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Local historical societies help to put perspective on the past

By Kristine Coulter
Historical Societies offer local residents a chance to learn about and connect to the past of their communities.
Beacon's history 'a constant growth' and commitment
Denise Doring VanBuren is the president of the Beacon Historical Society.
"Change is a constant, and decades of growth and commitment have made Beacon the community we know today because it has always been evolving. But the pace of change now is greater than ever before -- street scenes are changing, the "small town" feel is evaporating and the magic that makes Beacon "Beacon" will dissipate if we don't preserve and promote what made this community so very special," said Doring VanBuren in an email. "From the Mount Beacon Incline Railway and the Newburgh Beacon Ferry, to our hat-making industry and our local families, we have a fascinating shared past. We want to be sure that the chapters that made Beacon's story so compelling (that resulted in this city of ours) are not lost on those who have only now "discovered" us. Knowing what made this community so wonderful is the key to keeping it wonderful."
Asked what the most interesting story item she has come across, Doring VanBuren, who is also an author, said, "We have thousands of items in our collection -- newspapers, photographs, products made in Beacon, scrapbooks, ephemera, etc. I joined the Historical Society in 1988 -- and I have been fascinated ever since by the breadth of items that families have entrusted to us -- picking a most interesting or favorite item from our collection would be like trying to pick your favorite child (i.e. impossible!).
"BUT I will share a chapter that I learned only recently -- something that I think few people realize," Doring



Hat shop workers in Beacon. Manufacturing hats was one of Beacon's primary industries for decades.

-Courtesy photo Beacon Historical Society

VanBuren said.
The following is what Doring VanBuren relayed.
"Howard Ashman rented a house in 1989 at 791 Slocum Road in Beacon for two years while he was waiting construction of his home in Cold Spring -- regrettably he died in March 1991 and never got to see that new home.
Who was he? A prolific musical lyricist and producer who first came to prominence in 1982 with a work that he conceived, wrote and directed with music

by Alan Menken called "Little Shop of Horrors." Ashman was soon pivotal in the renaissance of Disney-animated musicals and in the development of "The Little Mermaid" (Producer and Lyrics), "Beauty and the Beast" (Executive Producer and Lyrics) and "Aladdin" (Lyrics), all with music by Alan Menken.
While living here in Beacon during production of "The Little Mermaid," he continued to work, helping to give life to

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'Your Wonder' book was inspired by local author's daughter

By Kristine Coulter
Local residents Courtney Kolb and Laura Golben have collaborated on a new book for children. The book is called "Your Wonder."
This is Kolb's first book.
So, what happens in this story?
Kolb stated, via email, "Join two adventurous girls with a love for play, nature, and exploration. Experience their travels through the seasons -- they love to be outdoors, rain or shine, sun or snow. Peek into their imaginations as they show you what might be hidden beneath the surface."
Golben explained: "The concept for this book was very visual, right off the bat. When we realized we could implement a flap to add in an element of surprise, it set us off with a clear vision for the layout. After that it was a matter of figuring out the characters and color and style



Local author Courtney Kolb (left) with illustrator Laura Golben and the book, "Your Wonder." The two collaborated on this self-published book.

-Courtesy photo

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Yankees select Nick Ortiz as Renegades manager for '24

By Rich Thomaselli
The Hudson Valley Renegades will have a new field manager for the 2024 season.
The New York Yankees, parent club of the Renegades, have named Nick Ortiz will take over as the manager of the Hudson Valley Renegades, the Yankees High-A affiliate.
The Renegades will be in their 30th season in the Hudson Valley in 2024. Ortiz becomes the 19th manager in team history, and fourth in four years during the Yankees era. He is joined on the field staff by Pitching Coach Spencer Medick (2nd season), Hitting Coach Rick Guarno (1st season), and Defensive Coaches Derek Woodley (2nd season) and Zak Wasserman (1st season).

"I'm very excited to be given the opportunity to manage the Hudson Valley Renegades this year, and I'm really looking forward to connecting with all our fans," Ortiz said in a statement. "We are going to present tremendous talent on the field and I hope that you could all join us in what should be a fun and exciting season."

Ortiz is returning for a second stint with the Yankees organization after spending the past four seasons as the Quality Assurance Coach for the San Francisco Giants. Before serving on Gabe Kapler's staff in San Francisco, Ortiz served a dual role for four seasons in the Yankees system, serving as an Amateur Scout covering Puerto Rico and a Minor League coach.

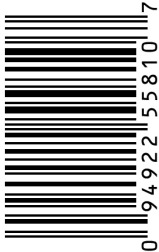
He has previously served as a minor league baseball manager.

In addition to his Major and Minor League coaching experience, Ortiz has coached and managed in the prestigious Puerto Rican Winter League for the Gigantes de Carolina and the Cangrejeros de Santurce, a league in which he played in for 16 seasons and was a six-time All-Star.

Ortiz comes to the Hudson Valley with a connection to the Renegades, having served on the Giants staff for four years with former Renegades manager Craig Albernaz, who guided the Gades to the 2017 New York-Penn League Championship.

Hudson Valley now plays in the South Atlantic League.

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Sabellico’s introduces new farm-harvest CSA program

By Curtis Schmidt

Matt Sabellico and his staff at Sabellico’s Greenhouses and Florist, Inc. in Hopewell Junction are entering a new chapter. Come spring, they will be producing a wide variety of vegetables and other local products as part of their own CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program.

The Sabellico family has run the farm/business for over 70 years and Mom, Diane said her son, Matt, is the impetus behind the CSA idea.

“He was growing organic produce here at Sabellico’s for a few years before COVID. He had a non-commitment CSA where he packed up the week’s haul from the garden in boxes and sold them to whoever showed up,” said Diane. They survived the uncertainty of the COVID era by concentrating on their core business of selling vegetable plants and flowers, because she said, “No one knew how things were going to shake out.”

Diane pointed out that Matt “learned a lot from his first go around with produce - what worked well and what did not. It has taken him up til now to get reorganized to try growing produce again.” He is also trying to involve other area agricultural businesses in this endeavor. Right now, Dan Moon from Sunnyvale Farm (formerly Secor’s Strawberries) and Nicole Harris from Tiny Green Farms (microgreens) are involved in the CSA.

Matt is also trying to get other providers with eggs, meat, honey, maple syrup etc. involved as add-ons to the CSA. He feels that these partnerships can benefit all involved. He was chairman of the Dutchess County Agricultural Advisory Board for seven years and is now Chair of the Dutchess County Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board.

“We are very excited about the oppor-



Sabellico’s Greenhouses and Florist, Inc. in Hopewell Junction will be offering vegetables and other products as part of their newly-formed CSA. They are currently signing up participants.

-Courtesy photos



Matthew Sabellico

tunity to offer more programs like this to our community. I am deeply passionate about our agricultural communities here at home and across these beautiful lands,” said Matt. “I believe that optimal health and nutrition begins on farms, both for the lands and the people they feed. The Hudson Valley is one of the most beautiful and fertile lands that we have left in this country and needs to be treated with care and consideration.”

He added, “We have a diverse and unique farming community here in Dutchess, imbued with passion and respect. It is important that we work to preserve and restore the respect of our lands and their ecological and agricultural value.”

Matt said he believes that “farming and the principals it teaches us can help lead us to a simpler, more connected way of life. I dream of a day when instead of lush green lawns, the neighborhoods we have built

have dedicated areas for gardens, orchards, greenhouses and animal pastures.”

He also believes that if the agricultural health land is preserved, it will continue to achieve optimal health for all.

The new “Goddess Garden” carries that name after Matt’s daughters, who are named after goddesses Freya and Artemis.

To gain more information or to sign up for the CSA, visit the Sabellico website at 845-226-5943 or call 845-226-5943.

Wappinger Board approves funding for Inspiration Field

Funding for Inspiration Field at the Robinson Lane Baseball Complex was recently unanimously approved by the Wappinger Town Board. The field will be used by the Wappinger Challenger League, which was founded by Bettina Briccetti in 2005.

“I thank Supervisor [Joseph] Cavaccini for always being a supporter of Wappingers Challenger, and I thank the rest of the Town Board for approving the funds for this project! Finishing Inspiration Field will give more people in our community the opportunity

to play on a beautiful, accessible, and safe field,” said Briccetti in a press release. Briccetti was 13 years old when she founded the league.

According to information from the Supervisor’s Office, the co-ed league is a subsidiary of Town of Wappinger Little League, Inc. and serves those in the community with disabilities.

Cavaccini said in the release, “Our Challenger League program is one of the many great features of our community that makes Wappinger so special. The completion

of the synthetic surfacing at Inspiration Field has been nearly 20 years in the making and I am proud of our commitment in getting this across the finish line.”

Council member Al Casella said in the release, “This has been a long time coming. This is something Supervisor Cavaccini and I have committed to make happen for 2024. I look forward to the completion and the potential for the jubilee tournament in the Summer. I want to thank Bettina Briccetti for her patience and persistence in this matter.” Board members William Beale, Angela Bettina and Christopher Phillips also voted for approval of the funding.

“It is so heartwarming to see these athletes out on the field and it is comforting to know that this investment will ensure their safety and happiness for years to come. It is an honor to have worked with Councilman Casella, my colleagues on the Town Board, Bettina Briccetti, and the dedicated volunteers of this program in this historic improvement,” Cavaccini remarked.

Briccetti exclaimed, “It has been a long time coming, and we cannot wait for this dream to finally be a reality!”

The funds that were approved came from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

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The Ridge School

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East Fishkill residents may comment on Comprehensive Master Plan until Feb. 1

By Kristine Coulter

Town of East Fishkill residents have the opportunity to offer feedback regarding the development of a new Comprehensive Master Plan. According to town officials in a Facebook post, there is an online survey residents may take. The survey is available until February 1.

The post stated: “The Town Board appointed a Comprehensive Plan Committee (CPC) comprised of ten citizens representing a cross-section of the community. The CPC is working with planning consultants from Saratoga Associates and is supported by Town Staff.”

One can find the CPC Committee agendas, presentations, and notes at [https://saratogaassociates.com/east-](https://saratogaassociates.com/east-fishkill)

fishkill. The sharing of the draft plan will be available as it is developed, according to officials. One may contact the Committee and Saratoga Associated by emailing EastFishkillPlan@gmail.com.

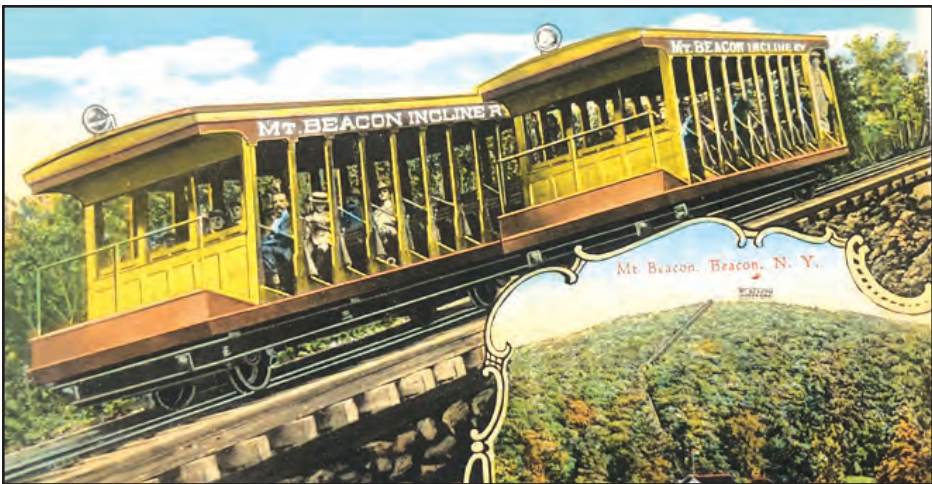
“The Town Board and Comprehensive Plan Committee welcomes feedback from all residents and stakeholders. As Town Supervisor, I am excited to announce the release of an online survey...” remarked Nicholas D’Alessandro, supervisor, in the post. D’Alessandro noted, “We encourage all residents to attend the comprehensive plan public outreach meetings and focus group sessions.” The first outreach meeting is scheduled for March 21 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the East Fishkill Town Hall, 348 Route 376, in East Fishkill.

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Beaconcrest Hotel atop Mount Beacon, in Beacon. The hotel burned down in 1927.

-Courtesy photos from Beacon Historical Soicety



A postcard of the Mount Beacon Incline Railway.

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“Beauty and the Beast” – here, in Beacon, NY! Disney set up a special studio workspace for his coworkers in a conference room in the [former] Residence Inn in Fishkill. The rest of his team, which included Menken, flew into town and went to work creating some of the most beloved and most recognizable Disney music ever recorded. The musical team was so impressed by the level of customer service they all received at the hotel that they wrote the song “Be Our Guest” in honor of that hotel. His coworkers dedicated “Beauty and the Beast” in his memory: “To our friend Howard, who gave a mermaid her voice and a beast his soul. He will be forever missed.” And he wrote it all here in BEACON!

Doring VanBuren thought these were a few things one should know about Beacon:

- Beacon’s was one of the longest-running ferries in American History (1743-1963)
- The Mount Beacon Incline was the steepest in the world and attracted 3 million people to the top
- Beacon was the hat-making capital of New York -- second nationally only to Connecticut.

- Many famous people have lived here, including Peter Seeger, Melio Bettina, Digger Phelps, Robert Montgomery and even author James Patterson. Many other important people have visited (e.g. George Washington, Gloria Swanson, D.W. Griffith, etc.).

- Beacon had MANY fine estates, thriving businesses and exceptional local athletes.
- Beacon was a center for ground-breaking treatments for the mentally ill, with sites including Matteawan State Hospital, the Riverview Sanitarium, Craig House and the Moreno Institute.

To join the Beacon Historical Society, mail a \$25 check (made payable to BHS) for a one-year membership to P.O. Box 89, Beacon.

“If you prefer to join online, just visit our website, www.BeaconHistorical.org, and click on the support tab. Membership includes a monthly newsletter, free Beacon-related history programs and invitations to special events. Most of all, it provides the satisfaction that you know that you are helping to preserve and promote the history of Beacon at a time when that is so important,” said Doring VanBuren.

Historical society is ‘incredibly important’ in East Fishkill

Rick Soedler is the site director for the Brinckerhoff Historical Site on North Kensington Rd. in East Fishkill. There one can see a one-room schoolhouse, a blacksmith shop, the Brinckerhoff-Pudney House, an icehouse and a carriage house.

“Our local and state historical societies are incredibly important as we are the keepers of the documents and items from the past that help us navigate the future. We don’t know where we are going if we don’t know where we came from. Without our historical societies the past would be lost forever,” stated Soedler.

“All history is interesting” to him, Soedler remarked.

“I just recently learned that during WWII, [British Prime Minister Sir] Winston Churchill visited the Morgenthau family of East Fishkill with President Franklin Roosevelt. That intrigued me,” he stated.

Henry Morgenthau Jr. served as treasury secretary during the FDR administration. His son, Robert, was the District Attorney for New York County for more than three decades. Josh Morgenthau, a son of Robert, now runs Fishkill Farms in East Fishkill.

Soedler noted, “The most rewarding aspect is being able to help an individual with family research. Not all information is available in one place but being connected with other local societies we all work together to find the missing pieces of the puzzle for many families. Preserving the structures on our site in East Fishkill and being able to teach the public about them is also incredibly rewarding.”

Joining the EFHS is very simple. One may visit the website eastfishkillhistoricalsociety.org. One will find information on becoming a member.

“We have just added a student membership fee of \$10 for high school or college students interested in supporting what we do. We also have volunteer opportunities for those students who are looking to build their resumes or fulfill their school community service hours,” said Soedler.

Wappingers Falls Historical Society to ‘help future generations’

“A historical society is an organization dedicated to preserving, collecting, researching, and interpreting historical information or items. They are an important part of the local community because they help future generations understand their heritage,” said Beth Devine, who is president of the Wappingers Historical Society. “The Wappingers Historical Society was founded on April 12, 1967, by local resident John Ferris and is dedicated to preserving and promoting the history of the Town of Wappinger, the Village of Wappingers Falls and neighboring communities. The mission of the society is to preserve and share local artifacts, documents, photographs, and maps that pertain to the village, town, and surrounding areas; to preserve the Mesier Homestead; and to serve as a source of historical information for the community.”

