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County Office of Veterans Affairs goes mobile with outreach efforts



Members of the Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs Operation Mobile Outreach team include, from left, Veterans Outreach Coordinator Beth-Anne Canero, Program Assistant Rose Joerg, Deputy Director Julie Leslie, Secretary Paige Walag and Office of Veterans Affairs Director Adam Roche.

-Photo by Curtis Schmidt

By Kate Goldsmith

Responding to a growing need, the Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs is going on the road to meet veterans and their families where they live. Operation: Mobile Outreach is a new program that expands the county's veterans support services beyond the Veterans Affairs' regular weekday hours, making it more convenient for those veterans who work and don't live near the office in Pleasant Valley.

In addition, the department is continuing its series of informational outreach events – in conjunction with the MHA Dutchess Veterans Programs and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs – with the

Dutchess County Veteran Town Hall this Saturday, Jan. 24, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at American Legion Post 1302, at 55 Overlook Road in Poughkeepsie. This free event will connect local veterans with local service providers for an open, informative discussion focused on the programs, services and supports available to local veterans, their loved ones and caregivers. (More information is provided at the end of this article.)

Veterans Outreach Coordinator Beth-Anne Canero has worked with the county's Office of Veterans Affairs since July 2025 and joins its team of Veterans Services Officers, all of whom have served our nation. She presides over the mobile outreach events, the first of which



took place on Jan. 8 at the American Legion Post 429 in Rhinebeck. Speaking via phone last week, Canero said about 10 veterans attended, five of whom she was able to assist with various claims on that evening, along with follow-up calls, with everyone in attendance learning more about the office's services and programs.

"I'm glad we're finally off and running [with the mobile outreach]," she said. "I look forward to seeing how participation continues in the upcoming months."

"Beth-Anne was the perfect person to perform this job," said Adam Roche, director of the county's Veterans Affairs office. Canero retired from the Marine Corps in 2021 and has worked in various positions since then. She has expertise as a Veterans Service Officer and trained for the last five months to become the department's Veterans Outreach Coordinator.

Roche said response to Operation: Mobile Outreach has been enthusiastic since information about the events was posted on the county's website and Facebook page, facebook.com/dutchesscogov.

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Hochul unveils ambitious agenda in 2026 State of the State

Compiled by Kate Goldsmith

On Jan. 13, Gov. Kathy Hochul delivered her 2026 State of the State address, outlining more than 200 initiatives to make life more affordable, keep New Yorkers safe, and expand opportunity. Hochul's proposal lays out a clear, actionable plan to meet the challenges families face today, while preparing New York for the road ahead. The Governor provides a path to universal child care, to lowering energy bills, protecting consumers, and confronting the rising costs that hit working families hardest. The plan continues to invest in public safety with strategies that work – including targeted enforcement, cutting-edge technology, and a mental health system that treats people with dignity while keeping communities secure.

"I've said from the beginning: Your family is my fight. And in this moment, when the future feels full of promise, but under real threat: your future is my fight as well," Hochul said. "I fight every day to make life more affordable, keep people safe, and expand opportunity – not shrink it. My 2026 State of the State lays out a clear, actionable plan to meet the challenges families face today, while preparing New York for the road ahead."

A summary of highlights follows.

Making New York more affordable

Hochul said she is committed to making New York a place where all our families can afford to live. Since taking office, she has moved aggressively to put money back where it belongs – in the pockets of working people. In 2026 she is doubling down on these efforts in ways people can feel. To do that, Hochul proposes:

- Putting New York State on a pathway toward achieving universal, affordable child care, increasing funding by \$1.7 billion to provide care for children around the state;
- Cracking down on fraud to lower vehicle insurance rates for everyday New Yorkers, and ensuring bad actors can't get large payouts;
- Tackling rising home insurance costs by increasing accountability and transparency for providers and expanding automatic discounts;
- Protecting renters by increasing the income eligibility limits for New York's Rent Freeze programs for seniors and individuals with disabilities;
- Tackling utility costs by demanding strict fiscal discipline from utilities, empowering the State to fight more effectively for lower bills, and supporting New Yorkers to make energy saving investments like weatherization and smart thermostats;
- Helping New Yorkers put food on the table with additional investments

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Ribbon-cutting ceremony held at new Community Center in Wappinger

By Kristine Coulter

There is a new facility in the Town of Wappinger one can rent. The Community Center at Brexel-Schlathaus Park, on Old Angels Hill Road, is now open. A ribbon-cutting ceremony took place earlier this month.

The facility was mentioned in an email to residents from Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini on Jan. 7.

"This January marks an exciting milestone with the opening of our brand-new Community Center at Brexel-Schlathaus Park. Designed for residents of all ages, this space will serve as a true gathering place for programs, events, and recreation," stated Cavaccini.

One can check out the Community Center on weekdays, Monday-Friday, from 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

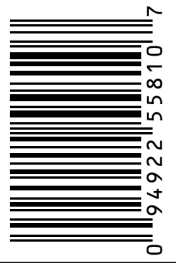
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A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held recently at Brexel-Schlathaus Park for the new Community Center in the Town of Wappinger.

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“[The feedback has been] this is something that was definitely needed, it’s a need that wasn’t being met by our office [due to being open Monday to Friday, 9 to 5],” he said. “What we do in our office, we can fully do on the spot for them now. Especially younger vets who have a family with younger children – they [might] need child-care, because it can take an hour or couple of hours to fill out a claim.

With these outreach events, Roche’s message to veterans is, “We’re coming to you, to your VFWs, to your town halls.”

Roche said department personnel “met with every municipality to let them know what our plan is.”

Canero added, “We’ve been talking to municipalities all [last] fall,” and said the department has done “a deep dive” to find out where the bulk of veterans reside in Dutchess County. The outreach events are then set in these areas, creating a hub to reduce travel time. For example, if a veteran living in Rhinebeck had to travel to the DC Veterans Affairs office in Pleasant Valley, the drive alone would take a lot more time than visiting an outreach event at the local American Legion Post.

Eligibility requests

Some of the most common requests Roche’s office gets, unsurprisingly, relate to eligibility for programs available to veterans and their families.

“It’s lack of knowledge, not knowing exactly what they’re eligible for,” he said. “A lot of times we get children of veterans, especially the older vets, where the mother or father passed away and they’re paying for a health aide, who are seeking eligibility [for assistance programs].” As an example, Roche noted that spouses of Vietnam veterans can apply for DIC (dependent indemnity compensation), entitling them to a sum of money.

“There’s so much out there, but it’s not automatic. They have to be submitted [as claims],” Roche said. “We try to keep the [paperwork] process as simple as possible. We’ll walk them through the entire process.”

Canero noted that veterans are sometimes reluctant to claim benefits.

“In regard to younger veterans, they believe there’s some kind of stigma to apply for some type of claim, or that they’re not eligible,” she said. “All veterans are eligible because they served their country. There’s a whole slew of benefits that they earned through their service. Some benefits depend

on war time service, [but they] don’t necessarily have had to put boots on the ground to be eligible for benefits.”

Roche pointed out, “The way the VA [federal Veterans Administration] is funded depends on the amount of people who utilize [it].”

What to know if you go

The outreach events are a great way to find out what benefits are available and what is needed to get the process going.

“If you do come to these [events], bring your paperwork with you,” Roche advised. “Bring your discharge papers so we can get you into our system. We can do an ‘intent to file,’ which gives them one year from that submission date to submit a fully developed plan.”

Roche and Canero hope that many of our county’s veterans will learn more by attending a Town Hall or Mobile Outreach event in the near future.

“If you have any questions whatsoever, we’d love to sit down and let you know what you are eligible for,” Roche said.

Upcoming outreach sessions are listed on the Veterans Affairs calendar of events, accessible via dutchessny.gov/veterans. For more information about the Dutchess County Veteran Town Hall or County

Veterans Affairs’ services, residents can call the office at 845-486-2060.

More information about upcoming town halls

Attendees at the Dutchess County Veteran Town Hall will have the opportunity to:

- Familiarize themselves with the Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs, meet its director, Adam Roche, and the learn about work he and his staff perform daily to advocate for local veterans;
- Hear from local VHA leadership about benefits, enrollment and services, along with other important updates about how they are putting veterans at the center of everything they do;
- Connect with fellow veterans offering shared lived experience support through MHA’s Vet2Vet peer support program;
- Ask questions directly of veterans service providers and leaders; and
- Access guidance on navigating benefits, claims and local resources.

Staff from the Office of Veterans Affairs will be on hand to explain the full range of services Dutchess County offers, including benefits counseling, claims assistance, transportation support, outreach initiatives and referrals to community partners.

DC Veterans office to host outreach events

The Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs recently launched Operation: Mobile Outreach. A Veterans Services Officer is visiting local communities to help every veteran, especially those recently discharged, as well as family members and caregivers, navigate the extensive, and often overwhelming process of applying for benefits from the VA, State and Dutchess County.

Come to a Mobile Outreach event to:

- Learn about & register for benefits;
- Find out about emergency funding & transportation assistance;
- Have your questions answered;

- Get help with health care, disability, education & training, housing assistance and more.

No appointment needed.

Upcoming events:

Saturday, Jan. 24, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Veterans Town Hall with VA Hudson Valley & MHA Dutchess Veterans Programs American Legion Post 1302
55 Overlook Road, Poughkeepsie

Friday, Jan. 30, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Veterans Memorial Building
413 Main St., Beacon

Visit dutchessny.gov/veterans for more information.

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“The reaction has been overwhelmingly positive. Residents have been excited to see the Town invest in a gathering place that serves all ages and interests. We’ve heard from parents, seniors, veterans, civic groups, and youth organizations who see this as a real step forward for our community. The enthusiasm at our opening events made it very clear that this Center fills a long-standing need in Wappinger,” Cavaccini told Southern Dutchess News.

According to the supervisor, “The Community Center is designed to be multi-use and flexible. We’ll be hosting veterans, senior programs, youth recreation, fitness classes, cultural events, workshops, club meetings, and community celebrations. Local nonprofits and civic groups will have access to meeting space, and we’ll be rolling out after-school and enrichment programming as well. The goal is to make it a true hub for year-round activity.”

The project cost \$17,000 and was funded

through targeted County grants, said Cavaccini. He added, “We worked hard to deliver a modern facility without overburdening taxpayers, and securing outside funding played an important role in that.”

As for improving the quality of life for residents in Wappinger, Cavaccini remarked, “The Center creates opportunities for connection, wellness, and engagement. For seniors, it reduces isolation; for families, it provides safe and structured activities; for nonprofits and civic groups, it offers space to collaborate and serve; and for the broader community, it becomes a place to build relationships and civic pride. It reinforces what makes Wappinger special, our rural-suburban community that invests in its people and its future.”

Cavaccini added, “This location as well as The Chapel at Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park is available for rent.” The Chapel is at 81 Carnwath Lane.

