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Ukrainian women set 100th-year celebration Nov. 2

By Alexander Tsahalis

For 100 years, the Ukrainian National Women's League of America (UWNLA) has been a place for Ukrainians to meet others like them and share their culture with their communities. To celebrate this milestone, a local branch will be hosting a celebration of Ukrainian women on Sunday, Nov. 2 at Locust Grove in Poughkeepsie from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. The suggested donation for admission is $20.

Over the past 100 years, the UWNLA has grown to 63 branches across 14 states. These branches work to "Promote and develop educational and cultural efforts and provide humanitarian assistance to Ukrainians worldwide." Branch 95 Poughkeepsie-Kerhonkson is living up to this mission and has planned an afternoon of art, music, food, and more.

The event is the brainchild of Ulana Salewycz, an artist and art therapist of Ukrainian parentage. "I decided we should show off our culture as much as possible," says Salewycz. The cultural immersion begins as soon as you walk in, as the walls feature paintings from across the last century, giving viewers the chance to see works by older female masters and their contemporaries side by side.

During the event introduction, two poets will read the poem "Hope" by Leysha Ukrainka in Ukrainian and in English. Later on, the poets will also read some of their own works. There will also be a demonstration of petrykivka by Vitalia, a refugee from Kyiv. "Petrykivka originated in a village of the same name. The village was founded by Ukrainian warriors called Cossacks who wanted independence for Ukraine," said Salewycz. These values became associated with the art of the village,

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Seven contested, six uncontested Town Supervisor races in region

Introduction by Kate Goldsmith

Of the 14 towns in the Northern Dutchess News readership area, there are seven contested races for Town Supervisor (Amenia, Clinton, Dover, Hyde Park, LaGrange, Pine Plains, Stanford) and six uncontested (Beekman, Milan, Pleasant Valley, Rhinebeck, Union Vale, Washington) in this year's General Election.

In three of the contested races (Amenia, LaGrange and Stanford), neither of the candidates is an incumbent supervisor. In Beekman, there is one candidate on the ballot, who is not an incumbent.

The Town Supervisor position is not on the ballot this cycle in Red Hook, nor is the Mayor of Millbrook. (The Village of Millbrook holds its elections at the same time as the General Election.)

Northern Dutchess News requested that candidates participate in a roundup article to give voters some general information. Incumbents were asked to state their accomplishments during their current terms and their main goals if re-elected. Challengers (or non-incumbents in the case of Amenia, Beekman LaGrange and Stanford) were asked to share their experience relevant to the Supervisor role, and what their main goals would be if elected.

Many of the candidates provided responses, which follow.

Early voting is currently under way through Sunday, Nov. 2. See page 2 for early voting locations and hours. Voting on Election Day is from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Readers who are unsure of their polling location can visit the Dutchess County Board of Elections website, https://elections.dutchessny.gov/. The website also lists polling hours and contains sample ballots for each town, including any proposals on the ballot (listed on the back of the form).

This year, all voters will be asked to vote on a state amendment to allow an Olympic Sports Complex in Essex County on State Forest Preserve Land. The amendment would allow skiing and related trail facilities the 1,039-acre site. The amendment requires the state to add 2,500 acres of new forest land in the Adirondack Park.

A yes vote would authorize new ski trails and related facilities in the Adirondack forest preserve. A no vote would not authorize this use.

For a complete list of all Dutchess County candidates on the ballot this year, see the Public Notices on pages 17-21 in this week's papers.

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Poughkeepsie athlete's service recognized during 'Honor-A-Veteran' Ceremony

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino and the County's Office of Veterans Affairs honored the service and legacy of U.S. Army Sergeant Major Alex Watkins Jr., a former City of Poughkeepsie resident, during a "Honor-A-Veteran" ceremony last week. The tribute, held at American Legion Post 1302 in Poughkeepsie, was part of a monthly series dedicated to commemorating the lives and sacrifices of Dutchess County veterans who have passed, recognizing their enduring contributions to the nation and community.

The family of Sergeant Major Alexander Watkins Jr. is joined by County Executive Sue Serino and members of the Honor-A-Veteran Committee. *Courtesy photo*

Serino said, "Alexander Watkins proudly served in the U.S. Army for nearly three decades, earning respect for his hard work and bravery. He was much more than a soldier, though. He was a caring father, a proud grandfather and a strong, honest man who made a lasting impact on everyone who knew him. Dutchess County is proud to celebrate the life and service of Alexander and his fellow American heroes through our 'Honor-A-Veteran' ceremonies."

Watkins distinguished himself as a Poughkeepsie High School baseball, football and track and field star, with a second-place finish in the high jump at the New York State championship meet among his scholastic athletic accomplishments. In 1959, at the age of 19, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, beginning a military career that spanned 27 years, including assignments with the 23rd Infantry Division and the 32nd Armor Regiment,

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TOWN SUPERVISOR RACES

AMENIA

ROSANNA L. HAMM (DEM, WOR)

Qualifications & Experience

My name is Rosanna Hamm, and I am a candidate for the position of Town of Amenia Supervisor. I have had the honor and privilege of serving on the town board for almost 2 years, and during this time, I believe we have accomplished a great deal as a team.

I grew up in Amenia in the ’50s and ’60s, when it was a thriving town. I believe it can be again. It will be different because times have changed and the demographics have changed significantly. Achieving this goal, however, requires us to work together as an inclusive community. The public’s input is vital, as the power to influence what happens in our town rests with the community. We saw this clearly with the dispensary local law, where community members worked together through a petition to successfully place the question on the November ballot after the town board had voted to opt in. This demonstrated the impact of your collective voice.

I am a multigenerational resident of the town, graduated from Webutuck and then after graduating from SUNY Oneonta came back and taught at Webutuck for 35 years, retiring in 2007.

Being a teacher I quickly learned the value of listening to others, flexibility, problem solving, and building a team that works together.

During my service as town board member and deputy supervisor, I have learned about how town government works and have seen what can be accomplished when we work together.

Priorities if elected

• Maintain our rural character by following zoning codes and supporting the Comprehensive Plan update.

• Complete the highway garage project.

• Spend taxpayer money wisely.

• Investigate affordable ambulance service while maintaining a good response time.

• Work to foster a thriving Amenia for everyone. I envision a future where our town government is truly representative and responsive to needs of the entire community.

• Improve the safety of our streets, especially for pedestrians.

• Continue reaching out to the community to get input and to inform.

• Get swimming for seniors and community members.

• Continue to offer events that support mental health as well as physical health.

TERRENCE P. McCAULEY (REP, CG)

Qualifications & Experience

Having lived in Amenia with my family for over twenty years, I know how lucky we are to call Amenia our home. That’s why I’m honored to run for Town Supervisor on the Republican and Common Ground lines. I know we can make Amenia even better if we all work together. With your support, here’s how we’ll do it.

I have 25 years of New York State government experience. I worked under four governors from both parties. I’ve also worked with both Republicans and Democrats at the federal, state, county and local levels. I’ve worked on the issues that are vital to Amenia’s future: Housing, Economic Development, Infrastructure, Transportation, Community Development and Public Affairs. I’ve worked with dozens of stakeholders, community organizations and municipalities throughout the Harlem and Hudson Valleys. I will put that experience to work for Amenia.

The nature of government is changing. We expect our elected officials to be more active. More responsive. More proactive, not reactive. To find ways of doing more with less. Applying for grants and hoping for funding from Washington or Albany isn’t good enough anymore. Amenia needs a town supervisor who has faced these challenges before and has the experience to address them.

There are no quick solutions. Changing Amenia’s focus won’t happen overnight. It will take time, dedication and teamwork. We’ll make mistakes, but we’ll learn from them. But I know Amenia can achieve so much if we work together. I know it can be done because I’ve done it.

Priorities if elected

Amenia needs new, energetic leadership. Amenia must be a place for all, not just for the very rich or the very poor. Amenia must be a place for young people starting out in life. For people starting over. For older residents looking to downsize without leaving the community they love. High-density housing would damage our ecosystem, lower property values and create more traffic congestion in the center of town. I have the economic development experience to work with the private sector to deliver options. Developing the Taconic DDSO facility is an example of how we can grow without destroying Amenia’s rural beauty.

Lax oversight has cost Amenia dearly in recent years. Avoidable conflict-of-interest lawsuits like the Kent Hollow Mine fiasco caused our legal fees to soar. Unelected bureaucrats and special interests can’t continue to decide Amenia’s future. Removing lead pipes from our drinking water and finally addressing the ongoing wastewater dilemma must be our top priorities.

The ‘Engaging Amenia’ public meeting this summer showed that Amenia residents want a voice in their town’s future. We must encourage public comments on town business via smartphones, desktops and laptops. Town Board and Committee meetings should be simultaneously aired on social media and Channel 22 again.

Accountability is also a priority. A Constituent Services Database would track all incoming complaints and issues. ‘The Amenia Dashboard’ would provide an easy-to-read view of all town government and committee activities, current status and next steps. This can be accomplished with software currently at the town’s disposal.

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AMENIA PROPOSITIONS

• Requesting the town’s annual contribution for the operating budget of the Amenia Free Library be increased by $20,000 to the sum of $265,000

• Approve resolution No. 28 of 2025, adopting local law No. 1 of 2025, repealing local law No. 1 of 2022 and opting-in to allow cannabis retail dispensaries within the Town of Amenia

• Approval and adoption of a local law entitled “extending the term of Office of Supervisor,” which extends the elective term of Office of the Supervisor from two years to four years, as enacted by the Amenia Town Board on March 6, 2025

County Board of Ethics to meet Nov. 7

There will be a meeting of the Dutchess County Board of Ethics on Friday, Nov. 7, from 1 to 2 p.m.

The public has the right to attend at the Dutchess County Legislature’s Caucus Room, 22 Market St., 6th floor, Poughkeepsie.

Public comments will also be accepted verbally, up to three minutes per person, for a total of up to 30 minutes in the aggregate at the end of the meeting. Each person may only speak once up to three minutes.

This meeting of the Board of Ethics shall be for the purpose of reviewing complaints received, if any, by the Dutchess County Board of Ethics.

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Chainsaw Man: The Movie (R)
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Early voting through Nov. 2

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Early voting for the Nov. 4 General Election runs through Sunday, Nov. 2. (In-person early voting is not available on Nov. 3, the day before the Election Day.) Dutchess County voters may visit any early voting site in the county. Please be aware that your typical poll site is likely closed for early voting.

Locations:

Pavilion at Brookmeade, 34 Brookmeade Drive, Rhinebeck

Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill

Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie

Cornell Cooperative Extension, 2715 Route 44, Millbrook

Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market Street, Poughkeepsie

Board of Elections Training Center, 4280 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park

Wappinger Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappingers Falls

Schedule

Wednesday, Oct. 29, noon-8 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 30, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 31, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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BEEKMAN

LAUREEN ABBATANTUONO (REP)

I have had the privilege of calling New York my home for my entire life, with the past 22 years spent right here in Beekman. Along with my husband, I have raised two children and been an active member of this community—participating in countless school and community events, and supporting the causes that matter most to us all.

Qualifications & Experience

For the past five years, I have had the honor of serving as your Town Clerk and Tax Receiver. This position has taught me the importance of organization, accountability, and transparency. I took on this role with the firm belief that local government should be trusted and responsive to the needs of its residents. My experience in this capacity has allowed me to work closely with many of you, and it has only strengthened my resolve to serve our community with integrity and care. I take great pride in my interactions with all Beekman's residents, always striving to ensure that everyone is treated with the dignity and respect they deserve.

Over the years, I have served on the PTA committees of Vail Farm and Union Vale Middle School, volunteered at school and community functions, and organized various drives, including those for food, coats, blood, and toys. Public service and volunteering have been the cornerstones of my life. Whether it's cheering on our youth sports teams or helping organize fundraisers, I've always believed in giving back to the community that has supported my family so generously.

One of the most meaningful experiences I've had recently was volunteering at the traveling Vietnam Wall, where I had the honor of assisting visitors in locating the names of their loved ones and guiding them through the exhibit. As the daughter of a Korean War veteran, this experience was especially poignant and emotional, filled with stories of bravery, sacrifice, and loss. I will never forget the deep connections I made with veterans and their families that day.

In my professional career, I have gained extensive experience in customer service and landlord management, where listening, negotiation, and problem-solving were essential to my success. My commitment to building trust and respect through clear communication and responsible management has shaped my approach to everything I do.

Priorities if elected

1) One of my top priorities is to restore a strong sense of community by bringing people together through meaningful activities and local events that remind us what it means to be connected neighbors.

2) Through careful planning and fiscal discipline, my team and I will navigate a challenging 2026 budget while maintaining essential services and protecting taxpayers' dollars.

3) I'm committed to making our town offices a place where every resident feels welcome, valued, and confident that there's always someone ready to listen and help. My team will foster a new culture in Beekman—one built on collaboration, mutual respect, and a shared commitment to moving our community forward.

BEEKMAN PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Beekman Library be at $636,663

PARTY ABBREVIATIONS
DEMOCRATIC (DEM)
REPUBLICAN (REP)
CONSERVATIVE (CON)
WORKING FAMILIES (WOR)
COMMON GROUND (CG)
TEAM CLINTON (TC)

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Register for drawing to Food Repurposing Workshop at the Culinary Institute

Building off the success of a similar event earlier this year, the Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management, in collaboration with the Culinary Institute of America (CIA), invites residents to register for an innovative, free Food Repurposing Workshop. This engaging discussion and cooking demonstration, led by Jason Potanovich '96, Associate Dean – School of Culinary Arts, will educate attendees about food sustainability, showing participants how to creatively transform leftovers into delicious new dishes, minimizing food waste.

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino said, "Food waste is a pressing issue, and we are thrilled to again work with the Culinary Institute of America to offer this valuable workshop to our neighbors. This initiative will teach practical ways to reduce waste, save money and contribute to a sustainable future. I encourage everyone interested in minimizing food waste and protecting our environment to register for an opportunity to attend this fantastic event."

Residents can register online for a chance to attend this educational event, which will take place on Thursday, Nov. 20, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the CIA's Hyde Park campus. This past June, Dutchess County and the CIA partnered for a Food Waste Reduction Workshop, which received rave reviews from those in attendance.

Food waste continues to pose significant environmental and economic challenges, and this event provides an opportunity for residents to learn practical strategies for everyday cooking. The workshop offers a unique chance for residents to enhance their culinary skills, reduce food waste and support a more sustainable community.

Due to limited space, attendance for this workshop will be determined through a registration drawing. Residents interested in securing a spot must register by Nov. 5 by visiting the Dutchess County Solid Waste Management website via www.dutchessny.gov; more information is available by emailing solidwastemgmt@dutchessny.gov or calling 845-486-2841. The drawing to select attendees will take place on Nov. 7, and those chosen will be notified shortly thereafter.

Kerry Russell, Deputy Commissioner for the Division of Solid Waste Management said, "By not utilizing our leftover food we miss an opportunity to nourish ourselves and conserve resources. In the U.S., approximately 30 percent of all waste is food waste. When we reduce food waste, we decrease our overall waste stream, lower our carbon footprint and save money. Simple actions can make a lasting difference, and we invite residents to learn how.

The Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management is committed to reducing waste, promoting recycling and encouraging responsible disposal practices. Through educational programs and community initiatives, the Division aims to foster a more sustainable environment. For more details, residents can visit the Division's webpage.

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RED HOOK BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN MEETING DATE

The Board of Education of Red Hook Central School District announces that the Board of Education meeting scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025 has been changed to Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025. The meeting will take place at the Mill Road Elementary School in the K-2 library at 7 p.m.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NOTE: Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect the views of the Northern Dutchess News.
Letters must be e-mailed to be considered for publication. We cannot accept handwritten or faxed letters.

Keep Kelly Tremper Receiver of Taxes for Town of Poughkeepsie

To the editor:

I would like to express my support for Kelly Tremper for the Town of Poughkeepsie Receiver of Taxes. I first met Kelly years ago while I was out gathering petitions when I first became a member of a political committee. I recognized her from years ago as our sons played little league together. She was someone I chose to become my deputy Town Clerk in late September 2013 shortly before I took Office as your Town Clerk. She was appointed the Receiver of Taxes in January of 2021, as Karen Schubert retired.

The Receiver of Taxes is not an easy job and with upcoming reassessments and water billing troubles I respectfully suggest keeping Kelly, someone with experience in that position. She comes from a banking background, was the treasurer for her Church for many years and is someone who I would gladly have keep track of any of my balance sheets. She is personally responsible for all monies collected and must follow many NYS mandates and I am here to say she is the most qualified person to continue in this position

Felicia Salvatore
Town Clerk, Town of Poughkeepsie

Endorsing Hohmann for Town Clerk

To the editor:

I congratulate Sarah Hohmann on a successful and productive term as Hyde Park Town Clerk and I wholeheartedly endorse her for re-election to continue serving her hometown.

Sarah is an energetic, dedicated young woman, and her willingness to help our residents go beyond the Town Hall walls.

Sue Serino
County Executive

Supporting Hohman in Hyde Park

To the editor:

It gives me great pleasure to endorse Sarah Hohmann for re-election as Town Clerk. After serving over 20 years as Town Clerk, I know what it takes to do the job, and Sarah was trained by the best, and performs her duties with accuracy and dedication.

Carol Clearwater
Former Hyde Park Town Clerk

Please note: We do NOT accept negative letters (criticizing opponents) on the final publication date prior to the election.

Ukrainian women set 100th-year celebration Nov. 2

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and Petrykivka became associated with Ukrainian independence. Other artists include a weaver, a bandura player, and a woman who specializes in pysanka, a type of decorated Ukrainian Easter Eggs. Ceramics, carved wooden candle holders, and embroidery will also be on display. There will also be foods such as borscht and traditional pastries.

As the war in Ukraine rages on, the UNWLA is using the celebration as a chance to raise awareness and funds for those in need. "There are millions of Ukrainians who were forced to flee their homes," said Marianna Zajac, the former national president of the UNWLA. "It's a tragic situation."

