detail the nature and amount of his or her interest and any defense or objection to the foreclosure. Such answer must be filed in the Office of the County Clerk and served upon the attorney for the Tax District on or before the date above mentioned as the last day for redemption.

Failure to Redeem or Answer: In the event of failure to redeem or answer by any person having the right to redeem or answer, such person shall be forever barred and foreclosed of all of his or her right, title and interest and equity of redemption in and to the parcel described in this Petition and a judgment in foreclosure may be taken by default.

Dated: October 11, 2024.

Enforcing Officer:


 HEIDI SEELBACH, Commissioner of Finance
 County of Dutchess
 22 Market Street, 4th Floor
 Poughkeepsie, New York 12601
 Tel. No. (845) 486 - 2025

STATE OF NEW YORK)
ss:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS)

I, HEIDI SEELBACH, being duly sworn, depose and affirm under penalty of perjury: I am the Enforcing Officer for the County of Dutchess. I have read this Petition and Notice which I have signed, and I am familiar with its contents. The contents of this Petition and Notice are true to the best of my knowledge, based upon the records of the office of the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance. I do not know of any errors or omissions in this Petition and Notice.


 HEIDI SEELBACH, Commissioner of Finance
 County of Dutchess

Sworn to before me this
11th day of October, 2024.

Notary Public

CAROL THOMPSON
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
047H6151306
Qualified in Dutchess County
Commission Expires 8/14/26

Attorney for Tax District:
 CAROLINE E. BLACKBURN, ESQ.
 Dutchess County Attorney
 22 Market Street, 5th Floor
 Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

RECORD OWNER**SCHEDULE A**

MURRAY, WAYNE B
TRIEBEL, KAREN A
LEINERT, JAMIE R
LYNCH, RYAN J
WIXOM, LLEWELYN
CALDAS, DIEGO
CALDAS, GULTEN
VOORHEES, PAUL
VOORHEES, DOLORES

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Please Take Notice the Milan Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on October 21, 2024 at 6:30pm on the proposed Local Law #2 of 2024 amending Section 40D(2)(a)[4] of Chapter 200 Zoning. Said hearing will take place at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, Milan, NY. By order of the Milan Town Board, Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY 2025 BUDGET MEETING DATES

The Pleasant Valley Town Board will hold their 2025 Budget meetings at Town Hall 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY on the following dates:

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

Special Town Board meeting to be held on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 5:00PM has been CANCELLED.

WORKSHOP MEETING

-Monday, October 7, 2024 at 7:00PM PURPOSE: Resolution to release of the 2025 Preliminary Budget and Schedule Public Hearing for 10-21-24

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

-Monday October 21, 2024 at 7:00PM PURPOSE: To Hold Public Hearing for 2025 Preliminary Budget

Debra Dugal, Deputy Town Clerk
Town of Pleasant Valley

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
RFB-DCH-2024-13
NAME OF PROJECT: Phase II of Replacement and Repair of Bus Shelters Throughout Dutchess County, New York. Project Description: This project involves the construc-

tion of eight (8) new bus shelters throughout Dutchess County. Work includes adjacent sidewalk panel replacement and new signage. The County of Dutchess official bid documents for this project are obtained from the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System at www.bidnetdirect.com/new-york/county-of-dutchess. Copies of bidding documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies. It is incumbent upon all potential bidders to view all posted addenda prior to the bid close date. You may obtain an official copy by registering on the Empire State Regional Bid Notification System at www.bidnetdirect.com/new-york/county-of-dutchess or by using the link provided at www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government" then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities." For those without Internet access, you may obtain an electronic copy of bidding documents by contacting the Dutchess County Department of Public Works at dpwcontracts@dutchessny.gov, or in person, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Dutchess County DPW, Business Office, 1st Floor, 626 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Upon request, all interested parties may review the hard copy of the Bid Specifications and Drawings by visiting the above referenced address. All Addenda will be posted on BidNet Direct (aka Empire State Purchasing Group) site. Bids for the above project will be received by: Renée Osterhoudt, Contract Specialist, Dutchess