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in the Department of Health (DOH)’s Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program (HPNAP) and tackling theft of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits;

- Eliminating state income taxes on tips; and
- Freezing tuition for SUNY and CUNY students for the seventh year in a row.

Keeping New Yorkers safe

Hochul has made public safety her top priority, committing over \$3 billion to initiatives that are producing results statewide. During her time in office, Hochul strengthened New York’s bail, discovery, and gun laws; invested record-level funding to support local and state law enforcement efforts; and secured funding to drive down gun violence, subway crime and pandemic-era surges in motor vehicle thefts, retail thefts, and other larcenies. The Governor said she will continue to drive down crime and protect New Yorkers by:

- Stopping illegal homemade guns by strengthening New York’s nation leading gun laws and cracking down on illegal 3D-printed firearms and firearms that can readily be converted to DIY machine guns;
- Confronting the unprecedented escalation in aggressive federal immigration enforcement by establishing a right to sue federal officers for Constitutional violations and protecting New Yorkers in sensitive locations;
- Protecting individuals from harassment and obstruction by advancing legislation to establish buffer zones around houses of worship and healthcare facilities while preserving the right to lawful expression;
- Sustaining record lows in subway crime by putting police on platforms, expanding SCOUT teams, and protecting riders through platform edge barriers;
- Enhancing resources that are available to support law enforcement officers and first responders, combat crimes, and ensure justice for New Yorkers;
- Safeguarding New York’s roads by empowering New York City to stop super speeders through intelligent speed assistance and ensuring safety first in New York’s work zones; and
- Improving New York’s emergency and disaster response to better protect the lives of New Yorkers during times of public safety risks, disasters and emergencies.

Investing in critical infrastructure New Yorkers need

When Hochul took office, she vowed to re-establish New York’s position as a leader in building world-class infrastructure. She has demonstrated that the state can build at scale and with urgency so that New Yorkers get the housing, transportation, water, parks, and other infrastructure they desperately need. The Governor will build upon this progress by:

- Building more housing by enacting common-sense policies to tackle the housing shortage and bring down housing costs, and investing additional funding in building or preserving units and innovative manufactured home models;
- Delivering clean and safe drinking water led by a bold five-year \$3.75 billion com-

mitment to water infrastructure;

- Upgrading state parks by expanding green spaces across New York State to provide children and families opportunities to be outside, unplug and play, and spend time with loved ones;
- Strengthening communities by launching NY Kicks: A World Cup Legacy Investment Fund, to build soccer pitches, as well as investing in community centers, preserving performing arts space, and investing in county fairs;
- Committing \$50 million to advance design phase to reimagine Jamaica Station for its millions of commuters; and
- Beginning preliminary engineering and design to extend the Second Avenue subway tunnel westward across 125 Street to Broadway, saving project costs and time.

Cutting red tape to better serve New Yorkers

Whether standing up the homes that will house a new generation of New Yorkers, running a business that will serve and employ our neighbors, or constructing the 21st-century infrastructure that undergirds the economy, too often New Yorkers who want to build something new are stymied by red tape and bureaucratic obstacles that drive up costs and waste time. Building on past progress, Hochul is redoubling her commitment to saving New Yorkers time and money through an all-of-government effort to cut red tape and better serve New Yorkers, while making government work for all:

- Launching the “Let Them Build” agenda, a set of common-sense reforms to get the state out of the way of progress, allowing localities to build housing and other critical projects faster and more affordably while continuing to protect the environment;
- Reforming the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) to speed up the building of zoned and permitted housing while preserving environmental safeguards;
- Accelerating critical infrastructure projects that New Yorkers depend on;
- Establishing clear timelines and transparency for environmental review;
- Making every New Yorker count in the 2030 census by planning early to ensure the state gets its fair share; and
- Tackling outdated and burdensome government regulations

Protecting New York’s consumers and workers

For Hochul, affordability and consumer protection go hand in hand. For the past four years she’s pushed back on institutions that prioritize profit over people, and that fight continues today. Protecting consumers means protecting them online, as well; New Yorkers should be able to trust technology and safely interact with tools that work for, not against them. The Governor will build on this work by:

- Creating a new Office of Digital Innovation, Governance, Integrity & Trust (DIGIT), to serve as a central, authoritative body for digital safety and technological governance;
- Protecting New Yorkers’ personal information by cracking down on shadowy data broker industry;
- Requiring labeling for AI-generated content, protecting elections from misleading or

deceptive AI content, and prohibiting misleading “discounts”;

- Ending taxes on tips for hardworking New Yorkers;
- Fighting workers’ compensation fraud and combating wage theft; and
- Improving disclosures for student loan refinancing and setting cosigner standards for student loans

Driving innovation and economic development by and for New Yorkers

Since taking office, the Governor has ushered in a new era of economic growth by prioritizing job creation, community development and economic revitalization. Hochul remains committed to growing New York’s vibrant economy, bringing jobs back home, revitalizing communities, and cementing New York as the center for innovation:

- Driving innovation and economic growth across the state through investments in, quantum technology, biotechnology, semiconductor chip design, and modern manufacturing;
- Launching Empire AI Beta and creating the first independent AI research center at SUNY Binghamton;
- Enhancing the Downtown Revitalization Initiative and New York Forward;
- Launching the next phase of New York’s Autonomous Vehicle pilot program outside of New York City;
- Uplifting businesses statewide by eliminating outdated restrictions on dancing, modernizing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law, and investing in equity across the cannabis supply chain; and
- Preparing SUNY and CUNY students for the workforce, connecting them to experiential work experiences, and expanding SUNY and CUNY Reconnect to cover additional in-demand fields such as logistics, air traffic control and transportation, and emergency management.

Helping New York’s students learn and thrive

Hochul is committed to building on her robust track record as a champion for students, families, and teachers to creatively address many of the challenges New York families confront. The Governor is advancing a bold agenda that strengthens New York’s schools, universities and colleges, youth mental health services, and online safety:

- Transforming math and literacy outcomes through evidence based instruction and professional learning;
- Creating an accelerated teacher preparation pathway for career changers;
- Establishing the inaugural Empire AI Student Challenge;
- Investing in high-impact tutoring to accelerate student success;
- Investing in Indigenous youth education and mentoring and leadership resources for young Black and Latina women;
- Doubling the size of the Empire State Service Corps on SUNY campuses;
- Enhancing supports to educate borrowers navigating the increasingly complicated student loan landscape;
- Directing SUNY and CUNY to develop standardized, system-wide policies governing emergency aid for students, and directing SUNY to permit additional flexibility over tuition liability policies in emergencies;
- Implementing statewide teen mental

health first aid training; enabling kids to support their peers;

- Protecting kids from predators, scammers and harmful AI chatbots on online platforms; and
- Safeguarding kids online by ensuring fair play in online sports betting and promoting responsible digital citizenship.

Keeping New Yorkers healthy

Since taking office, Governor Hochul has made historic investments in New York’s health care system. Where the federal government has prioritized draconian cuts that threaten the most vulnerable New Yorkers, Hochul has invested billions to strengthen and stabilize health systems, expand coverage, lower the consumer cost of care, bolster the health workforce, and drive long-term transformational change within the health sector. The Governor will build on these investments by:

- Strengthening safety net hospitals by investing in transformational partnerships;
- Bolstering patient protections by keeping drug costs down;
- Keeping New Yorkers safe by safeguarding scientifically based vaccine policies and coverage from federal politicization;
- Strengthening cardiac emergency readiness across the state; and
- Increasing support and resources for New York’s older adults.

Securing New York’s energy future

New York’s grid is already among the cleanest in the country. By treating energy policy as economic policy, the Governor is ensuring that decades from now, New Yorkers will inherit a stronger, cleaner, and more secure energy future. The Governor proposes to build on these efforts by:

- Introducing the NYS Affordable Utilities Omnibus Legislation, to ensure oversight and accountability for utilities;
- Supporting consumers to make energy investments that save them money in the long-term, from investing in weatherization to money back in their pockets for smart thermostats;
- Requiring data centers to pay their fair share for the massive amounts of energy they consume.

For details on these policies, visit <https://www.governor.ny.gov/programs/2026-state-state>.

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Winter Coat Giveaway organizer offers gratitude

To the Editor:

On Saturday, January 10th, we hosted a Winter Coat Giveaway, and it was truly a community-powered effort. A heartfelt thank you to St. Andrew-St. Luke Episcopal Church for generously providing space at 15 South Avenue, allowing us to bring this initiative to life. We are also grateful to our partners - the Beacon City School District, Beacon City School District Student Council, and Beacon High School National Honor Society - for their collaboration and support. This initiative was organized with the support of I AM Beacon, whose commitment to working collaboratively with schools, faith partners, and community leaders continues to make efforts like this possible. By bringing partners together around shared goals, I AM Beacon helps turn collective care into meaningful action for our neighbors. Through the district’s collection efforts, 365 winter coats were gathered. Special thanks to Tim Newman and Dave Kotchie, Beacon High School Student Council Advisors, and Kim Gonzalez, Rombout Middle School Student Council Advisor, who led the charge in organizing, collecting, and sorting coats by size. On the day of the giveaway, we received additional last-minute donations, had an incredible showing of student volunteers (yes—girls really do rule the world!), and were able to distribute approximately 50 coats back into the community. We extend our sincere thanks to Patricia Lassiter for sharing powerful words of inspiration and encouragement with our student volunteers, grounded in her lived experience. We are also grateful to Patricia and her team, who operate the St. Andrew-St. Luke Episcopal Church Food Pantry every Saturday, for helping inform pantry patrons about the coat giveaway happening upstairs. Thank you as well to newly elected Ward 1 Councilwoman LaStar Gorton for stopping by to support our youth and for jumping in to help coat seekers navigate the room. Lastly, we appreciate Deborah Wilkins Flippin, a representative from St. Andrew/St. Luke Episcopal Church, for taking time to speak with and getting to know more about our student volunteers. All remaining coats will be donated to Dutchess Outreach at 29 North Hamilton Street (Family Partnership Center), Suite 220, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, ensuring they continue to reach individuals and families in need. This day was a powerful reminder of what’s possible when collaboration, youth leadership, and community care come together.

