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TOWN SUPERVISOR RACES

Incumbents tout accomplishments; challengers highlight experience

Introduction by Kate Goldsmith

Of the 14 municipalities in the Northern Dutchess News readership area, there are seven contested races for Town Supervisor (Amenia, Clinton, Hyde Park, Pleasant Valley, Red Hook, Stanford and Union Vale) and five uncontested (Beekman, Dover, Milan, Pine Plains and Rhinebeck) in the Nov. 7 General Election.

The Town Supervisor position is not on the ballot this cycle in LaGrange and Washington.

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 Pleasant Valley, where the incumbent Town Supervisor is not running for re-election) 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. 5. See page XX for early voting locations and hours. Voting on Election Day is from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

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, there are two statewide propositions on the ballot. Some towns also have local propositions.

For a complete list of all Dutchess County candidates on the ballot this year, see the separate Public Notice section included in this week's papers.

**VICTORIA PERROTI
INCUMBENT (R, C)**



Accomplishments:

Completed million dollar projects: cleanup and closing of Old Amenia Landfill; building Trail to the Trail for train travelers' safe passage to Wassaic; replaced two steam boilers with hot water system at town hall, saving thousands in fuel costs.

Sent out RFPS for Highway Garage engineers and hired company to score them resulting in concept plan produced by selected company.

Awarded CDBG and SAM grants for window replacement and ADA upgrades at Amenia Town Hall in addition to

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AMENIA

LEO BLACKMAN (D)



Qualifications

EXTROVERT – I truly enjoy meeting & talking to other people, and plan to make myself open and accessible as supervisor. I believe in developing consensus around decision-making and working together collaboratively. I am impatient with a lack of urgency around improving the town and feel able to communicate the need to envision its future to reverse a 70-year decline.

COMMITMENT – I have been contributing to the town - volunteering on committees (planning, zoning, housing,

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Compiled by Curtis Schmidt

Dutchess County Legislature candidates are up for election in the 25 districts in the Nov. 7 elections.

Candidates were asked the following questions:

(1) List your qualifications as they apply to this position in the legislature.

(2) What do you see as the key issues in your district and the county in general?

Candidate responses are given per the areas covered by the Northern Dutchess News.

(Responses from incumbents are given first. With two new candidates, alphabetical order is followed.)

**DISTRICT 1 - TOWN OF
POUGHKEEPSIE**

**Incumbent – Democrat
Giancarlo Llaverias**

Background/qualifications - As a county legislator, I have consistently held Republicans accountable for their actions that negatively impact county residents, particularly our youth. Even in a minority position, I've worked tirelessly to challenge policies that hinder progress, advocating for affordable education, social services, and a brighter future for all.

I am running for Dutchess County Legislature because I am deeply committed to the well-being of our community. I believe in effective governance that prioritizes transparency, equity, and sustainable

development. I am passionate about addressing the pressing issues our county faces, from affordable healthcare to economic growth, environmental sustainability, and ensuring access to quality education for all. I want to be a voice for the people, advocating for policies that improve the lives of our residents and enhance the vitality of Dutchess County.

Key issues in your district/county - In the Town of Poughkeepsie and the County there's a notable lack of access to trade education and job opportunities for our residents. We need to invest in vocational programs that empower our youth with valuable skills for the future while addressing the growing demand for skilled labor in our community.

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Register for Go Red for Women luncheon by Nov. 9

Annual event set for Nov. 16 at CIA

By Kristine Coulter

The Go Red for Women Luncheon is set for November 16, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at The Culinary Institute of America, 1946 Campus Drive, in Hyde Park. For tickets, and more information, go to HudsonValleyGoRed.heart.org.

"The American Heart Association is working to create a Nation of Lifesavers – people who are trained in Hands-Only CPR. Only 70 percent of Americans feel comfortable performing CPR if they see someone suffer sudden cardiac arrest. We all saw that the quick reaction saved Damar Hamlin's life when he suffered sudden cardiac arrest during the January Buffalo Bills football game. We want everyone to be comfortable starting CPR if necessary, because that doubles or triples the chances of survival," said Monique Corcoran, Director of Operations, Nuvance Health, and chair of the 2023 Hudson Valley Go Red for Women Celebration.

The Go Red for Women luncheon are held annually to bring attention to ending heart disease and stroke in women,



A group of Best U participants from a previous Go Red event gathered for a photo.
Courtesy photo

according to the AHA.

"The Go Red for Women Celebration is an uplifting, heartwarming event that brings women together to change the statistic that cardiovascular disease is the No. 1 killer of women in America," said Corcoran.

The Festival of Red, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., is when guests may bid on silent auction items, including the popular "Purse-Onalities," and learn Hands-Only CPR thanks to Laerdal.

"Nuvance Health will be doing blood pressure checks. High blood pressure is known as the silent killer, so knowing if you have a healthy blood pressure can save your life. We'll have a Go Red selfie station, and a Tribute Wall where people can honor those, they've lost to heart disease, or those fighting heart disease. We'll also have a Survivor Gallery that showcases the people who live with heart disease. And of course, people can enjoy culinary delights from the CIA," Corcoran remarked.

The program begins at 12:30 p.m.

"We'll celebrate the Women of Impact, three women who participated in a peer-to-peer fundraising campaign last winter. Karen Turvey, NP, of Nuvance Health, will be our keynote speaker, who will talk about ways women can improve their health. Penny Schouten of Wappingers Falls will share her story of surviving a heart attack. Schouten had symptoms for a week, which were first misdiagnosed as anxiety. We will also acknowledge two Youth Heart Ambassadors from local schools. Attendees will go away with a deeper understanding of heart disease in women, and how they can live heart-healthy lives," said Corcoran.

Penny Schouten, a resident of Wappingers Falls, will be the survivor speaker.

"She is a very healthy woman who lived an active lifestyle and ate well. While visiting a friend's mother in the hospital, a nurse heard her talk about chest pains, and insisted she go to the emergency department. Penny was stunned to learn she'd had a heart attack," stated Corcoran.

This will be the second year that Corcoran is the chair for the Go Red for Women Celebration.

People should register by November 9 at HudsonValleyGoRed.heart.org or by emailing Janet.Eliopoulos@heart.org.

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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.

Supports Kathleen Dailey for DC Legislator

To the editor:

I'm writing to urge voters to support Kathleen Dailey for Dutchess County Legislator. I've known Kathleen for twenty-four years; we met as colleagues in the same high school and became friends with shared values and common concerns about our students. In all the years I've known her, Kathleen has been committed to ensuring equal access to education, teaching her students about social justice, and broadening her students' perspectives with inspiring lessons. In addition, Kathleen has advocated tirelessly on behalf of the teachers' association. For Kathleen, representing teachers is another way to make sure that students thrive.

Kathleen's dedication to her school community matches her dedication to Dutchess County. As County Legislator, Kathleen will fight for the well-being of all individuals and families. She will work to provide access to mental health services for anyone who needs them, to protect natural resources for our children's future, and to provide affordable housing solutions in the Hudson Valley. She is excited about this work and ready to bring energy, focus, and direction to this position.

I'm excited to see Kathleen in action, and I hope you'll join me in supporting her with your vote.

Karen Zlotnick
Lagrangeville

Serino's passion is to help her community

To the editor:

While in college, I had the unique opportunity to intern for then (NYS) Senator Sue Serino, and it was an experience that had an incredible impact on me professionally and personally.