County Department of Public Works (DPW), 626 Dutchess Turnpike-1st Floor, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 on or before 11:00 a.m. **Friday, November 15, 2024**, and at that time publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after that time will not be accepted. All interested parties are invited to attend. The bid opening for this solicitation may also be attended through Microsoft Teams Audio Conferencing. Anyone who wishes to hear bids read aloud via Teams, will need to call into the phone number listed below. We ask that you call in at least three minutes prior to bid due/time to ensure you are connected properly. All call-ins will be asked to identify themselves by name and organization. Join Microsoft Teams Meeting +1 516-268-4602 United States, Hempstead (Toll) Conference ID: 461 252 739#. Each bid shall be submitted as one paper original and one electronic flash drive copy and be accompanied by Bid Security (bid bond, certified check, official bank check) or a Letter of Credit (in a form agreeable to Dutchess County) in the amount of 10% of the bid amount. Bidders' security will be retained until the successful bidder has signed the Owner-Contractor Agreement and the County has finalized the Agreement. Each bid with Bid Security shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name of the Project, Name of the Bidder, and the date and hour of the bid opening, which must be visible upon delivery. Questions will be accepted by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6,

2024 and emailed to dpwcontracts@dutchessny.gov with the County's response published in Addenda prior to 48 hours before the bid opening date. The anticipated start of construction is January 2, 2025; the anticipated substantial completion date is October 31, 2025. Failure to meet these dates may result in liquidated damages. This project is subject to NYS Department of Labor Prevailing Wage Rates PRC #: 2024012480. View Bid Specifications regarding APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, if applicable. The County reserves the right to waive irregularities in bids and in bidding and to reject any or all proposals.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**Town of Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, NY**

Please take note that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Pleasant Valley, NY, will hold a public hearing on the following proposition:

136 Travis Road, Hyde Park Appeal #1071 Grid# 6365-04-543068

Area Variance Requests: The applicant is seeking a 1.08 acre variance to have chickens and ducks on their property. 2 acres are needed in order to have chickens on your property, and they only have 0.92 acres. They are also seeking a 2.08 acre variance to have pigs on their property. 3 acres are needed in order to have pigs on your property, and they only have 0.92 acres. They are also

seeking an 88 foot variance from the minimum 100 foot side yard setback requirement for animal shelters, and a 17 foot 11 inches variance from the minimum 100 foot front yard setback requirement for animal shelters. SAID Meeting will take place on October 23, 2024 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y., and begins at 7:00 p.m.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on September 9,

2024, adopted a local law entitled: LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2024, A LOCAL LAW REGULATING HAZARDOUS POLLUTION SOURCES IN PROXIMITY TO PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SOURCES, AQUIFERS AND WETLANDS.

It is the intent of the Dutchess County Legislature to establish restrictions to protect its residents' water supply sources by prohibiting contaminant sources within the separation distance to a public water supply well, wetland, or aquifer. In addition, the Dutchess County Legislature intends to regulate the drilling of a public water supply

wells within the separation distance to the contaminants sources. The Legislature finds by doing so, it will greatly reduce the risk of groundwater and drinking water contamination, protecting County residents' health.

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

LEIGH WAGER
Clerk

Dutchess County

Legislature

Dated: October 11, 2024

Legal Notices**Legal Notices****Legal Notices****TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 1001/2024 RE: ACCEPTING THE 2025 PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING**

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has prepared the 2025 Tentative Budget for the Town of Pleasant Valley, and the Town Clerk presented the 2025 Tentative Budget to the Town Board at the September 4, 2024 Town Board meeting; and

WHEREAS, at the September 16, 2024 Town Board meeting, the Town Board discussed and voted on several changes to the budget; and

WHEREAS, the approved changes have been incorporated into the 2025 Preliminary Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the 2025 Preliminary Budget for purposes of soliciting public comment; and

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to make the 2025 Preliminary Budget available for public inspection in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and to post the 2025 Preliminary Budget on the town's website; and

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby sets a public hearing on the 2025 Preliminary Budget for Monday, October 21, 2024 at 7:05 PM at the Town Hall; and

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to post notice of the budget and hearing pursuant to New York State Town Law § 108.

DATED: October 7, 2024

MOTION: Councilman Rifenburgh
SECOND: Councilwoman Chapman

AYE

Councilwoman Chapman	X
Councilman Degan	X
Councilman Iapichino	X
Councilman Rifenburgh	X
Supervisor Albrecht	X

CARRIED.

This Resolution was declared duly adopted on October 7, 2024.

Dated: October 7, 2024
Pleasant Valley, New York

Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk
Town of Pleasant Valley

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

Barrett's Public Utility Transparency bill signed into law

Assemblymember Didi Barrett (D-Dutchess/Columbia) recently announced that her legislation to increase utility rate case transparency was signed into law by Governor Kathy Hochul. This new law (Chapter 333 of 2024) will require the Public Service Commission to publish information prior to a major rate change by a public gas or electric utility, including a simplified explanation of why the rate change is requested and a summary of

how the proposed revenue will be spent. The legislation is a step toward ensuring transparency and accountability among public utilities by providing New Yorkers access to important information as they face utility rate increases.