Reuben Simmons
Executive Director, I AM Beacon

Scenic Hudson statement on Hochul’s 2026 State of the State Address

To the Editor:

Affordability, renewable energy, and investments in sustainability go hand in hand — which is why Scenic Hudson was pleased to see Governor Kathy Hochul’s attention to these issues in her 2026 State of the State address, amidst growing challenges at the federal level. The Governor showcased her commitment to the well-being of all New Yorkers by announcing her continued investment in environmental protection and energy affordability. Scenic Hudson also hopes to see those priorities advanced in the Executive Budget through increased investment in renewable energy and advancement of the goals laid out in the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA). Scenic Hudson President Ned Sullivan said, “We are thrilled that Governor Hochul’s 2026 State of the State address highlighted strong commitments to funding the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), expanding programs for clean drinking water, and climate resilience support for at-risk New York communities. The Governor’s proposal to maintain \$425 million in record funding for the EPF will ensure the continuation of critical farmland preservation, native habitat restoration, public land stewardship, and other crucial conservation programs in the Hudson Valley and throughout the state. Furthermore, her bold \$3.75 billion commitment to modernize New York’s water systems over the next five years will bolster and expand the state’s nation-leading drinking water protection programs, and strengthen the ability of drinking water suppliers to protect communities from toxic “forever chemical” contamination. Scenic Hudson is proud to partner with Governor Hochul to help ensure that New York remains a national model for conserving our precious land, water, and agricultural resources.” Pete Lopez, Scenic Hudson Executive Director of Policy, Advocacy, and Science, said, “At a time of skyrocketing utility bills, Governor Hochul has announced important steps to decrease costs for low- and moderate-income New Yorkers through expanded funding for programs like Empower+. Scenic Hudson applauds those efforts, along with the Governor’s plan to support farmers and schools in decreasing their utility costs by integrating solar energy. Governor Hochul’s focus on affordability must prioritize renewable energy, which is the fastest, cheapest way to put new energy on the grid and decrease costs for ratepayers. Reliance on new fossil fuel infrastructure like gas pipelines is not just bad for the environment — it will also make energy more expensive down the road. As federal tax credits for solar and wind power are phased out, it is imperative that New York State support renewable energy development by both cutting red tape and investing in renewables. Scenic Hudson looks forward to working with Governor Hochul to achieve those goals and urges her to include the Accelerate Solar for Affordable Power Act in the Executive Budget, which would save billions of dollars for ratepayers by making it cheaper and easier to build rooftop and community solar projects in New York. Similarly, we request that Governor Hochul continue working to achieve the goals laid out in the CLCPA, which are not just compatible with her affordability agenda, but essential to achieving it.” Ned Sullivan, Pete Lopez
Scenic Hudson

In regard to Venezeula, we can learn from the past

To the Editor:

In Terrence McNally’s play “Adaptation,” a man’s life is portrayed as a board game, jumping from one life situation after another, never finding the sought-after “opportunity” square that leads to happiness. “If only I could have found that opportunity square,” he bemoans. Off stage, a voice says he could have declared any square or situation to be the opportunity event. In Venezuela, during the last 25 years, we (U.S.) had an opportunity for both countries regarding oil - just be less insistent on how much income went to Venezuela, and how it was used. Chevron’s continuing production and sale of Venezuelan oil demonstrates the possibility. In Saudi Arabia, the U.S. is not telling the monarchy how to run things. Like Iraq, there are now proposals to have private security contractors to give oil companies whatever they want above what Chevron gets. In Iraq, contractors had a hundred thousand U.S. soldiers backing them. Perhaps President Trump can take a lesson from Barrick Mining Corporation. Its African mine closed when a new government’s request for a better deal was refused. There things stood, until the old company president left, and the new people in charge somehow resolved the African dispute. The future of Trump’s muscular, “We’re gonna run things for our benefit” approach is easy to see from recent history. The East European satellites quickly abandoned Soviet-centered oversight at the first chance. Basic principle, from horses and rabbits: carrots work better than sticks. Frank Stoppenbach
Red Hook

Ryan endorses Kaul in Democratic primary for NY Senate District 39

Hudson Valley Congressman Pat Ryan is backing New York State Senate candidate Lisa Kaul in the Democratic Primary for New York State Senate District 39. “As a true servant leader, Lisa puts others first, listening to constituents and working tirelessly to address their needs. Lisa has the courage to fight for what is right, even when facing opposition, and most importantly, she delivers results. I’m proud to endorse her in this race,” said Ryan. The pair appeared together at a special event in Poughkeepsie on Sunday, Jan. 18 for the announcement. “I am deeply honored to be endorsed by Congressman Pat Ryan,” said Kaul. “I have been inspired by his straightforward and fierce commitment to doing right by his constituents. He shows up, he does the work, and he delivers. Congressman Ryan’s servant leadership mirrors my commitment as a New American to giving back to the country I’m proud to call home.” Kaul, a second-term Dutchess County Legislator and Chair of the Environment Committee, announced her campaign a month ago. “I’m running because we are at a critical moment. Working people are being crushed by rising costs. Our freedoms and basic dignity are under attack. And climate change threatens our future,” said Kaul. “I’m running because we all deserve the opportunity to thrive, not just make ends meet. To get there, we need new leadership who will fight and deliver for us.” In the 21 years that she’s lived in the Hudson Valley, Kaul has contributed extensively in her community—including leading a fight to keep her local elementary school from closing, and then being elected to the Board of Education; organizing the Poughkeepsie Women’s March Across the Hudson; and serving on the board of Planned Parenthood Greater New York Action Fund.

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Hochul announces investment for statewide universal child care

As part of her \$4.5 billion investment to deliver statewide universal child care, Governor Kathy Hochul announced Jan. 14, in Poughkeepsie, the State will partner with Dutchess County, Monroe County and Broome County in a new State pilot program to help counties offer additional child care options in their communities. This pilot program will include a total of \$60 million in State funding, along with new investments from each of the three counties, as they expand child care access with a particular focus on serving children 0-3.

Hochul said, "As part of my plan to support every county statewide, this new pilot program will help counties develop and expand new models for providing child care for families, regardless of their income status."

City of Poughkeepsie Mayor Yvonne Flowers said, in part, "This investment will make a meaningful difference for families in Poughkeepsie by expanding access to affordable, high-quality child care. Governor Hochul's partnership with Dutchess County will help parents participate in the workforce, support local child care providers, and ensure our youngest residents get a strong start in life."

Under the plan, the state will provide each of these counties with \$20 million for their pilot, with the counties contributing an additional 10% in funding. The programs will support up to 1,000 seats for 0-3s in each county, with the first tranche coming online in 2027. These efforts build on existing, county-led efforts to support child care and the welfare of families in each respective community, including Dutchess's DAY ONE Teacher Apprenticeship program, Early Learning coalition, and childcare professional development program and Monroe's recent increased child care investments and eligibility awareness campaign and their ongoing Project Prospect anti-poverty program.

Gov. Hochul's statewide plan to deliver universal child care for all New York children under the age of five also includes:

While four-year-olds in some parts of New York have long had access to Pre-K, there are dozens of school districts that have not yet been able to make it available. Governor Hochul is providing additional support to ensure truly universal Pre-K for all four-year-olds in the State by the start of the 2028-2029 school year.

The State will not only fund additional seats to achieve universality but will also increase funding for existing seats, bringing them up to the greater of \$10,000 or the

applicable school district's current selected foundation aid per pupil, so that districts have what they need to provide high-quality Pre-K. This combination reflects a commitment of roughly a half-billion dollars and will ensure that every child in New York State enters kindergarten ready to learn.

Continuing access to low-cost, Affordable Child Care Assistance programs

New York has more than doubled investment in the state's Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), which provides subsidies to help low-income families access child care, according to the Governor's Office. By increasing the State's investments in the program while expanding eligibility, the program now supports 2.5 times more children — an additional 100,000 — than when Hochul took office; the number of children served has increased by almost 25 percent in the past year alone. Most of the families of the 170,000 children served by the program pay no more than \$15 per week for child care.

This year, Governor Hochul will continue to grow the State's investment in child care subsidies for those that need it with a \$1.2 billion increased investment, bringing the total available for subsidies to over \$3 billion. This is more than 3.5 times more than the \$832 million provided prior to the Governor taking office, and a nearly 40 percent increase from what was made available in the FY 2026 Enacted Budget.

Office of Child Care and Early Education

A new Office of Child Care and Early Education will oversee and support roll out of universal Pre-K, continued investment in 3K, launch of 2-Care and other innovative care options, expansion and improvement of vouchers, and ongoing support for the workforce.

Supporting the Workforce Through Early Childhood Educator Preparation

Hochul's plan includes expanding existing workforce scholarships, seeking opportunities for new Workforce Pell grants, and directing SUNY and CUNY to take a number of steps to expand and streamline early childhood education programs, it was stated.

Expanding the Child and Dependent Care Credit

Hochul will expand and simplify the child and dependent care tax credit to provide an additional average benefit of \$575 for 230,000 tax filers. She will also undertake a



Gov. Kathy Hochul announced her plan for statewide universal child care in Poughkeepsie on Jan. 14.

-Courtesy photo Governor's Office

thorough review of existing tax incentives for employers with the goal of helping them better serve the child care needs of their employees.

Senator Michelle Hinchey said, "Getting to Universal Child Care across New York will be incredibly important, and the Dutchess County Early Learning Coalition and the DAY ONE Program have been leading the way to find innovative models to get there. Today's announcement selecting Dutchess County as one of the State's first pilots is incredibly exciting, and I'm thrilled to see both the Coalition and DAY ONE recognized for their work. I thank Governor Hochul for elevating the expertise, creativity, and leadership here in Dutchess as a model, and for her commitment to achieving Universal Child Care across the state."

State Senator Rob Rolison said, "Affordable, high-quality child care is critical for working families and the future of Dutchess County. Governor Hochul's partnership with the county

through this new pilot program will expand access for families with young children, strengthen the early childhood workforce, and build on proven local efforts like DAY ONE. This is a smart investment that helps parents work and ensures children get the strong start they deserve."

Assemblymember Didi Barrett said, "I am thrilled to see the Governor's commitment to universal child care is coming to Dutchess County — building on my own recent investment of \$1 million to fund the expansion of child care facilities and services at Dutchess Community College to include infant care for the first time. Universal child care sets our children up for success while allowing parents and caregivers to get back to work, creating and ensuring good-paying jobs, and bolstering economic development. Today's announcement shows New York's commitment to making child care truly universal — reaching children of all abilities in all regions of the state."

Assemblymember Jonathan Jacobson said, "In the past, universal programs have too often left out the Hudson Valley and Upstate. Today's announcement shows that the Governor is committed to including us. I look forward to seeing this program grow across my district."

Assemblymember Anil R. Beephan Jr. said, "I've spoken with local officials here in Dutchess County, and there is strong support for this investment. I'm glad to see taxpayer dollars returning to our community in a way that directly benefits our residents. Any time we can bring resources home and improve quality of life for families in Dutchess County, that's a win for the entire region."

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In your browser find calendar: <https://www.dutchessny.gov/Calendar-Page.htm>

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Firefighters attend leadership conference



Over 120 firefighters from across the Hudson Valley attended the leadership conference at the New Hackensack Fire Department on Jan. 10.



Deputy Chief Frank Viscuso, Dutchess County Emergency Response Commissioner William Beale and Chief Ray Valentin are pictured at the conference.