Devine joined the WHS 14 years ago. What was described as “one of the most touching and memorable for her (Devine)” was the recognition of James Cruse, a WWI soldier from Wappingers Falls.

Devine recalled, “James was listed on a huge memorial billboard in Poughkeepsie, which recognized the area’s fallen heroes in WWI. Our archivist noticed that James wasn’t listed on the bronze WWI memorial plaque on the front of Mesier Homestead. We began to investigate his story.”

The following was relayed to Southern Dutchess News: “Cruse came to Wappingers Falls from down South in the years before WWI to work at the Aniline Dye Company plant. When the U.S. intervened in WWI in 1917, Cruse answered Uncle Sam’s call and enlisted. He went to France as a member of the New York volunteers, better known as the Harlem Hellfighters. Private Cruse was involved in fierce fighting on the Western Front where the Germans had put a big dent in the Allied

lines called the St. Mihiel Salient (Meuse-Argonne Offensive). James died of wounds on October 14, 1918 while fighting to reduce the Salient and was buried at the St. Mihiel American Cemetery in Thiaucourt, France.”

Devine stated, “While on a trip to France in 2017, my husband and I visited the cemetery, which is similar to the one we visited in Normandy. Of the 4,153 WWI soldiers buried there, 380 were members of the Harlem Hellfighters. We were met by a US Army Ranger who led us to James’s grave, where I placed flowers and the American and French flags at the base of the cross, while listening to the doleful sound of Taps reverberating throughout the cemetery.” Later that year, the WHS held a ceremony and placed a bronze plaque recognizing James Cruse beneath the one on the front of Mesier Homestead. Among those at the ceremony were representatives from the New York National Guard, members from the Bethel Baptist Church and a small choral group singing WWI songs. “I was so proud that the WHS corrected the overlooked service of a young man who paid the ultimate sacrifice for his country.”

Stories such as this illustrate the importance of preserving, protecting, interpreting and sharing historical records, it was stated. One may support the mission of the Wappingers Historical Society by becoming a member. Other ways one can assist is by donating items and artifacts to the WHS archives related to the history of the Village of Wappingers Falls, Town of Wappinger or surrounding hamlets; volunteering your time or talents; making a one-time or recurring monetary donation or make a planned gift, tribute gift or bequest to the Society.

To join the Historical Society, visit the WHS website at www.wappingershistoricalsociety.org and enroll online, or call 845-632-1281.

Fishkill has ‘many legacies and stories’ throughout its history

Amy Mack is a member of the Fishkill Historical Society.

“When people learn the history of where they are, those in that space, regardless of time and their perceived differences, suddenly have something in common. That’s a powerful tool to encourage fellowship in a community. Sharing the story of how a place relates with the region, country, and even the world provides a service that gives a community a common sense of place,” stated Mack, who has been in the FHS for more than two decades.

“There are many legacies and stories throughout Fishkill’s history that need to be remembered and shared, including such aspects as the Wappinger people, colonial life, Fishkill’s role in the Revolutionary War, prominent people in Fishkill, and Fishkill industries through time. The nation’s 250th anniversary is fast approaching. I hope that the community can come together to make the Semiquincentennial in 2026 as great as what was done in Fishkill in 1976 for the Bicentennial. I can’t wait to be able to share the story,” she said.

Mack told of a story she encountered as a

member of the FHS.

“Probably the most significant story that the Fishkill Historical Society must share is the fact that George Washington’s Fishkill Supply Depot was in Fishkill. The site and building that houses the Van Wyck Homestead Museum was the officer’s headquarters for the Continental Army base. To better describe the role of the museum building, I tell visitors that it was the supply depot’s administrative office building. The supply depot was a logistically critical installation that served the Northern Department of the Revolutionary War. The depot served as a central location for storing and distributing essential materials for the army, including food, clothing, weapons, and medicine. The depot’s role expanded beyond mere storage. It became a site for repairing equipment, manufacturing supplies, and providing medical care to wounded soldiers. The Fishkill Supply Depot was a bustling hub of activity, with soldiers, workers, and supplies constantly moving in and out. There were barracks to house 2,000 soldiers and support staff year-round, and up to 2,000 soldiers camped in Fishkill in the warmer months for training. There were about 100 outdoor bread ovens in Fishkill, like the small demonstration clay oven at the museum, to bake bread for all of the personnel. Can you imagine how good all that baking bread smelled? Fishkill’s strategic location in the Hudson Highlands at the junction of ancient roads, today’s Routes 9 and 52, and so near to the Hudson River, made the depot defensible and provided easy transport of goods and people over land and on the river. The rebel system of signal fires along the ridge tops to alert defenders of intruders was so effective that the British didn’t attempt to invade the supply depot! There’s no doubt that the Fishkill Supply Depot was integral to the success of our war for independence from Britain,” Mack explained.

How can one join the Fishkill Historical Society?

“The Fishkill Historical Society is a 100% volunteer led not for profit private organization since its founding in 1962 when the plans for constructing Interstate 84 called for removing the “abandoned old farmhouse” and the founding members, led by the late Fishkill Town Historian Willa Skinner, saved the house from demolition, said Mack.

“Volunteering or becoming a member of the Fishkill Historical Society is easy. Volunteers earn their memberships with their time spent helping out. There are many ways to use your talents to volunteer, from keeping the Van Wyck Homestead Museum’s building and grounds up to being a museum docent,” said Mack. One can also choose to support the historical society by becoming dues-paying members. “There’s a membership level to fit everyone’s budget, from \$10 a year for seniors and students to a one-time \$500 donation to become a lifetime member. Please see our website at fishkillhistoricalsociety.com or stop by when we are open on weekends from June through October for more details about volunteering or becoming a member,” she said.

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Failing to support Ukraine now will make the world a much more dangerous and expensive place

To the Editor:

For everyone who has taken any action in support of Ukraine – whether flying a flag, lawn sign, attending an event, making a donation – and especially for those who have made significant efforts of time or money organizing drives for winter clothing, emergency equipment, fundraisers - these are difficult times.

Never has something so urgent and clear as the benefits we Americans reap from Ukraine’s victory and supporting her through it been held hostage by one of our political parties in Washington. For months, we have been told that without a deal on controlling immigration on our southern border, there can be no funding for either Ukraine or Israel.

This week, such a deal has been reached supported by the Senators of both parties, The White House, and the Democrats in the House - only to have the House Republican Leadership declare it dead on arrival there.

We in the Hudson Valley have elected a bi-partisan delegation to the house. Many of your readers know Marc Molinaro. Some will know Mike Lawler or Pat Ryan. We urge you to call and write to them and ask them to support the deal which strengthens these pillars of our security: Support for Ukraine, Israel, and securing the southern border as it is essential we staunch the undocumented and illegal flow across it.

The facts are clear and bleak: Without US ammunition and weapons, Putin will win. Russia’s victory in Ukraine will lead to larger conflicts with NATO states - putting our troops in harm’s way. Russian victory will embolden China, destabilizing the Pacific rim and putting our allies Taiwan, Japan and South Korea in danger.

In other words, failing to support Ukraine now will make the world a much more dangerous and expensive place. So please call or write your representatives and ask them to do the right things for our security today. The efforts of our Dutchess community have already made a difference in the lives of Ukrainians. By ensuring the flow of weapons and ammunition, we can - and must - still do more.

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Dutchess Tourism elects Board of Directors, welcomes new members

Dutchess Tourism, Inc. (DTI) announced the addition of eight accomplished professionals to its Board of Directors at the annual meeting held on January 25. As the designated destination marketing organization (DMO) for Dutchess County, DTI provides business education and support to the local travel industry and globally promotes the region as a premier destination for the economic benefit of the county’s residents.

The newly elected board members are:
- Zach Betkowski, General Manager, Hudson Valley Renegades, Wappingers Falls
- Melissa Dvozenja-Thomas, Executive Director, Arts Mid-Hudson, Poughkeepsie
- Seif Fakhoury, Sales Executive, Marriott International, Poughkeepsie
- Maureen Gittleman, Assistant Professor of Management; Hospitality & Tourism Program Chair, Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie
- Suzanna Hermans, Co-Owner, Oblong Books, Rhinebeck and Millerton
- Susan Johnson, Co-Founder & Managing Director, Denning’s Point Distillery, Beacon
- Wade McEnroe, Executive Chef, McEnroe Organic Farm, Millerton
- Pavan Naidu, Director of Government & Community Affairs, MidHudson Regional Hospital at WMC, Poughkeepsie
These individuals join a committed board of directors and staff that advocates for over 1,200 tourism-related businesses and more than 9,500 employees in Dutchess County’s travel and hospitality sector to create a sustainable and prosperous industry in our community. The executive officers returning for the 2024 term are:
Chairperson: Kevin Allan, CEO,

Changing Our World
1st Vice Chairperson: Gaye Mallet, Community Volunteer
2nd Vice Chairperson: Brandon Walker, Chef/Owner B&L Hospitality, Essie’s
Treasurer: Brent Caster, General Manager, The Grandview & Shadows on the Hudson, Bonura Hospitality
Secretary: Danielle Strauch, Esq., Partner, Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP
Melaine Rottkamp, President & CEO of Dutchess Tourism, Inc., expressed excitement about the upcoming travel season and the opportunity to collaborate with the new members. Rottkamp stated, "We are thrilled to welcome Zach, Melissa, Seif, Maureen, Susanna, Susan, Wade and Pavan to the board. Their diverse backgrounds and skill sets will help us execute our strategic plan to tackle the challenges that hold our industry back. We hope to build upon our prior success with over half a billion dollars in visitor spending fueling the local economy. She added, "We’re launching several exciting campaigns in 2024 to highlight our diverse tourism offerings while fostering greater community engagement.
Allan also extended a warm welcome to the new board members, highlighting their crucial role in the success of the local tourism industry. He remarked, "The dedication and expertise of our board members are instrumental in shaping the narrative of Dutchess County as a vibrant destination of choice for visitors from across the globe. We look forward to the contributions of our new members as we collectively work with county government, Think Dutchess Alliance for Business, our tourism partners and residents."

Veterans notified of potential limited information disclosure

The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) announced on Jan 25 that the administration is sending letters to 46,677 Veterans notifying them of the potential disclosure of limited information that may have been sent to another VA patient. The Veteran Integrated Services Network (VISN) 1 had 22,351 letters mailed and VISN 2 had 24,326 letters mailed. No Social Security numbers or other identifying information were divulged in the mix-up, caused when Xerox Corporation, under contract to VA, experienced a printing error in December 2023, stated the VHA press release.

The appointment notification postcards were generated by an application that converts information in a patient’s electronic health record to an easy-to-read format, then prints, seals, and mails the postcards. The event was reported on December 11, 2023, according to VHA. The event involved reminder notifications for appointments scheduled between December 11, 2023,

through December 15, 2023.
VHA stated: “The application printed postcards addressed to patients that contained appointment scheduling and reminders for other patients. This was due to a misalignment, or improper match, of the content with the name and address of the appointment postcard recipient.”
VHA emphasized that “no Social Security number or other identifying information was disclosed.” Veterans affected will receive a Privacy HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) Notification Letter, according to VHA.
Veterans who have questions or concerns about whether their personal information may have been involved can call and leave a message at 1-844-838-5433 between the hours of 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Calls will be returned by the Privacy Officers at the local Medical Centers within two business days.

East Fishkill Democrats to meet on Feb. 13

The East Fishkill Democratic Committee will be holding the monthly meeting on February 13th at 7:30 p.m. virtually using Zoom. All are welcome.
The guest speaker will be NYS Senate candidate Yvette Valdés Smith, currently

serving as the House Minority Leader of the Dutchess County Legislature. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month.
To attend, please email: connect@efdems.org.

Lit Lit literary open mic set for Feb 2 in Beacon

The next Lit Lit literary open mic is set for February 2 at the Howland Cultural Center, 477 Main St., in Beacon from 7 - 9 p.m.
If one would like to read a work, please get there by 6:30 p.m. to sign up. One has

up to five minutes to read the writing of any genre to the audience, until time runs out! Or just come and listen.
A \$5 donation is requested to keep the Howland Cultural Center running. Drinks and snacks available for purchase.

Central Hudson announces first two Customer Open Houses in Kingston, Newburgh

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. will hold its first two customer open houses of 2024 in its Kingston District Office on February 15 and in its Newburgh District Office on March 6. Central Hudson began hosting open house events in 2022 to provide customers the opportunity to meet with representatives to address concerns in a face-to-face setting.

Central Hudson’s open house will be by appointment only and customers will be provided a time slot to meet with a customer service representative who will walk each customer through their account in a one-on-one setting to address any questions or concerns.

“Rebuilding trust in our communities will take time and it will happen one customer at a time,” Central Hudson Senior Vice President of Customer Services Anthony Campagiorni said. “We believe that these in-person events, along with our transition to monthly meter reading, which is already underway, are vital to rebuilding that trust.”

Since December 2022, Central Hudson has worked to increase its overall accessibility to the communities it serves by inviting more than 100,000 customers to 10 different open house-style events throughout the service area, including two previous events in Kingston and Newburgh. The Utility has also partnered with several state and local elected officials to assist hundreds of concerned customers at events held in Dutchess, Greene, Orange and Ulster counties.

“Based on the feedback received from customers and elected officials like Congressman Pat Ryan and State Senator Michelle Hinchey, some customers may not be fully satisfied and still have lingering concerns regarding their accounts,” Campagiorni added. “We will be conducting direct outreach to these customers to ensure they have priority in meeting with us at these open houses so we can ensure proper resolution.”

The Kingston open house will be held at Central Hudson’s district office located at 2001 Ulster Ave. in Lake Katrine from 5 – 7 p.m. Customers will be contacted via email with an invitation to set up an appointment. Newburgh’s open house will be held at Central Hudson’s Newburgh office, located at 610 Little Brittan Rd. in New Windsor, also from 5 – 7 p.m.

Central Hudson will continue to host additional by appointment only open houses and other informational events throughout its service area in 2024. Announcements of future events for all customers will be made in the coming weeks and months.

Central Hudson offers assistance and payment programs to help customers manage their accounts. Visit <https://www.cenhud.com/en/account-resources/assistance-programs/>. Customers looking to learn more about Central Hudson’s transition to monthly meter reading can visit <https://www.cenhud.com/en/account-resources/monthly-meter-reading/>.

Hochul announces Excelsior Scholarship application open for new applicants for Spring 2024

Governor Kathy Hochul recently announced that the application for the Excelsior Scholarship for new applicants for the Spring 2024 term is now open here. Students eligible for the Excelsior Scholarship under the Senator José Peralta New York State DREAM Act can apply here. The Excelsior Scholarship, in combination with other student financial aid, allows eligible full-time students to attend a SUNY or CUNY two-year or four-year college tuition-free.

“The Excelsior Scholarship is a game changer for students across New York State who might not have the financial means to pursue higher education,” Governor Hochul said. “This program is making college more affordable and accessible for low- and middle-income families, giving them the opportunity to obtain their college degree. By investing in our future workforce, we are investing in our economy and ensuring a strong and prosperous future for all New Yorkers.”

Students from households with federal adjusted gross incomes up to \$125,000 are eligible for a Spring Excelsior Scholarship award. Students must also:

- Plan to attend a SUNY or CUNY two- or four-year college;
 - Complete 30 credits per year towards their program of study (including summer and winter terms); and
 - Be on track to graduate with an associate degree in two years or a bachelor's degree in four years.
- The Spring 2024 Excelsior Scholarship application is open to first-time students entering college in the Spring 2024 term and current college students who have never received the Excelsior Scholarship. Students currently receiving an Excelsior Scholarship do not need to complete this application to receive continued award payments.
- New York’s generous investment in student financial aid, including TAP and Excelsior Scholarships, helped over 180,000 New York State residents. Fifty eight percent of full-time resident undergraduate students attended SUNY and CUNY tuition-free in 2022, including 53 percent at SUNY State-operated campuses and 67 percent at CUNY colleges.
- Applications will be accepted through Feb. 2.