The Ukrainian struggle for recognition goes back hundreds of years and even indirectly led to the founding of the UNWLA. "It formed after a group of Ukrainian women went to Washington, D.C. for a meeting of a congress of the international women's organizations, and were rejected because Ukraine was a part of the Soviet Union and not an independent country," says Zajac. One way money will be raised is through a silent auction. The auction will have artwork made by Ukrainian children and has been organized by teachers from Wallkill.

Poughkeepsie athlete's service recognized during 'Honor-A-Veteran' ceremony

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and later with the 547th Engineer Company in Korea. He served in Vietnam, Korea and Germany, where he met his wife, Ursula. Rising to the rank of Sergeant Major (SGM), he earned numerous honors, including the Purple Heart, in recognition of his valor and dedication.

Following his retirement from the Army in 1987, Sergeant Major Watkins continued to serve his community through civilian roles, including positions at the Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic and Ames Department Stores, and he was actively involved in veterans events. SGM Watkins was a devoted father to his children, Schannon Clayton and Alex Fredric Watkins, and a proud grandfather. Remembered for his strength, integrity and love of the outdoors, SGM Watkins passed away on October 17, 2005 and was laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery.

Office of Veterans Affairs Director Adam Roche said, "Sergeant Major Watkins showed us what true dedication looks like, serving his country with courage for nearly 30 years and living his life with strength and heart. His legacy reminds us that greatness comes not just from what we do in uniform, but from how we live and lead every day."

During the ceremony, Serino and Roche and members of the Dutchess County Honor-A-Veteran Committee presented SGM Watkins' family with several honors, including a U.S. flag flown in Dutchess County for 30 days in his memory, proclamation from Serino, a memory box from Mental Health America of Dutchess County Vet2Vet, Veterans Challenge Coin from the Dutchess County Honor-A-Veteran Committee, New York State Senate Liberty Medal from Sen. Rob Rolison and a handmade quilt from Mental Health America of Dutchess County's Veterans Programs' Quilts2Honor.

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CLINTON

MICHAEL WHITTON (DEM, TC) *Incumbent*

Major achievements of current term

As always, environmental efficiency remains a top priority. These efforts not only benefit our agricultural community and natural surroundings but also reduce costs for taxpayers. The Town has achieved Bronze Status in the Climate Smart Communities program, completed a Natural Resources Inventory, and approved the use of ARPA funds to install additional solar panels.

Building and strengthening community connections has been another key focus. We have renewed the Library lease, ensuring it remains a valued home for many years to come. To foster compassion and awareness, the Town has declared May as Mental Health Awareness Month and October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, standing in solidarity with residents who are facing personal challenges. To honor our veterans, we launched the Hometown Heroes program, and so far, 18 banners have been installed to celebrate our residents who have served our country.

Fiscal responsibility continues to guide every decision. My commitment to keeping taxes as low as possible, while maintaining essential services, has resulted in the lowest town tax rate since 2011.

Additional initiatives include:

• Updating the Short-Term Rental Law to eliminate non-hosted Airbnbs

• Enhancing security on the Town Campus with surveillance cameras and electronic locks

• Using grant funding to purchase new playground equipment and build a new Pickleball Court

• Providing employees with expanded investment options through a Deferred Compensation Plan

• Approving the use of a bond to purchase two new Highway Department trucks

Priorities if re-elected

As Town Supervisor, I've worked hard to deliver responsible government that protects our community's character while keeping taxes low. I believe in progress that makes sense. I believe in progress that respects both our residents and our wallets.

Over the past few years, we've achieved a lot together. We've strengthened our environmental commitments, improved community services, and maintained the lowest town tax rate since 2011. But there's still more important work to do.

Priorities if re-relected

1. Keep Taxes Low and Spending Smart

I will continue to manage your tax dollars responsibly, ensuring every decision is made with fiscal discipline. Our residents deserve an efficient, transparent government that delivers value without unnecessary costs.

2. Finish the Zoning Revision Process

Updating our zoning laws is essential to preserving the small-town character we love while supporting thoughtful, sustainable growth. Completing this process will bring clarity and fairness to residents, homeowners, and local small businesses alike, helping us plan for the future without compromising who we are.

3. Create a Long-Overdue Comprehensive Plan

It's time to take a fresh, community-driven look at where we're headed. A new Comprehensive Plan will help guide land use, infrastructure, housing, and environmental protection for the next generation. This plan will be built with community input every step of the way, ensuring it reflects our shared vision and values.

Together, we can continue to make our town a place where families thrive, businesses grow responsibly, and every taxpayer knows their money is being used wisely.

DEAN MICHAEL (REP)

Qualifications & Experience

Over the past 30 years, I've owned small businesses in the insurance, real estate, and mortgage industries. I served 16 years on the town board, including 4 years as Deputy Supervisor, and spent 1 year on the Zoning Board of Appeals. I also led the Zoning Revision Committee for 12 years as Chairman. I hold an Associate's degree in Communications Media, a Bachelor's in Law and Finance, and an MBA in Finance. Additionally, I have certifications in Paralegal Studies and an advanced certificate in Human Resources.

With these experiences, I've built strong connections at the state and county levels, enabling me to secure grants and resources for our town. This helps us keep taxes low while enhancing services and benefits for all residents.

Priorities if elected

The town has faced several lawsuits over the years due to poor management decisions. My top priority will be to take a proactive, hands-on approach to prevent future legal issues and address any inconsistencies in the law that could lead to further lawsuits. I also plan to enhance the experience for residents by integrating more software solutions, enabling 24/7 access to town services and speeding up the permit process. Additionally, there have been persistent interdepartmental conflicts that need to be resolved. I am committed to creating a positive, collaborative work environment across all departments, ensuring smoother interactions for residents at the town hall.

I also aim to improve our parks and public spaces, starting with the long-awaited sidewalk between Stewart's and Friends Park, which was proposed 30 years ago. It's time to make that a reality for our community and the safety of our kids.

CLINTON PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Clinton Community Library be increased from $154,800 annually to $161,800

DOVER

RICHARD C. YENO (REP, CON) *Incumbent*

Major achievements of current term

During this term in office, fellow Town Board Members and I have improved facilities at both town parks at the request of residents, including ADA-compliant restrooms at Thomas Boyce Park and J.H. Ketcham Park. With local business support, the pond at Boyce Park was environmentally reclaimed with plans to stock it in the future for fishing derbies and passive recreation. Since installation of our new JHK Park walking track and outdoor fitness equipment, there has been steadily increased use by residents of all ages.

The final phase of outfitting the highway garage with utilities is near completion and the installation of an emergency generator there will prevent downtime for the Highway Dept. Last year's negotiation of a new EMS contract was a major cost-saving accomplishment we achieved that saved the threat of a significant tax increase. With ongoing oversight of revenue and spending, we have reduced and paid off some financed highway equipment and an inherited project's debt. The tentative 2026 budget includes approximately $74,000 in savings from these reductions in debt service. Using ARPA funds, a commercial generator was purchased for installation at the town's library.

I pledge to continue our fiscal responsibility and sensible budgetary decision making to show that achievements are the direct result of leadership, teamwork and collaboration.

Priorities if re-elected

If re-elected, a major priority will be to work with fellow Town Board members to develop and implement a strategic plan that includes financial resources to address much-needed exterior painting and upkeep of town-owned buildings. Both the Tabor-Wing House and Dover Library buildings were donated to the Town about 25 years ago and façade improvements and interior mechanical upgrades are due.

Another important focus of the Town Board and my work over the next two years will be to establish municipal reserve funds from unanticipated revenue to help offset future increases in the cost of town-purchased essential services. We have all experienced the impact of steadily increasing costs of products and services in our own households, and town governments have the same struggle when the cost of a contractual service skyrockets in next year's budget.

During my tenure as supervisor and fiscal officer, we have maintained a healthy municipal fund balance and whenever possible, we reduce and eliminate debt service on big-ticket purchases such as Highway equipment and facilities' infrastructure repairs and improvements. Wherever possible, we seek grant funding through federal, state, county and local sources with matching funds or in-kind support. In the end, my top priority as town supervisor is, will be and always has been, to help and serve Dover residents and continue to play a meaningful role in the great community that has been my lifelong home.

LINDA FRENCH (DEM, CF)

Qualifications & Experience

Proven leadership, deep roots"

• Former Town Supervisor (4 years) and Town Council Member (2 years)

• 30-year Dover resident

• Successful small-business owner for over 40 years

• Community leader: President of Pawling Lions Club, Friends of Dover Library, Dover Historical Society

• Honored as Woman of the Year by the Dutchess County Democratic Women's Caucus

My Vision: Community First

Being Supervisor is more than a part-time job. Dover deserves a leader who is present, engaged, and committed to working side-by-side with residents. I will be a hands-on Supervisor who listens, acts, and delivers results.

I loved serving as your supervisor before, and I'm ready to bring that same dedication back to Town Hall. With experience, energy, and commitment, I will work every day to make Dover stronger, more vibrant, and more connected.

Priorities if elected

• Put Dover on the map

• Promote local businesses, history, and attractions

• Community Committee to bring together schools, businesses, Historical Society, Fire Dept., and taxpayers

• County Partnerships: Meet with County Executive Sue Serino to expand services

• Beautification & Grants: Inspect town buildings, repair/paint, and secure grants without raising taxes

• Explore a cost-neutral community building

• Town Hall Engagement: Host seminars, civic education, and student mock board meetings

• Recreation Expansion: More programs for adults and children; improve website for easy access & payments

• Support for Seniors: Strengthen services and opportunities for older residents

DOVER PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Dover Plains Library be at $395,000

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HYDE PARK

ALFRED D. TORREGGIANI (REP, CON) *Incumbent*

Accomplishments:

Since taking office, I have:

• Made fiscal responsibility a top priority.

• Leveraged grant opportunities for municipal infrastructure.

• Redesigned Hackett Hill playground and completed all other park projects.

• Town Hall project completed on time and within budget.

• Through strict oversight, the Route 9 sidewalk project was made more efficient and saved the Town over $100,000.

• Obtained grants to salvage the New Guinea site.

• Made Town Hall business friendly and employed common sense to benefit homeowners and business owners investing in our town, such as the Bellefield Hotel and Crofton Project.

• Town Hall equipped to accept credit/debit card transactions.

Priorities if re-elected

• Seeking grant for the Fallkill Creek solutions with design phase completed.

• Developing pedestrian and vehicle solutions to the Farm Lane left-hand turn problem.

• Completing final sewer district cost calculations for presentation to the public.

• Demolition of 563 N. Quaker to be awarded at no cost to the Town.

• Joining the NYS "Pro-Housing" for available grants.

• Researching grant opportunities to review and update the Town Comprehensive Plan.

• Member of Dutchess County Transit Committee (DCTC) to advance roadway safety.

• Working on combining building department and zoning to improve the permitting process.

ANDRE J. CLARKE (DEM)

Qualifications & Experience

I graduated from Bernard M. Baruch College - a senior college within the City University of New York network of colleges, with a BBA in Accounting, with honors. Within a few years of gaining some work experience, I added to my daily schedule, evening classes, and graduated with my MBA in Finance and International Business from PACE University within three years. These credentials provided me with the academic depth and breadth to make my way in the professional spaces where I progressed from Staff Accountant in a leading CPA Firm, to Founder and CEO of AJC Accounting & Consulting Services, LLC – my very own accounting practice located in the Lower Hudson Valley. During my 37 years of business, finance and accounting experience, I have prepared and audited financial statements, written accounting and business policies, and ultimately served as the CFO for various local, national and international entities.

In addition, I have effectively led various financial teams, reported on the financial results of operations of many dynamic entities to many skilled executive boards, and successfully teamed with many CEO's to ensure their integral operational and financial activities yield success. I am well versed at identifying operational and financial issues that hamper success, as well as designing and implementing systems that effectively correct same. Goal oriented leadership, relentless perseverance, hard earned success – hallmarks of my career path.

I come to the role of Hyde Park Town Supervisor fully equipped to professionally embrace the fiscal and administrative challenges facing our town.

Priorities if elected

Having been a resident of the Hamlet of Staatsburg, within the Town of Hyde Park, since October 1994, it is with deep conviction that I outline the following goals:

• Conduct a thorough review of our financial position, validating the accuracy of our financial position reported.

• Evaluate our financial reporting system to ensure that it is delivering accurate and timely financial information for our town leadership.

• Crystallize our financial reporting requirements.

• Establish a committee to report on what it will take to get our new sewer system installed and functioning.

• Establish a committee to report on a plan to design and establish a workable, attractive and enjoyable town center.

• Work with a carefully selected consultant to identify grants and funding opportunities to accomplish the preceding two major goals.

• Commence a bi-monthly listening session open to members of our town, whereby we listen and address the challenges being experienced by our residents. I will attend all these meetings.

• Implement a policy whereby any resident approaching Town Hall, on any issue, is guaranteed a response within 48 hours. Not necessarily a solution, but some response acknowledging their issue, and mapping out a path forward. Silence and non-responses would be a thing of the past from members of my team.

• Within six months of taking office, issue a report to our town documenting the challenges inherited, our initiatives implemented, and the status of our efforts at executing positive change.

LAGRANGE

ANTHONY MARINARO (REP, CON)

Qualifications & Experience

I bring over 15 years of experience as a small business owner, where I've developed strong skills in strategic planning, financial management, and adapting to economic challenges. I work closely with vendors to ensure cost effective solutions, always with a focus on long term sustainability. Beyond business, I am actively involved in community outreach, partnering with organizations across Dutchess County to support youth, seniors, and veterans. I am committed to bringing fresh energy, a collaborative spirit, and a practical, solutions oriented mindset to the role of Town Supervisor.

Priorities if elected

If elected, my top priorities will focus on strengthening our community through responsible leadership, transparency, and thoughtful planning. I'm committed to improving communication between town leadership and residents, ensuring that every voice is heard and valued in the decision making process. Supporting our youth, seniors, and veterans will remain a key focus, along with protecting our environment and preserving the character of our town.

THERESA A. MORLEY (WOR)

Experience & Qualifications

I grew up in a Working Class Union Family. I have lived my life and advocated for working class people in my Union in Dutchess County. I believe a majority of LaGrange Government has focused around Businesses and wealthy residents. That is fundamentally unjust. Government priority is to support those in need and support the backbone of the community, which is the Working Class.

Priorities if elected

In the last 10 years, costs have skyrocketed in Dutchess County. My priority is to make LaGrange affordable again. Keeping taxes low, making housing more affordable, and using our community's tax money in a way that benefits Working Class People.

Editor's note: Democratic candidate James A. Fredrickson did not respond to our request to participate in this roundup.

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MILAN

WILLIAM JEFFWAY (DEM)

Qualifications & Experience

I have been involved with the Town of Milan in a variety of ways for 25 years. This includes non-political community organizations and town planning and zoning. For the past eight years I have served on the Milan Town Board. Early on, I went door to door across the town surveying non-political issues. I learned that while Milan does not have a physical town center, it does have a town character. That character is a quiet respect for neighbors, and the wish to have a place to call home that is rural, safe, accessible, and manageable now and for future generations. Since then, I have always tried to focus on community, not politics. Having broad support has been important to me.

My motivation for running for Town Supervisor is to ensure that Milan stays the course of the middle-ground, as it has in recent years. This means putting plans and laws in place for the long term, and being prepared to respond to new community needs, like the impact of wireless access, broadband distribution, short-term rentals, solar energy, and emerging, creative agricultural needs and opportunities.

I hope to continue to have a very open and transparent town government that is working best when it is not in the way of, but is supportive of, residents' wishes.

Priorities if elected

My priorities for the future are similar to what they have been in the past. To keep the town government focused on long-term planning … and focused on short-term responsiveness by listening to resident concerns. A priority is always to keep town taxes as low as possible.

We have a great relationship with our emergency services organizations, which are independent of the town. But they rely on volunteers and have increasing demands and we need to collectively support each other as a community.

There is real generational change at the Town Hall as our long-serving Town Clerk, and two long-serving Town Board and Supervisor veterans are retiring. An important priority is to attract and grow the next generation of public servants through a culture of respect and support.

Even in instances where a candidate does not have a major party opposition candidate, please exercise your right to vote. By doing this, you make a statement about the value you place on this right and the values you want to see in public servants. I feel it is among the best ways we can thank the men and women who have served our country in the military since our country's inception, to allow us to enjoy this right and responsibility. There is more information at www.milandems.org .

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PINE PLAINS

Editor's note: Incumbent Brian Walsh (REP) did not respond to our request to participate in this roundup.

KEVIN JOSEPH WALSH (DEM)

Experience/Qualifications

I serve as a current town board member. I ran two years ago because I felt I could make a difference in helping Pine Plains be a better version of itself. My goals were honest, with the best interests for Pine Plains in mind.

During my tenure, I have learned how the leadership at the top of an organization determines the direction it will travel and how far it will go.

As councilman, I have re-established the Conservation Advisory Council.

I was the creator of a local law requiring the Interim Supervisor to be a member of the board to insure that the Interim is up to speed on current issues before the board with no outside interference.

I was part to the team the found and hired Choice words to find and write grants for the town.

I formed the Wastewater committee to find alternative methods for municipal wastewater.

I pay close attention to the finances of the town because I understand the importance of the oversight responsibilities of a board member.

Pine Plains continues to lose businesses and thus tax revenue. If we don't change the way we support business in the town, we will continue to lose important and necessary infrastructure. We desperately need a grocery store.

Priorities if elected

As supervisor of the town:

• I will immediately begin work on the town website and use it as the tool it was meant to be.

• I will produce a newsletter to keep the town informed.

• I will entice and support local businesses.

• I will continue the work on central waste water to facilitate the infrastructure needed to help the business district.

It is with my leadership that I will move Pine Plains toward these goals.

PINE PLAINS PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Pine Plains Free Library be increased to $220,000

UNION VALE

STEVEN FRAZIER (REP, CON)

First term accomplishments

During my first term we addressed long-neglected maintenance issues in both facilities and equipment. Roofs that had been leaking for several years were replaced; hot water was restored to Town Hall. The Town server, 3 years obsolete, was updated. The Employee Handbook was overhauled, bringing it into compliance with both labor and Civil Service laws. Employees have been moved into the proper job titles and are being paid accordingly. I have studied the Recreation Department budget and it is now being entirely funded by user fees with no cost to the taxpayer. We established communication platforms to inform residents of schedule changes and events.