Members of the New Hackensack Fire Department, Hughsonville Fire Department, and Town of Wappinger hosted a leadership conference on Saturday, Jan. 10. This event was organized in collaboration with the Fire Chief’s Council of Dutchess County, Dutchess County Association of Fire Districts and the Dutchess County

Volunteer Firefighters Association. The workshop attracted over 120 firefighters from across the Hudson Valley, highlighting the strong commitment to professional development within the region’s fire service community. Deputy Chief Frank Viscuso, a best-selling fire service author and the 2025 FDIC Instructor of the Year, led the

conference. He presented his critically acclaimed interactive leadership program, “Step Up and Lead.” The workshop was designed for a wide range of participants, including firefighters, lieutenants, captains, chief officers, future fire officers, and commissioners. Recognizing the ever-changing nature of the fire service, the program emphasized that firefighters

can always add another tool to their toolbox by engaging in ongoing leadership training.

Beacon boys improve to 11-1 with 75-60 win over Port Jervis

By Morgan E. Maier
At the turn of the new year, boys’ and girls’ teams across Dutchess County bounce through both ends of the basketball spectrum (all records as of Sunday, Jan. 18). Amid each division’s individual and team performances, some standings hold tight as others start to widen. Bulldog boys stay on top - The Beacon Bulldogs are a proven force in league play. The boys’ team boasts a 2-0 record, staying perfect atop the Division 3 leaderboard. On Jan. 14, the Bulldogs took on Port Jervis in an interdivisional matchup. Led by 20 points from senior Ryan Landisi and 18 by Jahcier Ballard, Beacon

improved to 11-1 with the 75-60 victory. Seeking wins in Section 9 - A few squads still look to their first wins of the season. On the boys’ end, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidents haven’t found it in their first six games. Somto Awaka has had a few stellar performances for FDR, including a 33-point performance against the Wallkill Panthers. Dover’s teams have found limited success on both sides. Sitting at 3-5 overall, the boys still seek the coveted divisional win. The girls have lost their first five divisional games. They will need a scorching end to January to overcome the sluggish start in Division-III. Also in girls’ competition, the undefeat-

ed Mount Academy and winless Pine Plains bookend the Division-IV standings, as the 1-9 Bombers have fallen in their first four interdivisional matchups. In near-identical standing, the boys’ team also trails the pack in its division. With five straight losses to start the season, Pine Plains’ 0-5 is the contrast to Mount’s 5-0 start. The Eagles hold a one-game lead over Webutuck (4-4 overall, 3-1 in division), while widening the gap over Rhinebeck (4-6, 2-2 in division) and Millbrook (3-5 overall, 1-4 in division). Unstoppable court forces - Red Hook is the boys’ team to beat in Division-II of Section 9. With a 7-0 overall record (2-0 in

divisional play), including the most recent 62-52 win over Our Lady of Lourdes, the Raiders have shown early success in tournaments, within the division, and across nonleague matchups. With it, they will likely have to fight the Highland Huskies for top spot in the division. Spackenkill has also enjoyed a strong start to its boys’ season, undefeated across its first four divisional contests. The squad boast a 6-3 record overall, including a resounding 82-57 win over Mount Academy to bolster its nonleague resume. Jalin Thompson led the Spartans with 36 points, while Kason Cummings notched a triple-double against the Eagles.



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Renegades, Heritage Financial Credit Union issue expanded Rascal’s Reading Challenge for 2026 season

The Hudson Valley Renegades, High-A affiliate of the New York Yankees, and Heritage Financial Credit Union, a local Credit Union serving communities in and around the Hudson Valley for over 85 years, have announced that they have teamed up to expand “Rascal’s Reading Challenge” for 2026, an educational program aimed at encouraging students throughout the Hudson Valley to pick up a book and read. Renegades mascot Rascal is challenging students from grades K through 8 to hit a Grand Slam by reading four (4) books beyond their regular reading requirements for school during the duration of the challenge. Students that reach this goal will earn two (2) complimentary tickets to celebrate at the Rascal’s Reading Challenge Night of their choice at Heritage Financial Park. Students can read books of any length, subject, or reading level. “We are excited to expand our community partnership with Heritage Financial Credit Union to expand upon this initiative focused on literacy to incentivize and encourage students throughout the Hudson Valley to read,” said Tom Denlinger, General Manager of the

Renegades. “We saw this program have great success in its first season in 2025, and we are looking forward to this being a cornerstone of our impact on the community for years to come!” The Rascal’s Reading Challenge games in 2026 are Tuesday, May 7 vs Winston-Salem, Sunday, May 16 vs Frederick, and Tuesday, June 9 vs Jersey Shore. First pitch on May 7 and June 9 is scheduled for 6:35 p.m., and at 2:05 p.m. on May 17. Students who complete Rascal’s Reading Challenge will be able to take place in a pregame parade around the warning track at Heritage Financial Park. Parents and family members may purchase additional tickets to celebrate their child’s accomplishment at the ballpark through the link sent to redeem the complimentary ticket. Rascal’s Reading Challenge is open to all K through 8 students in Dutchess, Orange, Ulster, Putnam, Westchester, Rockland and Sullivan Counties. The Hudson Valley Renegades offer many school programs, and we invite you to learn more by visiting: hvrenegades.com/schools.

‘STAR’ tax event at Boardman Road Library on January 22

Have you received mail from the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance in the past month? The letter may have requested something called “Form RP-5300-WSC” – in other words, a request for documentation of your income, as part of qualifications for New York State’s STAR tax savings program. The letters went specifically to homeowners who were not required to file 2024 New York State income tax returns. If you did file a 2024 state tax return, the state already has your information, and no further action is required on your part.

Still, if you have other questions about STAR, you’ll want to know about this upcoming event. State tax department employees will be on hand to help individuals submit income information, and to answer other questions about the STAR program, on Thursday, Jan. 22, from noon to 3 p.m., at Boardman Road Branch Library, 141 Boardman Rd., Poughkeepsie. Walk-ins are welcome. For additional information on STAR, visit tax.ny.gov/star or call 518-457-2036.

Obituaries

Beatrice G. Cornell



Beatrice G. Cornell, formerly of Wappingers Falls and a resident of Red Hook, NY, was Called Home peacefully to rest on January 14, 2026 at her home; at the age of 106 years old. She was born on November 13, 1919 in Wilmington, DE, daughter of the late Lawrence R. & Julia (nee Byrne) Maenner.

On April 26, 1941 at the Ascension Catholic Church in Bowie, MD, Malcolm D. Cornell, who predeceased her after 41-years of marriage on September 7, 1982.

She was a devoted wife and loving mother; Beatrice was a former parishioner of the St. Martin de Porres Parish in Poughkeepsie. She was a member and enjoyed attending the Rhinebeck Seniors. She also enjoyed playing card games and other games, and was an avid bowler in her younger years.

Beatrice is survived by her six children:

Malcolm D. Cornell, Michael D. Cornell, Mary Dolores Shultis and her husband Eugene, Lawrence R. Cornell and his wife Karen, Joseph A. Cornell and his wife Sandra, Julia A. Cornell and her husband David Mergendahl. She is also survived by her 23 grandchildren, and a host of great-grandchildren & great-great-grandchildren.

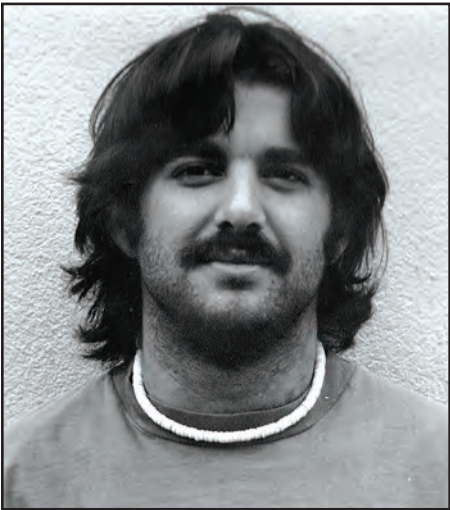
Along with her husband and parents, Beatrice was predeceased by three grandchildren, Mark Langridge, June West and Suzanne Chennault; and her four sisters.

As per her wishes, there will be no-calling hours. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11AM, Saturday, January 24, 2026 at the St. Martin de Porres Church, 118 Cedar Valley Road, Poughkeepsie, New York. Her Family will receive Friends starting 10:30AM prior to Mass. Interment will be private at a later date in the St. Mary's Cemetery, Clinton Street, Wappingers Falls, New York.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes for memorial donation to be made in Beatrice's memory to Shriners Children Hospital, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607 and/or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.DelehantyFuneral.com.

David Arthur Matthews



David Arthur Matthews, devoted father and beloved son and sibling passed away peacefully on January 14, 2026 surround by his son and his two brothers.

Born in Yonkers, NY, Dave was the son of Jo Anne (Corso) and Peter Matthews. His father being a career Marine, David grew up in many different locations between Yonkers and Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, but always considered New York home. David earned his bachelor's degree at SUNY New Paltz where he discovered his love for cooking and was a chef in several restaurants in Dutchess and Westchester counties. With the birth of his son Jeremy, David gave up the crazy hours of a restaurant chef seeking a more regular schedule and became the head cook at Indian Point power plant. He worked there until 2012 when a car accident would no longer allow him to remain on his feet for

long periods of time and ended his working career as an insurance agent for Combined Insurance.

Dave will be remembered for all the great meals he cooked for friends and family, for his devotion to his son and to his cats, his generosity to family and friends as well as being a fan of comic books and all things Star Wars.

Dave is survived his son, Jeremy, his mother Jo Anne, his sisters Elizabeth and Elaine, and his brothers Peter and Michael.

He was preceded in death earlier this year by his father, Peter Sr.

Dave will be fondly remembered by family, friends and all who have tasted his cooking!

At the request of his family, David will have a private interment. Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York. To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.DelehantyFuneral.com.

John J. Seymour, Jr.



John J. Seymour, Jr., a longtime Wappingers Falls resident, passed away on January 11, 2026; at the age of 92. He was born on January 23, 1933, in Bronx, NY, son of the late John J. Seymour, Sr. and Ethel (Brown) Seymour.

John served in the United States Army National Guard during the Korean Conflict and received an honorable discharge for his service.

On July 20, 1958, in The Bronx, he married Josephine Paciullo, who predeceased him on April 20, 2013, after 54-years of marriage.

John worked for over 30 years as an appliance technician for General Electric in Newburgh, NY; until he retired.

John enjoyed many things in life; he was an outdoorsman, he loved hunting. He enjoyed sports, an avid fan of boxing and the NY Yankees; he enjoyed his casino trips.

John had a huge love for bowling; he was proud of the few 300 games he had bowled. He was also proud of his photograph spotlighted on the cover of the Evergreen Review magazine in 1955.

John is survived by his two sons, John J. Seymour III and Robert Seymour. He is also survived by his four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Along with his wife Josephine Seymour, John was also predeceased by his beloved daughter Patricia Serna; his one sister and four brothers.