"Across the state, New Yorkers are struggling with increased utility costs, so it is especially important that we do all we can to help them understand the implications of the often complex and confusing

utility rate case process," said Barrett. "This legislation increases transparency and helps keep ratepayers informed. I thank Senator Leroy Comrie and Governor Hochul for their partnership in getting this important bill passed and signed into law."

"For too long, the complexities of utility rate cases have left many New Yorkers in the dark," said Laurie Wheelock, Executive Director of the Public Utility

Law Project of New York (PULP). "This new law will bring some much-needed transparency to the process and empower consumers to better plan and budget for changes in their utility bills. We thank Assemblymember Barrett and Senator Comrie for their leadership in advancing this legislation and commend the Governor for signing it into law."

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Answers to this
week's diversions
(puzzles on page 15)

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This week's answer

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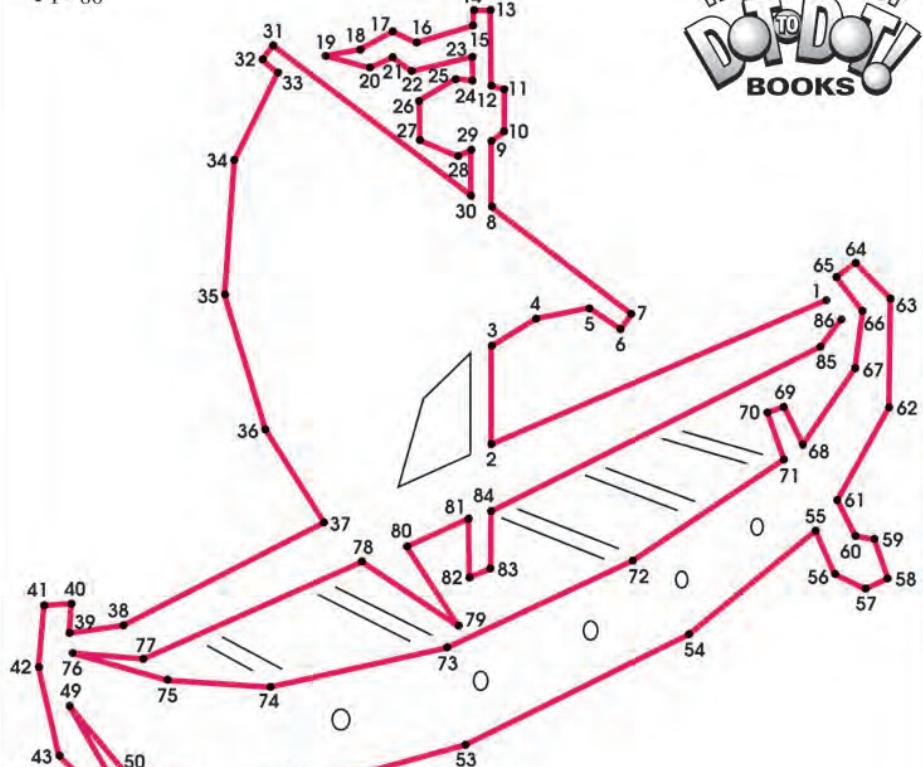
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Answer to this week's Dot to Dot (puzzle on page 12)

Connect Dots:

• 1 - 86



By David Kalvitis

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GOLDEN LIVING

You may have noticed that the world is often an unfriendly place for older adults. Whether it's due to simple mistakes or outright ageism is sometimes hard to determine, but that doesn't mean any of us have to take it lying down.

What we at OFA are looking for is a change in attitudes, no matter the age, from "aging is something to avoid" to "aging is something to embrace." This isn't our emotional reaction; it's based on sound science. Not only are the negative stereotypes of aging incorrect, they're often completely backwards.

One example: While it's true that studies show that cognitive abilities and reaction times often worsen with age, those same studies note that other brain functions like conscientiousness, regulating emotions, and ignoring distractions remain strong as we age - and can even improve.

Among the Office for the Aging's clientele are people of all physical abilities, from quadriplegics to marathon runners. Our mission is to serve them all, and their caregivers. Ageism would have all our older adults lumped in with the least healthy, the least capable, and the least alert among us. It becomes a barrier to access to OFA services for the older adults who could be helped most by OFA.

"I don't want to talk to them. They'll put me in a home!"