I have found tenants to occupy a building that had been vacant for more than 2 years at a loss of over $50,000 revenue to the town. We've replaced two vehicles that were costing more than their value in repairs. We took advantage of a surplus equipment sale at the County DPW and updated some highway equipment at a fraction of the cost of new.

More recently we secured a $50,000 grant to replace our salt storage shed, which had suffered a catastrophic failure. The new building is nearly complete. An equipment trailer in disrepair has been replaced.

Most importantly, I've restored morale among our employees. I make a point to thank them all for the work they do and have changed the whole environment at Town Hall, making it a cheery place to visit. Many residents have commented positively on the change and what a great job our employees do.

Priorities if re-elected

I'm fortunate to have no challenger in the coming election and am looking forward to continuing the improvements and maintenance of Town assets. We are currently preparing our 2026 Budget and are under the State tax cap. My goal is to establish reserve funds so that maintenance, repairs and replacement can be done on a schedule vs, waiting for catastrophic failure.

I'd like to re-establish relations with Mid-Hudson Library System so our residents have unrestricted access. I'm working on some of the other recreation services we offer to have user fees cover the operating expenses of those services. I'm constantly watching for areas where we can improve productivity and efficiency to give our taxpayers better value for their dollars.

I grew up in our area and remember what a tight-knit community it was. I'm working toward preserving that feeling among those who have also spent a lifetime here and welcoming those who have moved here to it. Our Town is populated by some really wonderful people!

Our Town is very limited in areas conducive to commercial development, and I'd like to make those areas attractive to investors wishing to bring business that is a good fit with our rural character to help ease the tax burden on our residents. Our operating expenses continue to rise and this falls to our residents to provide for.

I also plan to stay up to date with both our current technology and watch for new developments that can help with accountability and efficiency, including communication.

I'm looking forward to serving our residents another year!

WASHINGTON

Editor's note: Incumbent Gary Ciferri (REP) is running unopposed. He did not respond to our request to participate in this roundup.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Editor's note: Incumbent Mary E Albrecht (REP) is running unopposed. She did not respond to our request to participate in this roundup.

PLEASANT VALLEY PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Pleasant Valley Free Library be at $537,000

RHINEBECK

Editor's note: Incumbent Elizabeth Spinzia (DEM) is running unopposed. She did not respond to our request to participate in this roundup.

RHINEBECK PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Starr Library be increased by $82,000 to the sum of $546,800

STANFORD

JULIA DESCOTEAUX (DEM, WOR)

Qualifications & Experience

After graduation from college, I worked my way up to executive leadership positions overseeing multi-million dollar businesses and budgets at Fortune 100 companies like Toyota, L'Oreal, and Walmart. Over my 15+ year career in the private sector, I have exhibited the determination, teamwork, partnership, communication skills and open mindedness that have lent themselves to my role on the Town Board, to which I was elected in 2024. Since being elected, I have been a passionate advocate for sustainable growth, public service, and civic engagement. I have led major local initiatives—most notably the successful $500,000+ fundraising and full community rebuild of the town's 14,000 sq ft playground, SPARC Park. In my time on the Town Board, I have spearheaded the establishment for the newly formed Stanford Water Quality Committee and have served as liaison with the Conservation Advisory Commission. Since being in office, I've also had the benefit of attending Office of the State Controller's trainings, both virtually and in person, as well as attending the Association of Town's training twice, where I learned about the valuable resources available to us within the state such as grants and support organizations. I've created and nurtured relationships with our local and state government officials, including our incredible County Legislator Chris Drago, Dan Aymar-Blair, as well as our state representatives, Didi Barrett & Michelle Hinchey and even Pat Ryan's office at the federal level. I have been endorsed by the Working Families Party, the Central Labor Council and Eleanor's Legacy.

Priorities if elected

Our community is in a really solid place thanks to our outgoing Supervisor and previous/current Town Boards. We have the lowest tax levy of any town in Dutchess County as well as incredible civic engagement around causes like natural resource protection and recreation enhancement; but we can do more to support families, our aging population, and future growth while maintaining affordability. I am focused on furthering community engagement & seeking out grant opportunities to continue to invest in our recreation facilities and connectivity/accessibility that support all community members. I look forward to continuing to support the work of the Zoning Commission, which is tasked with making recommendations for updates to our zoning laws to reflect our updated Comprehensive Plan, while protecting the rural character of our town and property owners rights. And, finally, I am looking to carry out an integral multi-year work stream around groundwater testing and monitoring with the support of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Dutchess County that will aim to protect our town's most precious resource: water. The results will inform future source water protection strategies, unlock funding opportunities for things like septic system remediation, and support renewed inter-municipal coordination across the Wappinger Creek watershed, which feeds the majority of our groundwater. I will also work to maintain and further reduce, where possible, our town's tax levy. I have shown that I can make well-informed, data-driven decisions that sustain natural resources and growth that don't burden our taxpayers, while fostering collaboration and safeguarding the investment that our community members have made in this community.

Editor's note: Republican candidate Michael Roche did not respond to our request to participate in this roundup.

STANFORD PROPOSITION

• Requesting the town's annual contribution for the operating budget of the Stanford Free Library be at $200,400

Hyde Park Farmers Market finishes great season with Halloween Party

Hyde Park Farmers Market director Dot Chenevert was all smiles this past Saturday as visitors and vendors finished the 2025 season with a colorful Halloween Party. Fino Farms provided fruits and vegetables and visitors came dressed in a variety of costumes. A pirate greeted visitors at The Lion's Brew with coffee alternatives and Frost Bites - Freeze-dried Treats.

Dinosaur costumes and others "wowed" the crowd. A chicken skeleton greeted visitors and Bazar Bites Food Truck provided culinary treats with an FBI theme. *Photos by Curtis Schmidt and Richard Wambach*

Mid Hudson Trout Unlimited (MHTU) will hold its annual Stewardship Dinner and Auction fundraiser

When:	November 7, 2025
Time:	6 – 10 p.m.
Location:	Beekman Golf Club, 11 Country Club Road, Hopewell Junction.

TROUT UNLIMITED MID-HUDSON CHAPTER

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This event is open to the public. Tickets, $65 per person, are available online or $60 by check payable to MHTU. Send your check to Pat Crisci, 115 Beaver Rd., Lagrangeville, NY 12540.

For more info, please contact patcrisci@aol.com
Proceeds from the dinner and auction will help fund MHTU conservation projects such as stream cleanups, tree plantings, stream and habitat improvement, community outreach.

Community Calendar

Children's Halloween Party at Morton Library

Morton Memorial Library (82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff) will host a Children's Halloween Party on Wednesday, Oct. 29, from 4 to 5 p.m. Attendees will be spookily entertained by reading Halloween stories, and will decorate Halloween cookies. Costumes encouraged.

Call (845) 876-2903 to RSVP.

Penny Social at Stanford Grange set Nov. 1

Dutchess County Pomona Grange #32 will host a Penny Social on Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and calling begins at 7 p.m. There will be penny items, $1 table, homemade baked goods, theme baskets, 50/50 drawing, and door prizes. Refreshments will be for sale; no outside food, please - it takes money away from the kids. Total proceeds benefit the Dutchess County Pomona Grange's "Kids Helping Kids" Projects. For more information, contact Marilyn Brands at (845) 223-5717 or Melissa Traver at (845) 891-9779.

Pork Loin BBQ Fundraiser set Nov. 1 at Masonic Lodge

Hendrick Hudson Masonic Lodge, at 9 Graves St. in Red Hook, will hold its Pork Loin BBQ Fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 1, starting at 3 p.m. The menu will include pork loin,mashed potatoes, red cabbage, apple sauce and apple crisp. The cost is $20. Visit RedHookMasons.org or call (845) 758-8185 for more information.

Museum of Rhinebeck History sets Fall Open House & Graveyard Talk

The Museum of Rhinebeck History will hold its Fall Open House & Graveyard Talk on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Quitman House, 7015 Route 9, Rhinebeck. Free admission. Looking for vendors: If you'd like to reserve a table for the Museum's tag sale during the Fall Open House, send an email to museumofrhinebeckhistory@gmail.com.

PV Repair Cafe moved to Nov. 1

The Pleasant Valley Repair Cafe will be held Saturday, Nov. 1, 2025, at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, Rt. 44, Pleasant Valley. The Repair Cafe was originally scheduled for Oct. 18. but had to be postponed until Nov. 1, due to unforeseen circumstances.

Bring your moth-eaten sweaters, lamps, garden tools, fans, radios, vacuums and more to be repaired by our expert FIXERS. Hope to see you there as it is our LAST repair care for 2025.

Anderson Foundation for Autism Gala set Nov. 1

Join the Anderson Foundation for Autism for a festive evening of dinner, dancing, and inspiration on Saturday, Nov. 1, at The Grandview, 176 Rinaldi Boulevard, Poughkeepsie. There will be a cocktail reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner and program at 7:30 p.m.

The black-tie optional gala will honor Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Katy Kollar, recipients of the 2025 VV Anderson Community Service Award. In addition, two yet-to-be-named Anderson Center team members will also be recognized with the 2025 Above and Beyond Awards (one from the children's program, and one who works in our adult programs). Tickets must be reserved in advance; visit andersoncenterforautism.org/gala or call (845) 889-9208.

Skyllkill Embroiderers to host monthly event in Lagrangeville

Nov 5 - Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville - "From Basic to Beautiful: Hand Stitching Reimagined." Lynn Kane of Puppy Girl Designs will present a lecture/trunk show where the history of Redwork is reviewed through antique pieces. Skyllkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America presents this program beginning at 12:30pm. Join other needleworkers for fun and learning beginning at 10am or come for this program only beginning at 12:30pm. For more information visit www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA or email to EGASkyllkill@gmail.com.

Trout Unlimited Stewardship Dinner

Dutchess County-based Mid Hudson Trout Unlimited (MHTU), a not-for-profit 501-c3 chapter of the national conservation organization Trout Unlimited will hold its annual Stewardship Dinner and Auction fundraiser on November 7 from 6 – 10 p.m. at the Beekman Golf Club, 11 Country Club Road in Hopewell Junction. This event is open to the public. Tickets, $65 per person, are available online at https://tu.myeventscenter.com/event/Mid-Hudson-Tu-Stewardship-Dinner-114487?redir=1 or $60 by check payable to MHTU. Send your check to Pat Crisci, 115 Beaver Rd., Lagrangeville, NY 12540. For more info please contact patcrisci@aol.com Proceeds from the dinner and auction will help fund MHTU conservation projects such as stream cleanups, tree plantings, stream and habitat improvement, community outreach, youth summer camp and scholarship programs and outings for military veterans.

Fall Tree Planting set Nov. 8 in Red Hook

The Annual Red Hook Village Green Committee Fall Tree Planting is set for Saturday, Nov. 8. Meet at 9 a.m. at municipal lot/Village Hall for team assignments, photo ops and proper planting demonstrations. Teams will disperse to plant throughout the village. Bring shovels, rakes, gloves, etc. Please RSVP to franuku@redhookvillage.gov so she knows how many are coming.

Treat a Vet to Breakfast Nov. 9 in Poughkeepsie

The Knights of Columbus Bishop Mestice Council #15698 will host a Treat a Vet to Breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 9, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Holy Trinity School Fr. Conaty Gym, 775 Main St., Poughkeepsie. It is time for our Community to thank our Veterans for defending our great nation and their military service. The cost for adults is $10, children ages 5-10 eat for $5, and children under age 5 eat for free. Veterans also eat for free.

Wreath dedication to Revolutionary War hero set Nov. 9 at Rhinebeck church

Sunday, November 9, 10am. Rhinebeck Reformed Church, 6368 Mill Street. During church service there will be a wreath dedication to General Richard Montgomery on the 250th anniversary of his death. General Montgomery was a member of the Church who died in battle in December, 1775, the first American officer to die in the line of duty. Co-sponsored by Chancellor Livingston Chapter NSDAR and the Rhinebeck Reformed Church. Open to the public. Refreshments served. For information about this meeting or how to become a member, email darrhinebeck@gmail.com.

Dutchess Regional Photography group to meet Nov. 12

On Wednesday, Nov. 12. at 6:30 p.m., the Dutchess Regional Photography (DRP) group will hold a dinner meeting at Perkins restaurant in Wappingers Falls. The speaker will be Lisa Ann Olson and her topic will be "Landscape, Nature, Sunset and Macro Photography." The first meeting is free. Visit www.drpp-NY.org for more information, or contact DRP President Les Muldorf at lesm1974@mac.com.

Rhinebeck Garden Club to meet Nov. 19

Rhinebeck Garden Club Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, November 19, 10am, Starr Library Community Room, 68 West Market Street. Program: "Foraging for the Holidays". A demonstration by Jay Bell using materials gathered from your garden. Refreshments served. Most meeting are open to the public, but guests are asked to join after attending two meetings. For information about this meeting, or to become a member call Sue at 845-797-3226.

Rhinecliff Grange Soup Sales heating up

Rhinebeck Grange #896 will sponsor Rhinecliff Soup Sales on the third Thursday of the month: Nov. 20 and Dec. 18. Soup is $10, sold by the quart. Take-out only. Pick-up location at Morton Library between 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 4:30-6:30 p.m. Email: JoBaer2@gmail.com to get the soup choices for each month and pre-order on-line.

Christmas Craft Fair set Nov. 22 at Regina Coeli

Regina Coeli Parish will host its 51st Annual Christmas Craft Fair - Santa's Express - on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This craft fair features about 60 artisans from throughout the Hudson Valley. In addition, the parish will sponsor a Craft Boutique with handmade items, Bake Booth, a Basket Raffle, Promise Tree featuring gift certificates at discounted prices, Vendor item raffle and Santa's Closet featuring new/gently used merchandise. Santa plans to make a guest appearance from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for your Christmas photos. Food/refreshments will be available for purchase. Admission is $2 for adults. Parking is in the front and the rear of the building. Regina Coeli is located on Route 9 in Hyde Park.

Christmas Market Nov. 29 in Pine Plains

Christmas Market – Nov. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pine Plains Community Center, 7775 South Main Street, 2nd Floor, Pine Plains. Join us in the heart of Pine Plains for a magical Christmas Market filled with festive cheer and one-of-a-kind treasures! Stroll through a wonderland of local vendors offering homemade baked goods, artisan jams, cosy clothing, sparkling jewelry, stylish handbags, home decor and hand crafted gifts. Hosted by Just A Cook 845 justacook845@gmail.com 845-801-3482

Italian Halloween

It's all about the candy.

Halloween in our house was different than your average American Household. Granted, we carved pumpkins, and made costumes like everyone else, but that is where the similarities ended.

When we carved pumpkins, Mom would retrieve all the pieces of the pumpkin that we discarded and roasted it with garlic and rosemary, which we would have with dinner that night.

Halloween usually was around the time we were making wine, so to my parents that was much more important than us making costumes to go begging for candy. But to us, this was the ultimate holiday. A time for us to be like regular American kids. A time for us to not have to eat homemade candy. No, this was our chance to get Snickers bars, Three Musketeers bars, Charleston Chews and gum. This was our chance to get HERSHEY'S!

Leading up to the big day, I can remember dreaming of pouring huge sacks of candy out on my bed and running my hands through it. My little brother and I would painstakingly plan our costumes in order to make sure we would maximize our take. Naturally, the better the costumes, the better the candy. Once people saw how creative we were, they would empty their bowls into our sacks. No, we would never think of wearing store-bought costumes (Mom wouldn't buy us one, anyway). We were artists, and we would build our own elaborate costumes! That is in between doing homework, making wine, raking leaves, and tilling the garden for the spring.

I remember the year I was going to be a robot. It was 1977 and "Star Wars" was still at the Roosevelt movie theater. I carefully saved boxes to build my robot suit. I found old cans of paint in the basement to paint my stupendous costume. In theory, I would attach a small box, for my head, on top of a big box, for my body. I would roll cardboard for my arms and legs and attach the whole thing using duct tape. Then I would carefully paint it. Punch out some holes for eye and a mouth. Add a few light bulbs, some dials, and old wires and I would be all set it my genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials.

My little brother was going to be a hobo. Ha! I thought, I would have to bring two sacks with me in order to collect all the candy I would get from my genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials.

In the days and weeks leading up to the big day, I carefully built my suit in my basement. Taping and painting with such care. Putting the old light bulbs into the box, adding the old dials and the bits of wire in order to make it look realistic. When it was completed, in my mind, it looked like a genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials. It was so big, I couldn't bring it up the stairs in the house, so I had to bring it up the outdoor cellar stairs.

When the big night came, Vinny put on his torn shirt, used some charcoal from the barbecue, and put on an old hat. Big deal. I had on my genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials.

That night Mom sent my older brother Anthony out with us to watch over us. It was really difficult to walk with the rolled card board around my legs. That's OK, I was wearing my genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials, and I was going to get a truck load of candy. However, as we walked it got more and more difficult. It wasn't very flexible, so I had to ditch the arms and legs in the woods so that I could walk. My costume still looked great even without the arms and legs. I would still clean up, because I was wearing a genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials.

Once we hit the neighborhood, I really couldn't see too well because the holes I had put in for eyes weren't big enough. I was tripping as we went to the first few houses. I noticed Vinny got the same amount of candy as I did. Hmm. I thought that would change as we got to the really generous houses that were sure to be down the road a bit.

I took off my head by the fifth house, because I couldn't see and it was getting hot inside the box anyway. So now all had was the body and pieces were starting to fall off it also. On we went. With pieces falling off every other house, until finally, I was wearing a painted box as a costume. Not only that, I was getting the same amount at every house we went to. I had no idea what was going on!

Finally we went to our last house and it was time to start the walk home. As we walked my legs kept hitting was left of my genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials. By the time we got home, I had ditched the box altogether and was just walking in my NY Mets jacket that Mom insisted I wear under my costume.