His Family received Friends on Monday, January 19th at the DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York, where a Funeral Service was held, Tuesday, January 20th followed by entombment to the Community Mausoleum at the Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery, Poughkeepsie, New York.

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Paul L. Welsh



Paul L. Welsh, affectionately known as 'Gulsh', passed away at his home in Staatsburg, NY on January 8, 2026; at the age of 66, after a long and trying battle with multiple illnesses.

He was born in Schenectady, NY and raised in Jersey City, NJ, son of the late Edward H. & Dorothy Mae (Smith) Welsh.

Paul was a skilled carpenter; he could build anything. He worked in freight trucking for the Long Shoreman's Union in Ridgefield, New Jersey.

'Gulsh', as he was affectionately known by his family and friends, loved his New York Sports teams, and was an avid NY Yankee and NY Giants fan. He also loved muscle cars, and collecting and listening to various types of music. He loved his family dearly, especially his sons and following their activities and sports.

Paul is survived by his two sons, Paul T. Welsh and Jonathon T. Welsh; their mother, Romona Burger, who was also his companion of twenty-five years. He is also survived by his brother and sister Jay R. Welsh and Cindy Gregorio; his half-brother Edward 'Mickey' Welsh. As well as his nieces and nephews: Samantha Gregorio, Nadine Gregorio, Mark Welsh, Kenny Welsh and Corey Mullen; his great-nieces and great-nephews, Chelsea Scianna, Corey and Dominick Mullen.

Along with his parents, Paul was predeceased by his step-son Ryan Burger; his nephew 'JJ' Welsh; his half-sister Maryanne Berliner. As well as, his two beloved dogs Brady and Dex.

His Family received Friends on Saturday, January 17, 2026 at the DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York, where a prayer service will be offered. A Spring Burial will be held at a later date in the Wappingers Falls Rural Cemetery, West Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York.

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Bernice 'Bebe' M. Terwilliger



Bernice 'Bebe' M. Terwilliger, a longtime Village of Wappingers Falls resident, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on January 9, 2026; at the age of 83. She was born on June 13, 1942 in Poughkeepsie, NY, daughter of the late Dominick and Helen Sylvia (Schaffer) Imperati.

On May 13, 2006, she married David R. Terwilliger, who survives her at home. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

'Bebe' as she was affectionately known, was an avid volunteer; she loved lending a hand in her community. She was a longtime member of the VFW Ladies Auxillary Post 170 of Poughkeepsie; she also enjoyed being a school crossing guard in Poughkeepsie. Bebe was a member of the Village of Wappingers Falls Recreation for 17 years; always helping with various events for the Village and in Mesier Park, such as the concerts and movies in the

park, to name a few. She had a huge heart for giving back to her community.

Along with her beloved husband of over 19 years, Bernice is survived by her 6 children: Philomena (Keith) Anderson of Clinton Corners, NY, Ruthann (David) Holdeen of Mount Pleasant, NC, Robert (Marie) Palmatier of West Haven, CT, Betty (Jeffrey) Junge of Crossville, TN, John Rizzo of Poughkeepsie, NY, Charles (Cathleen) Rizzo of Wappingers Falls, NY. She is also survived by 22 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Along with her parents, Bernice was predeceased by her 6 sisters and 3 brothers, and dear cat Muffin.

Her Family received Friends on Tuesday, January 13th at the DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 E. Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York, where a Funeral Service was held Wednesday January 14th followed by interment to St. Mary's Cemetery, Wappingers Falls.

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Martha A. Delio



Martha A. Delio, a longtime resident of Wappingers Falls, NY, passed away peacefully on January 4, 2026 surrounded by her family; at the age of 65. She was born on July 15, 1960, daughter of Nicholas and Ann Rose (Imbroto) Spero.

Martha worked for 20 years for Du Pont Photomasks in Danbury, CT; as a clean room operator, until she retired. Early on she worked as a pharmacist assistant at Hopewell Pharmacy in Hopewell Junction, NY and the Community Care Pharmacy in Fishkill, NY.

Martha had a love for the sun and sand; she enjoyed laying out at the pools and the Florida beaches. She was an avid NY Mets fan. She also enjoyed 1980s music, and dancing her head off to 'Mambo No.

5' and other classics with her family & friends. Martha loved her family dearly, especially her nieces and nephews.

Martha is survived by her devoted and loving husband of 14-years, Robert Delio; her brother Anthony Spero and his wife Rhonda; her brothers-in-law, David Delio and his wife Christine) and Raymond Delio; her sister-in-law Victoria Benn and her husband Rich. She is also survived by her nieces and nephews all whom she loved dearly: Amanda (Jason) Berube, Melissa Spero (Tory Delmonico), Jacqueline Delio, Emily Delio, Eric Benn, Matthew Benn and Adam Benn.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York. Her Family will gather for a Celebration of Life at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family wished for memorial donations to be made in Martha's memory to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 6704 Hagerstown MD 21741.

To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.DelehantyFuneral.com.

A Sweet Arrival: Fruition Chocolate Works to open at Eastdale Village in Poughkeepsie

Fruition Chocolate Works (Fruition), the region’s premier specialty chocolate maker, will bring its award-winning product to the east side of the Hudson River with a second location at Eastdale Village Town Center in Poughkeepsie. The new location will offer an immersive experience for learning and tasting the world of high-quality chocolate, featuring confections crafted at its flagship Shokan store by master chocolatier and co-owner, Bryan Graham. The grand opening celebration will take place on Feb. 1, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., welcoming locals and visitors across the Hudson Valley to taste, shop and learn.

“The second location marks a major milestone for Fruition,” said Dahlia Graham, co-owner of Fruition. “Eastdale Village is a vibrant live-work-play community, and we’re excited about being a part of it, offering a unique space where visitors can taste, learn and appreciate chocolate the way we do.”

In addition to Fruition’s celebrated creations, the Eastdale location will feature hand-selected craft chocolates from around the world, highlighting other ethically sourced makers whose products complement Fruition’s own, alongside an espresso and hot chocolate bar. The shop will also offer locally made jams and syrups used to enhance Fruition chocolate, creating a curated experience for visitors.

Founded 14 years ago and operated today by husband-and-wife duo, Bryan and Dahlia Graham, Fruition has earned an international reputation for crafting high-quality, ethically sourced chocolate and goods that have been refined to per-



Fruition Chocolate Works co-owners Dahlia and Bryan Graham are pictured at the new Eastdale Village location.

fection. Both the business and chocolatier, Bryan Graham, have received international recognition for its products, including multiple Gold Medals from the International Chocolate Awards, accom-

plished with numerous awards and honors from the Academy of Chocolate and the Good Foods Awards. Graham has previously been named one of the Top 10 Dessert Professionals in



In addition to Fruition’s celebrated creations, the Eastdale location will feature hand-selected craft chocolates from around the world. Above is a packaged Fruition chocolate bar.

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America, a distinction reflecting his skills and dedication to the craft and testament to his education at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park.

To learn more about Fruition Chocolate Works or place an order, visit: fruitionchocolateworks.com or connect with Fruition on Facebook (Fruition Chocolate) and Instagram (@fruitionchocolate).

Obituaries

Jane Travis



Our Mom, Jane Travis passed away peacefully January 4, 2026 at home to rejoin her husband Bob, and daughter Margaret in heaven. Mom was born November 17, 1935 in Cold Spring, N.Y. to Gaetano (Thomas) Etta and Elizabeth (Bush) Etta. She spent her childhood in Cold Spring with her parents, brother Joe, and sister Ann. She graduated from Our Lady of Loretta Elementary School in 1949 and Haldane High School in 1953. She then pursued a Nursing career and attended the St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing in Poughkeepsie from 1953 to 1956, where upon after she received her diploma and RN License from NY State.

Over the years, she would work at various facilities, beginning with Butterfield Hospital

in her hometown, and also Elmhurst Hospital for two years while she attended Columbia University. She would finish her nursing at the Central Dutchess Nursing Home in Wappingers Falls after a seventeen-year career there.

On October 17, 1959 she married Francis Robert Travis Jr. (Bob) at Our Lady of Loretta Church in Cold Spring. They would raise their family of four children in Wappingers Falls.

Over the years, Jane was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America and enjoyed going to the Town of Wappingers Senior Center. It was there that she enjoyed the parties, games, day trips and most especially the friendships. Jane was predeceased by her husband Bob and daughter Margaret Varuzzo as well as her parents and brother Joe.

Jane is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Jerry and Connie Travis and Bob and Nancy Travis of Wappingers Falls, as well as her daughter and son-in-law, Eileen and Dave Horton. She is also survived by grandchildren, Brian and Jenn Travis, Michael and Christina Travis, Alex and Brianna Horton, Zach and Erica Horton, Taylor and Kyle Henry, Bob Travis and Sedona Petagine. She was also present to enjoy her eleven great grandchildren. In addition to her children’s family, she is also survived by her sister Ann Lisikatos and sister-in-law Sheila Travis, as well as her nephews and nieces.

The family would like to thank Hudson Valley Hospice for their assistance during the last days of Mom’s life, as well as Dr. Edward K. Schneider and Hands-On-Healing Private Care for their help, most especially Gingi. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Poor Clares Nuns of New York, 70 Nelson Avenue, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590; or a charity of your choice.

Her Family received Friends on Thursday, January 8, 2026 at the DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 E. Main St., Wappingers Falls, NY. A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Friday, January 9th at St. Mary Church, 11 Clinton St., Wappingers Falls, followed by interment in St. Mary’s Parish Cemetery. To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: DelehantyFuneral.com.

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Vassar College to host MODfest Jan. 23 – Feb. 7

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The award-winning opera “Computing Venus” (2024) provides a glimpse into the life of astronomer Maria Mitchell (1818–1889), who paved the way for women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) in America.

-Courtesy photos



Vassar Repertory Dance Theatre performs works created by faculty, students, and guest choreographers, selected from the current repertory. The performance is set for Feb. 6.

MODfest, Vassar College’s 24th annual interdisciplinary tribute to the arts, featuring music, dance, visual arts, and—for the first time, an opera—opens on January 23 and concludes on Feb. 7 on the Vassar campus. All events are free and open to the public. For a complete schedule of events, go to <https://modfest2026.vassar.edu/>

The festival opens with performances of the award-winning opera “Computing Venus” on Jan. 23 at 7:30 p.m. and on Jan. 24 and 25 at 2 p.m. in the Martell Theater of the Vogelstein Center for Drama and Film. Composed by Timothy Takach with libretto by Caitlin Vincent, the opera tells the story of astronomer Maria Mitchell, one of Vassar’s first female faculty members, weaving together music, science, feminist theory, and 19th-century women’s history to illuminate her pioneering legacy. Lead performers are Vassar alums Eden Bartholomew ’23, Michael Hoffman ’13, Beatrix Postley ’24, and. It is co-directed by Senior Lecturer in Music Drew Minter and Professor and Chair of Drama Christopher John Grabowski. Christine Howlett, Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities on the George Sherman Dickinson Chair, is the musical director.