Jacobson: Cuts to education, environment will not stand

Expressing outrage and promising action against the cuts in Governor Kathy Hochul’s proposed budget in school aid and environmental protection, Assemblymember Jonathan Jacobson vowed, “These cuts will not stand!” on January 24 in a statement.

Jacobson, who represents five full school districts and parts of three others, said the Poughkeepsie, Highland and Beacon school districts are slated for cuts. These cuts are primarily due to the Governor’s changes in aid calculation, as well as the Governor’s proposed elimination of the “save harmless” provision, which ensures that no school district receives less Foundation Aid than it did in the previous year, he said. Foundation Aid represents the largest share of education funding that school districts receive from the state, according to Jacobson.

“Governor Hochul is reneging on her

promise to fully fund Foundation Aid to our schools,” Jacobson said. “Not only will this mean less money, but school districts will be unable to plan their budgets.”

Jacobson also noted the proposed budget’s lack of commitment to the environment. Though money is available from the Clean Water Act, the Governor’s budget would allocate \$250 million for New York’s Clean Water Infrastructure Act, according to the assemblyman. Since 2019, the State has provided \$500 million each year for water infrastructure, so this proposal represents a 50% decrease in funding. “Unfortunately,” Jacobson said, “the costs have not gone down.”

“This is first step in the budget dance in Albany. The Assembly and Senate majorities will produce their own budgets, and then begin negotiations with the Governor,” Jacobson continued. “I am confident that these cuts will be restored.”

Club Green Teen visits the Howland Library



Club Green Teen pose next to the mural at the Howland Library. From left to right: Kaylee Ortiz, Crew Leader Desirae Smith, Luna Yawman, Shea Tanaka, Chanel Dickey, Sadie Vasquez, Thalia Rodriguez, Librarian Brian Sullivan, Saoirse Fehilly, and Crew Leader Messiah Gardner. In front: Jude Williams and Program Manager Sam Brittain.

-Courtesy photo

Club Green Teen, the after-school offshoot of Cornell Cooperative Extension’s Green Teen Beacon Program, was invited for a tour of the Howland Public Library on January 12. Participants included eight youth, ages 12-14, led by Crew Leaders Desirae Smith and Messiah Gardner. The Club was guided by youth librarian Brian Sullivan on a tour that included the teen-centered Young Adult

space, library of things, and seed library. This visit is second in a series of eight field trips for Club Green Teen’s winter session, which is focused on civic engagement and building community. Next week, the Club will visit Barb’s Butchery. For more information and pictures of the visit, and updates about future activities, follow Green Teen Beacon on Facebook and Instagram.

Poughkeepsie Day School announces launch of HS Navigator Institute

There’s going to be a new high school in Dutchess County. Or, at least a revamp of an existing one. Following the news in June that Poughkeepsie Day School (PDS) is continuing on its Boardman Road site, the school has announced the launch of its new high school program, the Navigator Institute.

The Navigator Institute will maintain the rigorous program of study that has long been a hallmark of the PDS high school experience, but with a renewed focus on three central tenets: service, engagement, and self-efficacy.

Faculty are developing curricula to support these tenets alongside trademarks of Poughkeepsie Day School, like the weekly day-long central study, where students specialize in an intensive study. The school will continue the tradition of being one of the Northeast’s only gradeless high schools, where students receive quarterly narrative reports instead of graded report cards.

“Today, more than ever, colleges are looking beyond basic number or letter scores in their acceptance decisions. Because narrative reports provide more contextualized, detailed, and credible information about student performance, they often receive extra attention from college admissions offices,” said Tammy Reilly, Director of Admissions.

Established in 1934 by Vassar College faculty, PDS launched its high school in 1970. Since reopening in 2021, PDS has maintained a small high school, primarily consisting of former students who returned to complete their pre-college careers at the school.

With the launch of the Navigator Institute, PDS enters a new chapter. Head of School Spiro Gouras said, “Our intent is to remain close to our long-term mission of graduating students that will make the world a better place while being responsive to each individual student’s educational needs.”

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SPORTS REPORT

Marist men grab key win over rivals from Siena

By Rich Thomaselli

Traditionally, the Marist College men’s basketball team has had trouble with its’ rivals from Siena College.

For some reason, the Red Foxes seem to stall against the Saints.

That - and the fact that this was a critical early-season Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference game made it seem like it had a playoff atmosphere.

Marist didn’t disappoint.

The Foxes eeked out a 50-48 home win to keep their record above .500.

Marist was 9-7 overall and 4-3 in

MAAC play, good for fifth place and staying right in the thick of a playoff berth.

Not only was it a good win, it showed the resilient side of Marist. The Saints bolted to an early lead by hitting eight of their first 10 shots. Sienna held a 16-point lead at one point early in the first half.

Marist’s Matt McCool capped the comeback by scoring his only points of the game on a shot with less than five seconds to play to win it. The Foxes won despite shooting 2-for-16 from 3-point range. But Siena committed 20 turnovers to balance that out.

Marist to host annual ‘Pink Out’ game to benefit Miles of Hope

By Rich Thomaselli

The annual “Pink-Out” game hosted by the Marist College women’s basketball program will be played on February 10.

The game will be played in partnership with the locally based Miles of Hope Foundation for the 14th consecutive season. Miles of Hope promotes breast cancer awareness and honors those in the Hudson Valley who have been afflicted with the disease.

Marist will play Iona College that night at 7 p.m. at McCann Arena.

Proceeds from the game, including a 50-

50 raffle, will benefit Miles of Hope. Donations will also be accepted.

At halftime, the Marist Athletics Department and Miles of Hope will recognize breast cancer survivors with a special on-court ceremony. Survivors interested in taking part in the event should contact Assistant Athletics Director for External Affairs Harrison Baker.

All fans are encouraged to wear pink to the game. And the first 500 attendees will receive a special commemorative T-shirt designed by the Marist College Fashion Department.

Wappinger officials honor Justice Wolfson on his retirement, 40 years of service



Town of Wappinger officials recently honored former Town Justice Carl Wolfson on his retirement. Judge Wolfson has served the Town of Wappinger since 1983.

Town Supervisor Joseph D. Cavaccini, pictured with Wolfson, joined Wappinger Town justices Heather Kitchen and Nicholas Maselli, Town Clerk Joseph P. Paoloni, and Senior Councilman William H. Beale in offering congratulatory remarks to Judge Wolfson on his 40 years of service to the community.

-Courtesy photo

‘Rosie and Rascal wedding’ tops Renegades theme nights

By Rich Thomaselli

A baseball-themed wedding is just one of the promotions this summer for the Hudson Valley Renegades.

Renegades mascots Rosie and Rascal will tie the knot at Heritage Financial Park.

“We are so thrilled that Rascal and Rosie are taking a walk down the aisle at Heritage Financial Park this season,” said Zach Betkowski, General Manager of the Renegades. “Having witnessed their flirtation and the beginning of their relationship at the ballpark throughout the 2023 season, we are so glad that they have chosen to host their ceremony at the place that has meant so much to their relationship.”

This is the team’s 30th anniversary season at the ballpark on Route 9D.

In addition to the wedding, the Renegades’ 66-game home schedule features another slate of promotional nights, with a unique theme at every home game. The Renegades have a team-record 22 giveaways and several special appearances planned for the season. Previously announced, the team will give away a special 30th anniversary-themed item during every Saturday

home game.

Additionally, 2024 sees the return of T-Shirt Tuesday presented by Heritage Financial Credit Union with a unique t-shirt handed out to the first 1,000 fans each Tuesday home game, and WeCare Wednesday presented by Westchester Medical Center Health Network (WMCHealth).

The Renegades have 15 fireworks shows planned for the 2024 season. Fireworks shows will be hosted after every Friday home game, on select Saturdays (June 29 and July 6), along with two MEGA Fireworks Shows on July 4 and July 5 to celebrate Independence Day.

“Our 30th anniversary season is going to be a celebration of Renegades baseball and our mission to make magical memories which become life-long memories for our entire community,” said Betkowski. “We are looking forward to continuing to provide affordable family entertainment to the Hudson Valley with our unique theme nights and experiences.”

A full listing and theme nights for the 2024 season can be found at the Renegades website.

Renegades announce single-game tickets now on sale for 2024 season

By Rich Thomaselli

The 2024 baseball season will be here before you know it - especially now that single-game tickets for the Hudson Valley Renegades are on sale.

The High-A affiliate of the New York Yankees have announced that single-game tickets for select dates throughout the 2024 season are on sale beginning with tickets for the Renegades’ Home Opener on April 16.

Some of the most-popular and in-demand dates are on sale, giving fans early access to secure their seats to the Home

Opener, Memorial Day, Father’s Day, and Independence Day.

A limited number of special Father’s Day packages will be available. The package includes a Field Level – Dugout ticket, Renegades hat, a custom Father’s Day baseball and the opportunity to play catch on the field after the game.

Renegades Four Packs are also on sale for each of the team’s 66 home games.

Fans can purchase their tickets online at hvrenegades.com, by calling the Renegades Ticket Office at 845-838-0094, or in-person at Heritage Financial Park.

Relocation of utility poles on Route 9D for Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail

By Kristine Coulter

Utility poles on the west side of Route 9D in the Town of Fishkill, north of the Breakneck tunnel, will be relocated to the east side by Central Hudson Electric & Gas. The project will begin in the coming months, according to an announcement from Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail, Inc. (HHFT).

“The utility relocation project will eliminate utility poles and wires from the viewshed of the river in this section of the Route 9D Scenic Byway,” said Lori Moss, the communications director for the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail.

As for why this is a necessary part of the project, Moss replied, “The relocation of the utility poles to the east side of Route 9D will make way for new improvements, including restrooms, improved parking, the bridge across the Metro-North railroad tracks, enhanced crosswalks, and wayfinding signage.”

So how will this ‘transform’ that section of 9D?

Moss responded, “This work is the first phase of a multi-year construction project that will transform the Breakneck/Route 9D corridor. Central Hudson’s work in the spring will be followed by the New York State Department of Transportation’s planned improvements to the Breakneck tunnel during the summer, then construction of the Breakneck Connector &

Bridge, beginning in the fall.”

The Breakneck Connector & Bridge project will make this section of the Route 9D corridor “a first-class recreational amenity – one that is more beautiful and safer,” said Moss. “It will include newly configured parking areas (on only the west side of Route 9D, not on both sides), a totally upgraded Metro-North Station at Breakneck Ridge, a safe, off-road trail connecting the station to the Breakneck trailhead, restroom facilities, beautiful native landscaping and seating, and trail improvements.”

According to information from the HHFT, a comprehensive tree survey conducted by national environmental consulting firm Great Ecology, nearly 80% of the trees that will be removed for the utility relocation are either invasive species or are native trees in “Poor” or “Dead” condition. “Ultimately, these will be replaced with 2,080 shrubs, 430 trees, and thousands of additional native plants to foster more early successional forest, dense shrub, and grassland habitat, which will better serve native wildlife,” it was stated by HHFT.

Moss noted, “In addition, a bridge will provide hikers and cyclists with a safe passage over the railroad tracks to the water’s edge, reconnecting visitors with the Hudson River.”

A spokesperson from Central Hudson did not respond to an inquiry regarding the project.



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Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department to create new Community Policing Unit

Congressman Pat Ryan has announced that he secured \$375,000 for the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department to create a new Community Policing Unit dedicated to community outreach, addressing chronic crime issues like larceny, and remediating quality of life issues within the community. Three new officers will be hired and dedicated solely to the new unit, which will also build the capacity of the Department's current 83 officers for emergency response and crime prevention.

"Our local law enforcement officers work tirelessly to keep our communities safe, and I'm pushing every day to get them the support they need. The new Community Policing Unit will bolster the department's ability to address chronic crime, increase community out-

reach, and significantly strengthen public safety in Poughkeepsie," said Ryan. "Too often, our smaller police departments don't get the resources they need – so we are fixing that here today. And I'll keep fighting to deliver for law enforcement across the Hudson Valley."

The new Community Policing Unit will allow three new officers to respond directly to community needs and quality of life concerns, conduct comprehensive community outreach, address chronic crimes issues such as larceny, implement evidence based community policing methods, and focus enforcement on the Town's Main Street corridor. The hiring of the three new officers will also build the capacity of the Department's current 83 officers for emergency response and crime prevention.

"This is going to be a tremendous impact for the entire Town of Poughkeepsie community to have these dedicated officers to concentrate on finding solutions to recurrent problems within the town and building better relationships with the community," said Town of Poughkeepsie Police Chief Joseph Cavaliere. "This funding will create additional positions in our department, boost our ability to thoroughly respond to community needs, concentrate enforcement on areas that have increased crime, and help us really connect with community members. I'm looking forward to continuing to work with Congressman Ryan to deliver for our officers and to the residents and visitors of the Town of Poughkeepsie."

"This funding is evidence of

Congressman Ryan's strong commitment to public safety, and will go a long way towards helping law enforcement deal with the many issues facing our communities today," said Dutchess County Sheriff Kirk Imperati. "I would like to take this time to thank Congressman Ryan not only for this, but for all of his efforts in support of law enforcement and community safety."

"These federal funds will help our officers and our community focus on crime prevention—one of the most effective ways we can keep residents safe," said Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor Rebecca Edwards. "I'm so grateful to Congressman Ryan for these funds, and to the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department for this important initiative."

Sheriff's Office offers free physical fitness test prep classes

Did you take the Dutchess County Deputy Sheriff/Police Officer Civil Service Exam? Do you have an upcoming physical fitness test for a Deputy Sheriff / Police Officer position as a result of that exam? Sheriff Kirk Imperati invites you to attend a free physical fitness test prep classes and train with the Sheriff's Office Physical Fitness Instructors.

The Sheriff's Office is holding physical fitness test prep classes on the below dates and time. There is no limit on the number of classes one may sign up for.

February 7, 6 - 8:30 p.m., located at the Sheriff's Office, 108 Parker Ave., City of Poughkeepsie

February 14, 6 - 8:30 p.m. at the Sheriff's Office, 108 Parker Ave., City of

Poughkeepsie

February 21, 6 - 8:30 p.m., Beacon High School, 101 Matteawan Road, City of Beacon

February 24, noon - 2:30 p.m., Sheriff's Office, 108 Parker Ave., City of Poughkeepsie

February 28, 6 - 8:30 p.m., Sheriff's Office, 108 Parker Ave., City of Poughkeepsie.

Register by emailing the date(s) one wishes to attend, one's name and phone number to DCSOTraining@dutchessny.gov. Additional details may be provided when one registers. If attending, please wear appropriate exercise attire. Don't forget a water bottle.

DC Sheriff's Office: Alleged homicide fugitive from Mississippi arrested in Pleasant Valley

The Dutchess County Sheriff's Office announced the arrest of Stephanie M. Vance, 26, of Philadelphia, Mississippi on a homicide warrant from the State of Mississippi.

On the Jan. 11th the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office was contacted by authorities in Mississippi, who advised that Vance was wanted on a homicide warrant in their jurisdiction and was possibly in the Dutchess County area, according to the Sheriff's Office. Through further investigation by the Sheriff's Office's Detective Bureau, Patrol Bureau, and Domestic Violence Unit, Vance was then located in the Town of Pleasant Valley and taken into

custody without incident.

According to the Sheriff's Office, at this time Vance has been charged in Dutchess County as a fugitive from justice, and after being processed she was arraigned before the Town of Hyde Park Court and remanded to the Dutchess County Jail pending extradition proceedings.

Questions about the homicide charge itself and/or the details of that case should be directed to the Neshoba County Sheriff's Office in Mississippi at 601-656-1414.