When we got home, we counted our candy and to my surprise, not only did I not have more candy than Vinny, but he in fact had a few more pieces than me. I was shocked. I had put such care into building my genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials and my investment didn't pan out. That's OK. At least we had our candy and in the end, that is all that mattered. Not the genuine "Star Wars" inspired robot suit with light bulbs, wires and dials. Only the candy. I ran my hands through the pile of candy. You could smell the Hershey's chocolate perfume waft in the air. It was like heaven.

The next year, I didn't bother with the huge costume plan. I took a page out of Vinny's book and was just a hobo and got the same amount of candy. As I said, it was all about the candy.

While reminiscing about your childhood Halloween, please enjoy the following recipe for Pumpkin Gnocchi. It is another use for the leftover pumpkin pieces when your kids carve out there jack-o-lanterns. Have fun! Ciao!

PUMPKIN GNOCCHI

Ingredients

- 1 small pumpkin, cut and peeled
- 1 egg
- 1 cup flour (more for dusting the board)
- Freshly ground nutmeg
- ¼ cup of grated Parmesan cheese
- 10 sage leaves, picked
- ¼ cup butter, unsalted
- salt and pepper to taste

Method

In a large double boiler, steam the pumpkin until soft, around 25 minutes. If the pumpkin feels wet, dry it out a bit by placing it in a large pan over a low heat to remove some excess moisture.

Use a potato masher to mash up the pumpkin in a large bowl then add the egg, flour, nutmeg and parmesan cheese (add some salt and pepper to taste). Using a fork, mix the ingredients together. When you are done it will look quite sticky.

On a floured tray roll your gnocchi dough into a ball and place in the refrigerator overnight. The next day, Flour a wooden board and line a tray with baking paper. With floured hands, take teaspoon sized bits and roll them into balls and place it on the baking tray.

Bring a large pot of salted water to the boil and then lower the heat to a medium boil. Drop the gnocchi pieces and let cook until they start floating to the top. Remove from the water and place on some kitchen paper to absorb the water. Keep warm.

For the sauce, heat the butter until nicely browned and it smells nutty, then add the sage leaves. Pour the browned butter sauce and sage leaves over the gnocchi and serve immediately.

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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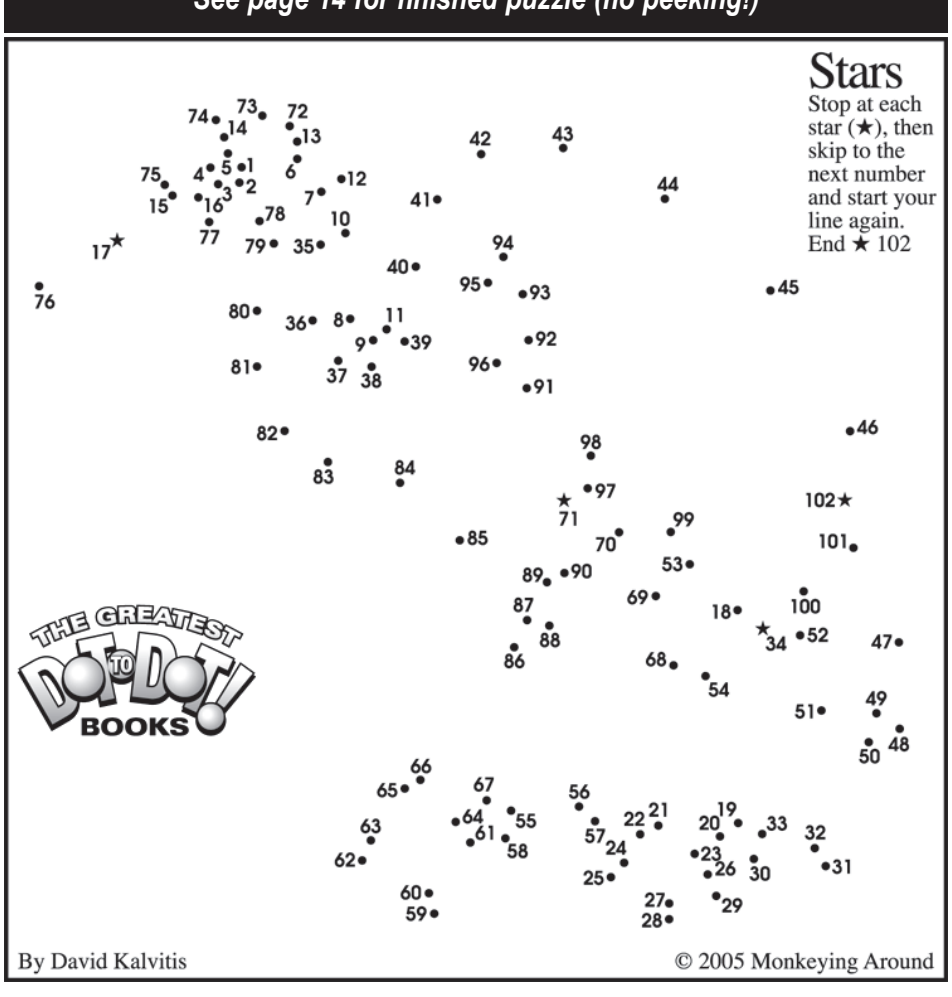
DOT-TO-DOT PUZZLE

See page 14 for finished puzzle (no peeking!)



DIY skeleton: A spooky 'skullture'

Holidays can present opportunities to squeeze some learning into fun projects. Such is the case with Halloween. You can use imagery of skeletons to teach about bones, joints, and the skeletal system. Here are some "talking points" that could be discussed as you create a DIY skeleton with your own children or students in a classroom.

The skeleton

The musculoskeletal system includes muscles and joints working with bones to provide structure to our bodies and allow movement. Besides movement, skeletons protect our body's internal organs. Human skeletons are made up of 206 bones. Some are referred to by common names, but learning their scientific names can be fun and useful! Some easy examples are tailbone (coccyx), collar bone (clavicle), and kneecap (patella). Include a number of others, depending on the ages you are working with.

Bone types

There are several types of bones in the human body. Long bones have a long, thin shape. Examples include the bones of the arms and legs (excluding the wrists, ankles, and kneecaps). With the help of muscles, long bones work as levers to permit movement. Short bones have a squat, cubed shape. Examples include the bones that make up the wrists and the ankles. Flat bones have a broad surface. Examples include shoulder blades and breastbone. Irregular bones have a shape that does not conform to the above three types. Examples include the bones of the spine and pelvis.

Bone tissues and cells

Bones have different layers. The outer shell is called the periosteum. It contains blood vessels and nerves. Tissue below that is called compact bone, which provides protection for inner layers. Spongy bone, inside most bones, is made of a honeycombed material, which allows them to be strong yet lightweight. The innermost tissue is the bone marrow. It is a jelly-like substance found inside the cavities of some bones. It produces blood cells and platelets.

Our body is constantly remodeling its skeleton by building up and breaking down bone tissue. As a result, each bone is rebuilt about every decade. The bone cells involved in this process include osteoblasts (cells that build bone), osteocytes (cells that maintain bone by controlling mineral and calcium content), and osteoclasts (cells that break down old bone tissue).

Many factors work together to ensure the strength and health of bones. Bone density relies on a steady supply of dietary calcium, adequate vitamin D from sunshine and food, a healthy diet with plenty of vitamins and minerals, various hormones, and regular weight-bearing exercise.

Joints

Joints hold the skeleton together and support movement. Some joints are immovable, such as skull sutures and the articulations between the teeth and jaws. Other joints allow slight movement like the membrane between the two lower-leg bones. The most obvious joints in this DIY skeleton are fully movable, such as those in the limbs. Fully movable joints contain a capsule of fluid and are often reinforced by ligaments. Examples of fully movable joints include elbows and hips.

Build your own Spooky "Skullture" with everyday items. *Photo by Francine Wizner*

You can make your own DIY skeleton out of paper towel and toilet paper rolls! Watch a "how to" video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTk33M99G_4. Here is an organized write-up of the activity with bone cutouts: https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Product/BUILD-YOUR-OWN-SKELETON-MODEL-HUMAN-BODY-SYSTEMS-HANDS-ON-ACTIVITY-7335120.

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A & E CALENDAR

Through Nov. 13: Poughkeepsie Big Read. The Poughkeepsie Public Library District (PPLD) presents its annual program intended to encourage the community to read, discuss and participate in thematic events. In recognition of the 2026 celebration of Rev250, this year's Big Read theme is Eve of the Revolution, and the Big Read title is "Rise to Rebellion" by Jeff Shaara. The Teen Read title is "Alexander Hamilton: The Graphic History of an American Founding Father" by Jonathan Hennessey and Justin Greenwood, and the Middle/Little Read titles are selections by Laurie Halse Anderson, including "Rebellion 1776," "Chains" (part of her "Seeds of America" trilogy) and "Independent Dames." Complete list of events at www.poklib.org

Oct. 30: Author talk with Bill McKibben, Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. McKibben will discuss "Here Comes the Sun: A Last Chance for the Climate and a Fresh Chance for Civilization" with Laura Flanders, 4-6 p.m. McKibben's book is a call to action and shows how solar power is more than just a path out of the climate crisis: it is a chance to reorder the world on saner and more humane grounds. Presented in partnership with Oblong Books. Registration requested. www.oblongbooks.com

Oct. 30: Jazz Duo, 1915 Wine Cellar, 40 Cannon St., Poughkeepsie. Bob Arthurs, trumpet & vocals; Billy Stein, guitar, 7-9 p.m. (845) 232-5311

Oct. 31-Nov. 1: Live Entertainment at the Towne Crier Cafe, 379 Main St., Beacon. Oct. 31: Le Vent du Nord, 8:30 p.m. Tickets $40 advance, $45 door. Nov. 1: The Bob Cats play the music of Bob Dylan, 8:30 p.m. Tickets $25 advance, $30 door. (845) 855-1300 or www.townecrier.com

Oct. 31-Nov. 2: "Misery," The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. ased on Stephen King's iconic novel, "Misery" is a chilling descent into a world fueled by dependency and obsession. After a near-fatal car crash, best-selling romance novelist Paul Sheldon is rescued by his self-proclaimed number-one fan, the uncanny Annie Wilkes. Annie promises to nurse Paul back to health on her idyllic and remote Colorado Farm, but it soon becomes terrifyingly clear: she has no intention of ever letting him go. Presented by Definitely Human Theatre. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets $25. (845) 876-3080 or www.centerforperformingarts.org

Nov. 1: Julia Keefe Indigenous Big Band, Sosnoff Theater, The Fisher Center at Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson. The performance from the ensemble of Native and Indigenous jazz musicians, led by the celebrated vocalist and luminary Julia Keefe (Nez Perce), celebrates the start of Native American Heritage Month, 7 p.m. Bard's Center for Indigenous Studies invites guests to join in a community gathering starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Sosnoff Theater. Before the performance, complimentary food offerings from Chef Taelor Barton (Cherokee Nation) will celebrate seasonal Indigenous foodways. A maker's market will feature work by local artists and information about Bard's affiliated programs. Tickets start at $25. fishercenter.bard.edu or (845) 758-7900

Nov. 1-2: Pine Plains Festival of Shorts, Stissing Center for Arts & Culture, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains. This new festival is a curated, non-competitive showcase of short films created by filmmakers from Pine Plains and nearby communities. The two evenings will feature a wide variety of films – documentary, animation, comedy and drama, followed by live Q&A sessions with the filmmakers themselves. Sat., 7 p.m.; Sun., 5 p.m. Fundraiser to upgrade the Stissing Center with professional-grade film screening equipment. thestissingcenter.org or (518) 771-3339

Nov. 2: Quaker Meeting House Tour, visit four historic meetinghouses and learn about Quaker history in Dutchess County, noon-4 p.m. Free. Last tour of the season. Stops on the tour include Oblong Meeting House in Pawling, Nine Partners Meeting House in Millbrook, Creek Meeting House in Clinton Corners and Crum Elbow Meeting House in Hyde Park. www.meetinghousetour.com

Nov. 4: Gabby's Dollhouse Live, MJN Convention Center, 14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie. A fun new sprinkle-filled adventure, live on stage, 6 p.m. In this a-MEOW-zing show, Gabby unboxes a special acorn that needs the magical touch of a rainbow to grow. www.MJNCenter.org

Nov. 5: Joe Deninzon & Stratospheerius, Daryl's House Club, 130 Rte. 22, Pawling. Deninzon is a singer-songwriter, electric violinist known for his work with the progressive rock group Kansas. Tickets $28.69-$40.02. (845) 289-0185 or darylshouseclub.com

Nov. 5: "From Basic to Beautiful: Hand Stitching Reimagined," Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville. Lynn Kane of Puppy Girl Designs will present a lecture/trunk show where the history of Redwork is reviewed through antique pieces. Skyllkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America presents this program beginning at 12:30 p.m. Join other needleworkers for fun and learning beginning at 10 a.m. or come for this program only beginning at 12:30 p.m. For more information visit www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA or email to EGASkyllkill@gmail.com.

Nov. 5-9: Beacon Bonfire Music + Art Festival, City of Beacon. More than a festival, Beacon Bonfire is a five-day takeover of the city - transforming streets, breweries, galleries, and unexpected corners of town into stages and canvases. Inspired by the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and Burning Man, Bonfire blends grassroots energy with Beacon's unique history, drawing artists and audiences from across the Hudson Valley and beyond. Tickets & more info: beaconbonfire.com

EXHIBITIONS

Artists' Collective Gallery of Hyde Park (ACHP), 4338 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park. **Through October:** "In Between Layers: What the Spirit Knows," exhibition by painter Raimondo Gaby featuring works inspired by the artist's time spent with his mother on her journey with terminal cancer and afterward. (845) 366-6856, artistscollectiveofhydepark.com

Available Items, 64 Broadway, Tivoli. **Through Nov. 16:** "Above Ground," sonic sculptures by ceramicist and musician Julia Elsas. availableitems.com

Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center, 9 &12 Vassar St., Poughkeepsie. **Through October:** Featured in the Victorian Gallery at 9 Vassar Street in Poughkeepsie, will be painter Valerie Berner with her solo show Scenes and Scenery from Untold Stories. At 12 Vassar Street in the Reception Gallery, Inna Ivanovskya and Tatiana Rhinevault present their diverse and vibrant works of art, and Lisa Weinblatt brings her renowned School Lunch painting series to the Hancock Gallery. **Nov. 3-Dec. 31:** Featured in the Victorian Gallery at 9 Vassar St. will be accomplished landscape painter Arianne Wack. At 12 Vassar St., internationally known artist Elise Pittelman will present her collection of paintings in the Hancock Gallery, and in the Reception Gallery two artists share the space - award-winning documentary photographer Alfons Rodriguez presenting his exhibit "The Melting Age" and painter Maria Krasnopolsky whose plein air series, "Renditions," will be showcased. **Free Public Art Opening Receptions** will be held in all three Art Galleries on Fri., Nov. 7, 5-7 p.m. 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. 1, 2026:** "Chronostasia: Select Acquisitions 2020–2025," an exhibition that brings together more than s60 works acquired over the past five years. Related Programs: Thurs., Nov. 13, 5:30 p.m., "Rothko in Conversation," in Taylor 102. Christopher Rothko in conversation with Loeb Director Bart Thurber, followed by a reception in the atrium. Closing Program: Thurs., Jan. 29, 5:30 p.m., in Taylor 102, artist talk with Cecilia Vicuña. (845) 437-5632 or https://www.vassar.edu/theloeb

The Inn at Bellefield, 25 Old Vineyard Place, Hyde Park. **Through January 2026:** Arts Mid-Hudson presents an exhibition of alcohol ink paintings by Linda Lavin. Her semi-abstract images often echo impressionistic landscapes, alive with flow and movement. Working without brushes, she embraces the fluid, unpredictable techniques of alcohol ink on impervious surfaces such as tile, glass, and yupo paper, creating works that are both dynamic and distinctive. Artist Talk: Thurs., Nov. 13, 3-4 p.m. More info at artsmidhudson.org/art-at-the-bellefield.