It was evident that Sue Serino's passion for public service came from her desire to help her community. Whether that was helping a resident with their inaccurate Central Hudson bill, fighting for better resources for veterans, or checking in daily with seniors, Sue made sure that her office was there for

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CORRECTION

In the Oct. 18 issue of the Northern Dutchess News, an article outlined the various state and local propositions that will appear on the ballot for the Nov. 7 General Election. In Pine Plains, the proposition to increase funding for the Pine Plains Free Library would not just increase the library's budget; it would change the way the library is funded, through the passage of a Chapter 414 vote. A Chapter 414 vote refers to an amendment to NYS Education Law that allows libraries to ask voters for specific public funding on general election day. The goal of Chapter 414 was to rectify and further prevent the underfunding of public libraries by allowing the taxpayers the power to determine the amount of money the town provides to their library. Visit <https://pineplainslibrary.org/vote/> to learn more about this proposal.

whatever our community needed.

As Dutchess County Executive, I know that Sue will bring that same passion that I witnessed in her Senate Office because she truly does care. She listens to the needs of our community and is willing to do whatever she can to deliver results that make a positive change and impact.

More importantly, as a young person looking to plant my own roots in Dutchess County, I trust Sue Serino to make decisions that will make it affordable for me to do so. I trust her to bring new opportunities here that will allow all of us to succeed. And I trust her to always think of our community's best interests when taking any kind of action.

I hope you will join me in supporting Sue Serino this Election Day, because she truly does listen, care, and lead.

Stella Capparelli
Wappingers Falls

Parisi 'best choice' for D.A.

To the editor:

On November 7th, Dutchess County voters will elect a new District Attorney due to an upcoming retirement. The position of District Attorney is of great importance as the chief law enforcement officer in our County prosecuting all crimes including the most serious felonies. It is critical that the District Attorney be experienced, non-partisan and ethical. Thankfully, Anthony Parisi seeks this very important position.

Anthony's experience as a Major Crimes Bureau Chief with over 25 years as a prosecutor makes him the best choice for District Attorney. He has dedicated his career to fighting gun violence and preventing crime before it happens through intelligence-led policing and prosecution.

Regardless of your political affiliation, it's easy to see that Anthony Parisi is the best choice for District Attorney.

Patricia Mensler
Poughkeepsie

LAKE TAGHKANIC MASTER PLAN DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC MEETING SET NOV. 2

The NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) invites all interested parties to participate in the development of a Draft Master Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft MP/DEIS) for Lake Taghkanic State Park, located in the towns of Taghkanic and Gallatin, Columbia County, NY. An in-person meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 2, to discuss the master planning process. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide their ideas for the park.

The Nov. 2 meeting will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Taghkanic Fire Co. #1, 631 Old Route 82, Taghkanic. The meeting will begin with a brief presentation followed by a discussion. No registration is required.

OPRHP welcomes all input and encourages interested parties to attend these meetings. We hope that your schedule will allow you to participate. However, if you are unable to join at either time, a recording will be publicly available on the

OPRHP website (<https://parks.ny.gov/inside-our-agency/master-plans.aspx>). Questions, comments, or ideas regarding Master Plan may also be submitted by email: LakeTaghkanic.Plan@parks.ny.gov, or standard mail to: Megan Zimba, Park Planner, Division of Environmental Stewardship and Planning, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12238. All comments must be submitted or postmarked by Friday, December 1, 2023.

The meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Anyone who requires a reasonable accommodation for effective communications should contact Owen Gilbo at Owen.Gilbo@parks.ny.gov or at (518) 402-2648 as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

If you have any questions, please contact LakeTaghkanic.Plan@parks.ny.gov or Linda Cooper, Regional Director for the Taconic Region at: Linda.Cooper@parks.ny.gov.



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Second, the absence of comprehensive youth programming leaves a gap in engagement and personal development. To address this, we must create a diverse range of programs that foster creativity, leadership, and community involvement. These initiatives not only enrich the lives of our youth but also keep them positively engaged.

Lastly, effective, accessible, and well-promoted shared services can significantly benefit our community. By finding innovative ways to streamline resources and deliver cost-effective services, we can make a tangible impact in residents' lives.

I'm committed to championing solutions for these issues, promoting trade education, expanding youth programs, and enhancing shared services. Through collaborative efforts and a focus on community improvement, we can build a better, more vibrant future for our town.

Republican Bob Gorman (also has Conservative endorsement)

Background/qualifications - I am a Town of Poughkeepsie lifelong resident and business owner of Gorman's Garage - a 3rd-generation repair and towing business and rental firm. I've worked alongside Fire, EMS, and Police for many years in responding to emergencies. I serve as President of the Empire State Towing and Recovery and on the NYS DOT Traffic Incident Management Steering Committee. I attended Arlington Schools, BOCES Auto mechanics, and American Diesel School.

Key issues in your district/county - I will support consolidating county services where possible, search for a solution to the EMS shortage, improve education and job opportunities for the trade industry, continue funding the Sheriff's Office to ensure a safe environment for all residents, and explore a permanent solution for housing, food, and treatment for people experiencing homelessness.

DISTRICT 2 – PLEASANT VALLEY, TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE/LAGRANGE

Democrat Frank Mazzella

Background/qualifications - I currently serve as a Town Board Member, Town of Pleasant Valley. I helped cut taxes for the 2023 budget and we plan to do it again for 2024. I also worked to get Town meetings recorded and live streamed, to create a more open and transparent government. Year after year, I have worked with department heads to decrease wasteful spending and increase services. I have worked closely with the Recreation Department to expand services and add new infrastructure to our parks. I have a lifetime of working for and managing small/medium size businesses and will use that knowledge base to serve you as your next legislator.

Key issues in your district/county - Key issues for my district are: Affordable housing, Access to Mental Health Services and County Spending.

We need to keep Dutchess County affordable for families. Housing costs and demand are both on the rise and I will work across the aisle with other legislators to address this issue to help keep families in Dutchess.

I will work to improve access to Mental Health services, by increasing services offered, expanding access to those services, and expand on training given to local law enforcement. We need to give the sheriff's office and other local law enforcement the tools needed to assist in these sensitive situations.

We need to rein in county spending. The last-minute budget amendment to spend \$25 million on clubhouse stadium upgrades at Dutchess Stadium was appalling. As your next legislator I will continue my track record of decreasing spending and increasing services.

Republican Ryan Travelpiece Background/qualifications

- I am a proud

longtime resident of Dutchess County. Raising my family here, I have a vested interest in the success and prosperity of the district's varied communities. Over the past 18 years, I have dedicated my career to the world of banking and financial services. My experience encompasses a wide spectrum, including financial advising, residential and commercial lending. I actively contribute to my community by serving as the treasurer at my local church. In this capacity, I am intricately engaged in initiatives that provide diverse forms of community aid and outreach.

If elected, I will draw on this wealth of experience to ensure the transparent and efficient allocation of the County's resources. Together with my legislative colleagues I will be a responsible and bipartisan steward of our community, ensuring health, safety, and overall quality of life for every citizen in Dutchess County.

Key issues in your district/county - In this district, the County recently acquired Camp Nooteeming, which presents a unique opportunity to start from scratch on what a wooded park can look like. From active amenities like playgrounds to passive nature trails, the things we can do are exciting. I will work to develop a plan to make this park accessible to the public.

I look forward to partnering with the next County Executive on vital county services like youth programming, affordability, parks and senior services. I will work with all County stakeholders, regardless of political affiliation, to drive legislative initiatives that propel our community to a brighter future.

(County-wide) As a business banker and commercial lender, I've seen the positive impact a diverse business sector can have on the local economic landscape. Small and medium businesses form the backbone of our communities by generating employment opportunities, fostering innovation and providing vital tax revenue.

I will collaborate with the county's strategic partners to ensure we have the skilled workforce and proper infrastructure to attract and retain these valuable businesses within our region.