As with any criminal case, the charge described above is merely an accusation and Vance is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Empire State Fellows Program applications now available

Governor Kathy Hochul announced on January 24 that the application period for the 2024 class of Empire State Fellows is now open. The prestigious program attracts exceptional and diverse talent from New York State and across the country to serve in high-level positions in the administration. Since the program's inception 12 years ago, graduates of the Empire State Fellows program have gone on into senior roles, including Deputy Commissioner, Deputy Secretary and Chief of Staff positions throughout State agencies.

"The Empire State Fellows Program has served as a gateway for some of New York's best and brightest looking to make a difference in their communities through a career in public service," Governor Hochul said. "We look forward to welcoming the next class of Fellows into this transformative program. Anyone who dreams of making a positive change in the lives of New Yorkers is encouraged to apply and join the ranks of our future leaders."

The Empire State Fellows Program is a full-time leadership training program that prepares the next generation of talented professionals for careers as New York State policymakers. The incoming class of Empire State Fellows will serve from September 12, and receive an annual salary of \$85,000, plus a generous benefits package. At the end of the fellowship, the program will identify high-performing Empire State Fellows that will be given

the opportunity to continue to serve as leaders in New York State government after completing the program.

Engagement in the work of the New York State government lies at the heart of the Empire State Fellows Program. The Governor's Office will appoint each Empire State Fellow to work directly with a Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner, or other high-level policymakers at a New York State agency or authority, or in the Executive Chamber. Work assignments offer Fellows unparalleled experience collaborating with senior officials and participating in the policy-making process.

While taking part in the work of State government, Empire Fellows will participate in educational and professional development programs that will help them to serve as effective and ethical government leaders. The educational component of the Empire State Fellows Program kicks off with an orientation course in September. Educational coursework will continue on a semi-monthly basis. Meanwhile, professional development activities, including a mentoring program and regular meetings with Cabinet members and other government leaders, will enhance Empire Fellows' collaboration with policymakers.

Applications opened on January 5 and will be accepted through April 1. More information on the program and instructions on how to apply are available.



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Prizgintas to celebrate ‘Love’ in program at PV Library

Alex Prizgintas invites all to celebrate Love with a program dedicated to a mix of great love tunes on Feb. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Pleasant Valley Library.

Prizgintas, with his amplified cello will present a program with the soft jazz of Nat King Cole’s L-O-V-E to the sweet tenor tone of “A Night in Berkeley Square” and, of course, the Rock n’ Roll adventure with “Sunshine of Your Love,” discover pop, rock, Broadway and classical tunes that all share the theme of Love.

Classically trained, Prizgintas employs non-classical tools like distortion, delay, and the iconic “wah-wah” guitar pedals symbolic of 1960s Rock n’ Roll bands—all in conjunction with a looping station. Equally comfortable with intimate and stadium settings, Alex is able to craft his own wall-of-sound through his 1,000 watt amp. Accompanied with a narration that reveal

some of the back stories of baroque, jazz, folk, and Rock n’ Roll classics, he immerses his audience in a journey through musical history.

He recently graduated summa cum laude in both an undergraduate degree from Marist College in regional history and has a graduate degree from Marist in public administration.

“I tend to have two audiences; those who know me as a cellist and those who know me through my lectures on topics of regional history,” said Prizgintas. “My bifurcated interests certainly keep me busy developing new stories to share about our Hudson River Valley as well as expanding my concert programs that strive to keep audiences engaged, enlightened and hopefully entertained.”

To learn more and see other video samples of his music and lectures, please visit alex-prizgintas.com.



Alex Prizgintas with his amplified cello will present a program dedicated to “Love” on Feb. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Pleasant Valley Library.

Legislator Valdés Smith announces run for NYS Senate District 39

Dutchess County Legislature Minority Leader Yvette Valdés Smith announced her candidacy on Jan. 27 for New York State Senate District 39 to represent parts of Dutchess, Orange, and Putnam counties in the State Legislature.

The seat is currently held by Republican Rob Rolison.

As a former local public school teacher, longstanding union member and Latina, Valdés Smith said she is running to bring the urgently needed representation and crucial resources that SD-39 has been lacking under current leadership. She enters this race already with the endorsements and support of elected officials from all levels of government, party leaders, and labor, including Local CWA 1120, Congressman Pat Ryan, all 3 County Democratic Committees, Assemblymember Dana Levenberg, former Dutchess County Comptroller Robin Lois, and countless others.

Valdés Smith said, “As a county legislator, I know firsthand what real issues look like on the ground. I know what it means when school funding doesn’t get delivered, affordability measures aren’t promoted, and environmental protections aren’t defended. I’ve seen how families are struggling to make ends meet, and I’ve worked hard to uphold the best interests of those that I represent in Dutchess County.

“Now, I am running for Senate District 39 to elevate that fight to Albany, and bring home the bigger results that our region

deserves. We cannot afford two more years of attacks on our education funding, reproductive rights, labor protections, and climate goals. As your next State Senator, I will be a guaranteed advocate for the Hudson Valley, and everyone who calls this place home.”

Congressman Pat Ryan said, “I proudly endorse my friend Yvette Valdés Smith to serve our community in the NYS Senate. I’ve worked closely with Yvette to deliver critical relief to the residents of Dutchess County, and look forward to continuing to partner with her — as our next State Senator — to protect our environment and fight to preserve fundamental freedoms for all residents of the Hudson Valley.”

Rob Pinto, Business Agent of CWA Local 1120 said, “2023 was the year of the strike. Unions stood tall. UAW, SEIU, CWA and NYSUT and NYSNA all fought and won great victories at the Bargaining table. All those victories started on picket lines across the state. The working class looked to their political leaders for support. And we found a champion in Yvette Valdés Smith. Yvette led the way to support workers. The outreach of support by vocally and publicly supporting the workers of the community truly helped move the scales in favor of the middle class. Albany needs a voice that speaks for the hard working people of the SD 39.”

Former Dutchess County Comptroller Robin Lois said “I am proud to endorse Yvette Valdés Smith for NYS Senate District 39. Yvette’s dedicated leadership as the cur-

rent Democrat Minority Leader of the Dutchess County Legislature reflects her unwavering commitment to public service and her community. As a legislator, a teacher, and a mom she has the perfect perspective and skills to continue her tireless advocacy for us in

Albany and deliver the resources we need to make our community even greater. Yvette’s commitment, integrity, and compassion will continue to guide her to always do what’s right over what’s easy. I look forward to Yvette being my NYS Senator.”

Michael Dupree, Dutchess County Democratic Committee Chair said “Yvette Valdés Smith excels in service leadership. Yvette identifies needs within her community, conveys that upward while also conferring with stakeholders to create solutions. She is both dynamic and caring and above all fearless. The residents of every county in the 39th will have a terrific advocate in the majority by electing Yvette Valdés Smith.”

Zak Constantine, Orange County Democratic Committee Chair said “Yvette Valdés Smith is exactly what District 39 needs – a leader who understands our priorities and is ready to act. Her relentless focus on critical issues like housing affordability, environmental protections, and preventing gun violence resonates deeply with Orange County voters. Yvette’s proven track record in the Dutchess County Legislature, combined with her collaborative work with Assemblymember Jonathan Jacobson, posi-



Yvette Valdés Smith
-Courtesy photo

tions her to hit the ground running and ensure the needs of Orange County families are better addressed.”

Putnam County Democratic Committee Chair Jennifer Colamonico said, “Yvette Valdés Smith has done the hard work to run, win, represent all her voters, and be a leading Democratic voice in Dutchess. We look forward to introducing Yvette to Putnam and putting her energy and commitment to work for the people of our county.”

Book was inspired by local author’s daughter

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for the illustrations. We wanted to make all of the pages cohesive, so I used a limited palette that worked with all of the nature elements and figured out how to differentiate the real-world scenes from the imagined animals.”

Kolb and Golben have done book signings and have been featured on local radio stations to talk about their book.

“The reader response has been wonderful. Young kiddos enjoy the “flap” which offers a fun reveal. Older kiddos love where the story takes their imagination,” said Kolb, who is a volunteer in the Wappingers Falls area. Olive, Kolb’s daughter is the inspiration for the self-published author.

“I thought the book was so cool because of the flaps. You can see one thing and be surprised by something else,” said Olive, 5.

What was it like collaborating on the book with each other?

“Courtney’s enthusiasm was so encouraging. I would get really excited to send

her a new spread because I knew she would be supportive, while also giving me ideas on how to make it better,” said Golben. “We are both hard workers and could trust that the other was doing all they could to make this book happen.”

“Just like our friendship our partnership is the perfect balance! Working with Laura was effortless as our strengths complement each other. We were able to start with a concept and grow the story into the book it is today! We’re also working on a coloring book and another book,” explained Kolb.

The book, said Kolb, is in “many mom-and-pop shops as well as Trevor Zoo (in Millbrook) and Mohonk Mountain House (Shawangunk Ridge) and we’ve created a brand Camp Wonder.”

It was noted by Kolb, “We also host meet and greets locally and do book signing events! I visit many of the local schools reading to preschool and grades Kindergarten-2.”

For more information, visit www.unlockyourwonder.com.



One of the pages from the new book “Your Wonder.”
-Courtesy image

Obituaries

Anne Elizabeth Adams



Anne Elizabeth Adams, a lifelong resident of Beacon, entered into rest on January 19, 2024 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was 84 years old.

Anne was born on April 5, 1939 in Beacon, the daughter of the late Harold W. and Mary G. Coles Killmer. On December 9, 1995 at St. Joachim Church, she married Robert Adams. Anne is now reunited with her loving husband and best friend, Bob, who predeceased her on May 1, 2023.

Anne had worked as a surgical tech at Vassar Hospital and then worked for IBM from where she retired. She was a parishioner of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist Church. Anne enjoyed traveling with her husband and being around her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Anne is survived by her daughter, Marybeth Cahill (Patrick); her brother, Charles Killmer (Judy); her grandchildren, Christine Ferguson (Chris), Colin Cahill; her great grandchildren, Jakob Ferguson, Kailee Ferguson and Brianna Ferguson; many nieces and nephews and extended family.

In addition to her beloved husband, Anne was predeceased by her son, John Komornik; her brothers, Ed Killmer (Ann) and Robert Killmer (Helen); her sister-in-law, Joan Serino.

Family and friends will gather on Wednesday, January 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, 2 Beekman Street, Beacon. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Thursday, January 25 at St. Joachim Church, 51 Leonard Street, Beacon. Burial followed at St. Joachim Cemetery, Beacon.

Memorial donations in memory of Anne may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association.

To send a personal condolence please visit www.riverviewbyhalvey.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Patrick J. Halvey of Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, LLC.

Charlotte Elaine Jenot Flanagan Merz



Charlotte Elaine Jenot Flanagan Merz passed away peacefully at home on January 23rd, 2024. Charlotte was born to Timothy James Jenot and Doris (Lent) Jenot on May 1st, 1929, in Binghamton, NY.

Charlotte is predeceased by both her parents; sister; Irene Linville; Brother, Donald Jenot; and her first husband Gerald Gage Flanagan.

She is survived by her husband of over 50 years, Frederick Merz ; sister: Georgia Simons; children: Jeffrey (Diane)Flanagan, Gary (Heather) Flanagan, Janice (George) Medlar; grandchildren: Peter (Kathryn) Flanagan, Mary (Craig) Fitzgerald, Michael Scott, Caroline (David) Cooper; great grandchildren: Liam and Claire Flanagan, Mac, Joseph and Luke Fitzgerald, Barrett and

Sawyer Cooper; sister-in-law: Joan (Irv) Crumb; brother-in-law: Walter (Fran) Merz, Raymond (Kathy) Merz; and dozens of nieces & nephews.

Char graduated from Chenango Forks School and attended business school in Binghamton. She retired in 1992 after 25 years as a secretary in the Wappingers school district and 7 years as an elementary librarian in Greene, NY schools.

In 1949 Charlotte and Gerald were married and settled in Smithville Flats, NY where they built their dream home and raised their three children.

Char was first and foremost devoted to her family. She loved them all very much and they brought great joy to her life. A teacher at heart, she was always involved in helping children. As the elementary librarian in Greene, NY she fostered a love for books and reading. Char was a Sunday school teacher in Greene for several years as well as a Girl Scout leader. She especially enjoyed her time as swimming instructor at Echo Lake and is fondly remembered by her former students.

Char had many interests and led an active life. She enjoyed swimming, skiing, boating on the Hudson, travelling, birding, antiques, family gatherings and of course living at the “Hideaway”. Char cherished her memories of Greene, Echo Lake and the Flanagan family. Camping at a Cook Park in Greene helped keep her in touch and provided many “walks down Memory Lane”.

But above all was her love of family.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Hudson Valley Hospice for all their support and care during the past 5 months.

A visitation was held on Saturday, January 27th, at Fishkill United Methodist Church. Following the visitation there was a funeral service. A celebration of life will take place later in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a children’s charity of your choice or Hudson Valley Hospice.

Arrangements under the supervision of Delehanty Funeral Home, Wappingers Falls, NY.

Beulah Gay Jackson



Beulah Gay Jackson
August 3, 1930 - January 15, 2024

Beulah Beatrice Gay Jackson, 93, from Beacon, New York, passed away due to natural causes on January 15th, 2024.

Beulah was born to Richard Gay and Mamie Jones Gay in Surrey, Virginia. As a young child, her family moved to Poughkeepsie, New York, where she attended local schools and churches. During her high school career, Beulah learned bookkeeping which served her well after graduation and throughout her life. She made history shortly after graduating high school by becoming the first Black person to be employed as a bookkeeper in the city of Poughkeepsie, securing a position at United Cleaners. Additionally, she offered tax preparation services for individuals and small busi-

nesses.

Beulah married Virgil Jackson on May 11th, 1951 and moved to Beacon, New York. Thereafter, she gave birth to six children: Patricia Ann, Valerie Brenda, Virgil Brent Jr., Sheryl Lynn, Carla Jean, and Lynette Denisia. They fostered one child, Lori Beth Shank Wilson. As a young mother Beulah babysat in her home to dozens of children whose parents relied on her services so that they could earn a living. It’s estimated that Beulah babysat well over 200 children over a span of 20 years! As a caregiver, she was a firm and structured teacher. To the parents she was an adept listener, encourager, confidant and friend.

A church goer and devoted civic servant leader, Beulah and her family were amongst several Black families who attended and integrated St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church in Beacon. She joined the women’s guild and participated in planning events, church celebrations and was politically active there. Beulah later became a member of Star of Bethlehem Baptist Church and joined many committees such as the Missionaries and Pastor’s Aide Ministry, the Pastor’s Anniversary Committee, the Church Anniversary Committee, Birthday Tea Committee. She was a Financial Secretary and Sunday School Teacher.

She was a lifetime member of the Beacon-Fishkill Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. where she was president for 9 years. She was a member of the Les Soeurs Amiable Civic Club and devoted close to 60 years of her life to the Empire State Federation of Women’s Clubs, which is an affiliate of the National Association of Colored Women’s Clubs, Inc. Over the years she held many positions within these organizations including President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Financial Secretary. She was active in the Beacon City School District as a Classroom Mother and also a past President of the Sargent School PTA where she worked to transition Black children from the Forrestal Heights housing development into the newly opened Sargent School.

Together, Beulah and Virgil served their community through their involvement in organizations and civic work. They attended Beacon City Council meetings and brought back information to the community. They pushed back when they learned that federally funded Urban Renewal would eliminate the Black community in the West End of Beacon. Beulah was gifted with foresight and perception and understood the politics surrounding community decisions. She used her gift of communication to enlighten her neighbors as to what was going on. Amongst other initiatives, they were involved in voter registration drives and networked with organizations to help youth in Beacon. Together, Beulah and Virgil helped young adults start their careers by providing information for jobs and handing out job applications. Beulah sat on several boards including the Magnet School Committee, the Board of Education’s Health and Wellness Committee, Martin Luther King Community Center, Planned Parenthood of Dutchess/Ulster Counties, Beacon Youth Board of Appeals, Human Relations Committee, Chairperson of Advisory Board of Multi-Services Center and the Mid Day Meal programs for Senior Citizens.