LAND Gallery, 30 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling. **Through Nov. 23:** "Wild World," photographs by Ann Shelbourne. (845) 490-2281 or www.landgalleryonline.com

Mildred I. Washington Gallery, Allyn J. Center for Science and Art, Dutchess Community College, 53 Pendell Rd., Poughkeepsie. **Through Oct. 30:** DCC's annual Faculty Art Exhibit, "Power to the People," highlights the diverse creative voices of DCC faculty through drawings, sculptures, porcelain, fabric art, oil paintings, animation, collage and photography. (845) 431-8612

Millbrook Arts Project, Millbrook Library, 3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook. **Through Nov. 1:** "Women, Water and Work: Imagining Nicaragua Exhibit," Millbrook Library and the Millbrook Arts Group partner with Artists for Soup, a non-profit organization based in Millbrook, to celebrate Latinx Heritage Month. Paintings and folk art created by Nicaraguan artists are on exhibit. https://millbrooklibrary.org/millbrook-arts-project/

Millbrook Vineyards & Winery, 26 Wing Rd., Millbrook. **Through Nov. 9:** "Art in the Loft," a juried exhibition and sale of fine art featuring the work 16 Arts Mid-Hudson member artists. On view daily, noon-5 p.m. Visitors are invited to vote for their favorite piece to be featured on an exclusive wine label. https://www.artsmidhudson.org/art-in-the-loft

Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. **Through Nov. 1:** Morton's Celebration of Fiber Arts, created by local artists. (845) 876-2903

Olana State Historic Site, Sharp Family Gallery, 5720 Rte. 9G, Hudson. **Through Nov. 2:** "What's Missing?" site-specific artworks in the Olana landscape by Ellen Harvey and Gabriela Salazar. (518) 751-6879 or www.olana.org

Thomas Cole National Historic Site, 218 Spring St., Catskill. **Through Nov. 2:** "EMILY COLE: Ceramics, Flora & Contemporary Responses," placing the art of Emily Cole (1843-1913), a professional artist and daughter of Thomas Cole, into conversation with eight, internationally celebrated contemporary artists including Ann Agee, Jacqueline Bishop, Francesca DiMattio, Valerie Hegarty, Courtney M. Leonard, Jiha Moon, Michelle Sound, and Stephanie Syjuco. The exhibition is the largest display of original painted porcelain and works on paper by Emily Cole ever shown since the 19th century. **Through Dec. 14:** "ON TREES: Georgia O'Keeffe and Thomas Cole," exhibition brings together two iconic American artists in the COLE 200 anniversary year (1825-2025). The presentation explores how Thomas Cole depicted trees in the year of his transformational first visit to Catskill, NY in 1825, and how Georgia O'Keeffe did so in her pivotal first visit to New Mexico a century later in 1929. www.thomascole.org

Tivoli Artists Gallery, 60 Broadway, Tivoli. **Through Nov. 16:** "FARM to TABLE: A Tribute to All Things Agricultural," TAG members consider what about this great valley inspires them, be it the landscape, farming seasons, or the journey and the abundance of the harvest. The exhibition offers a range of styles and responses from printmakers, photographers, painters, sculptors and mixed media artists that continue to illuminate our relationship with nature. (845) 757-2667 or www.tivoliartistsgallery.com

MONUMENTAL SCULPTURAL ARTWORK ADDED TO VASSAR COLLEGE GROUNDS

Soaring 18 feet high, seven sentinels made of weathered steel surround a female bronze figure that appears to emerge from the earth. This dynamic and awe-inducing public artwork, situated at the northwest perimeter of the campus, is Vassar College's newest public art acquisition. The monumental sculpture, by Rose B. Simpson, a mixed-media artist from Santa Clara Pueblo, N.M., marks the first time a major outdoor work by an Indigenous artist has a permanent home on the campus. Simpson's work, entitled "Seed" (2024), was acquired by The Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center. Its location, within the College's arboretum, along with the nearby Heartwood Hotel and soon-to-be-completed Dede Thompson Bartlett Center for Admission and Career Education, serves as a means to welcome visitors, students, and members of the community. In Simpson's own words, "The ancestral sentinels are ominous as they stand watch; they behold, they reflect a critical eye at the mannerisms modern humans take for granted, or even choose. The circle of protection provides an example of where values can adjust, and a critical seriousness of the weight of what we have taken for granted. The ancestors demonstrate to the future the work that is yet to be done." Pictured: Rose B. Simpson, Kha'p'oe Ówîngeh, "Seed," 2024 (installation view, left, and detail, right). Oxidized steel, cast bronze, and native medicinal plants. *Photos by Tom Barratt*

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Agatha Christie's chilling mystery set Nov. 7-23 at The Center

CENTERstage Productions, the resident production company of The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, invites audiences into one of Agatha Christie's most chilling mysteries: "And Then There Were None." The production runs Nov. 7-23, with performances Fridays at 8 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 8, at 8 p.m.; Saturdays, Nov. 15 and 22 at 3 p.m.; and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets are $25.

Following the success of "Murder on the Orient Express" (Fall 2024) and "The Mousetrap" (February 2025, in collaboration with Up In One Productions), CENTERstage Productions returns with another Christie classic, this time tackling one of her darkest and most psychologically complex works.

In "And Then There Were None," 10 strangers are summoned to a remote island under mysterious circumstances. Each guest hides a terrible secret, and as they begin to die one by one, it becomes clear that a murderer is among them. Trapped by a storm and haunted by a sinister nursery rhyme, the survivors must uncover the killer before no one is left alive.

CENTERstage's recent Agatha Christie productions have drawn enthusiastic crowds and acclaim for their atmosphere, suspense, and ensemble performances. With "And Then There Were None," the production dives deep into the psychological tension that made Christie the best-selling mystery writer of all time.

Directed by Emily DePew, with assistant direction by Justin Doro, the production features Joe Bongiorno, Michael Britt, Tom Bunker, David Foster, Lucas Hopper, Morgan McKinley, Lindsay Moravec, David Shakopi, Thom Webb, Wendy Urban-Mead, and Elaine Young.

Recommended for ages 13+.

The cast of Agatha Christie's "And Then There Were None" comes to The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck Nov. 7-23. *Courtesy photo*

Tickets are available at www.centerforperformingarts.org or by calling the box office at (845) 876-3080.

The Center is at 661 Route 308, just east of Rhinebeck Village.

County sets 2nd annual 'America Recycles Day Art Challenge' for students

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino has announced the return of the County's "America Recycles Day Art Challenge," aimed at educating students about recycling and encouraging them to creatively reuse materials that are often discarded.

The initiative, open to all school-aged students in Dutchess County, offers young people the chance to explore creative reuse to ensure a sustainable future.

Students are encouraged to create two- or three-dimensional artwork using recyclable materials like paper, plastic, aluminum and glass. While non-recyclable items like glue or tape can be used for construction, the focus is on reimagining waste into art. Submissions must be registered and sent in by Nov. 10, and will be judged based on clarity, description, and creativity.

Winners will be selected in four age categories: Kindergarten-2nd Grade, 3rd-5th Grade, 6th-8th Grade and 9th-12th Grade.

The winning pieces will be announced on Nov. 14, the day before America Recycles Day, and displayed at the FDR Presidential Library & Museum in Hyde Park from Nov. 17 to Dec. 5, 2025.

Local schools, homeschool groups and any other school-aged child interested in taking advantage of this fun opportunity can visit the Division of Solid Waste Management's website at dutchessny.gov/solidwaste for details. For questions, contact Recycling Educator Dani White at solidwastemgmt@dutchessny.gov or by calling (845) 486-2841.

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Goals:

* We need to "Start what we finish, roll up our sleeves and do what it takes to accomplish town objectives."
* Create a Master Plan for town water inclusive of funding Address defective Property Tax rolls
* Work to obtain grant funding for Town needs, Water, Records Management, Highway infrastructure & Town Parkland.
* Update our Utility and Property Tax Assessments
* Address unenforced Zoning Laws, and staffing issues.
* Improve Recreation for our Youth & Seniors.
* Address Traffic issues and control growth.
* Expand Needed Town Services at minimum cost.
* Tighten fiscal controls and waste.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Spackenkill girls, boys are MHAL soccer runners-up

By Morgan E. Maier

The Spackenkill High School Spartans were a pair of one-goal victories away from Mid-Hudson Athletic League hardware. First up, the girls faced a tough Mount Academy squad and NYS record-setting goal scorer Brooke Huelatt, and fell 3-2.

They held Huleatt to a single goal, as the Spartan defense stood strong against the speedy Mount lineup. Cadence Koehler brought her team back within one late in the second half off a beautiful Grace Krakowski cross, but Nina Wright's second of the night stood as the Eagles' gamewinner. Olivia Stout scored Spack's lone goal in the first half. In the nightcap MHAL final, Spackenkill stacked up against the Wallkill Panthers and their 15-game winning streak. With 20 minutes gone in the first half, Wallkill struck first. Despite a plethora of second-half chances, Spackenkill couldn't break through, forcing just two shots on goal. The Panthers held on 1-0 to remain undefeated and win the championship.

Arlington volleyball gets 10th sweep vs. Haldane - In one of their most dominant showings of the season, Arlington swept Haldane 25-9, 25-10, 25-9. Sadie Murphy had 9 assists and 4 aces. Caroline Urso had 6 kills and 4 aces. Avery Cunningham and Corrine Jarc had 4 kills, with Jarc adding six aces. Amelia Giorgi had 8 kills, 6 aces, and 9 assists. The following night, Arlington outlasted Brewster on senior night, narrowly eclipsing the Bears 15-13 in the deciding fifth set. Giorgi secured another triple-double, with 16 kills, 18 digs, and 14 assists, plus five aces. She was one of five Admirals with double-digit digs: Jarc (18), Murphy (13), Alyssa Reilly (11), and Urso (10). Urso's 13 kills got her another double-double. Murphy led the way with 21 assists and 13 digs, while Jarc added 18 digs and Stella Mahon added seven kills.

Dover downs Spackenkill in football, 34-10 - On October 24, the Dover Dragons ended a 14-year drought against Spackenkill with force. With the defense allowing just 10 Spackenkill points, Dover scored in all four quarters. Connor Drnek was a force on his feet, rushing for 146 yards and two touchdowns. Matt Ogana ran in two of his own. Vinny Colombo added a pick-six, returning an interception 52 yards to the end zone. Kayden Brinson had two sacks. Dover improved to 6-2 with the win and will celebrate senior night at 7 p.m. on 10/30.

Bridge Authority advises customers of billing error

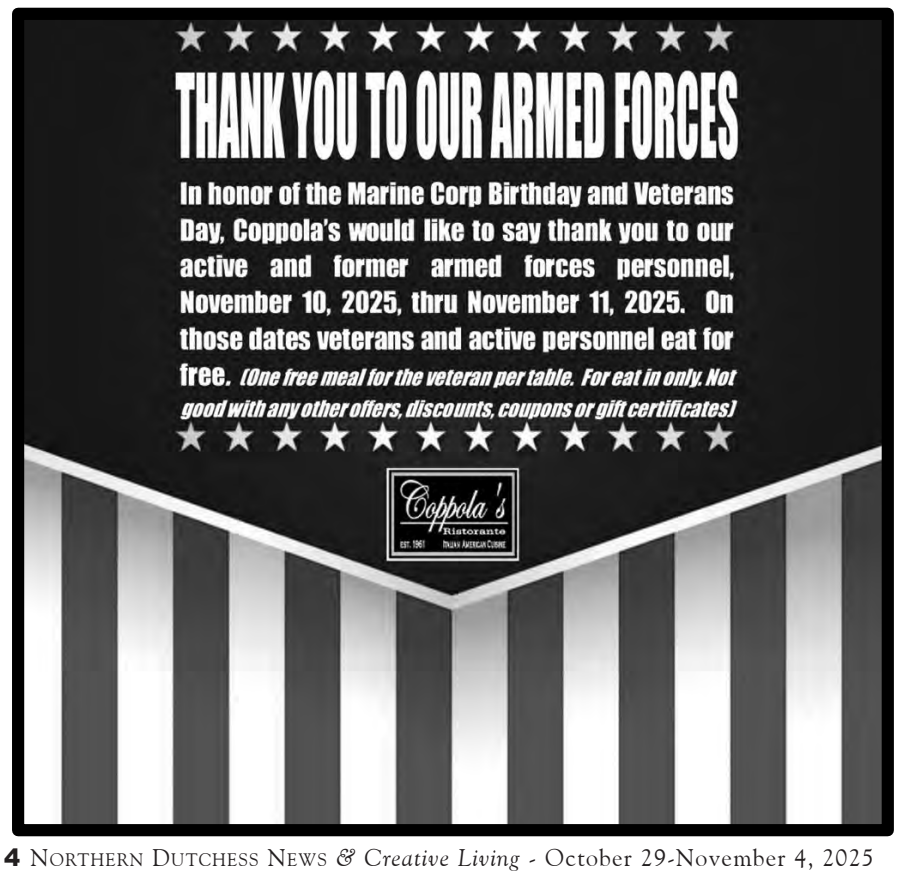
The New York State Bridge Authority (NYSBA) has advised E-ZPass customers enrolled in the NYSBA Commuter Plan of a recent billing error and the steps being taken to correct the matter.

The billing issue affected only New York and New Jersey E-ZPass customers who participate in the NYSBA Commuter Plan, approximately 8,000 accounts in total. This plan allows frequent users of the Authority's crossings – including the Bear Mountain, Newburgh-Beacon, Mid-Hudson, Kingston-Rhinecliff, and Rip Van Winkle Bridges – to cross at a reduced toll of $1.40 per trip. Customers must complete at least 17 trips during each 30-day billing cycle. Any trips not taken are billed at $1.40 and appear as "Unused Commuter Trips."

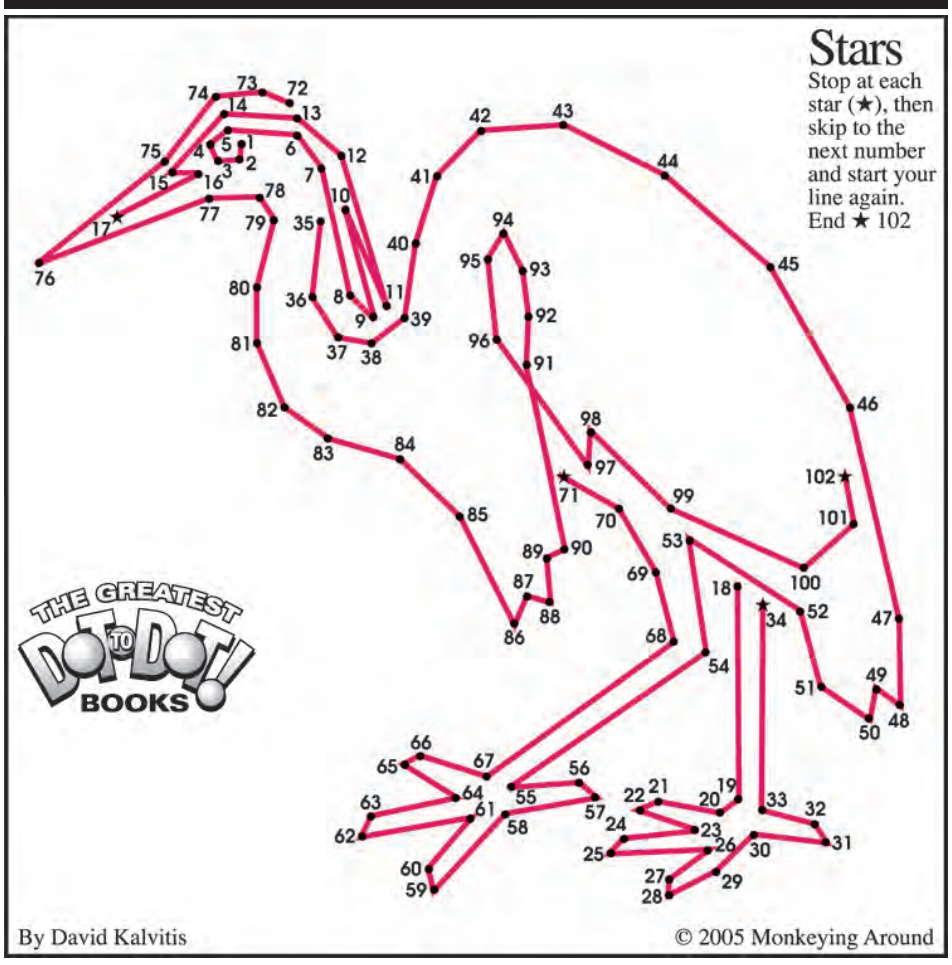
The Authority recently became aware of erroneous charges generated by its outside vendor related to the Commuter Plan. These charges occurred during the period of October 9-10. NYSBA has been working closely with the E-ZPass NY Customer Service Center to correct the matter and has directed that refunds are to be issued for impacted accounts.

Customers who continue to notice any issues with their E-ZPass account are encouraged to contact the EZPass NY Customer Service Center at 800-333-TOLL (800-333-8655).

NYSBA also reminds Customer Plan participants that they may pause their plan up to four times a year for a minimum of one week if they do not anticipate making frequent trips across the Authority's bridges. Account information can be accessed at www.e-zpassny.com or through the TollsNY mobile app.



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



Diversions

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Suguru

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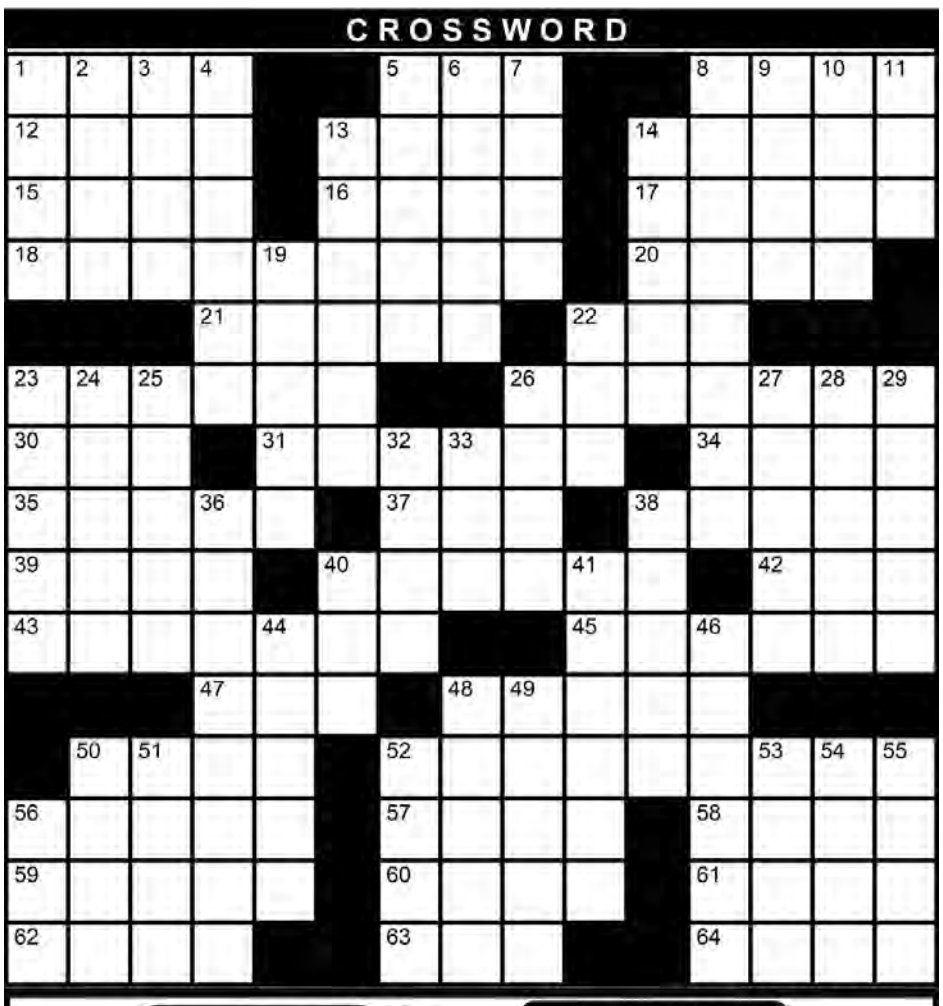
The heavy lines indicate areas, called cages, from one to five squares in size. Fill each cage with unique digits, counting up from 1. So for example a 2-square cage contains the numbers 1 and 2; and a 5-square cage contains the numbers from 1 to 5. Adjacent (touching) squares, even ones that touch diagonally,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

THEME: SCARY MOVIES

ACROSS
1. Awestruck
5. Paid player
8. Precedes pedia
12. Oxen connector
13. Sonic sound
14. ____ Dondarrion, "Game of Thrones" Lord of Blackhaven
15. Bibliographical abbr. (2 words)
16. *2025 Pete Davidson horror flick, "The ____"
17. Wear away
18. *Movie director of "Knock at the Cabin" fame
20. Manage without help
21. Subway coin
22. Boar's mate
23. *Jordan Peele's directorial debut (2017, 2 words)
26. Richard Gere in 1980 movie, pl.
30. Bit of binary code
31. A way to steal gas
34. *"It's ____" (1974)
35. Estrogen producer
37. Have a bug
38. Glue on, e.g.
39. Comme ci, comme ça
40. Nice to look at
42. Opposite of WSW
43. Opposite of #40 Across
45. Cordwood units
47. The night before
48. Warm down-slope wind
50. Blood component
52. *Trip to Sweden gone wrong (2019)
56. Like certain radiant energy
57. Pakistani tongue
58. "Ill at ____"
59. Not together
60. Ooze
61. Bulgarian, e.g.
62. Like certain grape beverage
63. Get it wrong
64. Shakira's don't lie?