DISTRICT 3 – LAGRANGE

Incumbent Michael Polasek (unopposed)

Background/qualifications - I have been proud to serve the residents of LaGrange and Dutchess County for the past four years. Together with my colleagues, we have accomplished a lot – including the following:

Provided country property tax relief to senior citizens, veterans, and those with disabilities; Removed the sales tax on clothing and footwear under \$110 per item; Supported a cut to the county property taxes for 2022; Completed a project at Smith & Maloney Roads in the Town of Lagrange to improve safety at the intersection; Approved an investment into a new two-way radio system for all first responders in Dutchess County; Approved investment in a new Mechatronics lab at DCC to create a pipeline to jobs in the manufacturing industry; Implemented the 9-8-8 suicide prevention line; Created several new initiatives to bolster our mental health support services.

Goals for next two years - Continue to control county property taxes, while delivering mandated essential services. Proud to support the largest tax cut in Dutchess County's history; Support economic development that fosters growth in Dutchess County; Advocate for shared services and consolidation to save taxpayers money; Promote public safety, including tick disease education and prevention; Maintain a high quality of life in Dutchess County including, inclusive parks; Balance the needs of small business with those of our residents.

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TOWN SUPERVISOR RACES

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RED HOOK

Incumbent Robert McKeon (D) and challenger Norman Greig (R) opted not to participate in this roundup.

RHINEBECK

Incumbent Elizabeth Spinzia (D) is running unopposed. She opted not to participate in this roundup.

UNION VALE

Neither incumbent Betsy Maas, who is running on the Common Ground line, nor her challenger, Steven Frazier (R, C) responded to our request to participate in this roundup.

EARLY VOTING CONTINUES THROUGH NOV. 5

Information courtesy of the Dutchess County Board of Elections

Locations:

Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market Street, Poughkeepsie;
Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie;
Rhinebeck Town Hall, 80 East Market Street, Rhinebeck;
Wappinger Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappingers Falls;
Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill;
Cornell Cooperative Center, 2715 US-44, Millbrook;
Board of Elections Training Facility, 4280 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park.

Hours:

Wednesday, November 1: 9AM – 5PM
Thursday, November 2: Noon – 8PM
Friday, November 3: 9AM – 5PM
Saturday, November 4: 9AM – 5PM
Sunday, November 5: 9AM – 5PM

STANFORD

WENDY BURTON (D), INCUMBENT

Accomplishments

I believe one of the most noteworthy achievements of this term is the continuing "coming together" of our community. Stanford used to feel quite fractured, and we now have more volunteerism than I have ever witnessed. I believe in part this has to do with the circulation of my weekly newsletter, which currently goes out to 1,050 people. I began with zero subscribers. Our town simply feels more inclusive, and that feeling is palpable.

We have improved infrastructure through grant and federal funding. LED lighting is being installed in all town buildings, which will lower our energy costs, and our Rec Park has seen dramatic improvement – funded by \$200,000 from grants as well as private donations. We are awaiting news on a \$500,000 grant to rebuild our beloved Sparc Park. The Haunted Fortress seasonal attraction has been restored and is having its second spooky season.

The most difficult challenge we have taken on is revamping our 40-year-old "Master Plan." Balancing property rights issues with maintaining our rural character is a huge task, but when we pass the new Comprehensive Plan, we can proceed with the important work of rewriting our Zoning Code which dates back to 1982.

Priorities if re-elected

We will appoint a Zoning Commission



which will review and revamp our outdated Zoning Code. This massive undertaking will take several years to complete. One key component of this is to provide for housing that our citizens can afford. Two possible suggestions are to expand uses of Auxiliary Dwelling Units to provide greater flexibility in housing opportunities, and to allow for smaller lot sizes where appropriate, as our current 5-acre-zoning is too expensive for many of us.

Community outreach is another priority that I will continue. We have Veterans I would hope the Town could do more for. We will continue to improve services for our Seniors. I would like to push the County for aid to all of our rural communities to help us with Emergency and Ambulance Services as they are incredibly costly for towns to maintain on their own. I also would like to work with the County's Department of Health to find solutions to the difficulties businesses face when trying to open along the Route 82 corridor.

We will continue to raise funds for rebuilding Sparc Park and revitalizing our Rec facility. We're well on the way!

BILL HARKLERODE (R)

Challenger Bill Harkleroad (R) opted to not participate in this roundup.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR RACES

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DISTRICT 4 – HYDE PARK/TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE

Democrat Brendan Lawler

Background/qualifications - I am dedicated to public service as a social studies teacher at Arlington High School, former member of the Hyde Park ZBA and Audit Committee. I served in the Dutchess County Legislature for one year and know how the legislature works. My experience as a teacher of United States History and Government and Participation in Government has helped to shape my understanding of public policy and belief that good policy is dictated by the needs of our community. I also have been able to take what I have learned about government back to the classroom, which has helped to enrich the education of my students. Our community needs an advocate who will work in the best interest of residents and I will always keep residents in mind while proposing, debating, and voting on policy.

Key issues in your district/county - Dutchess County is in the middle of a mental health crisis. More resources need to be dedicated to mental health services, particularly for our youth, which requires partnering with the state and service providers for more beds in the county. Dutchess County also needs to provide more mobile mental health services.

The Dutchess County Legislature authorizes more than \$500,000,000 in spending every year, but performs no oversight after the money has been spent. Establishing a fiscal oversight committee would allow the public to see how our tax dollars are being spent on an ongoing basis and help legislators make more informed policy decisions.

Hyde Park needs a central sewer district to encourage redevelopment of the town core. A sewer district would allow for mixed use development to occur, which could include housing units to ease the current housing crisis. Dutchess County and New York State can financially aid in this project. We also need an economic development plan that provides more job opportunities to local labor and our youth so that more people can rebuild the middle class. This will help reduce the tax burden on seniors and make it easier for them to age in place.

Republican Nicole Noakes

Background/qualifications - As a current member of the Hyde Park Town Board, I restarted the Hyde Park K-9 Officer program, deployed mental health specialists alongside our police officers, fully funded a School Resource Officer for the HP school district, and purchased body cameras for law enforcement. I love this town and country. I want everyone who lives here to have the opportunity to thrive. My children love it here and I want them to have endless possibilities to live, work and play here in Dutchess.

Key issues in your district/county - I've talked to thousands of people during my time in office and while campaigning and the same three things are on everyone's mind. Drug abuse has permeated throughout our community. We need more recovery and transition opportunities for those struggling. Public Safety needs to be supported and (officials need to be) given the tools they need to keep drugs off our streets, deter crime before it happens and hold criminals accountable. New York is an expensive place to live and we need governments who recognize that and do more with less, and practice fiscal restraint rather than fiscal mismanagement. Working together, we can actually solve problems.

DISTRICT 5 – TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE

Incumbent Republican Tony D'Aquanni

Background/qualifications - I have been a Town of Poughkeepsie resident and successful small businessman for over 30 years. As an active Chamber of Commerce member, I have served in a variety of leadership roles aimed at promoting and growing small businesses. To ensure a strong Dutchess County, we need more people who are invested in families and our com-

munity.

Key issues in your district/county - I will support Dutchess County Sheriff initiatives for critical staffing and equipment in order to keep our communities safe. Dutchess is safe for citizens and tourists thanks to the strong resources we supply our public safety and emergency response apparatus.

In my first year in office, I delivered a County property tax rate cut. I will continue to work diligently to control property taxes while delivering mandated services and improving the quality of life for residents. These types of skills and qualities have been necessary in my business career and I am happy to bring them to the table at the legislature.

As a 30-year small businessman in the Town of Poughkeepsie, I will continue to support all initiatives to promote entrepreneurship within our community. Small businesses are the backbone of a vibrant economy.

I will continue to support programs through DCC and others that educate our youth in the trades and manufacturing industry which we so desperately need.

Democrat Linda Haas Manley

Background/qualifications - As an educator, workforce development professional, union member, and community volunteer with over 30 years of experience, I have been advocating for workers, students, adult learners, people with disabilities, local businesses, and seniors. I have served on the Town of Poughkeepsie Democratic Committee since 2016 and have raised two sons who attended and graduated from public schools and colleges in Dutchess County.