Beulah served as the Director for the Office of Economic Opportunity (O.E.O.) which served Dutchess County. It was established during the administration of President Lyndon B. Johnson to serve impoverished American citizens in cities and rural areas. They helped people learn new skills and acquire jobs and was affiliated with Job Corps and Vista, now Americorp. It was abolished under President Reagan. Under Beulah’s direction the Beacon Head Start Program was started. Proudly, it’s still in existence and throughout the years has served many, many children.

Beulah is predeceased by her husband, Virgil Jackson, Sr., and her son, Virgil Jackson, Jr., sisters Margaret Hargrove and Edith Branch and brother Arbie Gay. She is survived by daughters Patricia Jackson, Valerie Jackson, Sheryl Bennett, Carla Thompson, Lynette Jackson and Lori Wilson. She is survived by her sister Mary Bailey of Wakefield, Virginia. Beulah is also survived by 56 grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. She is remembered by many as a woman of principle, teacher, supporter, and caregiver. She earned a reputation as a tireless civil rights activist and advocate.

Beulah made many friends and acquaintances and regarded many of them as extended family members. Her door was always open to friends and neighbors who wanted a listening ear, advice, words of wisdom, a good laugh or some of Beulah’s home cooking. However, Beulah’s greatest contribution to the world is her large and loving circle of children and grandchildren. She was the proud grandmother to 56 grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, cousins and loved ones.

The family honors and thanks Beulah’s youngest daughter Lynette Jackson, her caregiver, who took extraordinary care of her over the years. The family also recognizes and thanks the special friends who stayed connected to Beulah. Connie Cooper, Sharlene Stout, Goddaughter Donna Walker, Tookie Anderson, Sylvia Quintana, Matthew Oldham, Sandra Barksdale, Loretta “Baby Rhett” Dozier and honorable son Robert Barksdale.

There was a visitation for Ms. Beulah Gay Jackson on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at Springfield Baptist Church, 8 Mattie Cooper Square, Beacon, NY. Funeral Service was held at the church. Professional service entrusted to Rhodes Funeral Homes, 43 Fairview Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY.

Wappinger now accepting Assessment Review Board membership applications

The Wappinger Town Board is seeking a Town of Wappinger resident with a background in finance, real estate, etc. to serve on the Board of Assessment Review.

The Town of Wappinger Board of Assessment Review (BAR) is a body of Town residents who are appointed by the Town Board and meet each Grievance Day to listen to Town property owners’ grievances and then make changes in assessments if agreed upon.

For more information, please contact the Assessor’s Office at 845-297-8275. Please submit resumes to Town Supervisor Joseph D. Cavaccini at supervisor@townofwappingerny.gov.

Ketcham sets Elective Fair, orientation

Roy C. Ketcham High School will be hosting an Elective Fair to provide students the opportunity to explore new areas of interest beyond the core content courses. The Fair will be from 6 – 8:30 p.m. on Feb. 8, in the RCK Cafeteria. (Snow date is February 15).

WCSD is fortunate to have numerous electives to offer our students. To help make informed decisions, parents and students are invited to visit each booth to learn about the courses, to meet some of the teachers and to hear from students about their experiences. They will learn more about the required courses offered from the Directors for English Language Arts, Social Studies, Math and Science. In addition, the Directors from the Business Department, Fine & Performing Arts, and Technology will be at the Electives Fair to share more about the electives available from their departments.

An orientation meeting for 8th grade students and parents will also be held at RCK at 6 p.m. on Feb. 8 in the RCK Auditorium. All are encouraged to attend the Electives Fair either before or after the orientation meeting.

Anderson Center for Autism rebrands ‘Echo Autism Anderson’ initiative

Anderson Center for Autism has revealed details of its newly rebranded ECHO initiative, which will now be referred to as ECHO Autism Anderson. The decision to rebrand the collaborative professional development experience (previously called ECHO Autism: Autism Best Practices) came on the heels of Anderson’s investment into a digital platform called iECHO.

The updated identity will allow the organization to expand its outreach and add new project areas, all while continuing to grow its ECHO Autism Anderson: Education program, which has been building capacity for schools since 2022.

Executives at Anderson report that the online learning opportunities through ECHO Autism Anderson will now be even more accessible to people from all over the world - and that Anderson Center for Autism is better positioned to promote Project ECHO’s work to support inclusive, equitable education and lifelong learning, which are among the United Nations’ Sustainable Development goals.

ECHO Autism Anderson offers online sessions on a number of topics throughout the year to professionals looking to learn, collaborate, have cases reviewed, or discover ways to deliver evidence-based practices. All sessions are conducted virtually, and attendees can have questions answered in real time, regardless of their location.

Patrick Paul, CEO/Executive Director of Anderson Center for Autism, said “ECHO Autism Anderson: Education has been very well-received and successful in supporting colleagues in the field. It allows professionals from all over the world to continue refining their teaching methodologies by engaging in critically important dialogue with experts from Anderson. And by harnessing the power of the iECHO platform, our team can remotely train people from districts that cannot afford to hire the specialists needed to support the unique needs of their autistic students. That said, we are really doing more than offering professional development opportunities; we are helping to address disparities that exist in soci-

ety, and supporting students, teachers, school personnel, and families worldwide. Given the capabilities of the iECHO platform, we can also start considering other project areas aligned with our mission that can be rolled out in the future; we’re all very enthusiastic about the possibilities.”

The Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO®) was first developed at the University of New Mexico, when Dr. Sanjeev Arora created a learning model based on the belief that access to information would lead to greater community impact across a number of disciplines. One specialist, for example, can support the professional development of twenty or more local experts, who then bring newfound knowledge and practices to people who might benefit.

Kristin Sohl MD, FAAP, Executive Director of ECHO Autism, expanded that initial ECHO® model to the autism community. The pediatrician, who has extensive experience in neurodevelopmental disorders, serves as site principal investigator for the Autism Intervention Research for Physical Health/Autism Treatment Network (AIRP/ATN) and is the founder of ECHO Autism. Since inception, fifteen states and five countries have partnered with ECHO Autism to build capacity in order to better care for autistic individuals in their communities.

According to ECHO Autism’s website, “ECHO Autism takes the principles of ECHO and adds the components of interdisciplinary expertise, including the integration of parent expertise. Our interdisciplinary team advises providers across the country and even internationally to support best practices in autism care for medical, behavioral and education concerns. This innovative system allows professionals and caregivers to increase their confidence in identifying and treating autism and expand their knowledge about treatments and solutions.”

Dr. Tina Covington, PhD., BCBA-D, LBA, Chief Operating Officer at Anderson Center for Autism, said “We are so proud to be bridging gaps through our work with



Echo Autism Anderson is led by both Tracy Schober, Director of New Program Development at Anderson Center for Autism, ECHO Lead Facilitator/HUB Team Parent Advocate and Pierce Langlois, ECHO Clinic Coordinator at Anderson Center for Autism.
Photo courtesy of Anderson Center for Autism

ECHO Autism, especially in underserved communities. ECHO Autism Anderson: Education has already garnered great results for the countless schools lacking the resources to hire professionals who specialize in evidence-based practices. Our virtual learning environment helps ensure that educators can acquire the knowledge needed to support better outcomes for autistic students. And we, in turn, can continue learning from others in the field who share our desire to maximize potential for everyone.”

ECHO Autism Anderson: Education sessions are all run by a ‘HUB Team’, which includes specialists such as a licensed psychologist/behavior analyst, a speech and language pathologist with feeding expertise; a licensed clinical social worker, and others who share very specific experiences and insights. During each session, school personnel present cases that are reviewed by the HUB team, and participants can pose questions that will help them better understand how to apply best practices in the context of their individual situations. Future project areas would likely follow a similar model to

this ECHO education program.

Anderson Center for Autism will fund twelve ECHO Autism Anderson sessions in 2024.

Eliza Bozenski, Chief Development Officer at Anderson Foundation for Autism, said, “As Anderson prepares to celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2024 and autism prevalence rates continue to rise, we want to continue to build on our tradition of leadership in the field. ECHO Autism Anderson is one example of how we are working to share our breadth and depth of knowledge in ways that can positively impact people from all over the world. We look forward to adding new projects to the ECHO Autism Anderson initiative, along with continuing to build out all of our other programs and services, for generations to come. Ultimately, we are committed to doing everything possible to carry out our mission of optimizing the quality of life for individuals with autism.”

For more information, email ECHOAutism@andersoncares.org or visit andersoncenterforautism.org/ECHO.

DiNapoli: State must do more to address nursing home pandemic issues

The state Department of Health (DOH) has made limited progress in addressing the widespread failures identified in a March 2022 audit of the state’s response to the COVID-19 outbreak in nursing homes, according to a follow up report released today by New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli.

The initial audit found the state was unprepared to respond to infectious disease outbreaks at nursing homes, even before the pandemic, under the previous administration. Also, the state’s persistent underinvestment in public health over the past decade may have limited DOH’s ability to prepare and respond in the most effective way. If DOH had better data, accurate information systems, and an established system of proactive infection control for facilities prior to the pandemic, it could have helped facilities be better prepared. Auditors also determined that DOH gave the public inaccurate COVID-19 death tallies and undercounted those deaths as the Executive took control of public updates on the pandemic.

“The COVID-19 pandemic devastated families and left many whose loved ones contracted the virus in nursing homes with unanswered questions,” said DiNapoli. “Last year, my office examined the extent to which residents in New York’s nursing homes were not adequately protected and the state’s shortfalls in managing the outbreak. Our follow-up review shows limited progress in fixing all that went wrong.

Much more work must be done to address problems that still exist to this day. We have to learn from past mistakes, or we risk repeating them.”

Of the four recommendations to DOH in the initial audit, one was fully implemented, one was partially implemented, two others were unaddressed, and one recommendation to the Governor was partially implemented.

The initial audit recommended:

- DOH expand its use of infection control data to identify patterns and find ways to improve infection control practices and nursing home surveys, among other recommendations. Status: Partially implemented. Auditors found that some improvements in data quality were made. They compared DOH’s publicly reported nursing home resident deaths from COVID-19 as of May 16, 2023, to its internal documentation and determined the data sets matched, which was not the case for nearly the entire scope of the initial audit. However, due to data limitations auditors were unable to test the completeness or accuracy of the data. Moreover, DOH has yet to fully use infection control data to detect or identify emerging infectious diseases to shape policies or develop an outbreak management system. Officials said they were strengthening their collection, use and analysis of data but did not provide specifics. DOH also did not provide supporting documentation, such as meeting

minutes, to show it has strengthened communication and coordination with localities and epidemiologists.

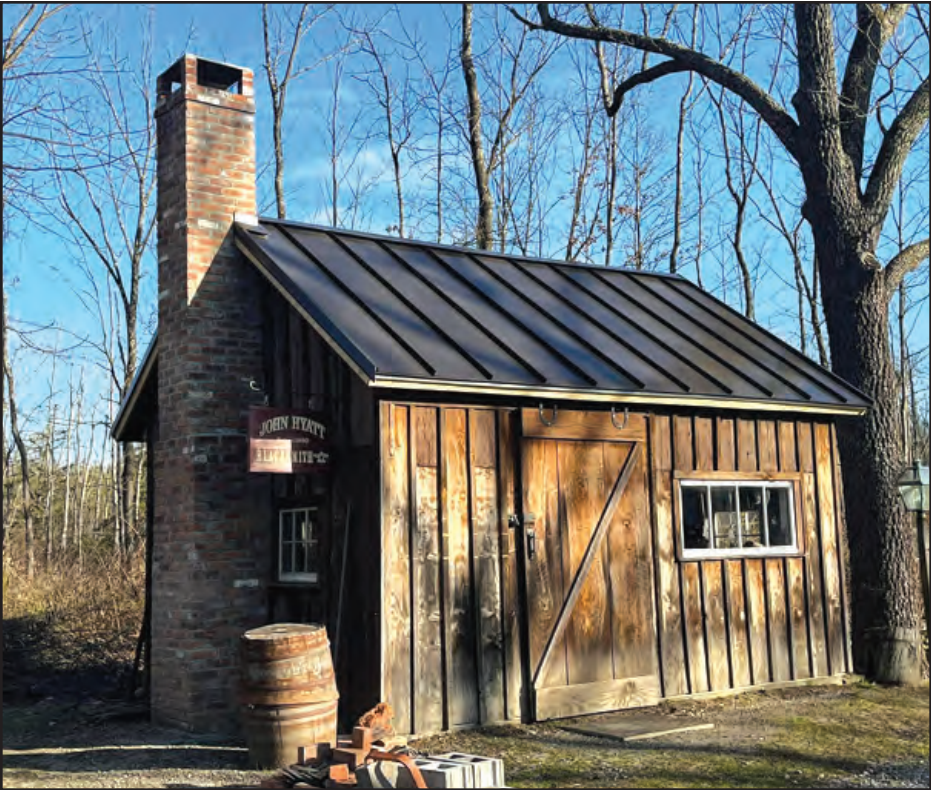
- DOH help facilities understand how to correctly submit information into the Nosocomial Outbreak Reporting Application (NORA) and maintain support for data submitted on Health Electronic Response Data System (HERDS) surveys to improve data quality, consistency and accountability. Status: Not implemented. DOH has not provided any new guidance to facilities on NORA submissions or support for data submitted on HERDS surveys. Because the initial audit found infections and outbreaks were significantly underreported in NORA, and inaccuracies in non-death COVID-19 data in HERDS, auditors urged DOH to guide facilities on submitting data. DOH’s failure to act on this recommendation means it is likely still collecting, reporting and analyzing data that is inaccurate, inconsistent, and incomplete.
- DOH should improve controls over additions and deletions from the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare (CMS) database and determine if publicly reported nursing home survey data is reliable. Status: Not implemented. Auditors tested data in the initial audit and the follow-up and found a significant number of discrepancies, which means that not all publicly reported data is reliable. The reliability of this data is critical because it is used

by the public to make decisions about nursing homes.

- DOH evaluate and request resources as necessary to adequately address public health emergencies. Status: Implemented. DOH conducted a needs assessment and requested 74 new staff positions. 55 are currently filled.
- The Governor should assess and document the adequacy of the internal control environment at DOH and the Executive Chamber and take steps to fix it. Status: Partially implemented. According to the Executive Chamber, it has required state agencies to develop transparency plans and post data online. It is working with health providers to collect operational information and has encouraged DOH to improve communication with stakeholders to address concerns about public disclosure of COVID-19 information. It has appointed a new leadership team at DOH, who have restructured the flow of information. However, the Executive Chamber did not provide detailed information to support that it had assessed the internal control environment.

A separate independent review is under way at the direction of the Executive. The review, conducted by an outside contractor, is evaluating the state’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Once public, this review may also give families more answers and help improve accountability.

Renovations to blacksmith shop at Brinckerhoff site include new roof



Renovations were recently completed on the black smith shop. The shop is located on the Brinckerhoff House Historic Site on North Kensington Road in East Fishkill.
-Courtesy photo

By Kristine Coulter

There is a Blacksmith Shop on the Brinckerhoff House Historic Site off North Kensington Road in East Fishkill. The shop recently had renovations completed.

Funds for the renovations to the blacksmith shop came from a Dutchess County Infrastructure Grant.

“The overall historical society infra-

structure grant from Dutchess County was \$30,000. About \$16,000 covered the work on the blacksmith shop, which included a rebuild of the forge, a proper brick chimney and a new metal roof,” explained Rick Soedler, the site director.

The new metal roof was the last project on the shop and was done by Sunset Construction, it was stated

by Soedler.

All the masonry work was done by a local resident, Jeff Boalt. Boalt is a third-generation mason, said Soedler.

“We used reclaimed bricks that were donated by the Reverend Doug Leonard of the Hopewell Reformed Church. The roofing was installed by Bob Patrick of Sunset Construction,” he remarked.

Soedler explained, “Blacksmiths were

one of the most important trades during the early days of our country up until the early 1900s.” He continued, “Anything that was made of iron was made by and repaired by a blacksmith. When the Industrial Revolution began, the Blacksmith was still an important part of any community. Especially as settlers went west. Blacksmiths also made and repaired carriages and wagons.”