Vassar Trustee Kathy Zillweger Putnam ’75 first brought “Computing Venus” to the attention of Music Department faculty and is a major benefactor of the production. The event is free but requires tickets. Reservations can be made by going to <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/vassar-drama/3300>. The opera will be livestreamed for an off-campus audience at 2 p.m. on Jan. 24. For access to the livestream, go to [\[fest2026.vassar.edu/computing-venus/\]\(https://modfest2026.vassar.edu/computing-venus/\).

Other highlights of the festival include a talk by award-winning artist and poet Cecilia Vicuña; “Rescoring Richter,” a multimedia event pairing the experimental films of Hans Richter made in the 1920s; the annual Honorary Adene and Richard Wilson Concert featuring the works by Professor of Music Emeritus Richard Wilson and composer Celeste Oram; plus a premiere by first-year faculty member, Assistant Professor of Music Alan Hankers.

The festival concludes on the weekend of Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. with a performance by the Vassar Repertory Dance Theater in The Frances Fergusson Dance Theater in Kenyon Hall, and a student-centered weekend featuring a student composer symposium, SoundCrawl, and a live listening part with WVCR—celebrating the next generation of visionary artists.

Professor Howlett and Associate Professor and Chair of Music Justin Patch are co-directors of this year’s event. “This year’s MODfest explores the power of creative vision to shape culture, spark change, and imagine new futures,” Howlett said. “Through music, opera, dance, film, and visual arts, the event honors artists and thinkers who break boundaries, reimagine the world around them, and inspire us to listen, move, and see differently.”

Patch said the two-week event “celebrates nearly two centuries of fearless, creative innovation. From Mariah Mitchell’s scientific work and advocacy for women in the sciences, to provocative films and installations, to contemporary works by Vassar faculty and students, this year’s program illuminates the spirit and transformative power of creativity.”](https://mod-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

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Procreation, not prognostication



Groundhog on Guard, Bowdoin Park.

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Beasties are tuned into the weather. Birds can detect changes in air pressure and humidity and seek shelter in advance of severe conditions. The largest mammals, as well as subterranean insects, move to higher ground before a down-pour. Restlessness in dogs can result from their smelling ozone changes caused by approaching lightning. Critters can hear a storm in the distance before its rumble is audible to humans.

The acuity of their senses to environmental shifts enables animals to perceive climatic changes earlier than we can. And they alter their behavior to prepare. In autumn, squirrels and mice gorge, as well as store food in caches for later consumption. Bears become hyperphagic to gain fat for energy and insulation. Groundhogs also add girth for their winter hibernation. Their thick layer of fat sustains them during a three-month-long dormancy.

As winter draws to an end, when temperatures begin rising, groundhogs emerge from their sleep. In some cases, the event is the subject of great observation and fanfare. But, even with the rodents’ animalistic sensitivities to environmental cues, their documented accuracy at meteorological predictions is only 30-40%.

Wise woodchuck or squirrely substitute?

The custom of using hibernating animals to predict weather is an ancient European practice. In that continent, the badger, *Meles meles* (related to shrews), and the hedgehog, *Erinaceus europaeus* (related to weasels), were used to forecast winter’s end. As Europe became Christianized, in the 5th through 9th centuries, the Pagan Festival of Imbolc, which signified the beginning of spring, was blended with Candlemas, a holiday that uses blessed candles to represent Christ’s light and bring a sense of peace.

In the 1800s, when European immigrants brought their traditions to North America, they found that *Marmota monax* (related to squirrels) were a more readily available alternative to the animals used in their former home. The woodchuck became their pinch-hitter. The settler’s regional tradition of Groundhog Day was first publicized in 1886, by the Punxsutawney Spirit newspaper in Pennsylvania.

Long shadows = more winter

I find it counter-intuitive, but cloudless, sunny days in winter can be indicative of

chilly weather. Usually cold, northern air brings clear conditions. There are also fewer daylight hours in winter, which means that there is less time for heat to accumulate. And clouds act as an insulating blanket; without clouds, any heat reaching us quickly radiates back into space. Most importantly, though, in winter, the sun’s rays are spread over a larger area, less effectively heating the ground and air.

So, if Bucky the Unlucky Woodchucky lumbers outside his burrow one fine, sunny February 2nd, he will see a much more elongated shadow than he would observe in June, when the sun is more directly overhead. He will thusly return to his den for an additional month-and-a-half of slumber. So-sayeth the tradition and its adherents. (Conversely, a cloudy February 2nd foretells an early spring, as Bucky would not throw shade).

Thumb stubs and limited shoulder range-of-motion

As if marmots could throw anyway! These land-based, chisel-toothed rodents have “thumb stubs” that only allow them to grip small items. Without fully opposable thumbs they could not hold a branch. Plus, they lack the complex biomechanics necessary for chucking anything. Their limbs are built for powerful, linear movement needed for moving dirt.

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They are often seen guarding their burrows, emitting a high-pitched noise if they become alarmed.

Though their monikers include woodchuck, marmot, and whistle pig, they are most commonly called groundhogs. “Woodchuck” is a phonetic corruption. The Algonquians’ name for the animal is “wuchak,” which prompts the query, “How much wood would a wuchak chuck if a wuchak could chuck wood?”

Final observations

According to the Oregon Zoo, their hedgehogs have an accuracy rate of about 50% at predicting the arrival of spring. There is no data on the accuracy rate of badgers’ predictions, as it is not a widely studied phenomenon. Scientists have observed that male groundhogs emerge in search of females and don’t seem particularly interested in the length of their shadows. That’s procreation, not prognostication.

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

Find her at <https://medium.com/@wiznerf>, <https://substack.com/@gkatzchronicle>, and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com>.

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By Bill Green
Recreation Director

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Our on Sunday, Feb. 15 trip to Resorts Catskills Casino is almost filled. The fee is

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MOONSHINE & CO NY LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the New York Department of State on December 3 2025 for Moonshine & Co NY LLC. The office of the LLC is located in Dutchess County New York. The New York Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him or her to ZenBusiness Inc 41 State Street Suite 112 Albany NY 12207. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed in the State of New York.

Notice of Form. of ANDREW M. TIESS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/02/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 11 APPLE SUMMIT LANE, LAGRANGEVILLE, NY, 12540. Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Nuevilla LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/5/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him is 13 Charles Street, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business-activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

Notice of Formation of Skin Serenity LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/18/25. Office Location: Dutchess

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County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to Lena Gudmundsen, 102 Saint George Ct. Hurley, New York, 12443. Purpose of LLC: to provide esthetician services, skincare treatments, beauty services, and any related lawful business activities

90 WALDEN EXT, LLC Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on December 8, 2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 492 Main Street, Beacon, New York 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of TREDEGAR HOLDINGS ONE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/03/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of HF Main Street Owner LLC, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on November 25, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC at c/o 11 Garden Street, Suite 101, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Balanced Insight, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on New York (SSNY) on October 31, 2025. Office Location: Dutchess County, New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail to: Balanced Insight, LLC, c/o Keith McGowan, 153 Old Hopewell Rd, Wappingers Falls, New York 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: 93 SMITHTOWN ROAD LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Sec-

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retary of State of New York (SSNY) on December 11, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County, NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The LLC address to which SSNY shall mail process is 6847 Route 9, Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Saigon Pho VN LLC filed w/ SSNY 12/10/25. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 2 Carmella Rd, Highland, NY 12528. Any lawful purpose.

C O C O N U T RESEARCH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Briget Caramangna, 41 Mason Circle, Unit 5, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Rouse + Co Properties LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/10/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 6417 Montgomery St, Ste 1, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of AKV Ventures, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/25/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 465 Main St Apt 10 Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF LOPEZ, BARK & SCHULZ LLP. Certificate of Registration filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/07/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. LLP formed in California (CA) on 4/24/2017. SSNY designated as agent of LLP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 30 East Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY, 12572. Certificate

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of Formation filed with the CA Secy of State, 1500 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Principal office and authorized officer in CA: Michael Lopez, 300 Spectrum Center Dr., Suite 1550, Irvine, CA 92618. Purpose: law firm.

Notice of Formation of LUCIANO E SELLS LLC. Art/Org filed 11/25/25. Ofc loc Dutchess Cty. SSNY desig. agent for svc/proc & shall mail to 22 FLANNERY AVENUE APT D, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

11 Howard LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/18/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 45 Briarcliff Ave, Poughkeepsie Ny 12603 Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Gina Rossomando-Wood LLC. Arts of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/20/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Gina Rossomando-Wood LLC 271 Esopus Way, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. LegalZoom (United States Corporation Agents, Inc) 7014 13TH AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11228 is designated as registered agent. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

TIME AND STYLE LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 8/11/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 9 Colonial Dr., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

SMART MEASURE LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/19/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 72 Stanford Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

BAHADUR 1 REALTY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of

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State (SSNY) 10/31/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1 Troy Ln., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

PALOIL LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/15/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 34 Victor Dr., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Shanks Property Maintenance LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/11/25. Office: Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 45 Daheim Road, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful.

Isiko LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/01/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC at: 41 State St., Suite 112, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose of LLC: Providing education, entertainment, publishing, products, and services for personal development.

Notice of Formation of R+Consulting Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/14/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy to The LLC, 13 N Clover st. Apt 1, Poughkeepsie 12601 USA Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

RONCALLO FARM, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/16/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 233 Grape Hollow Road, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

CC TYRANO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/15/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, P.O. Box 16, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

SHANLEY HVAC, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/15/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 16 Panessa Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of 116 Franklin Street LLC. Art of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/18/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 116 Franklin Street LLC, c/o Gellen Law PLLC 271 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any and all lawful business activities.

Notice of Formation of Hometown Lawn, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/11/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Adam Menz, 28 Cornell Avenue, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of MJ NEW PALTZ REALTY, LLC, Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on December 16, 2025. The office location is in Dutchess County, SSNY is designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 2265 South Road, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose for all lawful activities.

Notice of Formation of All Seasons Home Services LLC, filed with SSNY on 10/30/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail the process to All Seasons Home Services LLC, 68 Rhone Ridge Dr, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

DiRenno Fabrication LLC filed w/ SSNY

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12/15/25. Exist Date: 1/1/26. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 1 Duhamel Dr, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. The reg. agt. is Vincent Direnno at same address. Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DD Investor Group LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 4/3/25. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him is 504 Haight Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

Notice of formation of Serroukas Hospital-ity, LLC art. of org filed with SSNY on 9/26/25 office location Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent for service of process SSNY shall mail process to 35 Theresa CT, Lagrangeville NY 12540. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of LOT 2 VERBAN LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/23/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

TL Energy Holdings, LLC filed Art. of Org. with the Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/17/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent for the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 139 West 82nd Street, Apt. 6C, New York, NY 10024 Purpose: any lawful act.