In my professional role, I collaborate with employers and non-profit agencies to provide work-based experiences to college students that encourage them to remain in Dutchess County. As a community volunteer, I work with churches and social service agencies to address food insecurity and financial challenges of our community members. I am running for office because I am concerned about transparency in local government and believe the Dutchess County Legislature should be accountable to the community and spend funds on programs and services that benefit Dutchess County residents.

Key issues in your district/county - Key issues in District 5 and Dutchess County include high property taxes, wasteful spending for no new services, and a lack of transparency in local government. Two examples of the lack of transparency in the county include the renovation of a clubhouse in a stadium that cost \$25 million and the proposal to move the police station in the Town of Poughkeepsie to the Poughkeepsie Day School, which would have cost taxpayers \$90 million dollars over 25 years. There is no doubt that a new police station is needed, but not in that location and not at that price. Neighbors who live near the school and nearby children's programs were never consulted about this proposed project. These are just two examples of the lack of transparency in local government decisions. I was part of the group who questioned the proposed police station project, and a working group was formed to address it, but a lack of transparency continues to exist in terms of how the committee was formed. Also, the public meetings are poorly advertised. We need change in local government to collaborate on careful planning of public spaces and programs that serve our residents.

DISTRICT 6 TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE

Democrat Lisa Kaul

Background/qualifications - Dutchess has been my home for 19 years. I have raised a family here, own a house here, and have worked here as an educator. I have volunteered extensively with area non-profits, served on the Arlington Board of Education, and organized community repair events to keep things out of landfills.

I am running to fight for transparent government that is fiscally responsible - and that prioritizes the needs of both people and the planet over profit. I believe that if one among us hurts, we all hurt. I will work to ensure that we create opportunities for

everyone by providing services, infrastructure, housing, and tuition benefits.

Key issues in your district/county - Housing and affordability. Dutchess is becoming increasingly expensive. Seniors can no longer afford to age in place and young people cannot afford to start a life here. The high cost of childcare and poor public transportation make this worse.

Mental health and substance use. There is a substance use epidemic and mental health crisis in Dutchess, exacerbated by a lack of appropriate services.

Stewarding our environment. We need to protect our greenspaces from thoughtless sprawl, make it easier to dispose of our waste sustainably, move away from waste incineration and reduce emissions.

Educational and training opportunities for youth and those looking to change careers are limited. We need to invest in Dutchess Community College and BOCES.

Government transparency and accountability. We need a county government that is fiscally responsible with tax-payer dollars.

Republican Marc Pfeifer

Background/qualifications - I retired from the town of Poughkeepsie Highway Department in October of 2022. I was Highway Superintendent for 17 years and worked there for 31 years. I have lived in the town of Poughkeepsie my entire life have a 27-year old daughter. I still very much care about the well-being of the Town of Poughkeepsie and Dutchess County. With my passion for where we live and work and my knowledge of the town's infrastructure, this is why I am running for county legislator.

Key issues in your district/county - I believe I can be a good leader of the infrastructure committee. I would work on integrating rail trail and park networking. Ensure public safety is maintained. Also update county storm emergency management response. And mostly bring common sense to government.

DISTRICT 7 TOWNS OF HYDE PARK/PLEASANT VALLEY

Republican William Truitt (unopposed)

Background/qualifications - I am a life-long resident of Hyde Park, having graduated from FDR High School in 2013 and subsequently graduating Cum Laude from Marist College with my Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration & Finance, along with minors in Accounting & Economics. Currently, I am the Finance Officer of Metzger Construction Corp. located in Hopewell Junction while simultaneously pursuing my Masters of Business Administration (MBA) in Financial Management at Marist.

It has truly been the honor of my life to have served as a member of the Dutchess County Legislature for the last 8 years, where I additionally serve as Majority Leader of the Republican Caucus. I strongly believe in a small and limited government that primarily focuses on a combination of fiscal conservatism with a priority on investing in our law enforcement (public safety) and our youth (our future). I am a proud American and Christian.

Key issues in your district/county - Protecting our community, and in particular our youth, from the scourge of drug addiction that has debilitated the bright futures of countless Americans. As County Legislator, I vow to continue funding our Dutchess County Sheriff's Department and local law enforcement agencies, including our Drug Task Force, as we seek to eliminate the sale of illicit drugs on our streets while simultaneously promoting successful County resources such as our Crisis & Stabilization Center and our Recovery Coach Program.

I am a fervent believer that those who commit crimes in our community should be punished and held accountable for their actions, and will continue to push back on New York State's ridiculously weak on crime, slap on the wrist policies where criminals are caught and released on appearance tickets. In terms of our local economy and financial condition, Dutchess County has the highest bond rating of any County in all of New York State thanks to our Republican Majority's responsible

stewardship of taxpayer dollars and our efficiency in paying down our debts ahead of schedule. In the upcoming term, I will advocate for additional funding for outdoor activities for our youth, enhanced services for our veterans and senior citizens, as well as for upgrades to our local water and sewer infrastructure.

DISTRICT 11 TOWNS OF RHINEBECK/CLINTON/PLEASANT VALLEY

Incumbent Democrat Brennan Kearney

Background/qualifications - Many elected officials in my community wait until retirement to get involved in local government, and many of those who serve are male. As a woman and a mother, I chose a different path, and embarked on a journey to raise a family and work as an elected official so I can give back in Dutchess County. My daughter is proudly attending Dutchess Community College this year and I too was educated in Poughkeepsie (at Vassar College) and returned to the area 15 years ago to settle my family in Rhinebeck.

I am a small business owner, and served on the Rhinebeck Town Board before joining the Legislature. A regular volunteer at the Repair Café, I am passionate about reducing the number of items that enter the waste stream. As a Legislator, I am focused on issues of economic, racial and environmental justice, among other concerns.

Key issues in your district/county - I firmly believe that elected officials have a sacred duty to advocate for and protect the most vulnerable in our communities – families, those struggling with addiction and mental health issues, the environment, the Veteran community and (particularly in the current political environment) Democratic principles. Serving in the Dutchess County Legislative minority for the past four years has given me many opportunities to speak up for all of the above and to propose Legislation for environmental protection of the Hudson River, child and health care, more services for those struggling with mental health issues and addiction, Youth Justice, Criminal Justice Reform, and to hold the County accountable for how its budget is allocated and administered. I have also focused on local needs, including property tax exemptions for seniors and the disabled, gun safety signage, protection of the Hudson River, and the safety issues on Slate Quarry Road, where I secured new safety paving and increased traffic enforcement, which have resulted in dramatic decreases in accidents on this notoriously dangerous local road.

Republican Dean Michael

Background/qualifications - My wife, Susan, and I have been married for 38 years, raised three children, and have three grandchildren. The Town of Clinton has been our home for the past 23 years. I graduated from John Jay, Dutchess, Marist, and finally received my MBA from SUNY Empire State. With 30 years as a small business owner, I've gained valuable experience that has been valuable to me and my community having served on the Town Board for 16 years, 5 of which as Deputy Supervisor. I have also chaired numerous committees and held Directorship positions at the Mortgage Bankers and Resource Recovery Agency. My commitment to our community runs deep, demonstrated through years as a baseball coach, and business coach, involvement with the Sons of the American Legion, and the Chamber of Commerce, and extensive volunteer work with non-profits dedicated to serving children and veterans, which will make me a better Legislator.

Key issues in your district/county - As a legislator representing Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck, I recognize the diverse needs of our communities. However, my unwavering commitment remains the same: to ensure effective governance and prioritize the safety of our residents.