DOWN
1. Roll call answers
2. Visi____ or Ostro____
3. Thumbs-up
4. Italian frozen dessert
5. Southern England's coastal town
6. *____ Polanski, director of "Rosemary's Baby"
7. *The story of Damien Thorn, with The (1976)
8. *Americans' attacker in London (1981)
9. Pump it!
10. Pirate Captain ____
11. Frozen H2O
13. Devotional worship, in Hinduism
14. Haze over
19. Timid
22. Envy, biblically-speaking
23. Duck follower
24. Diplomat on a mission
25. Badger or bug
26. Happy Gilmore's game
27. Forever prisoner
28. Sheep-like
29. Movie "Battle of the ____"
32. Pay as you earn, acr.
33. Step on it
36. *Mia Farrow in Roman Polanski's movie (1967)
38. Poetic although
40. Before of yore
41. Depletes (2 words)
44. Manifest
46. Catch in a net
48. Firearm shooter
49. More eccentric
50. Shoshonean people
51. Panache
52. Dante's Beatrice, e.g.
53. Mauritania's Eastern neighbor
54. Hurry up, acronym
55. RPMs
56. *James Wan's directorial debut (2004)

CROSSWORD



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The solutions to both the Sudoko & Crossword puzzles can be found on page **23**

Field Hall Foundation provides $15K grant to United Way's Crisis Fund

At a recent check presentation, United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region received a $15,000 grant from the Field Hall Foundation to support United Way's Crisis Fund. The grant will help seniors in Dutchess County who are facing a financial emergency.

Founded in 2019, United Way's Crisis Fund was established to help households respond to immediate crisis or hardship. The Crisis Fund helps residents address their short-term financial crises before they become financial catastrophes. Recognizing seniors on fixed incomes as a vulnerable population in changing times, United Way created the Crisis Fund for Seniors Program, a program component of our Crisis Fund directly addresses the crisis needs of those aged 60 and above in Dutchess County.

Jeannie Montano, President & CEO of United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region, said, "Our ongoing partnership with the Field Hall Foundation is invaluable. Given that Dutchess County's demographics are shifting toward an older population, many of whom are on fixed incomes, it is essential to increase support for seniors facing financial hardship. We are profoundly grateful for the Foundation's commitment to this critical need."

United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region supports over 25,000 individuals annually with essential supplies and crisis funding. To support United Way's programming or learn more about its work in the community, visit www.uwdor.org.

Pleasant Valley Repair Café closes 2025 season Nov. 1

Submitted by Jean Curlee

The final 2025 Pleasant Valley Repair Café will be held Saturday, Nov. 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main St. (Route 44), Pleasant Valley.

The Pleasant Valley Repair Café started in 2022 by the Town's Climate Smart Task Force.

Everything is about making repairs. Volunteer repair experts are available to make repairs free of charge. Bring your broken items, (toasters, lamps, hair dryers, clothes, toys or anything that is broken). If we can't fix or repair it, we make recommendations.

By promoting repairs, Climate Smart wants to help reduce mountains of waste. According to Jean Curlee, Coordinator of the PV Repair Café, "We throw away piles of stuff in landfills, when a simple repair can make it work again."

Repair Cafés are also meant to put neighbors in touch with each other, creating new friendships and sharing repair knowledge and practical skills close to home.

Curlee points out that repairs can save money, resources, help minimize CO2 emissions and reduce waste sent to landfills. But, most of all she wants everyone to know how much fun repairing things can be, and how easy it often is. Our fixers share their knowledge by showing anyone how to make repairs themselves. Donations are appreciated. Visit our Facebook Page: PVRepaircafe.com

The Repair Café concept arose in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, by Martine Postma in 2009, and she started the Repair Café International Foundation (see Repaircafe.org/en).

Go to www.Repaircafehv.org for more information and a calendar of all the Repair Cafes in the Hudson Valley.

Save the dates: Pleasant Valley 2026 Repair Cafés are set Jan. 17, March 21, May 16, Aug. 15 and Oct. 17.

Obituaries

Joanne H. Mihocko

Joanne H. Mihocko nee Janina Honora Konczyk, 81, of Hyde Park, left this Earth for the beautiful realm of Heaven on October 17, 2025. Born, March 8, 1944, in Altgarmsiel Germany, she was the daughter of the late Wojciech (John) and Leokadia (Lydia) Konczyk.

Joanne was a 1962 graduate of Our Lady of Lourdes High School.

On January 18, 1964, Joanne married Paul A. Mihocko, together they spent over 60 years as husband and wife. Mr. Mihocko survives at home.

Joanne dabbled as a Swimsuit Model at Woolworth's Department Store, enjoyed being a dental hygienist and then took on the hardest job of all - raising four children!

The neighborhood kids were often found at the Mihocko House at all hours of the day and night! On Sunday's the neighborhood was charmed by the Polka Hour blaring on the outside speakers. She was proud of her Polish and Ukrainian roots.

She hosted and judged many "Olympic Games" poolside all while Neil Diamond was playing through the speakers. Truth be told, every child that graced her home knows every single Neil Diamond song by heart to this day! She had the pleasure of seeing Neil in concert multiple times.

She loved animals and flowers! Feeding the birds (even the geese until they took over) and loved taking power walks at Vanderbilt's or the Rail Trail. Walking and fresh air, no matter what the weather was like outside, gave her renewed energy where she felt she could tackle anything!

Joanne had a keen sense of style and attention to detail. She never once left the house unless she was perfectly coiffed. That meant hair and makeup were "magazine ready" and usually it meant a pair of heels (with stockings) even if she decided on jeans. She took great pleasure in ensuring her house was comfortable yet stylish and chic.

Along with her husband, JoAnne is survived by her children Jennifer Mihocko-Tierney and husband Rick Tierney, Paul Mihocko and Partner Barbara Patsey, David Mihocko and wife Melissa Kuo Mihocko, Heather Mihocko and husband Craig Jasenski; five grandchildren, Andrew Mihocko, Brett Mihocko, Mia Mihocko, Tristan Mihocko and Ryan Mihocko. Joanne is also survived by her sister Mary Robards and nephews Richard Robards, Jason and (Kathleen) Robards and their children Jason and Lydia. She is also survived by her handsome cat Midnight, affectionately known as "Big Boy".

A celebration of life was held Saturday October 25, 2025, at the Inn at Bellefield / Hyde Park.

Joanne's family respectfully requests memorial donations to be made to Town & Country K9 ResQ LTD. www.townandcountryk9resq.org. Arrangements are under the direction of Sweet's Funeral Home, Hyde Park.

Robert Edward Murphy Sr.

Robert Edward Murphy Sr., age 94, passed away at home on October 7, 2025. He was born in Ballston Spa, New York on January 1, 1931 the son of John F. Murphy Sr. and Rachel A. (Mitchell) Murphy. He graduated in June of 1948 from Poughkeepsie High School also graduated from Dutchess Community College as well as attended classes at Marist College. Bob served four years with the United States Air Force obtaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was of the Catholic faith.

On April 12, 1953, he married the love of his life, Nancy Sue Major, in the Church of the Nativity, City of Poughkeepsie NY. They spent 72-years together until Nancy's death on July 17th of this year.

Bob retired from IBM in 1986 after 34 years of service in Poughkeepsie, Kingston, East Fishkill and ending in Charlotte, NC.

With a growing family, Bob, along with his father-in-law, built the family's "forever" home on Creek Road in Pleasant Valley. Bob was a very active member in the recreation activities in Pleasant Valley. He was one of the founding members of the Valley Youth Sports Association, long time Little League coach (Van's Lawnmower Shop team) and served on the Pleasant Valley Recreation Commission in the late 1960's becoming the chairman in the 1971. Bob was instrumental in obtaining grant funding that allowed the Town of Pleasant Valley to purchase and start the development of the Bower Park on North Avenue and the Helen Aldrich Park on Hibernia Road. Bob served as the Town of Pleasant Valley Special Projects Coordinator, being appointed by Supervisors John Stewart and James Geary. He ran for Town Supervisor in 1975. Bob also served on the Board of Directors of the Pleasant Valley Free Library and was a member of the Pleasant Valley Lions Club. In 1974 he was awarded "The Person of the Year" by the Pleasant Valley Chamber of Commerce. In 1978, Bob was transferred by IBM to the Charlotte North Carolina facility.

In retirement, Bob and Nancy managed a Senior Citizens Residential Park – Lakeside Terrace in Fruitland Park, Florida. They moved back to New York State in 2017.

Bob was predeceased by his wife Nancy, parents John (Jack) and Rachel Murphy, sister Winifred (Winnie) and her husband Gabriel (Bill) Trabucco, brothers John Jr. (Johnny) and Ronald and wife Dorothy Murphy, daughter-in-law Jodi Murphy and grandson Robert E Murphy III, parent-in-laws John (Jack) and Elizabeth (Betty) Major and sister-in-law Jacqueline (Jackie) and her husband Fred Snitzler.

Bob is survived by children: John (Jayne), Robert Jr., Mark (Karen), Daniel, Nanci (Brian) Sikora, Susan Fowler, Patrick (Wendy), Michael (Debbie), and former daughter-in-law Denise (Donegan) Williams. 22 grandchildren – Jennifer (Ray), Debra (Steve) Thomas, Stephanie, Christopher, Nicholas, Kelley (Greg), Ryan (Sara), Scott (Heather), Kelly, Andrew (Maria), Amber (Rich), Bryan, Jordan (Katherine), Heather, Kyle (Samantha), Mark Jr, Zack (Charlotte), Matty, Annie, Jack and Grace. 15 great-grandchildren, Devin, Taryn, Jamie, Brad, Ben, Emma, Madyn, Ryder, Blake, Jake, Eleanor, Nolan, Scarlett, Gavin and Oliver. One niece – Vicki Snitzler-Neeck (Marshall) and three nephews – Gary Trabucco (Kathy), David (Peggy) and Darren (Debbie) Murphy.

There will be no calling hours. A private burial service will be held for family members. Arrangements have been entrusted to Allen Funeral Home, Pleasant Valley.

Candace Shyer

Candace "Candy" Shyer, 73, passed away peacefully on October 14, 2025, surrounded by her loved ones at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson, NY.

Born on March 27, 1952, in Brewster, NY, she was one of four daughters of Harlan John and Ethel Dorothy (Nied) Howlett.

Candy graduated from Arlington High School in 1970 and went on to attend Dutchess Community College, where she met the love of her life, Eric. The two were married on June 8, 1974, and together shared more than 50 years of adventure, laughter, and happiness.

Candy continued her education, ultimately earning her master's degree. She held multiple teaching certifications and discovered a deep passion for education that guided her lifelong career. She went on to serve as the Assistant Commissioner with for the Office of Assessment, Standards, and Curriculum at the New York State Department of Education in Albany, NY, where her dedication and leadership left a lasting impact.

In her free time, Candy found joy in baking, and those lucky enough to taste her creations were always grateful for her generous spirit. She also enjoyed gardening, nurturing both her plants and the people around her with equal care. Music was another of Candy's great loves—she and Eric began singing together at local coffeehouses in the '70s and later in life at their churches, sharing their talents with others.

Deeply rooted in her faith, Candy was devoted to helping others and to serving her church community. She was a Deacon at Emmanuel Reformed Church in Castleton and a longtime member of Brunswick Church. Through her work with organizations such as St. Paul's Women's and Children's Shelter, she gave selflessly of her time and compassion—especially through her efforts to provide book bags each year for students in need.

In addition to her beloved husband Eric of Hudson, NY, Candy is survived by her children, Dan Shyer of Glenville, NY; Maggie (Eric) Barie of Tampa, FL; and Kim (Troy) Antal of Hudson, NY; her cherished grandchildren, Josie, Jocelyn, Doug, and Cole; her sisters, Kim Rosado of Germantown, NY, Melissa (Mike) Levy of Red Hook, NY, and Coral Howlett of Hudson, NY; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family members, and dear friends.

In lieu of flowers, the Shyer family kindly requests that donations be made in Candy's memory to St. Paul's Women's Shelter, an organization close to her heart. This can be done directly through Emmanuel Reformed Church here, https://encountererc.churchcenter.com/giving/to/shyer-memorial.

A celebration of life will take place at Emmanuel Reform Church, 1150 Maple Hill Rd. Castleton, NY 12033, on November 8th beginning at 11 a.m., reception to follow.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Burnett & White Funeral Homes, 7461 S. Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571.

Gloria Jean Wallace

Gloria Jean Wallace (née Newkirk), aged 85, passed away on October 18, 2025, in her lifelong hometown of Poughkeepsie, NY. Born on September 25, 1940, in Poughkeepsie, she was the daughter of the late Abraham and the late Mary Ada Litts Newkirk.

Gloria lived a full life marked by dedication to her community and family.

Gloria graduated from Poughkeepsie Schools and recently retired in June 2025 from her long-standing role as a Post SolderInspector at Marco Board House. Known for her joyous spirit and love for leisure, she enjoyed music, dancing, playing bingo, visiting casinos, and the thrill of playing scratch-off tickets.

She leaves behind a loving family, including her daughters, Patricia Jessup of Lagrange, NY, Mary Poskitt of Bartow, Florida, Sharon and her husband Bruce Terrelonge of Wappingers, NY, and Stephanie Williams of Wappingers, NY. She was preceded in death by her son, John Wallace Jr.

Gloria was a cherished grandmother to nine grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Calling hours were held on Thursday, October 23, 2025,with services following, at the Timothy P. Doyle Funeral Home, Poughkeepsie, NY. A graveside service took place at on Friday, October 24, 2025, at St. Peter's Cemetery in Poughkeepsie.

LEGAL NOTICE
To all voters of Dutchess County, New York
General Election, Tuesday, November 4, 2025

The following is a true and correct list of all nominations of candidates for the offices to be filled at the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, certified to us or filed in our office pursuant to the provisions of Election Law.