Veterans attend luncheon held by Beacon Elks



The Beacon Elks Lodge #1493 recently honored Veterans for their service with a luncheon at the lodge. Veterans and their loved ones heard from guest speakers from Community Outreach of Dutchess County and the Elks.

The luncheon was made possible with the use of the Freedom Grant from the Elks National Foundation.

The next luncheon is set for February 24th. To reserve a seat, call Carl Oken at 914-474-1891.

-Courtesy photo

County to offer free rabies clinic

The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health (DBCH) is partnering with the Dutchess County SPCA to host a free rabies vaccination clinic for pets on Feb. 24, from 8 a.m. to noon, at the Dutchess County SPCA, located at 636 Violet Avenue in Hyde Park. This clinic is open to dogs, cats, and domestic ferrets 3 months of age and older. Advance registration is required and \ opened on Wednesday, Jan. 24. Residents can register at DCSPCA.org or by calling the DCSPCA at 845-452-7722, ext. 425.

The clinic is free for Dutchess County residents; non-residents will be charged a fee of \$10 per pet vaccinated. All dogs must be on leash, and cats and domestic ferrets must be in carriers. Vaccinations will be good for three years for pets with proper proof of a prior immunization. For those without proof, the vaccination will be good for one year.

Rabies vaccinations are required by New York State law for all cats, dogs, and domestic ferrets by the age of four months of age. Pet owners are required to revaccinate on a regular schedule to keep the animal properly immunized against the rabies virus.

DBCH diligently investigates and monitors rabies exposure cases

throughout the county. In 2023, 95 animal specimens were tested, 729 people were evaluated for rabies exposure with 109 people treated with post exposure prophylaxis.

The County offers three to four clinics each year. In 2023, more than 400 pets were vaccinated through these clinics and DCBH’s community partnerships.

DBCH is available 24/7 to assist with any questions or concerns regarding potential rabies exposure to people or domestic animals. Pet owners should report to DCBH any incident in which their pet has been bitten by or has an open wound exposed to the saliva or nervous tissue of a domestic or wild animal. Staff will investigate and advise the pet owner of any necessary steps they should take to ensure the safety of their animal.

Residents who see an animal acting strangely are advised to contact their local police agency. If a person has been bitten, or a domestic pet is bitten or is in contact, with any animal, they’re to contact DBCH immediately at 845-486-3404 Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; or 845- 431-6465 on nights and weekends.

To learn more about rabies, visit dutchessny.gov/rabies or contact DCBH at HealthInfo@dutchessny.gov.

love to cook

by vicki frank day



Chicken Pot Pie

Puff pastry makes this version flaky, in the very best sense of the word.

I love cooking when it's cold outside. I think it has a fair bit to do with being in hibernation mode and finding comfort in all things home and cozy but, for me at least, there's more to it than that. There's a certain soul-soothing quality in the rhythms of cooking like stirring, kneading, measuring and dicing, especially when it's chilly, damp and dark outside.

I've been cooking a lot lately and it's hardly a chore. Long before I started writing this column, I had fallen in love with all aspects of preparing food, from planning menus and creating recipes to plating and serving. Admittedly, as time went by, I started taking it for granted and some of the passion I had for it got lost in the shuffle of balancing a busy life. Because it happened gradually, I didn't really notice what was going on. What I did notice was that cooking was becoming less of a creative outlet and more of a necessity I didn't always carve out enough time for. Crazy work schedules were not conducive to set routines, and so food became almost an afterthought.

Over the past year, changes in our work lives and schedules made it necessary for all the planning, shopping and cooking to fall to me and I realized how I'd let the joy of it all slip away and how much I'd missed it. But now I'm back in the groove of planning meals for the week, challenging myself to

come up with new takes on old favorites and making the most of every bit of food I buy, and it's rewarding and fun.

I am happy to say I fell back into it easily, so maybe it never really left me. Life has a funny way of diverting us away from the things that matter, the little things that bring us joy and feed our creativity. Just as it was once upon a time, now while I'm cooking I have no sense of time in the best of ways because, before I know it, I'm done and have something delicious in front of me with little memory of the process.

Such was the case the other night when I found myself in the kitchen ready to make a dinner I'd planned. On the menu was a comforting favorite – chicken pot pie – but I was suddenly inspired to change up what I usually do. I had enough things on hand to adapt my usual recipe. I was about to make the classic pie crust I always use when I suddenly remembered the puff pastry I had in the freezer, and before I knew it, I was pulling a new version out of the oven. It was a last-minute decision that had me over the moon and anxious to share.

INDIVIDUAL CHICKEN POT PIES

I've made pot pie in both casserole form with biscuits on top and the classic two-crust version. The decision to use puff pastry rather than pie crust lent itself to making individual pies in bowls, and this is my new



The vegetables are just part of the delicious ingredients in a chicken pot pie. -Photos by Vicki Frank Day

favorite. There's no bottom crust to get soggy, just a flaky top crust over the rich, creamy filling, which is made easier with pre-cooked pulled rotisserie chicken and frozen mixed vegetables, saving time without sacrificing flavor.

You will need ramekins or oven-safe bowls – I used 2 bowls, one for each pastry sheet, and had enough filling and pastry scraps left for one 14oz ramekin, too.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 package frozen puff pastry (I used Pepperidge Farm), thawed to almost room temperature
- 5 tablespoons butter
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/3 cup flour (plus more for rolling out the pastry)
- 2 1/2 cups chicken broth or stock
- 1 (10oz) package mixed frozen vegetables (like carrots, green beans and corn)
- 1/4 cup cognac or dry white wine (optional)
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste (start with 1/2 teaspoon each)
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano and/or thyme
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1 egg (for wash)

METHOD

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Line a baking sheet with foil and set aside.

Dust work surface with flour and unfold one sheet puff pastry on top. Dust pastry with more flour and roll to about 1/8" thick, smoothing out creases from the folds. Invert bowl or ramekins on pastry and use a knife to cut rounds 2 inches wider than their circumference. (The bowls I used only allowed one per sheet, but I saved and rolled out the scraps for an extra, 14oz ramekin. Bonus!) Place rounds on foil or parchment and pop in the fridge while you make the filling.

Melt butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Add chopped onion and garlic and sauté until onions are golden, about 8 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add frozen vegetables and flour and cook, stirring constantly, until mixture is coated, about

2 minutes.

Add broth, cognac or wine (if using) and salt and pepper. Stir to combine and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until thickened, 4-5 minutes more.

Remove from heat and stir in cream, herbs and chicken. Give it a taste and add more salt and pepper, if needed.

Take pastry out of the fridge. In a small bowl, whisk together egg and 1 tablespoon water. Ladle filling into bowls/ramekins (about 3/4 full). Brush rims of bowls with egg wash and place pastry rounds on top, pinching edges all around to secure. Brush pastry tops with egg wash. Cut slits in the pastry to vent steam (I cut 3 around the edges and an "x" in the center).

Place bowls on prepared baking sheet and bake until tops are puffed up and golden brown, 20-25 minutes (check after 20). Eat with a spoon and be sure to tear off any overhanging crust, adding it to the filling so you don't waste a single buttery bite!

The night I made these I was recovering from a nasty cold and wasn't overly hungry. I hadn't eaten much while I was sick, but once these were out of the oven, the look and aroma had me digging in and before I knew it, I'd downed the whole bowl, curled up in my comfy chair with a soft blanket as an icy rain pelted the windows. It made me feel better inside and out, in equal measure because it tasted good and warmed me up just as it reminded me how much better things are when we infuse them with love and passion, truly food for the soul. Enjoy!

Vicki Frank Day's background includes over two decades in various aspects of the food service industry. In addition, she has over 27 years' experience in marketing, graphic design, copy writing, food styling and research. She believes cooking should be a fun adventure, that food should be an experience and that every day can be a special occasion. Email her at vickiloves2cook@gmail.com.



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by mark adams

Why Uruguay?



It's the safest bet for visitors to South America who don't speak Portuguese.

Every January, Sue and I try to visit South America. It's getting harder these days, with unrest returning to Colombia, Ecuador, Chile and Peru. Argentina is a mess, Bolivia is too high (I get altitude sickness), and forget about Venezuela. Brazil is ranked as one of the world's safest countries, but we don't speak Portuguese. That leaves Uruguay, for our ninth trip south of the equator.

Sue picked a quaint town called Piriapolis, an hour's bus ride east from the capital of Motevideo. The idea was to relax on the beach. Sue was afraid I'd get bored, with nobody trying to rob us, and no weird foods to eat, although I did get to try bunuelos de algas – deep fried seaweed. We rented a Hobie sailboat, rode bicycles along the boardwalk, climbed a 2,000-foot mountain and swam in the ocean.

One morning we walked five miles along the beach to SOS Rescate de Fauna Marina, Uruguay's premier marine animal rescue and rehabilitation center. Over the past several decades, dead penguins have been washing up on the shores of southern Uruguay and Brazil. Ricardo Tesore founded the nonprofit SOS in 1990 to help the penguins that were still clinging to life. Evidently they've been starving, brought about by over-fishing and climate change.

Last summer, an outfit called Science Alert counted more than 2,000 dead penguins, mostly juveniles, that had no fat reserves and empty stomachs. Unfortunately, little action has been taken to ensure the sustainability of the Magellanic Penguins' main food sources of anchovies and sardines.

Ricardo's son Diego Tesore, who's been volunteering at the family-run operation pretty much since the day he was born, showed us around. A sea lion was in rehab, recovering from a run-in with a group of delinquent kids who pelted him with rocks. Sea turtles were in holding pens, soon to be released in a remote area. It seems that tourists are always throwing them back into the ocean, not realizing that the turtles have crawled on to the beach to warm up.

By the way, the tourists in Piriapolis are from Buenos Aires, Argentina, where there are zero beach resorts and a shattered economy.

To lighten the mood, Diego entertained the six people in our group with a few trivia questions:

- Name the twelve countries with native penguins, all in the southern hemisphere: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, South Africa, Namibia, Australia, New Zealand, Brazil, Ecuador (the Galapagos Islands), Angola,

Mozambique and Peru. I mentioned the Falkland Islands, but Diego claims it's part of Argentina. And Antarctica is not a country.

- What is earth's oldest living animal? Elephants and tortoises are not even close. Sue guessed "coral," which turns out to be number 3. I said "sponge," which is number 2 at 10,000 years old. Hydra and Jellyfish are the oldest; in fact, according to Diego, they never die.

The next day, Sue and I visited Estacion de Cria de Fauna y Flora Autoctona (Native breeding center). A nature path led us through native woodlands of erythrina and imported eucalyptus. (80% of Uruguay's land is covered in prairie grass.) The most recognizable native animal is the cabybara, the world's largest rodent. We also saw wild tegu lizards, the ostrich-like rhea birds and flocks of Monk's parakeets.

Back in Motevideo the day before our 15-hour flight home, we stopped at the sprawling indoor mercado for thick Uruguayan steaks grilled on the parilla. And of course the obligatory visit to the Hard Rock Cafe, curiously devoid of patrons on a Friday afternoon.

Don't miss Sue's seminar, "What Do Your Flowers Say Today?" at Paula's Runway Cafe, 2 p.m., Sunday, February 11. Sue will be giving flower readings after a brief discussion of her book.

Also, I will be performing at the 16th



Magellanic Penguins
-Photo by Sue Adams

annual Foodstock, a benefit for Dutchess Outreach and The Children's Home of Poughkeepsie. The event runs from 2 to 7 p.m. at Mahoney's Irish Pub and Steakhouse. \$20 admission. Bring non-perishable food items.

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

Fishkill

Recreation

By Lauren McMenamin
Recreation Assistant Director

Adult Art Class: We are offering 2 art classes this spring: Realistic Faces and Spring Flowers. No art experience needed. The classes will be held on Wednesdays from 10 -11:30 a.m.. Register today to secure your seat! www.FishkillRecreation.com.

Fitness Class: Need a push to start working out or want to mix up your current fitness routine? This 5-week program is open to ages 12+. There will be a yoga instructor, a boxer, a low impact resistance trainer and a no-cardio guru. Classes will be held on Sundays over the winter from 10:45 -11:30 a.m. Register today!!! www.FishkillRecreation.com

Volleyball Camp: A two-day Volleyball Camp set for February 20 & 21. The camp will be held at the Fishkill Rec Center during President's Day break. The camp is open to ages 10-14 and will be held from 1 – 4 p.m. Sign up today at

www.FishkillRecreation.com.

Spring Break Camp: Minds in Motion is back and is offering 2 different camps this year! Cybercrawler Robot and Crime Scene Investigation. The camp is open to ages 7– to 11-year-olds. Sign up while there are still seats available! www.FishkillRecreation.com.

Little Rascals: We are excited to bring back our popular Little Rascals program! The gymnasium at the Recreation Center is turned into a giant playroom for our little ones to run free. There are pedal cars, parachutes, slides, bouncy houses, tunnels, and much more! Little Rascals is open on Thursday mornings from 10 - 11:30 a.m. The fee is \$5 per child and parents get to play for free! Remember that everyone must wear sneakers. Must Pre-Register at www.FishkillRecreation.com. Contact Lauren for more information 845-831-3371. Visit our website for more information and to register www.FishkillRecreation.com.

East Fishkill

Recreation

By Bill Green
Recreation Director

This year the Town Clean-up Day (8 a.m.) and our annual Easter Egg Hunt (12:30 p.m.) have been scheduled for April 6 with April 13 scheduled for Opening Day. April 7 will be the rain date for the Egg Hunt.

Trips have been planned this spring to see "A Sign of the Times" in April and "Beautiful" in June. Details to follow. The March trip to "Wicked" is filled.

East Fishkill Children's Summer Camp registration begins March 4 for residents. You may register online or at the Davis House.

Our new East Fishkill Recreation Office is now at 4 Anne Avenue up the street from Frankie's Superette. Stop in!

Our 2024 East Fishkill Recreation Guides are being finalized and should be available next week. Information on all our recreation programs, special events, facilities, including Red Wing Park and all activities including a list of Summer Concerts and bus trips can be found in the Guide. Rec Guides will be available in Town Hall, the East Fishkill Library, the East Fishkill Community Center, the Davis House and many local businesses.

All recreation programs using the Wappingers Central School District is cancelled when schools have an early dismissal or when they cancel their after-school activities.

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National Park Service invites public comment on proposed entrance fee increase at Hyde Park national historic sites

The National Park Service (NPS) is proposing to increase the entrance fee at the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site and Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site to support projects that benefit visitors and protect park resources.

The increased fee revenue will allow the parks to address preservation needs of the homes, which is critical to ensuring the continued enjoyment and long-term preservation of these significant sites. Under the proposal, the current entrance fee of \$10 per

individual 16 years and older would increase to \$15 person. Those 15 years old and younger would still enter for free.

The proposal also includes a new yearly park specific pass for both the Home of FDR and Vanderbilt Mansion for \$45. The new entrance fee would go into effect in May 2024 and be required year-round for entrance into the historic houses. The NPS is requesting feedback on the entrance fee increase during a 30-day public comment period that will be open through Feb. 16. Comments must be submitted online

through the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment website at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/hydeparkfeeincrease>.

The proposed increase would make the Home of FDR and Vanderbilt Mansion national historic sites' entrance fees consistent with historic sites, museums, and other cultural institutions in the Hudson Valley. The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum, operated by the National Archives, also plans to adopt this fee increase to maintain consis-

tent fees at the FDR sites.

This fee increase would occur in concert with an increase at Sagamore Hill National Historic Site in Oyster Bay, N.Y. The previous entrance fee increase at the Home of FDR was \$1 in 2018. The previous entrance fee increase at Vanderbilt Mansion was from \$8 to \$10 in 2013.

Both national parks in Hyde Park retain 96.5% of their entrance fee revenue which, by law, must be expended on improving, preserving, and maintaining park resources and programs that directly benefit park visitors.