My central goals are to keep taxes at a minimum, implement sensible regulations, and stimulate business growth while preserving personal freedoms. I am also

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Fall for Art brings Hudson Valley creativity to the world, virtually

This year, Fall for Art celebrates 27 years. As it has done over the last few years, the popular art show, sale and community fundraiser will be held online. The virtual gallery will be open from 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4, through 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, at www.fallforart.org.

Fall for Art is a juried, seven-day virtual art show selling two- and three-dimensional artwork, jewelry and textiles from 36 Hudson Valley artists. The multi-day format allows Fall for Art to extend the audience reach geographically which increases the opportunity for browsing and purchasing the artists' unique works.

In the age of COVID, Fall for Art – the Hudson Valley's successful fundraising art show, sale and community fundraiser – could not be a traditional live event. The Jewish Federation of Ulster County,

as well as the many local charities that depended on the event's fundraising, would now have a difficult year meeting their budgets. The Hudson Valley artists who benefit from an exclusively local artist show, would also find their revenues lacking.

Instead of canceling Fall for Art, the committee made a revolutionary decision to make the show's 24th annual event a virtual show. It was a huge success. The artists sold their work to art lovers around the world.

Suddenly, this local event became worldwide and was the most successful show in the 24 years of Fall for Art.

What makes this show so special is that in the spirit of the Jewish Federation's mission of giving back to the community, the proceeds go to the artists as well as some of the areas local nonprofits: Circle of Friends for the Dying, Food Bank of the Hudson Valley, Jewish Family Services of Ulster County, Hudson Valley LGBTQ+, Oncology Support Program, People's Place. This is just a sampling of organizations that have benefited from Fall for Art's give back to the community program.

Visit the website for Phorinformation about participating artists.

Some of the artists featured in Fall for Art are (right, clockwise from top) Lauren Basciani, Lucy Schaeffer, Carole Shiber and (left) Liz Horn Ron Zukor. Courtesy images



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'Growing Up Roosevelt' release set Nov. 4

The release of "Growing Up Roosevelt" by Nina Roosevelt Gibson will take place on Saturday, Nov. 4, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Upstate Films Starr Cinema, at 6415 Montgomery St. in Rhinebeck. The event is free to attend (donations appreciated) and will also be live-streamed via Zoom (registration required with a \$10 fee).

The author will be on hand for a Q&A; tea and refreshments will be served.

"Growing Up Roosevelt" gives an intimate picture of life at Val-Kill as well as Nina's wide-ranging experiences traveling as a teenager with her grandmother.

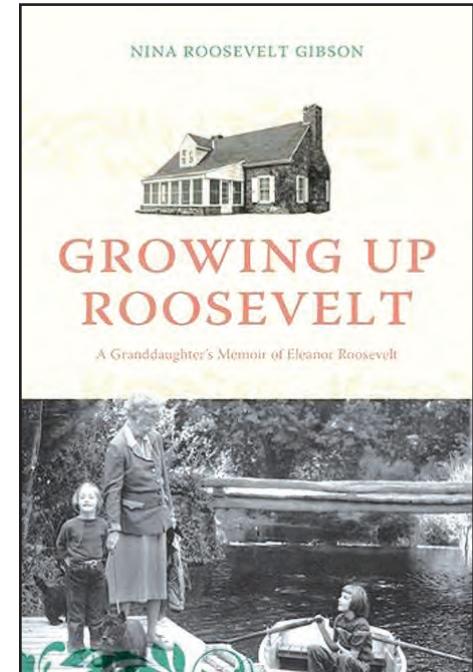
Included are portraits of the family, staff, famous friends, people in need, and world leaders as disparate as Nikita Khrushchev, Haile Selassie, and John F. Kennedy. This book will appeal to anyone interested in the life and times of Eleanor Roosevelt, her work as a trailblazing political and feminist leader, and the intimate behind-the-scenes details that only her granddaughter can tell.

This is an extraordinary opportunity to connect with the Roosevelt legacy on a personal level and gain insights that can only come from someone who shared such intimate moments with Eleanor

Roosevelt herself. Join us in November for a live in-person Q&A with the author. Tea and refreshments will be served – ER style.

Author proceeds from sales of "Growing Up Roosevelt" are being donated to Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill (ERVK).

Nina Roosevelt Gibson, Eleanor Roosevelt's granddaughter, will be on hand for a Q&A for the release of her book, "Growing Up Roosevelt," on Nov. 4 at Upstate Films in Rhinebeck. Courtesy image



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Pop's golf lesson

Golf is supposed to be relaxing...

About 25 years ago my father retired for the third time. This time he was determined to make it "work." He bought a condominium in Florida with my mother and spent that first winter there.

Unfortunately, Pop was bored out his mind and Mom missed her children and grandchildren. Pop was determined to spend that winter there but needed to find something to do. I had sent down my golf clubs in order to have them there when we visited, and I urged Pop to go to the driving range. Maybe take a lesson.

"No, Ima a wine maker," he said. "Whata the hell am I gonna do with those bastoncino (sticks)?" I assured him that he would love it, but he just continued to tell me that it was unproductive and stupid.

I left him alone for a few days then called him again. I asked him what he was doing.

Pop: Listena. Ima gonna tell you something but you no laugh ata me.

Me: Okay?

Pop: I lika to giocare (play) the golf. Ia tried and Ia lika it.

Me: Great Pop! Maybe you can take a lesson so they can teach you how to play.

Pop: Lezione (lesson)? Im gonna try.

Ia letta you know.

So I left him alone for a few days and decided to wait for him to call me. When a week went by and I didn't hear from him, I called him.

Me: Hi Pop! I'm just checking in on you.

Pop: Luigi. Did anyone call you?

Me: No. What's the matter?

Pop: The golf maestro (teacher). He noa calla you?

Me: No, why?

Pop: Well, Ia went to the driving range and I boughta the lezione.

Me: Yeah?

Pop: I gave him the business card so he would knowa Ima in the restaurant.

Me: OK?

Pop: Well hea tried to teach me how to swing the bastoncino.

Me: What happened?

Pop: Wella he getsa behind me and he tries to benda me down and he movsa the arms and I yella at him.

Me: Why did you yell at him!?

Pop: I tolda him just showa me howa to swing the bastoncinos. I noa want all that other stuff.

Me: Pop, that's how you have to swing, he was showing you how to stand.

Pop: Ima no a stupida. I cana standa.

Me: (sigh) Then what happened?

Pop: He told me howa to puta my head down and looka ata the ball.

Me: Oh no. What did you say?

Pop: Ia tolda hima to teach me something I don'ta know!

Me: Then what happened?

Pop: Itsa no my fault.

Me: What happened?

Pop: Hea startsa to cry and he says he no want to teacha no more. He gave me my money and hea left.

Me: Geez Pop. Golf is supposed to be relaxing. It's not the restaurant. You can't yell at people.

Pop: Oh come on. I no yell.

Me: Pop, you have to go say you're sorry. Maybe bring him something.

Pop: (sigh) Okay, Ima gonna go and bringa him some caponata and soma mya wine.

Me: Good.

After I got off the phone with him, I was actually scared about what I would hear from the state of Florida regarding my father. In the meantime, enjoy this recipe for caponata.

CAPONATA

Ingredients

5 tablespoons olive oil

1 1.5-pound eggplant, peeled, cut into 1/2-inch cubes

1 medium onion, cubed

4 large garlic cloves, chopped

1 32 oz. Jar Coppola's Tuscan Sauce

3 tablespoons red wine vinegar

2 tablespoons drained capers

1/3 cup chopped fresh basil

Toasted pine nuts

Method

Heat olive oil in a large pot. Add eggplant, onions and garlic and sauté until the eggplant is soft, about 10 minutes) Add Coppola's Tuscan sauce, vinegar and capers and simmer for 15 minutes longer stirring occasionally until the eggplant is soft. Stir in the basil and pine nuts. Serve over pasta, with Italian bread or with both.