PARTY	ID	PARTY	ID
Democratic	DEM	Pawling Values	PV
Republican	REP	Freedom Party	FP
Conservative	CON	United Fishkill	UF
Working Families	WOR	Community First	CF
Common Ground	CG	United 4 Pawling	U4P
Team Clinton	TC	PK's Choice	PKC
Hyde Park 1st	HP1	Homegrown R.H.	HRH

PETITION PARTY	OFFICE DESCRIPTION	CANDIDATE NAME
DEM, CON	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	VERRIS B SHAKO
DEM, CON	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	DIANE M CLERKIN
DEM, CON	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	JOHN P COLLINS JR
DEM	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	DESMOND C LYONS
REP, CON	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	RAYMOND P RAICHE
REP	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	GEORGE A SMITH
REP	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	KIEL E VAN HORN
REP	STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE – 9TH JUDICIAL	THOMAS HUMBACH
DEM, WOR	COMPTROLLER	DAN AYMAR-BLAIR
REP, CON	COMPTROLLER	WILLIAM G TRUITT
REP, CON	FAMILY COURT JUSTICE	TRACY MACKENZIE
DEM, WOR	COUNTY COURT JUSTICE	KARA GERRY
REP, CON	COUNTY COURT JUSTICE	EDWARD NED MCLOUGHLIN
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 1	TREVOR REDL
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 1	ROBERT V GORMAN
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 2	EMMA ARNOFF
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 2	RYAN TRAVELPIECE
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 3	DAVID SIEGEL
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 3	MICHAEL POLASEK
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 4	BRENDAN LAWLER
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 4	ANTHONY AVELLO
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 5	ANNA SHAH
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 5	TONY D'AQUANNI
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 6	LISA KAUL
DEM	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 7	TRISH PRUNTY
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 7	LEW DARROW
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 8	CRAIG BRENDLI
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 9	BARRINGTON ATKINS
DEM	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 10	RANDY JOHNSON
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 11	BRENNAN KEARNEY
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 12	JOHN METZGER
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 13	KEITH ODUMS
REP	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 13	KEVIN M GILES
CON, FP	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 13	MICHAEL KUZMICZ JR
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 14	ALIX WINSBY
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 14	LYNNE MIELE-VERSACI
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 15	ROBERT FAUST
DEM, WOR, UF	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 16	YVETTE VALDES SMITH
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 16	JOHN FORMAN
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 17	DOUGLAS AA MCHOUL
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 18	MOLLY RHODES
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 19	CHRIS DRAGO
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 19	TONYA PULVER
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 20	KRISTOFER MUNN
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 20	MARK MARONEY
DEM	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 21	ERIC ECKLEY
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 21	STEPHEN M CASWELL
DEM, WOR	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 22	HEIDI TUCCI

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DUTCHESS COUNTY 2025 GENERAL ELECTION
LEGAL NOTICE
ALL POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M.
GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2025

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE
Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-120 of the New York State Election Law, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there will be a General Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, in Dutchess County. The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
We, Erik J. Haight and Lisa Jessup, Commissioners of Elections for the County of Dutchess, State of New York, do hereby certify the following offices and propositions that may be lawfully voted for in the said election.
The offices and propositions to be voted on are listed below:

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE- 9th DISTRICT
(4) JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

DUTCHESS COUNTY
(1) COUNTY COMPTROLLER
(1) FAMILY COURT JUSTICE
(1) COUNTY COURT JUSTICE
(25) MEMBER OF DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE

TOWN OF AMENIA
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN CLERK
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL
(1) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL – UNEXPIRED TERM

TOWN OF BEEKMAN
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF CLINTON
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF DOVER
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL
(1) TAX COLLECTOR

TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF FISHKILL
(1) TOWN CLERK
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF HYDE PARK
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN CLERK
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(4) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL
(1) RECEIEVER OF TAXES

TOWN OF LAGRANGE
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) SUPERINDENTENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF MILAN
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF NORTH EAST
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL
(1) TOWN ASSESSOR

TOWN OF PAWLING
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN CLERK
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL
(1) TAX COLLECTOR

TOWN OF PINE PLAINS
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF RED HOOK
(1) TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF RHINEBECK
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF STANFORD
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN CLERK
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN CLERK
(6) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL
(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
(1) RECEIVER OF TAXES
(1) LIBRARY TRUSTEE

VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK
(1) TRUSTEE

VILLAGE OF PAWLING
(1) MAYOR
(2) TRUSTEE

TOWN OF UNION VALE

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REP	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 22	JOSEPH TRESCA
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 23	CHRIS ROLISON
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 24	ANDREW J HOUSE
DEM	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 25	ERIC ALEXANDER
REP, CON	DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE – DISTRICT 25	DEIRDRE A HOUSTON
DEM, WOR	AMENIA – TOWN SUPERVISOR	ROSANNA L HAMM
REP, CG	AMENIA – TOWN SUPERVISOR	TERRENCE P MCCAULEY
DEM	AMENIA – TOWN CLERK	DAWN MARIE KLINGNER
DEM	AMENIA – TOWN JUSTICE	CHRISTOPHER G KLINGNER
DEM, REP, CG	AMENIA – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	MEGAN M CHAMBERLIN
DEM	AMENIA- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	WALTER R DIETRICH
DEM, WOR	AMENIA- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CHARLIE MILLER
REP, CG	AMENIA- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	BRAD H REBILLARD
REP, CG	AMENIA- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	NICOLE M AHEARN
DEM	AMENIA – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL UNEXPIRED TERM	VICKI DOYLE
REP, CG	AMENIA – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL UNEXPIRED TERM	JAMIE F DEINES
REP	BEEKMAN – TOWN SUPERVISOR	LAUREEN ABBATANTUONO
REP	BEEKMAN – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	ANTHONY COVIELLO
REP	BEEKMAN- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	KATE BLAKE
REP	BEEKMAN- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	GINA RAGUSA
CON	BEEKMAN- MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	FRANK M LEMAK V
DEM	CITY BEACON – COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE	AMBER GRANT
DEM, WOR	CITY BEACON – COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE	PALOMA WAKE
DEM, WOR	CITY BEACON – WARD 1 COUNCILMEMBER	LASTAR GORTON
DEM	CITY BEACON - WARD 2 COUNCILMEMBER	ZACK SMITH
DEM, WOR	CITY BEACON - WARD 3 COUNCILMEMBER	SERGEI KRASIKOV
DEM, WOR	CITY BEACON - WARD 4 COUNCILMEMBER	CAROLYN BENNETT GLAUDA
DEM	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE- COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE	DARON H WILSON
PKC	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE- COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE	YOUSEF M HADDAD
DEM	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE – WARD 1 COUNCILMEMBER	ERNEST J HENRY
REP	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 1 COUNCILMEMBER	AARON SCOTT
DEM, WOR	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 2 COUNCILMEMBER	EVAN R MENIST
DEM	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 3 COUNCILMEMBER	TERRICIENA A BROWN
DEM	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 4 COUNCILMEMBER	NATHAN A SHOOK
DEM	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 5 COUNCILMEMBER	ONDIE D JAMES
DEM, WOR	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 6 COUNCILMEMBER	CHRISTOPHER A GRANT
DEM, WOR	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 7 COUNCILMEMBER	NEDRA R THOMPSON
DEM, WOR	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 8 COUNCILMEMBER	DANIEL L ATONNA
REP	CITY POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 8 COUNCILMEMBER	AUSTIN MORA
DEM, TC	CLINTON – TOWN SUPERVISOR	MICHAEL WHITTON
REP	CLINTON – TOWN SUPERVISOR	DEAN MICHAEL
REP, CON	CLINTON – TOWN JUSTICE	BARBARA SEELBACH
DEM, TC	CLINTON – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ELIOT WERNER
DEM	CLINTON – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SAPNA MOUDGIL-SHAH
REP	CLINTON – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	KATHERINE K MUSTELLO
REP	CLINTON – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CHARLES J WYANT JR
TC	CLINTON – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	HANNAH BLACK
DEM, CF	DOVER – TOWN SUPERVISOR	LINDA FRENCH
REP, CON	DOVER – TOWN SUPERVISOR	RICHARD C YENO
REP, CON	DOVER – TOWN JUSTICE	R. WREN ABRAMS
REP	DOVER – TAX COLLECTOR	DINA MARIE YENO
DEM, CF	DOVER – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ED FRIEND
REP, CON	DOVER – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ROY T HOLMES
REP, CON	DOVER – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SUSAN L JACKSON
REP, CON	EAST FISHKILL – TOWN SUPERVISOR	NICHOLAS D'ALESSANDRO
REP, CON	EAST FISHKILL – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	KENNETH WILLIAMS
DEM	EAST FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	JOHNATHON FALCONE
DEM	EAST FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	FRANCINE CARACAPPA
REP, CON	EAST FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	EMANUELE MARINARO
REP, CON	EAST FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	THOMAS FRANCO
REP, CON	FISHKILL – TOWN CLERK	COOPER M LEATHERWOOD
DEM, WOR, UF	FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	JACQUELINE BARDINI
DEM, WOR, UF	FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DON PRZYTULA
REP, CON	FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL TOWN COUNCIL	DOUGLAS DELLIPAOLI
REP, CON	FISHKILL – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	REBECCA TOMPKINS
DEM	HYDE PARK – TOWN SUPERVISOR	ANDRE J CLARKE
REP, CON	HYDE PARK – TOWN SUPERVISOR	ALFRED D TORREGGIANI
DEM	HYDE PARK – TOWN CLERK	AZRA DAIE
REP, CON	HYDE PARK – TOWN CLERK	SARAH J HOHMANN
DEM	HYDE PARK – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	RAY DAVIS
REP, CON	HYDE PARK – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	RODNEY J WAGER

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(1) TAX COLLECTOR

TOWN OF WAPPINGER
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(1) TOWN JUSTICE
(4) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
(1) TOWN SUPERVISOR
(2) MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL

CITY OF BEACON
(2) COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE
(4) COUNCILMEMBERS

CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
(1) COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE
(8) COUNCILMEMBERS

PROPOSITIONS:

PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, AN AMENDEMENT
AMENDMENT TO ALLOW OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX IN ESSEX COUNTY ON STATE FOREST PRESERVE LAND. ALLOWS SKIING AND RELATED TRAIL FACILITIES ON STATE FOREST PRESERVE LAND. THE SITE IS 1,039 ACRES. REQUIRES STATE TO ADD 2,500 ACRES OF NEW FOREST LAND IN ADIRONDACK PARK.
A YES VOTE AUTHORIZES NEW SKI TRAILS AND RELATED FACILITIES IN THE ADIRONDACK FOREST PRESERVE. A NO VOTE DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THIS USE.

AMENIA
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE AMENIA FREE LIBRARY BE INCREASED BY TWENTY THOUSAND ($20,000) DOLLARS TO THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND ($265,000) DOLLARS ANNUALLY?
SHALL THE TOWN OF AMENIA DULY APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 28 OF 2025, ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO 1 OF 2025, REPEALING LOCAL LAW NO 1 OF 2022 AND OPTING-IN TO ALLOW CANNABIS RETAIL DISPENSARIES WITHIN THE TOWN OF AMENIA?
SHALL THERE BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED IN THE TOWN OF AMENIA, NEW YORK, A LOCAL LAW ENTITLED "EXTENDING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR", WHICH EXTENDS THE ELECTIVE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS, AS ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA ON MARCH 6, 2025.

BEEKMAN
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF BEEKMAN FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE BEEKMAN LIBRARY BE AT SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE ($636,663) DOLLARS ANNUALLY?

CLINTON
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE CLINTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY BE INCREASED FROM ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS ($154,800) ANNUALLY TO ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS ($161,800) ANNUALLY?

DOVER
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF DOVER FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE DOVER PLAINS LIBRARY BE AT THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($395,000.000) ANNUALLY.

NORTH EAST
"SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF NORTH EAST FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE NORTH EAST-MILLERTON LIBRARY BE INCREASED BY FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($50,000) TO THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND ($225,000) ANNUALLY?"

PAWLING
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF PAWLING FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PAWLING FREE LIBRARY BE INCREASED BY $100,000 ANNUALLY TO THE SUM OF $550,000 DOLLARS ANNUALLY.

PINE PLAINS
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF PINE PLAINS FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PINE PLAINS FREE LIBRARY BE INCREASED TO THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($220,000.00) ANNUALLY?

PLEASANT VALLEY
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY FREE LIBRARY BE AT FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($537,000) ANNUALLY?

POUGHKEEPSIE PUBLIC LIBRARY
SHALL THE 2026 LIBRARY DISTRICT BUDGET, AS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF THE POUGHKEEPSIE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT, BE APPROVED AND SHALL THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES AUTHORIZE ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES OF $12,296,928 FOR LIBRARY DISTRICT OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2026, WHICH INCLUDES $1,345,138 OF PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED COMBINED DEBT SERVICE FOR THE YEAR OF JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2026 AND, FURTHER, SHALL THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES BE AUTHORIZED TO INSTRUCT THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE AND THE TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE TO COLLECT TAXES ON ITS BEHALF FOR THE FINANCING OF LIBRARY DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND DEBT SERVICE AS PRESCRIBED IN THE LIBRARY DISTRICT'S SPECIAL LEGISLATION AS AMENDED IN 1994, 1997, 2006 AND 2016?

RHINEBECK
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF RHINEBECK FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE STARR LIBRARY BE INCREASED BY EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($82,000) TO THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS ($546,800) ANNUALLY?

STANFORD
SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF STANFORD FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE STANFORD FREE LIBRARY BE AT TWO

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DEM	HYDE PARK – RECEIEVER OF TAXES	CINDY TODD
DEM	HYDE PARK – WARD 1 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	MARC PRINE
REP, CON	HYDE PARK - WARD 1 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	NICOLE A NOAKES
DEM	HYDE PARK - WARD 2 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	GREG KOMAR
REP, CON	HYDE PARK - WARD 2 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	LIZ MESQUITA
DEM, HP1	HYDE PARK - WARD 3 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	PAUL DONNELLY
REP, CON	HYDE PARK - WARD 3 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	GREGORY A CAMPUS
DEM, WOR	HYDE PARK - WARD 4 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ROGERRIO RODRIGUEZ
REP, CON	HYDE PARK - WARD 4 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DONALD E PRUSAKOWSKI SR
DEM	LAGRANGE – TOWN SUPERVISOR	JAMES A FREDRICKSON
REP, CON	LAGRANGE – TOWN SUPERVISOR	ANTHONY MARINARO
WOR	LAGRANGE – TOWN SUPERVISOR	THERESA A MORLEY
REP, CON	LAGRANGE – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	JOHN WISSEMAN
DEM	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	PETER J TUROFF
DEM	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	MICHAEL A MAHER
REP	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	FRANCO GIANGRASSO
REP, CON	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SUSAN CONDON
CON	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ALFRED P RABASCO
WOR	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ALLYSON PERSAUD
WOR	LAGRANGE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	REESE PERSAUD
DEM	MILAN – TOWN SUPERVISOR	WILLIAM JEFFWAY
DEM	MILAN – TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR	INGRID KULICK
DEM	MILAN – TOWN JUSTICE	SLADE MEAD
REP	MILAN – TOWN JUSTICE	LAWRENCE M LONGO
DEM	MILAN – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	GLENN LOUIS WEINRICH
DEM	MILAN – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CLINTON BOND JR
REP	MILAN – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	GLENN J CARREZOLA
DEM	NORTH EAST – TOWN JUSTICE	CASEY MCCABE
DEM, REP	NORTH EAST – TOWN ASSESSOR	KATHERINE JOHNSON
DEM	NORTH EAST – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	RACHELE GRIECO COLE
DEM, REP, CG	NORTH EAST – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CHRISTOPHER MAYVILLE
REP, U4P	PAWLING – TOWN SUPERVISOR	CATHERINE GIORDANO
CON	PAWLING – TOWN SUPERVISOR	JAMES SCHMITT
REP	PAWLING – TOWN CLERK	CHERYL KNOWLES
REP, CON	PAWLING – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	ROBERT F BRILL JR
REP	PAWLING – TAX COLLECTOR	BARBARA TYSON
REP, CON	PAWLING – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CORINNE MUSELLA-PITT
REP, CON	PAWLING – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	JAMES MCCARTHY
U4P	PAWLING – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ANDREA HUNT
U4P	PAWLING – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	JOSEPH B FURLONG
DEM	PINE PLAINS – TOWN SUPERVISOR	KEVIN JOSEPH WALSH
REP	PINE PLAINS – TOWN SUPERVISOR	BRIAN WALSH
DEM	PINE PLAINS – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	TREVOR ROUSH
DEM	PINE PLAINS – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	MURPHY BIRDSALL
REP	PINE PLAINS – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ROBERT AMBROSE
REP	PINE PLAINS – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DAVID PRENTICE
REP	PLEASANT VALLEY – TOWN SUPERVISOR	MARY E ALBRECHT
REP, CON	PLEASANT VALLEY – TOWN JUSTICE	DARREN H FAIRLIE
DEM, WOR	PLEASANT VALLEY – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	MEGHAN BORLAND
DEM	PLEASANT VALLEY – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	MERRY MEYER
REP, CON	PLEASANT VALLEY – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	MICHAEL S RIFENBURGH
REP, CON	PLEASANT VALLEY – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SCOTT C COOKINHAM SR
DEM	RED HOOK – TOWN CLERK/ TAX COLLECTOR	DEANNA COCHRAN
DEM, HRH	RED HOOK – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	KRISTINA DOUSHARM
DEM, HRH	RED HOOK – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	KENNETH MIGLIORELLI
REP, CON	RED HOOK – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DAVID MERGENDAHL
DEM	RHINEBECK – TOWN SUPERVISOR	ELIZABETH SPINZIA
DEM	RHINEBECK – TOWN JUSTICE	LISA RUBENSTEIN
DEM	RHINEBECK – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	ROBERT WYANT
DEM	RHINEBECK – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DEBBIE HECHT
DEM	RHINEBECK – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DANA COLLEEN PETERSON
DEM, WOR	STANFORD – TOWN SUPERVISOR	JULIA DESCOTEAUX
REP	STANFORD – TOWN SUPERVISOR	MICHAEL ROCHE
DEM, REP	STANFORD – TOWN CLERK	RITAMARY BELL
DEM, REP	STANFORD – TOWN JUSTICE	DENNIS E SMITH

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HUNDRED THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS ($200,400) ANNUALLY?

TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE

SHALL THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE BE INCREASED FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS, WITH THE FOUR YEAR TERM OF OFFICE COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2026?

PLEASE NOTE THAT COMPLETE COPIES OF THE ABOVE PROPOSALS AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC AT THE DUTCHESS COUNTY COUNCIL OF ELECTIONS, 112 DELAFIELD ST SUITE 200, POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK (845) 486-2473 www.dutchesselections.com

LISA JESSUP and ERIK J HAIGHT, Commissioners of Elections

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF QUESTION TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to NYS Education Law §259(1)(13), and in accordance with the provisions of the NYS Election Law, the following question will be submitted to the qualified voters of the Town of Pleasant Valley at the General Election to be held on the 4th day of November, 2025:

SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY FREE LIBRARY BE AT FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($537,000) ANNUALLY?

Further notice is hereby given that the said election shall be held at the following locations in the Town of Pleasant Valley:

Town Hall
Traver Road School
West Road School
Pleasant Valley Fire House
Salt Point Fire House

on the 4th day of November 2025, and that the polls will be open on that day between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Mary Beth Muir
Town Clerk, Town of Pleasant Valley

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF HEARING UPON PRELIMINARY BUDGET

NOTICE is hereby given that the Preliminary Budget for the Town of Milan, NY for the fiscal year beginning January 1st, 2026, has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk at 20 Wilcox Circle Milan, NY, where it is available for inspection by any interested person at all reasonable hours.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Milan will meet, and review said Preliminary Budget and hold a public hearing thereon, at the Milan Town Hall at 6:50 PM on the 6th day of November 2025 and that at such hearing any person may be heard in favor of or against the Preliminary Budget as compiled for or against any item or items there in contained.

Pursuant to Section 108, of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of Elected Town Officials are hereby specified as follows:

SUPERVISOR. . . . $24,836.00
COUNCILPERSONS – 4@ . . . . $ 8,300.00
TOWN CLERK $38,764.00
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT $74,200.00

By order of the Town Board,
Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Milan Town Board will be holding a public hearing on 11/06/2025 at 6:55 pm on the 2026 contract between the Town of Milan and the Milan Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. Said hearing will take place at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle.