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ADAPTIVE DECISION-MAKING HOLDINGS, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/12/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 242 MAIN STREET #269 BEACON, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Stirling Homes LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/07/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 10 Broadview Lane, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful.

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tions li LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/19/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 139 N Brewster Rd Brewster NY 10509. Purpose: any lawful

The Daley Method LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/19/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 65 Golf Course Rd Craryville NY 12521. Purpose: any lawful

Kingston Land Co., LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/20/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 Garden Street Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful

Miller Vacation Properties LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/19/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 270 Camby Rd Verbank NY 12585. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of formation of Quetzal Home Construction LLC (the "LLC"). Arts. of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 8, 2023. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy to: The LLC, 229 Myers Corners Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the LLC is: DeCarlo Entertainment LLC Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/16/2023. 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, 20424 Emilie Lane Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

CSS Hydro Excavation, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/15/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 13 Miron Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

4232 Albany Post LLC, Arts of Org. filed

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with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/19/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 207 Washington St, Ste. 101, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

DOGTOWN CONSTRUCTION, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/20/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 24 McKinley Ln., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LOLA'S EASTDALE LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/19/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 7 Broad St., Pawling, NY 12564, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

MAMASBOYZ LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/19/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 7 Broad St., Pawling, NY 12564, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

T47 TRANSPORTATION LLC. Filed 10/27/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Zamiel Howell, 5710 Cherry Hill Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of 140 Sunset Trail LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 12/18/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Intl Dr., Fl. 3, Rye Brook, NY 10573. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Matthew Schimenti, 3 Intl Dr., Fl. 3, Rye Brook, NY 10573. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Wright Essentials by Ari LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 12/13/23. Office location:

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Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1018 Main Street #26, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: any lawful.

BB PROPERTIES UNLIMITED LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/28/2023. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Gabrielle Feilen, 97 Broadway, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

173 KENNEL HOLDING LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/28/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 173 Kennel Rd Amenia NY 12592. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Qualification of Pawling Engineered Products LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 12/15/23. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/22/11. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St, Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St, Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is C T Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.

135 Mill LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/27/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 35 Main Street Ste 401 Poughkeepsie NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: D.E.Arpi's, LLC, hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was December 19, 2023. Principal office location is Dutchess County, New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be

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served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it or served upon it on behalf of the LLC to the registered agent, Gorky Oswaldo Arpi-Lema, 82 Dogwood Road, Apt. 1, Hopewell Junction, New York 12533. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

BUBBLY GIRLS PARTY RENTALS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/05/23. 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, 20 Summer Street, Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Mane to Tail Equine Wellness, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 11/29/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 58 Hillcrest Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Meme's Property, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 11/1/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 847 Route 376, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. General Purpose

Special Cloth Alumni, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 10/20/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 224 Church St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

Notice of Formation of AEV ENTERTAINMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/23/23. Office ocaion: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 638 Hortontown Road, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful activity.

DANOLA R ENTERPRISES LLC. Filed 11/9/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: 50-54 Charles Colman Blvd, Pawling, NY 12564.

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Purpose: General.

S E R E N E SURROUNDINGS L.L.C.. Filed 8/23/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Roberta Mcginley, 59 Point St, New Hamburg, NY 12590. Purpose: General.

Notice of Qualification of WVD PROPERTIES, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/27/23. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/29/23. Princ. office of LLC: 442 5th Ave., #1108, Manhattan, NY 10018. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808-1674. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Karen Gates Consulting, LLC. DBA Gates Consulting, LLC filed with SSNY on 12.09.2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1 Salem Court, Poughkeepsie New York, 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

KRISTIN'S PET CARE LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/03/2024. 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, 41 Forest Drive, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of 350 China Cat LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/22/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6383 Mill St. unit 567, Rhinebeck, NY, 12572. purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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PERPARA LLC. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/28/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, c/o Elizabeth Vulaj 24 Cypher Lane, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Benny's Nice Slice LLC (hereinafter the Company) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on December 20, 2023. The office of the Company is located in Dutchess County, New York. The Company has designated the Secretary of State of New York as its agent upon which process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is 20 South Maple Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546. The purpose of the Company shall be to conduct any lawful business or activity whatsoever, as permitted by applicable law.

METSASERIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed w/ SSNY 12/13/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 352, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: Any lawful.

Notice of Formation of Enchanting Balloons of the Hudson Valley LLC filed Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State on 12/22/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. The New York Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and is directed to forward service of process to United States Corporations Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228; The Post Office Address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon the Secretary of State by personal delivery is 7 Chiappardi Pl, #B, Beacon, NY 12508 Purpose: any lawful activity

Soul Sanctuary By Sophia Lcsw, PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/29/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY desig-

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nated as agent for process and shall mail to: 33 Henry Street Beacon NY 12508. Purpose: Licensed Clinical Social Work

68 Wms LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/4/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 85 Charles Colman Blvd. Pawling NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful

AHUMADA GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/28/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, 104 E Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Re modeling Services, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/14/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Scott Hapeman, 202 Ridgeline Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity

Notice of Formation: The Iron Furnace, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY 10/4/23. Location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Caldwell M. Welles, PO Box 1179 Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation: Sprout Creek Holdings, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY 10/4/23. Location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Caldwell M. Welles, PO Box 1179 Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

30-32 Cobblestone Road, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed 10/26/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 30-32 Cobblestone Rd, Wappingers, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful

MVPP Properties LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/09/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for

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process & shall mail to: 1891 County Road 83, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Purpose: any lawful.

8 Loudon Dr Unit 15 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/08/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 57 Barrett Hill Road, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful.

Westmont Farm LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/11/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 108, Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: any lawful.

Notice Of Formation of 1590 Route 9G LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/27/2023. 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 her is 641 Traver Road, 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 FROST FAMILY PROPERTIES LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 12/26/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 9 Rte 82, Fishkill, NY 12524. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Rachel Frost, 9 Rte 82, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Hudson River Payments LLC. Filed 1/6/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. for process & shall mail to: 11 Robinson Gdns, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purp: any lawful.

Notice of Qualification of 1946 Realty, LLC. The fictitious name is 1946 Realty Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/8/24. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/4/23. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom

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process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St, Wilmington, DE 19801. List of names and addresses of all members available from SSNY. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St, Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.

MB 133 Holdings LLC. Filed 12/14/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 27 Windwood Rd, Brookfield, CT 06804. Purpose: Any lawful.

All Sport Real Estate LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/9/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 17 Old Main St, Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose.

All Sport Health & Fitness LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/9/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 17 Old Main St, Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose.

50 JUDSON STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/22/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, 50 Mountain Lane, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Alexandra Linardakis, RN, PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/4/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. List of names and addresses of all original members available from SSNY. SSNY shall mail process to: 4232 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: registered professional nursing.

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LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/12/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 10 Hamilton Rd., Hopewell Junction, NY 12533, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

AZAADI LLC is a fashion design business. Filed 11/10/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated agent for process & shall mail to 29 Skyview Dr. Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Zen82 LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/9/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 12 Michael Dr, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. General Purpose

Atrani LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/22/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1 Spackenkill Rd Poughkeepsie NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful

Dutchess Eri LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/8/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 123 Butts Hollow Rd Millbrook NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful

Town Gourmet Market, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/10/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 10 Gay Street Po Box 1709 Sharon Ct 06069. Purpose: any lawful

North East Plaza, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/10/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 10 Gay Street Po Box 1709 Sharon Ct 06069. Purpose: any lawful

M.M. Collective, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/14/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, 3 Hubert St. Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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SLP PLLC, a Prof. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/01/2023. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 135 Clove Branch Road, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 . Purpose: To Practice Speech Language Therapy.

SOPHIA SIERRA BRIDAL STUDIO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/12/24. 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, 10 Briarcliff Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Mountain View Home Inspection LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/16/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 3294 Route 82 Verbank NY, 12585. Purpose: any lawful

East Fishkill Commons LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/15/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 3 S. Ohioville Rd, New Paltz, NY 12561. General Purpose

The Best Hot Soup Ever LLC, filed Arts. Of Org. with SSNY on 12/13/23. Date of Formation on 1/1/2024. Office location: Dutchess SSNY design. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Mail process to: Sean Frawley, 157 Shamrock Hills Drive, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Any lawful purpose.

EMW Consultants LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/11/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 70 Penny Rd, Pawling, NY 12564. General Purpose

Arlington Building Supply LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/18/2024. Cty:

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Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Blake Fahy, 30 N Grand Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Notice of Formation of CLEAR TOUCH MGMT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/20/23. Off. Loc.: DUTCHESS. SSNY desig. agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 1849 South Road #1042, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful business 7159819.

OnDeck InfoTech LLC filed 01/01/2024. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to 28 Cathy Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Any lawful purpose.

Green Sleeves IP Holdings LLC. Filed 1/18/24. Dutchess County SSNY. desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 14 E Market St 2-5 Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: intellectual property holdings.

BIRCH & CLOVER, LLC. Art. of Org. with the SSNY on January 16, 2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, 832 Wolcott Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508, Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Pinebrook Hopewell LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/18/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 17 Old Main St, Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose.

Pinebrook 1264 Hopewell LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/18/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 17 Old Main St, Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose.

PPLD celebrates Black History Month with numerous events, programs

Celebrate Black History Month at the Poughkeepsie Public Library District with one of the many events honoring and exploring Black history and culture! There will be interesting and fun events celebrating music and literature, and discussions of Black history and modern political issues.

On February 3 at 2:30 p.m. at the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center, the Souls United Choir of the Hudson Valley, an interfaith gospel choir, will perform music from their repertoire consisting of Christian, Bahá'í, and other faith traditions reflected by the choir's membership. No registration is required for this event.

Take in the history of the Black Civil Rights movement on February 8 at 10:30 a.m. or 2:30 p.m. at the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library & Museum. Join the museum curator for the "Meet the Curator Exhibit Tour: Black Americans, Civil Rights, and the Roosevelts." Developed in collaboration with a distinguished committee of scholars, it centers the historical voices of many Black community leaders, wartime service members, and ordinary citizens who engaged the Roosevelt administration directly and pushed for progress.

Teachers often face challenges when discussing race in an educational setting, which will be explored in a talk by Michael Reyes Salas, an Assistant Professor of Africana Studies at Vassar College. "International Demands for Educational Reparations: Memory Laws and Black History," on February 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Adriance Memorial Library, explores how elected officials have manipulated academic programming of the Black Studies curriculum to suit their political agendas. Salas will discuss the



Dr. Yvonne Chireau

-Courtesy photos



A Tuskegee Airman.

newly enacted teaching regulations in places like Florida, alongside a "memory law" in France that mandates how to teach histories of slavery. With the resurgence of far-right parties across France and the U.S., educators often face hostility when discussing race in public educational settings. Questions the lecture will explore include: In the struggle against erasures of Black history, how do we demand reparations in the educational setting, including the redistribution of educational resources and the creation of educational systems that refuse political economies?

Explore the coming-of-age stories of Black women on February 8 at 7 p.m. for a virtual book club featuring Hot Comb by Ebony Flowers, a look at Black women's lives through a hair salon, with stories covering experiences such as a girl's first perm and the stress of being the only Black player on an otherwise white softball team.

Learn about the Tuskegee Airmen on

February 13 at 7 p.m. with "The Tuskegee Airmen," a virtual program led by Jeffrey Urbin, the Educational Outreach Specialist at the FDR Presidential Library & Museum. He will explore the story of the Black pilots who, though once devalued by the World War II effort, proved they could take down enemy aircraft abroad and racial barriers at home.

Understand the tradition of Hoodoo Medicine on February 15 at 6:30 p.m. with "Root Doctors & Hoodoo Medicine," a virtual program led by Dr. Yvonne Chireau. She will discuss stories of Hoodoo medicine, illnesses, and healing traditions that abound in Black history. These stories reveal the knowledge and ancestral wisdom of Black people in poignant and powerful ways. Dr. Chireau will share historical accounts of Hoodoo and rootworking as forms of traditional healing that were utilized to give meaning to bodily suffering for African American people with rituals, material formulations, and the skilled repertoire of practi-

tioners in enslaved communities.

Join the Books & Brews book club on February 21 at 7 p.m. at Juan Murphy's Pub in Poughkeepsie to discuss "All About Love: New Visions" by bell hooks. hooks writes about a proactive new ethic for a society bereft with lovelessness, a lack of care, compassion, and unity. No registration is required for this event.

For kids, there is a scavenger hunt that runs through February 29 at Sadie Peterson Delaney African Roots Branch Library, where kids can have fun looking for nine innovations created or improved upon by Black inventors that are hidden around the library, while also learning about each of those inventors.

Throughout the month of February, there is a Black History Month Exhibit at Adriance Memorial Library presented by Celebrating the African Spirit, an organization that presents memorials to celebrate and commemorate the contributions of Africans and their descendants to the building and growth of Poughkeepsie and the Dutchess County region.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated to accommodate appropriate attendance guidelines and sharing of meeting links.

Adriance Memorial Library is located at 93 Market Street in Poughkeepsie. Sadie Peterson Delaney African Roots Branch Library is located at 29 North Hamilton Street in Room 224 of the Family Partnership Center.

For more information on these programs, follow the Library District on Facebook and Instagram, or pick up a flyer at any library location. Information is also available by calling 845- 485-3445 ext. 3707 and on the website: poklib.org/black-history-month-at-your-library.

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Pinebrook 1252 Hopewell LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/18/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 17 Old Main St, Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose.

FLIGHTLINE AVIATION PROPERTIES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/17/2024. Off. Loc.: DUTCH-ESS Co. SSNY desig. As agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 28 Brookview Drive, Carmel, NY 10512. General Purposes.

Notice of Formation of 321 EAST 84 L.P. Cert of Limited Partnership filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/12/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 15 W Bard Ave, Red Hook, NY 12571. List

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of names and ad- dresses of all general partners available from SSNY. Purpose: anylawfulactivity.The latest date to dissolve is: 1/11/2123.

Notice of Formation of 321 East 84 GP LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/11/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 15 W Bard Ave, Red Hook, NY 12571. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is J. Spencer Hoffman, 15 W Bard Ave, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful activity.

A N A G N O S PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/05/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, c/o Jeffrey S. Anagnos, 4 Albie Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any

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lawful purpose.

Millstone Vacation Properties LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/18/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 270 Camby Rd Verbank NY 12585. Purpose: anylawful

Minett Enterprise LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/15/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 28 N CloverSt Apt 2 Pough- keepsie NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful

M T V A L I N E S HOLDINGS LLC. Filed 1/7/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 163 linden Ave, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: General.

Najera Studios LLC. Filed 3/20/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Flor Najera, 27 Flannery Ave, Apt. A, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General.

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NYC HYDRO FARM LLC. Filed 9/5/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Travis C Brown, 1289 Route 82, Hopewell Junc- tion, NY 12533. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of Block and Breathe LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/23/24. Office loca- tion: Dutchess County. SSNY design- ated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 500 Westover Dr. #32442, Sanford, NC 27330. Purpose: any lawful activity.

AJ Castle LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/3/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Ain T. Gafur, 17 Susie Blvd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

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Hudson Valley, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/15/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 80 Wash- ington St, Ste 305, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

Notice of formation of Impact Global Funds LLC.Arts.OfOrg.filed with SSNY on 1/24/24. Office loca- tion: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY mail processto 9 Lee Lane Lagrangeville NY 12540. Any law- ful purpose.

DJK HOPEWELL PROPERTIES, LLC. Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on January 22, 2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processto the LLC, 1 Betty Lane, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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ABD VENTURES, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/24/2024. 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, 140 Hurds Cor- ners Road, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice Of Formation of CJR RE Services LLC. Articles of Orga- nization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/24/2024. 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 her is 12 Spring Valley Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activi- ties permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

Notice of Formation of SARDINHA DEVELOPMENT, LLC, Articles of Orga-

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nization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on January 17, 2024. 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, Poughkeep- sie, New York 12601. Purpose for all lawful activities.