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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Garden Club offers community service and education in Red Hook

By Nancy Bendiner
and Felice Gelman

The Old Dutch Village Garden Club (ODVGC), which seeks to learn about gardening, contribute to the community, and preserve natural resources, has had a busy fall. At their October meeting, Red Hook resident Connie Barresi taught Garden Club creative ways to preserve and use flowers. "You can give your blooms eternal life," she said.

With the cooler weather, it's time to bring our gardens indoors. You can also save flowers and bouquets from memorable moments. No more drooping flowers, they can be transformed "into something new and exciting."

With great expertise, Ms. Barresi demonstrated ways to preserve fresh flowers at home, such as air drying, pressing, and using various materials and approaches to maintain shapes and colors. She identified which flowers are good candidates to use for each method. Meeting attendees were provided with kits with which they were able to create their own flower-decked bookmarks and framed pictures. At the end of the meeting, everyone took home their own creation.

With community service in mind, members got together to create the street decorations at the Four Corners in Red Hook in honor of Hardscrabble Day and

the beauty of Fall. It's likely you have seen our decorations of pumpkins, hay, and flowers along the sidewalks near the traffic signal. ODVGC has received many comments of appreciation about the decorations from local residents.

Linda Lawson of ODVGC spearheaded the effort to create the Four Corners decorations. Migliorelli Farm, Greig Farm, Kesicke Farm, Hardeman Orchards, Mead Orchards and Rose Hill Farm generously donated the hay bales, pumpkins, gourds, Indian corn, corn stalks and apple crates, all of which we used in our displays. Rose Hill Farm, Montgomery Orchards and Greig Farm supplied apples for people to sample.

Mona, Rich and David Matthies donated and placed the giant hay bale, using a machine to lift it, drive it to a trailer and to its seasonal new home at the Four Corners.

This year the Garden Club also offered merchants a free door decoration to display for the day. 25 merchants participated. The door decorations were swags made from corn stalk leaves with silk leaves, a sunflower and a bow added.

Every month (except August), Old Dutch Village Garden Club meets on Thursdays at St. John's Reformed Church in Upper Red Hook. Please join us at our next meeting on November 9. Follow us on Facebook to learn more about our monthly programs.



The Old Dutch Village Garden Club in Red Hook helped decorate the Village of Red Hook during Hardscrabble Day. Below: Club members preserved flowers during a recent workshop. Courtesy photos

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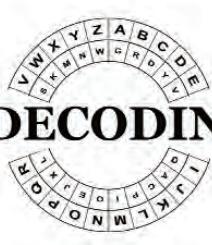
Pastor Corey Kennard, is a National Leader in Advance Care Planning Education & Outreach and serves as an activist in the field of healthcare. He is the Pastor of Amplify Christian Church and Director of Patient Experience at Ascension St. John Hospital in Detroit, Michigan.

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DCHS annual Autumn Auction scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 5

By Antonia Mauro

This year the Dutchess County Historical Society Autumn Auction catalog offers unique opportunities to discover private historic properties that include tours with receptions.

Walking tours in historic districts in Poughkeepsie, and of the Vassar College Campus, bring you back in time while viewing remarkable period architecture.

Ready for a trip rich in history, fine art, antiques and verdant landscapes? We suggest you begin bidding on memberships to Lyndhurst Mansion, Kykuit, The Newport Preservation Society, Olana, The Thomas Cole National Historic Site and many more.

From overnight stays at premium locations in Dutchess County to Estes Park Colorado, the DCHS catalog also offers winery tastings and health and fitness memberships.

Reidinger and Caire have produced pottery in Poughkeepsie in the 19th century. One of their handsome 19th century open crocks, donated by Judge Jim Brands, can be yours when you begin bidding now.

Antique lover? Add to your collection with the original 1886 Martha Washington \$1 Silver Certificate Note or, the early 19th century American Primitive "Walking" Spinning Wheel.

With the holidays around the corner, the Autumn Auction catalog offers a variety of gift cards to restaurants and businesses. Start your shopping with DCHS and finish with pizza! Bid on any one of our pizza packages from numerous Dutchess

County cities and towns.

The Dutchess County Historical Society recently relocated to Rhinebeck and continues to be committed to being the most meaningful source of Dutchess County history. They do this through the responsible archival stewardship of tangible objects, modern interpretation and creative presentations of its history to the public. This includes the Oral History Project and local history workshops with area schools and educators. Through its' range of publications, virtual programs, the Yearbook and Annual Meeting, the Dutchess County Historical Society continues its mission to preserve our local history.

The DCHS 2023 Autumn Auction is the organization's single, major fundraising event of the year. DCHS does not receive any regular Federal, State or County funding. They rely solely on donations, membership dues and private sponsorships from people like you. Please support the 100-plus year old mission of DCHS to collect, preserve, interpret, and share the history of Dutchess County from the period of the arrival of the first indigenous peoples until the present day.

If you are not able to attend this year's Autumn Auction, please consider becoming a member or making a donation to DCHS here: <https://dchsnny.org/short/>. View the DCHS Autumn Auction catalog on the Absolute Auctions website at: <https://www.absoluteauctions.com/servlet/Search.do?auctionId=6523&page=1&perPage=20&orderBy=>



Walking Tour of Innisfree Gardens in Millbrook is one of the items in the DCHS auction. This exclusive 90-minute walking tour will be led by Innisfree Gardens curator Kate Kerin. The winning bidder will receive a gift basket of wine and cheese for the group to enjoy.
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Noël Coward's 'Blithe Spirit' to play in Copake 2 weekends

The Two Of Us Productions, the award-winning theater company based in Columbia County, will present "Blithe Spirit" by Noël Coward. Performances are Nov. 10-12 and 17-19 in the cozy and intimate Copake Grange Theater.

"Blithe Spirit" is a comedic thriller set in the home of socialite and novelist Charles Condomine, who invites the eccentric medium and clairvoyant Madame Arcati to his house to conduct a séance, hoping to gather material for his next book. Charles' scheme backfires when the séance inadvertently attracts the ghost of his deceased wife Elvira.

Only Charles can see or hear Elvira; his new wife, Ruth, does not believe that she exists. The ghostly Elvira makes continued and increasingly desperate efforts to disrupt Charles' current marriage, finally deciding to kill Charles in order to make him hers forever.

Elvira's plot backfires in a quite unexpected way, leading Charles and Madame Arcati to try again and again to return Elvira to her "eternal rest."

"Blithe Spirit" features John Leinung as Charles Condomine, Linda Storms as his wife Ruth Condomine, Constance Lopez as his deceased wife Elvira, Deborah Lombardi as the spiritual

medium Madame Arcati, Mark Leinung as Dr. George Bradman, Diane Boice-Yorck as Mrs. Violet Bradman, and Karissa Payson as Edith, the Condomine's speedy maid.

Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday matinees are at 3 p.m. The Copake Grange Theater is located at 628 Empire Road, just around the corner from the Clock Tower Pub in the center of Copake. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors; call for Group Rates.

For advance reservations, visit www.TheTwoOfUsProductions.org or call (518) 758-1648.

The Two Of Us Productions is pleased to offer the option of dinner-and-a-show for "Blithe Spirit." For one night only, on Saturday Nov. 11, you can enjoy the culinary skills of local chef Paul Parillo of Chatham Previsions as he serves you at the Copake Grange Theater starting at 6 p.m., with the performance starting at 7:30 p.m. To make your order, visit www.TheTwoOfUsProductions.org. The price for your dinner order is \$20, plus the cost of your theater ticket for the performance. The cutoff for making your dinner reservations is noon on Saturday, Nov. 11.