It's a common objection from older adults with real concerns about their future independence but who aren't familiar with what OFA can do to improve their chances of remaining independent.

Through no fault of their own, they may have internalized society's ageism. As readers who already know what OFA can do through your experience in OFA's Home Delivered Meals and/or Friendship

Center programs, you can help spread OFA's message, counteract ageism, and help older adults get to know us before they need us.

Let's try an exercise (this one's for younger people, too)

Think of any older person you know and come up with five words or phrases to describe them. Don't overthink; just use the first ones that come to mind. Take a look at those words and phrases. Are they positive or negative?

What tends to happen is that some positive words and phrases like "wise" and "kind" will come up, but after negatives like "frail" and "stubborn." That's been the experience of Yale University aging science expert Dr. Becca Levy, who found that negative age beliefs can adversely affect our health, while positive beliefs can add as many as 7.5 healthy years to our lives. Dr. Levy exposed her lab subjects to positive messages, and the result was an improvement in balance, memory, and even the will to live.

But maybe you're not a natural positive thinker. Are you doomed? Probably not; after all, you've read this far, and given the space limitations of this newsletter we must be getting to the good part by now.

The Good Part

Building a habit of positive thinking is as easy as breakfast, lunch and dinner. Every time you sit down for a meal, think of something that went well for you, an achievement by yourself or a loved one, a bit of good news, a happy memory...it can be just about anything, long as it's positive. Do this for a few weeks and you'll be well on your way.

Put together a "portfolio" of positive older role models. Some can be family members or neighbors; others can be well-known people from anywhere in the

world. Think about their qualities, and how you could incorporate them into your own life.

The positive beliefs can lead to positive actions: better nutrition, more exercise, greater well-being, less stress. From here, you might experience what's called a "preference cascade." It's that moment where a thought like this comes to you: Holy cow, I'm not the only one who thinks this way. I'm not alone!

And that's how change for the better is achieved: from the bottom up. Eventually, the journalists writing fretful articles about the "silver tsunami" of older adults take a second look at the landscape and realize what they missed the first time around: While the growing number of older people enjoying healthy independence as they age into their 80s, 90s and beyond can be a challenge for our financial and human assets, it's also an achievement that has never happened before in human history. More of us have more of what no business or government project can create: time, and the good health to use it well.

OFA 'NAVIGATING MEDICARE' CLASSES FOR THE FALL (SO FAR)

Medicare's annual Open Enrollment period begins on October 15th every year. The Office for the Aging has added additional "Navigating Medicare" classes to the year-round schedule of classes at the Poughkeepsie Galleria Community Room (2001 South Rd., Poughkeepsie), Adriance Library in Poughkeepsie (93 Market St.) and Starr Library in Rhinebeck (68 W. Market St.), plus extra classes we've added for Open Enrollment season.

Here's what's on the fall schedule so far, along with how to call and register for a class:

10/17/24, 11am Amenia Free Library, 3309 NY 343, Amenia, 845-373-8273

10/21/24, 5:30pm Adriance Library 845-485-3445 x3380

10/25/24, 1 pm Fishkill Recreation Center, 793 NY 52, Fishkill, 845-831-3371

10/28/24, 4pm Starr Library, Rhinebeck Call OFA

10/30/24, 2pm Howland Library, 313 Main St., Beacon, 845-831-1134 or use the calendar at beaconlibrary.org

11/7/24, 9:30am Boardman Road Branch Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie, 845-485-3445 x3380

11/20/24, 10am Poughkeepsie Galleria (Community Room) Call OFA

11/25/24, 4pm Starr Library Call OFA

12/4/24, 3pm Adriance Library 845-485-3445 x3380

12/18/24, 10am Poughkeepsie Galleria (Community Room) Call OFA

Medicare open enrollment closes on December 7th

We continue to add Navigating Medicare classes during Open Enrollment. For the most up-to-date calendar listings, visit www.dutchessny.gov/calendar. Classes are held on the third Wednesday of every month at the Galleria, and on the fourth Monday of the month at Starr Library.

OFA IN AMENIA (Tue 10/22)

Besides the "Navigating Medicare" event mentioned in the previous item, OFA will also offer a presentation on OFA services at the Amenia Free Library on Tuesday, October 22nd, at 3:30pm. To register, call the library at 845-373-8273.

Golden Living is prepared by the Dutchess County Office for the Aging, 114 Delafield St., Poughkeepsie, New York 12601, telephone 845-486-2555, email: ofo@dutchessny.gov website: www.dutchessny.gov/aging Social media: www.facebook.com/DutchessCountyOFA

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