A night of film favorites: NDSO presents ‘Epic Movie Scores’ Jan. 24

Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra (NDSO) welcomes the new year with “Epic Movie Scores” on Saturday, Jan. 24, at 7:30 p.m., at the Marriott Pavilion at The Culinary Institute of America, 1946 Campus Drive, Hyde Park. Conducted by Music Director Kathleen Beckmann, the concert features returning guest artists Jiayi He, harmonica, and Marka Young, violin. The program includes film music from “Back to the Future,” “Forrest Gump,” “The Great Escape,” “Dances with Wolves,” “Schindler’s List” and more, concluding with a medley of classic James Bond themes.

Both guest musicians are returning favorites to NDSO. Jiayi He, an internationally recognized harmonica virtuoso, has performed at major venues including Carnegie Hall and the United Nations and has been featured on numerous television networks. Violinist Marka Young, known for her warm tone and expressive style, serves as Assistant Concertmaster of the Hudson Valley Philharmonic and has appeared as a soloist nationwide.

Tickets for this concert are priced at \$38 per person, with special discounts available for seniors and students. Family ticket packages are \$40 for one adult and two students. To learn more and purchase, visit www.ndsorchestra.org or call 845-445-9606.

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LF Energy Holdings, LLC filed Art. of Org. with the Sec’y of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/17/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent for the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 139 West 82nd Street, Apt. 6C, New York, NY 10024 Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Form. of GSD - HOPEWELL JUNCTION, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/24/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 2 JAY LANE, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of MB MEDICINE PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/10/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to P.O. BOX 163, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12602. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of HF Main Street Development Manager LLC, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on December 17, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC at c/o 11 Garden Street, Suite 101, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is 37 Century LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on December 30, 2025. New York office location: 1395 Boston Corners Road, Village of Millerton, County of Dutchess and State of New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her is: 37 Century LLC, 1395 Boston Corners Road, Millerton, New York 12546. Purpose/Character of business: Any lawful business purpose permitted under the New York Limited Liability Company Law. This notification is made pursuant to Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law.

Notice of Formation of Exit 67 Designs LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/23/25. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been design. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 5 Appletree Dr., Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

FEZZI PINE PLAINS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/05/2026. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

NORTHSIDE TRIVIA LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/05/2026. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 853 Old Quaker Hill Road, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

6562 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/30/2025. Office: Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 101 Rainbow Drive, #5673, Livingston, TX 77399. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Nosy By Nature Consulting and Investigative Services LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/10/2025. Office location: Dutchess

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County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Nosy By Nature Consulting and Investigative Services LLC, 51 Creek Road, Suite 1208, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Wellena Cleaning and Organizing Services L.L.C. with Article of Organization filed with NYSS on December 31, 2025. The office of the L.L.C. is located in Dutchess County, NY. The NYSS has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail any process to 88 N Clove Rd, Verbank. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Gassho Paws LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/31/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Zen Business Inc. at 41 State Street, Suite 112 Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Mike Silvestri Service Solutions LLC. Articles of Organization filing date with Secretary of State (SSNY) was: 9/23/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 4 Pepper Lane, Fishkill New York 12524. Purpose is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under NYS laws.

DeCandia Turf Solutions LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 1/12/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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against may be served. SSNY shall mail any such process served to 6 Kitteridge Place, Beacon NY 12508. General purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

T&C PROPERTIES UNLIMITED LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 11/4/2025. Off. Loc. : Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, PO Box 404, Wingdale, NY 12594, USA. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

BARAT HOLIDAY LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/14/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 Deer Hill Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Green Tree Holiday LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/14/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 Deer Hill Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Form. of Past N' Perfect, LLC Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/22/2025. Office Located in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: 1629 Main Street Pleasant Valley Ny 12569 Purpose: General

Notice of Formation of WILDCAT HOLLOW DEVELOPMENT, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/08/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Marc Chodock, 25 Hilee Rd., Rhinebeck, NY

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Notice of Formation of VIOLET HILL CAPITAL, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/08/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Marc Chodock, 25 Hilee Rd., Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of JD Fire Sprinkler Solutions, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with NY Secretary of State (SSNY) on Dec 5, 2025. Office of LLC located in Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and SSNY shall mail a copy to Northwest Registered Agent LLC at 418 Broadway STEN Albany, NY 12207. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful business activities permitted under NYS law.

Notice of Formation of SDB Solutions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/13/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 21 Van Ness Road, Beacon, NY, 12508. Purpose: to engage in any lawful business.

Notice of Formation of Effective Dynamic Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on November 18, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 3 Hook Rd, Unit 12, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Ro-Lin Fields LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/18/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 418 Broadway, STER, Al-

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bany, NY, 12207, USA. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Neon Heart Productions LLC. Art. Of Org. Filed with SSNY on 11/12/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 418 Broadway, STER, Albany, NY, 12207, USA. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Life Coaching LLC. filed with SSNY on 1/14/2026. Office location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to PO box 140 Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

A M P E D ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING LLC. Filed 12/18/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: Business Filings Incorporated, 187 Wolf Rd, Ste 101, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: General.

RIVER VALLEY TECHNICAL IMAGING LLC. Filed 11/10/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: Nicholas K. Golembiewski, 36 Tree Line Ct, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of GXB Precision Tree. LLC. Care Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: po box 42 Billings, NY 12510. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 60 Florence NY LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/19/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as

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agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him is 60 Florence Avenue, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

228 MANSION STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/14/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 72 Old Mamaroneck Road, White Plains, NY 10605. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of CMME LOGISTICS LLC. Art/Org filed 1/11/24. Ofc loc Dutchess Cty. SSNY design. agent for svc/proc & shall mail to 136 N ELM ST, BEACON, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Spaccarelli Prophecy Hall Holdings, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/15/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 320 River Rd S, Wappingers, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Qualification of REVSTAC CONSULTING LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/07/26. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Massachusetts (MA) on 05/18/21. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. MA addr. of LLC: 2B Cragmore Rd., Newton, MA 02464. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of the Commonwealth, One Ashburton Pl., Boston, MA 02108. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEWYORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, Plaintiff -against- Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens unknown heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest, and generally all persons having or claiming, under, by or through said defendant, who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right, title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, Kerryann Stephens a/k/a Kerryanne Stephens as Heir of the Estate of Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens, I. S. as Heir of the Estate of Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens, Hollian Jada Stephens as Heir of the Estate of Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens if living and if he/she be dead, any and all persons who are spouses, widows, grantees, mortgagees, lienor, heirs, devisees, distributees, or successors in interest of such of the above as may be dead, and their spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residences are unknown to Plaintiff, Saniya M. Stephens as Heir of the Estate of Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens, Jaden Stephens as Heir of the Estate of Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens, T. S. as Heir of the Estate of Ivan Stephens a/k/a Ivan R. Stephens, United States of America acting through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, United States of America - Internal Revenue Service, "John Doe", (Refused Name), Richmond Hill Association, Inc. Keldon O. Decoteau, Defendants. Index No.: 2025-51533 Filed: 12/22/25 **SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS** Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your

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Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the attorneys for the plaintiff within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service; or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York; or within sixty (60) days if it is the United States of America. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. **NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT** THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$343,660.00 and interest, recorded in the office of the clerk of the County of Dutchess on July 01, 2022 in Doc. 01-2022-53599, Page covering premises known as 12 Bayberry Circle, Fishkill, NY 12524. There is relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. **NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer to the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.** Dated: Bay Shore, New York December 19, 2025 Frenkel, Lambert, Weisman & Gordon, LLP BY: Karen Sheehan, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 53 Gibson Street, Bay Shore, New York 11706 (631) 969-3100; Our File No.: 01-098935-F01

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NOTICE OF 2026 TOWN AND COUNTY TAX COLLECTION TOWN OF WAPPINGER, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, Lee Anne Freno, the undersigned Receiver of Taxes for the Town of Wappinger, County of Dutchess and State of New York, have duly received the Tax Roll and Warrant for the collection of taxes within the Town of Wappinger for the year 2026. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I will attend at Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, in the said Town of Wappinger from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on each day, excepting Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, for the purpose of receiving the taxes listed on said roll. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that taxes may be paid via drop box, in person, online or by mail. Check or money order is to be made out to Lee A. Freno, Receiver of Taxes. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that payment may be made any time from the receipt of bill to March 2, 2026, without penalty. Payments made March 3, 2026, through June 1, 2026, incur a two percent (2%) penalty. Payments made from June 2, 2026, through August 31, 2026, incur a four percent (4%) penalty. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Section 987 of the Real Property Tax Law provides that after the interest free period for payment of taxes elapses and taxes remain unpaid, the tax collecting officer is required to send a notice of unpaid taxes to the owner. The expense of this notice is a two-dollar (\$2.00) charge which is added to the parcel. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that pursuant to the provisions of law, no payments will be accepted at this office after August 31, 2026. After August 31, 2026, the tax roll of the Town of Wappinger will be returned to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance. Information may be obtained by calling the tax office at (845) 297-4342 or by visiting the Town's website at townofwappingerny.gov Dated: January 9, 2026 Signed: Lee Anne Freno, Receiver of Taxes, Town of Wappinger

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LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Town and County Tax Collection – Town of Fishkill, County of Dutchess **TAKE NOTICE THAT I, KATHERINE BUNETA**, Receiver of Taxes for the Town of Fishkill, County of Dutchess and State of New York, have duly received the Tax Roll and Warrant for the collection of taxes within the Town of Fishkill for the year 2026 and I will attend at the Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524, from January 21, 2026, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM, for the purpose of receiving taxes listed on the said rolls. No payment will be received on Saturdays, Sundays, or on legal holidays. **TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, TAXES MAY BE PAID BEFORE** March 2nd, 2026 without charge of penalty. On all such remaining unpaid taxes after such date, penalty will be added as follows: March 2%, April 3%, and May 4%. **TAKE FURTHER NOTICE**, that pursuant to the provisions of the law, the tax roll of the Town of Fishkill will be returned to the Commissioner of Finance of the County of Dutchess on the 3rd day of June, 2026. Signed: Katherine Buneta Katherine Buneta Receiver of Taxes Dated: January 11, 2026

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-14-26 On-Call Commercial/Industrial Plumbing Services Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 29th day of January 2026 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 website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-21-26

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REBID Vehicle Body Repair Services for Dutchess County Public Transit Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 30th day of January 2026 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 website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