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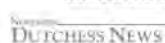
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County Players to present ‘The Humans’

County Players, one of the longest-running community theatre companies in the area will present the Tony Award-winning Comedy “The Humans” by Stephen Karam. This Main Stage production is directed by Andrew Karl and opens Nov. 3 through Nov. 18 with performances scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays Nov. 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, and 18 at 8 p.m., with matinees on Sunday, Nov. 12, and Saturday, Nov. 18 at 2 p.m. Performances are at the County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 W. Main Street in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

It's the small dinner party that made big waves on Broadway about a fractured family at its not-so-finest. A bold, bruised,

and billowing comedy, “The Humans” layers the fabric of a family’s past as they gather at the New York Chinatown apartment of the youngest daughter and her boyfriend for a holiday meal. Of “The Humans” the Associated Press said: “Terrific . . . crackling with joy and sadness. It is an absolute triumph!”

The production features the local talents of Ann Citron, Paul Herbig, Claudia King, Brian Mathews, Ivy Meehan, and Jessica Valente. Of this production director Karl says, “As may be the case with many Thanksgiving gatherings, “The Humans” brings out the best (and worst) in a tight-knit family grappling with fear of the unknown in an ever-evolving

world. Come take a seat at the table and score the modern American Family at its not-so-finest.”

COVID-19 Policy: Please note that proof of vaccination is no longer required; masks are optional. You may visit the website at countyplayers.org/covid019-policy/ for complete up-to-date information on our theater protocols as COVID-19, and policy is reviewed after each production. **NOTE:** The box office is open for in-person ticket sales on performance days.

Individual tickets are available online in advance of the performance dates at countyplayers.org.

Hudson Valley Credit Union proudly sponsors County Players’ 66th Season. This production of “The Humans” is made possible with the support of Bronze Sponsor: Facilities Maintenance Corp., and is produced by special arrangement with Broadway Licensing, LLC, servicing the Dramatists Play Service collection. dramatists.com

Accessibility: If one requires wheelchair accessibility, please contact our Box Office at 845-298-1491.

For more information, visit countyplayers.org/shows/the-humans, [instagr a m . c o m / c o u n t y p l a y e r s /](https://www.instagram.com/countyplayers/) facebook.com/countyplayers.



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Through Nov. 19: The Big Read, various locations. This year's selection is "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown, the true story of the rowing crew that represented the United States at the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin, Germany, under the dual historical contexts of the Great Depression and the rise of Nazism. Schools across the region will study the Big Read through author visits. Younger readers can join the Big Read with "The Boys in the Boat: Young Readers' Adaptation" by Gregory Mone and "River" by Elisha Cooper, both available at participating libraries. Copies of the book will be available in local school districts. For a complete schedule of events, call (845) 485-3445, ext. 3707, or visit <https://poklib.org/big-read/>.

Nov. 2: Author Talk with Susan Stessin-Cohn, Staatsburgh State Historic Site, 75 Mills Mansion Dr., Road #1, Staatsburgh. Stessin-Cohn, author of "In Defiance: Runaways from Slavery," will discuss her continuing research into the Hudson Valley residents who self-emancipated from enslavement, 6:30 p.m. Free admission, but registration required via Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS. Copies of the book will be available to purchase. More info: (845) 889-8851

Nov. 2: Carl Linich Trio, Morton Memorial

Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. Come enjoy a concert of traditional polyphonic a cappella folk songs from the Republic of Georgia, performed by Carl Linich and his two sons, Luka and Sean, all Hudson Valley residents, 7 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. For more information: clinich@bard.edu

Nov. 3: Brit Floyd: 50 years of "The Dark Side of the Moon," UPAC, 601 Broadway, Kingston. Brand-new production celebrating 50 years of the ground-breaking and iconic musical masterpiece "The Dark Side of the Moon," 8 p.m. The show will feature classic tracks from the album, plus other highlights from Pink Floyd's catalog of albums. Tickets start at \$49. (845) 473-5288, (845) 339-6088 or boxoffice@bardavon.org

Nov. 3-4: Live Music at the Towne Crier Cafe, 379 Main St., Beacon. Nov. 3: Adrian Legg; with special guest Chris Miele, 8 p.m. Globally acclaimed by critics and fans alike for his unique acoustic and electric fingerstyle guitar playing, Adrian Legg masterfully blends diverse musical styles, influences and inspirations to create a distinctive sound all his own. Tickets \$25 advance, \$30 door. Nov. 4: Stella Blue's Band, re-creating the experience of being at a Grateful Dead show, 8 p.m. Tickets \$20 advance / \$25 door. (845) 855-1300 or

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Nov. 3-19: "Peter and the Starcatcher," The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308 Rhinebeck. As "Wicked" provides a prequel to "The Wizard of Oz," the Story of "Peter and the Starcatcher" provides a humorous and fantastical backstory for the beloved character of Peter Pan. In this wickedly imaginative play, we meet a poor orphan on the high seas simply called "Boy." His sad and lonely world is turned upside down when he meets Molly, the daughter of famous Starcatcher Lord Astor. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 11, 3 p.m. Tickets \$27. (845) 876-3080 or www.centerforperformingarts.org

Nov. 4: Copake Grange Classic Film Series presents "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," Grange theater, 628 Empire Road, Copake. Starring in this 1939 Frank Capra film along with Jean Arthur, Jimmy Stewart plays a naive youth leader who is appointed to fill a vacancy in the U.S. Senate. His idealistic plans promptly collide with corruption at home and subterfuge from his hero in Washington, but he tries to forge ahead despite attacks on his character. Grange Classic Film Series organizer, Lenny Barham, will provide commentary and insights about the film. Film starts at 3:30 p.m.

p.m. Movie admission is by donation. Stay after the movie for dinner—soup, salad and dessert for \$10. Learn more at www.copakegrange.org.

Nov. 4: Tintypes at Wilderstein, 330 Morton Rd., Rhinebeck. This lecture and demonstration will showcase the art, history, and alchemical process of the unmatched beauty of tintype photographs, 2 p.m. Tom DeLoza, a historical photographer, will delve into Wilderstein's collection of tintypes and is available for a limited number of portrait sessions that day using his equipment and antiquarian and techniques. The audience will be encouraged to stay for the first portrait session and witness the ethereal appear out of the darkness. Tickets for the lecture are \$15 and portraits may be booked for an additional \$60 per session. For more information, call (845) 876-4818.

Nov. 5: Train & Hobby Show, MJN Convention Center, 14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie. The re-imagined show will feature model trains and vendors, kids ride-on railroad, operating layouts, raffles, free holiday character photo-op and free parking at the City of Poughkeepsie Financial Deck, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. (845) 454-5800

THE ARTS CONNECTION

Open auditions for "All My Sons" at the Ghent Playhouse Nov. 14 & 15

The Ghent Playhouse announces auditions for "All My Sons," the Pulitzer Prize-winning drama based on a true story by the iconic American playwright Arthur Miller. Ed Dignum directs. Auditions will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 14 and 15, at 7 p.m., at The Ghent Playhouse, 6 Town Hall Place, Ghent.

"All My Sons," Arthur Miller's first commercial success, focuses on a post-war American family caught in a tragic downfall of material greed, lies, love and loss. The play examines ethical responsibilities: to ourselves, our neighbors, and all at-risk sons and daughters of American conflict.

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Lydia Lubey, late-20s to early-30s
Jim Bayliss, 40s
Sue Bayliss, 40s

Bert, 8-12 years old

Performance dates are Feb. 9-11 and 16-18, 2024. Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Preview performance, Thursday, Feb. 8, at 7:30 p.m.

The rehearsal schedule will be based on the availability of those cast.

For more information about the auditions or productions, visit ghentplayhouse.org/ audition; contact Director Ed Dignum, (518) 791-4034; or email edwarddignum7@gmail.com.