By order of the Milan Town Board
Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-45-25

OEM Automotive Replacement Parts

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 18th day of November 2025 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our websitehttp://www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY
2026 BUDGET MEETING DATE

The Pleasant Valley Town Board will hold their 2026 budget meeting at Town Hall 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY on the following date:

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
-Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 5:00PM

PURPOSE:

1) To provide an opportunity for public input on the 2026 Preliminary Budget.
2) Executive Session: 101.5(F) Personnel & Attorney/Client Privilege

Mary Beth Muir,
Town Clerk
Town of Pleasant Valley

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY
2026 ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES

TOWN SUPERVISOR $45,000.00
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT $79,655.00
TOWN CLERK $54,136.00
TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (4 @ $8,840.00) $35,360.00
TOWN JUSTICES (2 @ 32,448.00) $64,896.00

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REP	STANFORD – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	JAMES MYERS JR
DEM, WOR	STANFORD – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	THEODORE E SECOR
DEM	STANFORD – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CHARLES CUNNINGHAM
REP	STANFORD – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	DURGA G TAYLOR
REP	STANFORD – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	FRANK MARCIN
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – TOWN SUPERVISOR	REBECCA EDWARDS
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – TOWN SUPERVISOR	LARRY SHEEHAN
DEM, REP	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE –TOWN CLERK	FELICIA SALVATORE
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	MIKE SIMON
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – RECEIEVER OF TAXES	NICOLE GEMMATI
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – RECEIEVER OF TAXES	KELLY TREMPER
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – WARD 1 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	GREGORY FREEMAN
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 1 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	BILL REUTER
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 2 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	BARBARA LAIRD
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 2 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ALEXANDER CUESTA
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 3 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SHANTHA THANGIAH
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 3 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ANNE BURGER
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE – WARD 4 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	EMILY WATSON
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 4 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ADAM GOLDFISH
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 5 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	RYAN SHARPE
REP, CON	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 5 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	JENNIFER BETZ
DEM, WOR	TOWN POUGHKEEPSIE - WARD 6 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ANN SHERSHIN
	LIBRARY TRUSTEE TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE	SOPHIA KOZLOWSKI SCIACCA
REP, CON	UNION VALE – TOWN SUPERVISOR	STEVEN FRAZIER
REP, CON	UNION VALE – TOWN CLERK	ANDREA CASEY
REP, CON	UNION VALE – TOWN JUSTICE	STEPHEN DIAMOND
REP, CON	UNION VALE – SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	EDWARD KADING
REP, CON	UNION VALE – TAX COLLECTOR	KAYE SAGLIBENE
DEM	UNION VALE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ANGELA SHELDON
REP, CON	UNION VALE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	KEVIN T HARRINGTON
REP, CON	UNION VALE – MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	JOSHUA M REDINGER
REP	VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK – TRUSTEE	THEODORE BRIGGS
REP	VILLAGE OF PAWLING – MAYOR	LOUIS MUSELLA
PV	VILLAGE OF PAWLING – MAYOR	LAURI TAYLOR
REP, PV	VILLAGE OF PAWLING – TRUSTEE	STEPHEN PEZZELLA
REP, PV	VILLAGE OF PAWLING – TRUSTEE	JERRY LOCASCIO
REP	WAPPINGER – TOWN SUPERVISOR	JOSEPH D CAVACCINI
REP, CON	WAPPINGER – TOWN JUSTICE	HEATHER L KITCHEN
DEM, WOR	WAPPINGER – WARD 1 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SAMTREO TUCKER
REP, CON	WAPPINGER - WARD 1 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	WILLIAM H BEALE
DEM, WOR	WAPPINGER - WARD 2 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	HEATHER O'DELL
REP, CON	WAPPINGER - WARD 2 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	SARA SHEEHAN
DEM	WAPPINGER - WARD 3 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ROBERT COFER JR
REP	WAPPINGER - WARD 3 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	CHRISTOPHER PHILLIPS
DEM	WAPPINGER - WARD 4 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	LINDA IBRAHIM
REP	WAPPINGER - WARD 4 MEMBER OF TOWN COUNCIL	ALFRED J CASELLA
REP	WASHINGTON-TOWN SUPERVISOR	GARY CIFERRI
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Foam & Wash honors Veterans with free car washes on Veterans Day

Foam & Wash Car Wash is proud to honor the brave men and women who have served our country by offering free $25 Ceramic Car Washes to all active-duty military personnel and veterans on Veterans Day, Tuesday, November 11.

This annual tradition, now in its 20th year, is a heartfelt thank-you to those who have sacrificed for our freedom. Veterans and active-duty service members are invited to visit any of Foam & Wash's six softcloth car wash locations in Poughkeepsie, Wappingers Falls, Fishkill, Newburgh, or Vails Gate, including 15 North Grand Avenue, Poughkeepsie, and 20 Merritt Blvd, Fishkill, from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. on November 11. Simply inform the staff of your military service— no ID required.

"Veterans Day is the highlight of our year at Foam & Wash," said Todd Baright, "My family and I are deeply grateful for the sacrifices made by our service members. Offering free car washes is a small way to express our gratitude and celebrate their service."

As a family-owned business since 1966, Foam & Wash has grown from one of the nation's first coin-operated car washes in Vails Gate to operating 13+ properties with 130 dedicated associates. In addition to soft-cloth and touch-free car washes, they offer self-service car washes, dog washes, a laundromat, and a Shell gasoline station with a convenience store.

For more information, visit www.foamandwash.com or contact Chrissy Hippauf at 845-297- 5484 Ext. 100. Foam & Wash is proud to support Grace for Vets, a national program honoring veterans through free car washes. Locations: Poughkeepsie, Wappingers Falls, Fishkill, Newburgh, Vails Gate.

4-Hers present to county legislators in celebration of National 4-H Week

From left in back are Kristin Ludl (CCEDC), Carolyn McGraw (4-H Program Leader), Ann Sartori and Robin Shultz. From left in front are Mary Lou Carolan (CCEDC), Natalie Shultz, Margot LaPorte, Landon Mishk and Maddie Sartori. *Courtesy photo*

Four Dutchess County 4-H members were invited to present at a meeting of the Dutchess County Legislature on Tuesday October 14. A commendation was presented by Legislator Deirdre Houston, District 25, in celebration of National 4-H Week, October 5-11, 2025. A second proclamation from County Executive Sue Serino was also presented.

Margot LaPorte, 15 of Poughkeepsie, Landon Mishk, 16 of Millbrook, Maddie Sartori, 17 of Millerton, and Natalie Shultz, 17 of Wingdale, gave prepared speeches to a packed chamber about their Dutchess County 4-H experiences.

LaPorte is a member of the Dragons & Damsels 4-H Club and is homeschooled. She has been able to pursue her love of the outdoors through 4-H in Dutchess County and is taking college credit classes locally.

Mishk is a member of the Kids 4 Kids 4-H Club and attends Millbrook High School. Some of his favorite 4-H memories are at the Dutchess County Fair, spending time with his friends and his dairy goats.

Sartori is a member of the Top Dogs 4-H Club and attends Our Lady of Lourdes High School. Her mentors and trainers from the 4-H dog program inspired her love of dog sports and her plans to become a professional dog trainer.

Shultz is a member of the Got Goat Milk and Here Comes the Beef 4-H Clubs and attends Dover High School. She shared how she met her best friend through 4-H and has ambitions to pursue veterinary medicine after high school.

Thank you to all members of the county legislature for inviting 4-H members to present and for recognizing their accomplishments and personal growth through 4-H. Dutchess County 4-H staff and families are incredibly grateful for this opportunity and for the support of the county legislature.

Civic engagement opportunities like this challenge 4-H youth to develop a deeper understanding of local government, community development and how to voice their concerns as citizens. This along with other critical life skills such as leadership, public speaking and responsibility are built into existing 4-H positive youth development frameworks that grow future leaders once youth graduate the 4-H program.

Dutchess County 4-H reaches over 2,000 youth ages 5-18 within the county through traditional 4-H clubs, Ag in the Classroom, afterschool programs and community events. 4-H is the flagship program of Cooperative Extension, operating nationally through each state's land-grant university system. Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County (CCEDC) is located at the Farm & Home Center on Route 44 in Millbrook. For more information about 4-H or CCEDC, visit ccedutchess.org.

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Pursuant to the provisions of New York State Election Law, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Primary Election will be held in the below listed towns/cities in Dutchess County on **Tuesday, November 4, 2025**.

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11 Lavelle Rd, Amenia

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All
Beekman Community Center
31 Recreation Center Rd, Poughquag

Beekman
All
Town Hall
4 Main St, Poughquag

Beekman
All
Beekman Elementary School
201 Lime Ridge Rd, Poughquag

Clinton
All
Town Hall
1215 Centre Rd, Clinton Corners

City of Beacon
All
South Avenue Elementary School
60 South Ave, Beacon

City of Beacon
All
Beacon Memorial Building
413 Main St, Beacon

City of Beacon
All
Rombout Middle School
84 Matteawan, Rd, Beacon

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Interfaith Towers
66 Washington St, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Mid-Hudson Library, Auditorium
105 Market St, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Family Partnership Center
29 North Hamilton St, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Manor at Woodside
168 Academy St, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Warring School Gymnasium
283 Mansion St, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Bethel Church – Rear Entrance
91 Hooker Ave, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
Poughkeepsie Middle School Lobby
55 College Ave, Poughkeepsie

City of Poughkeepsie
All
St. John's Lutheran Church
55 Wilbur Blvd, Poughkeepsie

Dover
All
Town Hall
126 East Duncan Hill Rd, Dover Plains

Dover
All
Dover Middle School
2368 Route 22, Dover Plains

East Fishkill
All
Van Wyck Junior High School
6 Hillside Lake Rd, Wappingers Falls

East Fishkill
All
Town Hall
330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction

East Fishkill
All
Stormville Fire House
112 Old Route 52, Stormville

East Fishkill
All
East Fishkill Fire Training Center
2502 Route 52, Hopewell Junction

East Fishkill
All
Mission Church
4101 Route 52, Holmes

Fishkill
All
Fishkill Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing
22 Robert R. Kasin Way, Beacon

Fishkill
All
Town Hall
807 Route 52, Fishkill

Fishkill
All
Van Wyck Hall
1095 Main St, Fishkill

Fishkill
All
Brinkerhoff Elementary School
16 Wedgewood Rd, Fishkill

Fishkill
All
Slater Chemical Fire House
76 Old Glenham Rd, Glenham

Hyde Park
All
North Park Elementary School
1593 Route 9G, Hyde Park

Hyde Park
All
Board of Elections Training Facility
4280 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park

Hyde Park
All
Roosevelt Fire House #3
830 Violet Ave, Hyde Park

Hyde Park
All
Roosevelt Fire House #2
265 Cream St, Poughkeepsie

LaGrange
All
Overlook Primary School
11 Mapleview Rd Ext, Poughkeepsie

LaGrange
All
Freedom Plains Presbyterian Church
1168 Route 55, LaGrangeville

LaGrange
All
LaGrange Fire House #3 (Southwest LaGrange)
21 Red Oaks Mill Rd, Poughkeepsie

LaGrange
All
Town Hall
120 Stringham Rd, LaGrangeville

Milan
All
Town Hall
20 Wilcox Circle (off Route 199), Milan

North East
All
Northeast-Millerton Library Annex
28 Century Blvd, Millerton

Pawling
All
Lathrop Center
2 Lakeside Dr, Pawling

Pawling
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Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Association
239 Route 292, Holmes

Pine Plains
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Stissing Mountain High School
2829 Church St, Pine Plains

Pleasant Valley
All
Salt Point Fire House
30 Cottage St, Salt Point

Pleasant Valley
All
West Road Intermediate School
181 West Rd, Pleasant Valley

Pleasant Valley
All
Traver Road Primary School
801 Traver Rd, Pleasant Valley

Red Hook
All
Tivoli Fire
2 Tivoli Commons, Tivoli

Red Hook
All
Bertelsmann Campus Center
30 Campus Rd, Annandale-on-Hudson

Red Hook
All
Mill Road Intermediate School
9 Mill Rd, Red Hook

Red Hook
All
Red Hook High School
103 West Market St, Red Hook

Rhinebeck
All
Starr Library
68 West Market St. Rhinebeck

Rhinebeck
All
Pavilion at Brookmeade
34 Brookmeade Dr, Rhinebeck

Stanford
All
Town Hall – Ground Level
26 Town Hall Rd, Stanfordville

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
East End Fire House #2
2886 Route 9D, Wappingers Falls

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Sheafe Road Elementary School
287 Sheafe Rd, Wappingers Falls

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Vassar Road Elementary School
174 Vassar Rd, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Oak Grove Elementary School
40 Kerr Rd, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Poughkeepsie Community Room
19 Tucker Dr, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Lutheran Care Center – Rear Entrance
965 Dutchess Tpke, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Town Hall
1 Overocker Rd, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Violet Avenue School
191 Violet Ave, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Spackenkill High School
112 Spackenkill Rd, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Vassar College, The Aula at Ely Hall
124 Raymond Ave, Poughkeepsie

Town of Poughkeepsie
All
Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church
2381 New Hackensack Rd, Poughkeepsie

Union Vale
All
Union Vale Fire House, Station #1
3373 Route 82, Verbank

Wappinger
All
Village Hall
2582 South Ave, Wappingers Falls

Wappinger
All
Hughsonville Fire House
88 Old Hopewell Rd, Wappingers Falls

Wappinger
All
Mid-Hudson Chinese Christian Church
306 All Angels Hill Rd, Wappingers Falls

Wappinger
All
Ketcham High School
99 Myers Corners Rd, Wappingers Falls

Wappinger
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New Hackensack Fire House
217 Myers Corners Rd, Wappingers Falls

Washington
All
Millbrook Fire House
20 Front St, Millbrook

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Answers to this week's diversions

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Note: OFA's main office and all Friendship Centers are closed in observance of Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 4.

2025 OFA PROM RECAP

Our thanks to the older adults who enjoyed the 2025 OFA Senior Prom on Oct. 20 at Villa Borghese in Wappinger Falls. Pictures from the prom are available at www.facebook.com/DutchessCountyOFA. Congratulations to this year's Duke and Dutchess, Jerry and Donna Murynec!

We know many prom "regulars" like to know what the following year's prom theme will be, so … without further ado … it's "Hawaiian Luau."

We're adding other honorees to next year's prom. More on that next year! The tentative 2026 prom date is Monday, Oct. 19, 2026. We'll confirm the date and venue during the summer of 2026.

Many thanks to The Pines at Poughkeepsie for their support of the prom, especially through the music of the Bob Martinson Band.

HEALTHY HOLIDAY TRADITIONS CAN LAST ALL YEAR

It starts with Halloween candy. Then, the Thanksgiving feast. After that, a solid month of holiday food shows up to tempt you, straight through to New Year's Eve and - are those Valentine's chocolates in stores already? Since when did St. Patrick's Day and Passover involve so much candy? And the Easter Bunny is close behind, then Mother's Day, then…

To paraphrase the old sports broadcaster's saying: You can't stop them, you can only hope to contain them. That's how it goes with holiday traditions and the food associated with them.

Enjoy, in moderation, while not overindulging - but that's tough sometimes. When nonna makes her cannoli, saying "no" might not be an option. Here's some ideas on how to negotiate the maze of treats:

• Reinvent leftover Halloween candy: Leftover bags of M&Ms can become part of a make-your-own trail mix. Add healthier items like pretzels, nuts and dried fruits. Save other small candies for decorating gingerbread.

• Substitutions are your friend: Olive oil can be an effective stand-in for butter. If you don't want to impart the typical olive oil flavor to a recipe, use light olive oil. Other good substitutes include low-fat or condensed milk for whole or heavy cream. Surprisingly, avocado can be swapped for butter in many chocolate dishes, although you'll need to keep close tabs on moisture levels since avocado adds more moisture to a dish than butter does.

• Trying to keep sodium intake down? Herbs and spices can step in for salt in all kinds of dishes.

• If you're baking: A recipe that calls for white flour can work just as well with a 50-50 mix of white and whole-wheat flour. Vanilla, almond and peppermint extracts can add flavor and reduce the need for sugar or butter. If you're feeling experimental, black bean brownies are both delicious and healthy. The beans take on many characteristics of chocolate chips.

• Burn off what you can: An occasional indulgence within a generally healthy diet is no problem. Problem is, the holiday season comes with so many occasions between now and springtime. The average person can gain up to 10 pounds just between Halloween and New Year's Day. There aren't enough hours in the day to exercise away more than a few over-indulgences, so choose your treats wisely.

• Exercise has plenty of other benefits: Even if you never lose a single ounce through exercise, it reduces the risk of dementia, cancer, heart disease and diabetes. Strive for four 30-minute walks in a week, whether outdoors or through mall-walking. Housework, gardening, chopping wood, walking the dog: it all counts as exercise. Any amount of physical activity you can manage is superior to being sedentary. Check with your healthcare provider before beginning any exercise program, and see dutchessny.gov/seniorexercise for more on organized exercise activities for Dutchess County older adults.

• It's about the right food choices: 80 to 90 percent of weight management is about the food you eat. Exercise can help, but keeping yourself healthy involves making good nutrition choices in the first place. OFA can help. Our monthly Nutrition News, which you receive as a Friendship Center or Home Delivered Meals client, comes with great advice backed by sound science, as well as large-print recipes that check off the three key requirements for a nutritious diet for older adults: easy to make, tasty, and healthy.

OFA HOMEBOUND FLU/COVID VACCINATIONS, NOW THROUGH EARLY DECEMBER

For the homebound older population of Dutchess County, doing the day-to-day tasks that most of us take for granted can be an insurmountable challenge. Using essential services like healthcare comes with the difficulty of getting to a medical office and back. It's no easy task for homebound individuals to get the periodic vaccinations they need. That's why the Office for the Aging is bringing back its annual Homebound Vaccination program for homebound Dutchess County residents over age 60, available now through Friday, Dec. 5.

Influenza is generally seasonal, but COVID-19 is year-round. Homebound individuals can contact OFA at ofa@dutchessny.gov or 845-486-2555, and our staff will arrange for in-home vaccinations for COVID-19 and/or influenza.

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