PUBLIC NOTICE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: I, Ingrid Kulick, the undersigned Collector of Taxes for the Town of Milan, County of Dutchess, and State of New York, have duly received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes within the Town of Milan for the year 2026. I will be collecting taxes at the following place and time listed below: MILAN TOWN HALL: Collection of taxes will be at the Milan Town Clerk's Office, 20 Wilcox Circle in the Town of Milan from today to February 28, 2026 – Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM or by mail anytime – excepting Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. FURTHER NOTICE: The taxes may be paid on or before February 28, 2026, without charge or interest. For all taxes received after such date, there shall be added interest of 2 % if paid on or before March 31, 2026, and an additional 1% for each additional month or fraction thereof thereafter until such taxes are paid or until the return of unpaid taxes to the county treasurer pursuant to law. FURTHER NOTICE: that a reminder of unpaid taxes will be sent on or before May 15th, 2026. A fee of \$2.00 will be added to your tax bill during the full month of May. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE: Pursuant to the provisions of the law, the Tax Roll of the Town of Milan will be returned to the Dutchess County Commission of Finance on the 1st of June 2026. Ingrid Kulick Milan Tax Collector

PUBLIC NOTICE PLEASE BE ADVISED that the Regular Meeting for the Town of Milan Town Board will be held on the third Monday of the month in the Wilcox Memorial Town Hall at 20 Wilcox

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Circle in the Town of Milan at 7:00 pm. By order of the Milan Town Board Ingrid Kulick, Town Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF BONDS Dated January 13, 2026 Public notice is hereby given that, at the time and place designated below, a public hearing, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), will be held by the County of Dutchess, New York, for the purpose of giving interested persons an opportunity to be heard with respect to the proposed application of the proceeds of certain revenue notes or bonds issued by the Public Finance Authority ("PFA"), as airport exempt facility bonds, as defined in Section 142(a)(1) of the Code, in one or more series (the "Bonds"), the proceeds of which are being loaned to POU Development LLC (the "Borrower"), an affiliate of Sky Harbour Capital II LLC, or one or more subsidiaries or other affiliates thereof (collectively, "Sky Harbour") to finance the project described below (the "Project"). A. Owner: County of Dutchess, New York (the "County"). B. Initial Occupant/Borrower: Sky Harbour or an affiliate thereof C. Description of Project: The Project includes the development of a general aviation and aircraft storage facility at Hudson Valley Regional Airport (the "Airport"), comprising 3 hangars aggregating approximately 117,000 square feet. D. Project Location: Hudson Valley Regional Airport, 263 New Hackensack Road, Wappinger Falls, New York, 12590 E. Maximum principal amount of Bonds to be issued with respect to the Project: \$80,000,000. The public hearing is being held by the Deputy County Executive, on behalf of the County, and notice thereof is published in accordance with Section 147(f) of the Code and regulations promulgated thereunder. The public is invited to comment either in person or in writing with respect to the Bonds and the financing of the Project. At the public hearing, any and all persons in attendance will be afforded an opportunity to com-

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ment on the proposed Project and the issuance of the Bonds. A public hearing with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds will be held in the County Executive Conference Room located at 22 Market Street, 6th Floor, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 at 10:30 a.m. on January 28, 2026. Written comments must be received at the above address no later than such date. The Bonds will be special limited obligations of PFA payable by PFA solely from the loan repayments to be made by the Borrower to PFA. None of the Airport, the County nor any political subdivision thereof shall be obligated to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds. The Bonds will not constitute an indebtedness or a general obligation of the Airport, the County, or any municipal corporation or political subdivision of the State of New York. The Notes will not be paid from taxes.

01/15/26 **LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING** Notice is hereby given that the Village of Wappingers Falls Board of Trustees will vote for a Community Development Block Grant program project during January 28, 2026, Village Board Mtg. at 2582 South Ave. Village of Wappingers Falls, NY at 6:00 PM. At such time all parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard as to the grant proposal for the Community Block Development Grant. Please take further notice that the purpose and intent of the meeting is to hear comments on the vote on the submission of the grant application to Dutchess County. Questions, please call the Village Clerk at 845-297-8773.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION Please be advised that on January 15, 2026 the Town Board Of the Town of East Fishkill adopted Local Law No 1 of 2026 Entitled, "A LOCAL LAW EXTENDING A MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN USES IN THE TOWN OF AST FISHKILL" Full copies of the Local Laws are available at the Town Clerk's Office or on the website. **BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL PETER J CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

NYS announces \$25 million available to help farmers protect water quality

Project proposals due on April 20

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball has announced that \$25 million is available for projects that will help New York's farmers to support agricultural water quality conservation projects.

This is the second year of record level funding being offered through the State's Agricultural Nonpoint Source Pollution Abatement and Control (Ag Nonpoint) Program, which is being provided through the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) and the Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act. Applications for the program can be found at agriculture.ny.gov/funding-opportunities.

Ball said, “For over three decades, our Ag Nonpoint program has seen tremendous success, helping farmers implement best practices to protect our waterways. We’re excited to see even more funding dedicated to this program for the second year in a row through the Bond Act, helping us to continue investing in projects that will not only ensure the health of our environment but also help ensure farms can remain competitive, profitable, and sustainable.”

The Ag Nonpoint Program provides funding to projects that focus on either environmental planning or the implementation of best management practice systems to protect New York's watersheds. Projects include but are not limited to

conservation measures, such as nutrient management through manure storage, vegetative buffers along streams, and conservation cover crops.

Through this latest round of the program, Round 31, a total of \$25 million is being made available to the State's County Soil and Water Conservation Districts, who will apply on behalf of New York farmers: \$14 million is from the Environmental Protection Fund and \$11 million is from the Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022. Last year, the program

celebrated its 30th anniversary, and so far, through 30 rounds of funding, over \$275 million has been awarded to on-farm projects. Round 30 awarded funding to 109 participating farms and 25 county Soil and Water Conservation Districts, with awarded projects including plans for over 12,000 acres of cover crops, 31 agricultural waste storage systems, and 25 forested buffers.

The application for the program and additional information are available on the Department of Agriculture and Markets' website at agriculture.ny.gov/

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THEME: THE GRAMMYS

ACROSS

1. Inundated
6. Word before humbug
9. Jim Carrey's 1994 disguise
13. Rough, as in voice
14. Kimono sash
15. Misrepresent
16. Do like ivy
17. Go for the bronze?
18. Poem of lament
19. *Grammy nominee Bad Bunny's first language
21. *KPop Demon Hunters' nominated song
23. Sought at crime scene
24. Lord's worker
25. Rob Manfred's org.
28. Jab, in speech
30. *____.com Arena
35. Rowboat engine, pl.
37. ____ gum, ingredient
39. Cowboy's cry of joy
40. Big attraction
41. Spring holiday honoree
43. Live bait
44. Daytime moth
46. Puerto follower
47. Finger move
48. Colonnade
50. Invitation letters
52. "Zip it!"
53. Trash bag brand
55. Polar helper
57. *Lady Gaga's nominated album
60. *Tyler of CHROMAKOPIA, with The
64. Prejudiced one
65. Busy one
67. Do penance
68. Approves
69. Make a mistake
70. Sans-____ font
71. "I, Claudius" role
72. Jack and Jill did this
73. Changes to a manuscript

DOWN

1. Parentheses, e.g.
2. "Star Trek" speed
3. Away from port
4. Not be frugal
5. What TikTokers are often doing
6. This and that
7. Legal grp.
8. Door holder
9. Mix together
10. Away from wind
11. Leo or Libra, e.g.
12. *Wonder's "Songs in the _____ of Life," Album of Year (1977)
15. Where bats are?
20. Eurasian goat-like antelope
22. Middle-earth dweller
24. Pelican or albatross, e.g.
25. Person in an ad
26. One of Florida Keys
27. Health food pioneer of liquid aminos fame
29. *Nominated "Drop Dead Years" comedian Bill _____
31. Swerves
32. Sound units
33. Synagogue scroll
34. Zing or pizzazz
36. *Justin Bieber's nominated song
38. Fabled fliers
42. Red one, send somebody over!
45. Unalienable ones are in the Declaration of Independence
49. Draft pick
51. Give satisfaction
54. Spot for prehistoric fly
56. Doomed
57. *MCA, Ad-Rock and _____ D, Grammy-winning Beastie Boys
58. Culture-growing turf
59. Walk-the-dog toy
60. What concerning and discernable have in common
61. *Nine-time Grammy-nominated Amos
62. Fonzie's comeback: "Sit _____"
63. Whistle blowers
64. * _____ lver of SABLE, FABLE fame
66. Historical period

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The solutions to the Sudoku, Crossword puzzle and Suguru can be found on page 10B.

Award-winning pianists to perform at Howland Jan. 25

The Howland Chamber Music Circle (HCMC) will continue its 2025-2026 Piano Festival with a duo of award-winning pianists, Timo Andres and Aaron Diehl. They will perform at the Howland Cultural Center on Sunday, January 25, at 4 p.m. Following the concert, audience members can meet the musicians and enjoy complimentary refreshments. All ticket holders are invited to the reception. To purchase a ticket, visit www.howland-music.org. The Howland Cultural Center is at 477 Main Street in Beacon.

Andres and Diehl are both composers and pianists. Andres studied at the Yale School of Music and has performed as a soloist (on his own and with many of the world's great orchestras) and as a chamber musician. Andres has performed and edited Phillip Glass's Etudes, and was recently nominated for a Tony award for his orchestration of Sufjan Steven's

"Illinoise," a dance-musical folk/ballet. Diehl studied at The Juilliard School and, like Andres, is also a noted soloist and chamber musician. He has been described as "redefining the lines between classical and jazz," having performed since the age of 16 with Wynton Marsalis, and other jazz greats.

For HCMC, Andres and Diehl will preview repertoire that the two pianists will play later that week at Carnegie Hall. The program includes two of Andres' compositions, his arrangement of Thelonious Monk's Nocturnes, and works by Monk, Poulenc and Bach as well as contemporary composer Julia Wolfe.

HCMC now offers tickets at prices to include music lovers who may have been unable to afford our tickets in the past. A limited number of tickets will be available on a pay-what-you-wish basis. These tickets will be released one week prior to each concert.



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-Courtesy photo

Registration now open for County's Park Palette

Dutchess County Parks continues its wide array of programming with another series of Park Palette painting workshops for adults. Due to the popularity of the program, this session will include a session for beginners, and two sessions for more advanced artists. Registration opened Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 9 a.m. online at www.DutchessNY.gov/ParksEducation.

Beginner Adult Park Palette will be held on Thursday, Feb. 19th from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Maple Knoll Lodge at Bowdoin Park. The class will include step-by-step introduction to acrylic painting, focusing on the basics of creating nature-based artwork. The class costs \$12 and includes all supplies. Sessions are limited to 12 participants.

Advanced Adult Park Palette will be

held on Thursdays, Feb. 5 and Mar. 5, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Maple Knoll Lodge at Bowdoin Park. The Advanced class is for adults who have taken a Dutchess County Parks painting class in the past and wish to expand on their skills with more advanced techniques and more challenging scenes. Each session is \$12 and includes all supplies. Sessions are limited to 12 participants each.

Other naturalist programming, including group weekday Archery, Junior Survival, Scout Programs and School Field Trips are available by appointment and reservations can be made by calling the Parks office at 845-298-4602.

For other Parks information, visit DutchessNY.gov/Parks.

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