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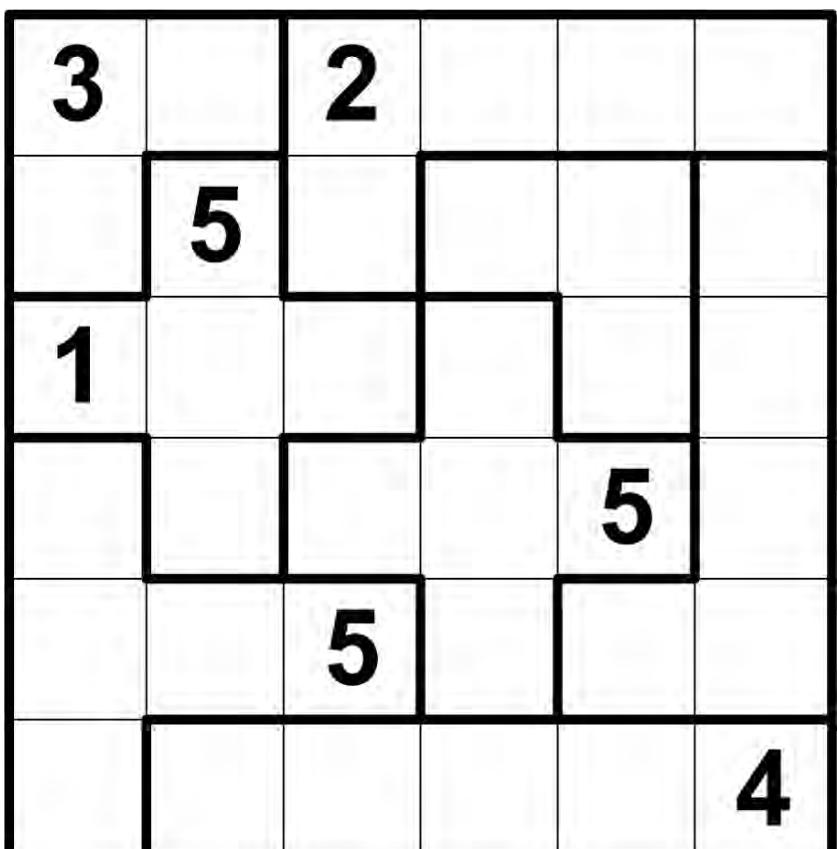
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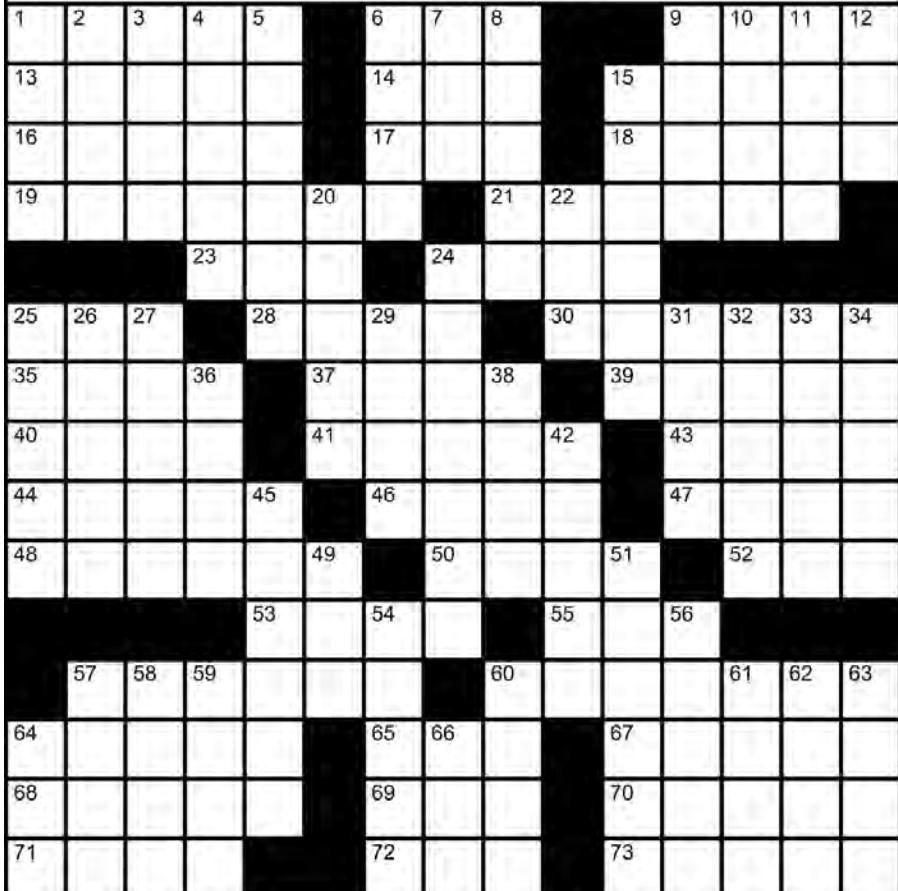
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ACROSS

- Dylan lyric, "There was music in the ____ at night and revolution in the air"
- *Many scientists have this
- Alpha Centauri B, e.g.
- Measured in kilowatt-hours, on electric bill
- Ring of flowers
- TV's "____ Blinders"
- Make believe
- Public promotions
- Appropriate for Halloween
- *F unit of capacitance named in whose honor?
- *Marine biologist and "Silent Spring" author
- L.A. baller
- Not on a rolling stone?
- Value added reseller
- New Zealand fruit
- Option at a hot dog stand, adj.
- One's final notice
- Without, in French
- Time being
- Toy construction set brand
- Turning token taker
- Jewish month
- Jab on field of play
- A ride up ski hill
- Short for Milton
- *A unit of electric current named in whose honor?
- Home to Zion National Park
- Wood-shaping tool
- Morays, pl.
- One little piggy
- *A telescope was named in his honor
- *Primatologist and world's foremost expert on chimpanzees
- Popular snorkeler's attraction
- Have a cold
- Sphere in Las Vegas, e.g.
- Pond buildup
- To and ____
- Gives off
- Goes with a rod
- Small dog's bark
- Tears down

DOWN

- Take into custody
- On a deck?
- So-so
- a.k.a. tent caterpillar or lappet moth
- Maurice of "Where the Wild Things Are"
- Eugene O'Neill's creation
- He had
- Popular 70s genre
- Witnesses
- Hawaiian tuber
- Similar
- Kind of bourbon
- P in POI
- Out of whack
- Cleopatra's killer, according to legend
- Not a full size bus
- *V unit of electric potential named in whose honor?
- Crosswise, on deck
- Build temporarily (2 words)
- *W unit of power named in whose honor?
- Type of rich soil
- Most populous country
- Burn with water
- *Synonymous with unit of frequency and a car rental company
- Muscle quality
- Floor plank
- Muse of love poetry
- The ____ makers of "Pitch Perfect"
- #53 Across, sing.
- Vacuum cleaner, in U.K.
- Like kale or spinach
- Swelling of human organs
- Golfer's destination
- Desires
- Ancient Semitic deity
- Lump of stuff
- Black tropical cuckoos
- Guitar forerunner
- Is it really more?
- *Carl Benz invented the first practical modern one in the 1880s
- Retirement plan, acr.

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Supervisor Al Torreggiani Secures \$500,000 Scholarship for Hyde Park High School Graduates



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Supervisor Torreggiani negotiated and secured a \$500,000 scholarship program which will provide \$25,000 a year for 20 years to benefit graduating Hyde Park School District seniors in financial need who are committed to academic success and attending post-high school education.

The Bellefield-Mulroy Family Scholarship Fund will be open to students pursing a degree in science, technology, engineering, math, performing arts and the culinary arts.



Supervisor Al Torreggiani said, “By establishing this generous scholarship, Hyde Park is an even more attractive place to live and raise a family. The education of our youth always must be paramount along with opportunities for personal growth. This is a superb investment in our future and when the kids benefit so does the entire community.”

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