Obsidian Equine LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/23/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 1 Rich- mond Rd, Pough- keepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Notice of Formation of Lightning Moon LLC. Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 1/16/24. Office loca- tion: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Wilkes St. Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS INDEX NO. 2023-50897 Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 22 WRIGHT BOULEVARD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533 Section: 6358, Block: 04, Lot: 921290

NATIONAL STAR MORTGAGE LLC Plaintiff, vs. ROBERT R. BURNS, JR., if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants.

To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of

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this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$179,000.00 and interest, recorded on December 13, 2004, in Document Number 01-2004-31974, of the Public Records of Dutchess County, New York., covering premises known as 22 WRIGHT BOULEVARD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county. 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 on 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 the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: December 28th, 2023

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ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS—SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS—BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST, Plaintiff, - against- CRYSTAL GONZALEZ, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF NORMA JONESAKA NORMA H. JONES; SCOTT CLARK, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF NORMA JONESAKA NORMA H. JONES ANY AND ALL KNOWN OR UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF NORMA JONESAKA NORMA H. JONES, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; SHORE HAVEN CIVIC ASSOC., INC.; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; DUTCHESS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, Defendants - Index No. 2022-80035 Plaintiff Designates Dutchess County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject action is situated in Dutchess County. To the above named Defendants—YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the

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State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Supplemental Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated January 2, 2024. 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 on 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 the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Christi J. Acker, J.S.C. Dated: January 2, 2024 Filed: January 3, 2024. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 5 Birch Drive, Holmes, NY 12531. Dated: September 27, 2023 Greenspoon Marder LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Raspreet Bhatia, Esq., 590 Madison Avenue, Suite 1800, New York, NY 10022 P: (212) 524-5000 F: (212) 524-5050 No Service by fax) Service purposes only: Trade Centre South 100 W. Cypress Creek Road, Suite 700, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309 P: (888) 491-1120 F: (954) 343-6982 PUBLIC NOTICE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: I Catherine Gill, 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 of 2024. I will be collecting taxes at the follow-

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ing 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 29, 2024 – 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 29, 2024 without charge or interest. All taxes received after such date, there shall be added interest 2% interest if paid on or before March 31, 2024 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, 2024. 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 2024. Dated: January 18, 2024 Catherine Gill Milan Tax Collector SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS INDEX NO. 2022-53833 Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 361 SINPATCH ROAD, WASSAIC, NY 12592 Section: 7164, Block: 00, Lot: 615900 WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-2, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-2 Plaintiff, vs. JOY COLE-JOHN-SON, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE TO THE ESTATE OF FINEASE RAPHAEL; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF FINEASE RAPHAEL, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or

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whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; ADVANTAGE NATIONAL BANK; JOHN DOE S/H/A JOHN DOE #1 "JOHN DOE #2" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last eleven names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants. To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

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NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$548,250.00 and interest, recorded on January 30, 2006, in Document Number 01 2006 1735, of the Public Records of DUTCHESS County, New York., covering premises known as 361 SINPATCH ROAD, WASSAIC, NY 12592. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county. 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 on 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 the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: December 22nd, 2023 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Eric Sheidlower, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675 HOW DO YOU SPELL GREAT LOCAL NEWS? Southern Dutchess News 84 East Main St. Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 845-297-3723

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK – COUNTY OF DUTCHESS INDEX#2022-53908 FILED:12/07/2022 SUMMONS Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the place of trial based on the location of the mortgaged premises in this action. Plaintiff's principal place of business is 6131 Orangethorpe Avenue, Suite 500, Buena Park, California 90620. SUN WEST MORTGAGE COMPANY INC., Plaintiff, against JACOB HERBERASHEIRATLAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO FRANKLIN P. HERBER A/K/A FRANKLIN PHILIP HERBER; NATHAN HERBERASHEIRATLAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO FRANKLIN P. HERBER A/K/A FRANKLIN PHILIP HERBER; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE 1 THROUGH 50, INTENDING TO BE THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, D E V I S E E S , G R A N T E E S , T R U S T E E S , LIENORS, CREDITORS, AND ASSIGNEES OF THE ESTATE OF FRANKLIN P. HERBER A/K/A FRANKLIN PHILIP HERBER, WHO WAS BORN IN 1936 AND DIED ON JUNE 11, 2022, A RESIDENT OF DUTCHESS COUNTY, WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS WAS 63 BEACON STREET, BEACON, NEW YORK 12508, THEIR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST IF ANY OF THE AFORESAID DEFENDANTS BE DECEASED, THEIR RESPECTIVE HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF THE AFORESAID CLASSES OF PERSON, IF THEY OR ANY OF THEM BE DEAD, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HUSBANDS, WIVES OR WIDOWS, IF ANY, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES, ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF; THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA O/B/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; CLERK OF DUTCHESS COUNTY; "JOHN DOE #1" to "JOHN DOE #10," the last 10 names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the persons or parties, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the mortgaged premises described in

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the complaint, Defendants. TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the plaintiff's attorneys within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and 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 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 on 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 the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (SUN WEST MORTGAGE COMPANY INC.) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC, Attorneys for Plaintiff, One Huntington Quadrangle, Suite 4N25, Melville, NY 11747. (631) 812-4084 (855) 845-2584 facsimile. File #22-301606. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN

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ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or visit the Department's website at www.dfs.ny.gov RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. You have the right to stay in your home during the foreclosure process. You are not required to leave your home unless and until your property is sold at auction pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale. Regardless of whether you choose to remain in your home, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY and pay property taxes in accordance with state and local law. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. § 1303 NOTICE

Notice to Bidders
Notice is hereby given that the **Town of East Fishkill, New York** will receive and publicly open and read sealed bids for **CONTRACT ED2024.10 DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL** by the Town Clerk's Office (845-221-9191) located at Town Hall, 330 Route 376,

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Hopewell Junction, New York 12533, at **12:00 pm (prevailing time), March 1, 2024**
The Contract Documents may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office noted above on **February 1, 2024**, during regular business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday. A Bid Deposit of **twenty dollars (\$20.00)** is required for each contract. Checks should be made payable to the **"Town of East Fishkill"**. This deposit will be returned to all **bona fide Bidders**. Bids must be submitted in the form prescribed by the Contract Documents within a sealed envelope showing the Bidder's name and clearly marked: **CONTRACT ED2024.10 DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL**
Each Bidder must furnish, with his Bid, Bid Security in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid. This security may be in the form of a certified check payable to the "Town of East Fishkill", a bid bond, or cash. In addition, each Bid must be accompanied by a properly executed non-collusion affidavit. No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within forty-five (45) days of the bid opening. This Contract is subject to the prevailing wage determination made by the New York State Department of Labor. All bids must meet the requirements of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and all other applicable federal, state and local statutes. The lowest qualified proposal meeting the requirements of the Contract Documents will be awarded the contract. The Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all portions of the proposal and to re-advertise for same, should the best interest of the Town thereby be promoted. The Town also reserves the right to reject any proposal that is informal, or waive any informality in the bidding document. Peter Cassidy
Town Clerk
Town of East Fishkill

New Hackensack Fire District
217 Myers Corners Rd
Wappinger Falls, N.Y. 12590
Please take notice that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the New Hackensack Fire District, will hold their

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monthly meetings the first Tuesday of each month. Unless the first Tuesday is a holiday in which case a notice will be published as to when the meeting will be held. All meetings will commence at 7:00 PM and will be held at the New Hackensack Fire District Headquarters located at 217 Myers Corners Rd., Wappinger Falls, N.Y. 12590.
Dated: January 31, 2024
Kathryn Hettinger
Sec/Treas

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE
The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-13-24 Forensic Pathologist Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 13th day of February 2024 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, New York 12601. Specifications and proposal 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.

Notice of Public Hearing
Town of East Fishkill Planning Board Legal Notice
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Town of East Fishkill Planning Board on February 20, 2024, at 6:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This meeting will include an application, submitted by BDC Holdings Inc (Applicant and Contract-Vendee for property) seeking a special use permit for parking and use and site plan approval to build an 82,538 SF climate-controlled self-storage building and associated parking. The application involves tax lot numbers 6458-04-702115, 6458-04-720105, 6458-04-714134, and 6458-04-701142, located at 1088, 1090, 1094, and 1096 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, NY, all located in the B-1 (Business) Zoning District and tax lot number 6458-04-723129, located at 1092 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, NY, located in the R-1 (Residential) Zoning District. During the public hearing, all who wish to speak will be heard. A copy of this application is on file in the Planning Department and is available

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for inspection. The Planning Department is open Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. January 16, 2024
By order of the Town of East Fishkill Planning Board.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
TOWN OF WAPPINGER
DUTCHESS COUNTY**
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the **13th day of February, 2024** at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Section 240-37 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Wappinger to consider the following area variance: **Appeal No.: 23-7810 (Area Variance) Pedro Pintado:** Seeking an area variance Section 240-37 of District Regulations in an R-80 Zoning District. **-Where no accessory structure is allowed over 800 sf. in a one acre zoning district, the applicant has added to a pre-existing barn, size (30'x20.5'), with an additional 20.5' x 30' sf. addition, with a roof overhang close to the property line. The original barn was 621 sf., now the structure is 1242 sf, thus requesting a variance of 442 sf., to allow the 30'x20.7' addition to remain.** These measurements do not include the roof overhang on either side. **-Where 40 feet to the side yard (left) property line is required, the applicant can provide "0" feet for the overhang on the original barn structure, thus requesting a variance of 40 feet for a roof overhang on an existing barn to remain.** **-Where 40 feet to the side yard (left) property line is required, the applicant can provide 7.5 feet for original barn structure, thus requesting a variance of 32.5 sf., to allow existing building built around 1970 to remain.** **-Where 40 feet to the side yard (left) property line is required, the applicant can provide 6 feet, thus requesting a variance of 34 feet to allow for a new addition to remain.** **-Where 40 feet to the side yard (left) property line is required, the applicant can provide 2 feet for the shed, thus requesting a variance of 38 feet to allow for a 4 feet overhang to re-**

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main. The property is located at **136 Stonykill Road** on 1.00 acre and is identified as **Tax Grid No.: 6056-02-897684** in the Town of Wappinger. All interested persons will be heard by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above. Signed: Peter Galotti, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals
Town of Wappinger
January 17, 2024

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that sealed proposals will be received by the Town Clerk, Town of East Fishkill, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, New York, on or before Noon on **Mach 1, 2024** at which time they will be opened publicly and read aloud. The bids are requested for the furnishing of all labor and material, tools and equipment required for the satisfactory completion of the lawn mowing service contract entitled: **Lawn Mowing Services at Town Wide Park and Rides for 2024-25**
The Town solicits proposals from any and all parties including but not limited to minority businesses and enterprises operated and conducted by women. The Contract Documents may be examined and copies obtained at the Office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. All bids must meet the requirements of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and all other applicable federal, state and local statutes. The lowest qualified proposal meeting the requirements of the Contract Documents will be awarded the contract. The Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all portions of the proposal and to re-advertise for same, should the best interest of the Town thereby be promoted. The Town also reserves the right to reject any proposal that is informal, or waive any informality in the bidding document. **Lawn Mowing Bids are subject to Prevailing Wage.**
Peter J. Cassidy
Town Clerk
Town of East Fishkill

‘Alice by Heart’ opens at The Center Feb. 2

Tickets available to the Harlem Wizards game at Beacon High School on Feb. 16

CENTERstage Productions and Teens on Stage will present “Alice By Heart” Feb. 2-11 at The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck. First performed in 2012 by London’s Royal National Theatre, audiences at The Center can immerse themselves in both the fantastic world from “Alice in Wonderland” and the reality of England during World War II.

In the rubble of the London Blitz of World War II, Alice Spencer’s (Sarah Griffin, Pine Plains) budding teen life is turned upside down, and she and her dear friend Alfred (E Jeffreys, Rhinebeck) are forced to take shelter in an underground tube station. When the ailing Alfred is quarantined, Alice encourages him to escape with her into their favorite, cherished book and journey once more down the rabbit hole to Wonderland. As Alice draws upon her memory to spin the story, the children, nurses, and doctors trapped underground transform into characters familiar and feared.

“Alice by Heart” explores the poignancy of first love, coming to terms with loss, and finding the courage to move forward. This musical, inspired by Lewis Carroll’s 1865 novel “Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland,” encourages us all to celebrate the transformational power of the imagination, even in the harshest of times.

Teens on Stage previously entertained audiences with productions of “The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical,” “bare: A Pop Opera,” “Be More Chill,” and “13: The Musical.” This production of “Alice By Heart,” features high-caliber performances by local teen talent.

Performances are at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are available for \$19 at CenterForPerformingArts.org, by calling (845) 876-3080 or emailing boxoffice@centerforperformingarts.org.

Presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International, “Alice By Heart” is a musical with music by Duncan Sheik, lyrics by Steven Sater, and a book by Sater with Jessie Nelson. Two local educators and professional performers lead this production: director and choreographer Lynne Czajka, and musical director Russell McCook.

This Teens on Stage production features Lexi Beaumont, Noah Cinatti, Hayden Cipriano, Lee Griffin, Riona Hack, Liv Heuser, Ana Kirsch, Max Leipham, Eli Marlborough, Maximilian McBride, Haley Polidore, Kate Schaffer, Lily Strattman, Zoe Ulrich, & Ellie Walker.

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

The Harlem Wizards are coming to Beacon High School, Friday, February 16th at 7 p.m. The evening promises to be a fun-filled event that is great for kids and adults and will guarantee to put a smile on one’s face! This event is hosted by the Rombout Middle School PTO, the Beacon High School PTSO, and the Beacon High School National Honor Society. They have brought The Wizards into town to raise money for scholarships, events and many other things that benefit the students of the middle school and high school.

The Harlem Wizards have a unique mission: to create awe-inspiring events throughout the country. At a Wizards game, fans will witness amazing basketball talent combined with hilarious comedy. It’s two hours of family time where parents, grandparents, and kids can all laugh together. When you’re in the stands, you’re more than a spectator; you’re part of the show with loads of audience participation. Throughout the game, fans will experience a magical display of tricks, coordinated ball handling, fancy passing, and aerodynamic athleticism combined with high-energy comedy and audience interaction. The experience can only be summed up in two words: Awe-

Inspiring!

Ticket prices are as follows:

Student General Admission: \$15 in advance (\$20 at the door)

Adult General Admission: \$20 in advance (\$25 at the door)

Reserved Student/Adult: \$25

Courtside Plus Student/Adult: \$50

Courtside Player Student (pre-K-6th): \$125

Reserved ticket holders receive special reserved seating close to the court and free team poster for kids and \$5 souvenir gift certificate for adults.

Courtside Plus ticket holders receive first row seating and meet privately with some of the Wizard players before the game for a meet-and-greet, 1 slice of pizza and drink, souvenir lanyard, color team photo, kids get \$5 discount on replica jersey, and adults get a \$10 souvenir gift certificate.

Courtside Player ticket holders (preK-6th) receive reserved seating, pregame meet and greet with players, 1 slice of pizza and drink, wizards jersey (picked up at game), souvenir lanyard and color team photo for kids, and the opportunity to play in a 3-minute game with the Harlem Wizards during half-time.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.Harlemwizards.com.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that sealed proposals will be received by the Town Clerk, Town of East Fishkill, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, New York, on or before **Noon March 1, 2024** at which time they will be opened publicly and read aloud. The bids are requested for the furnishing of all labor and material, tools and equipment required for the satisfactory completion of the grounds keeping contract entitled: **Grounds Keeping at Lomala Park District for 2024-25.**

The Town solicits proposals from any and all parties including but not limited to minority businesses and enterprises operated and conducted by women. The Contract Documents may be examined and copies obtained at the Office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

All bids must meet the requirements of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and all other applicable federal, state and local statutes.

The lowest qualified proposal meeting the requirements of the Contract Documents will be awarded the contract. The Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all portions of the proposal and to readvertise for same, should the best interest of the Town thereby be promoted. The Town also re-

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serves the right to reject any proposal that is informal, or waive any informality in the bidding document.

Groundskeeping Services are not subject to prevailing wage.

Peter J. Cassidy
Town Clerk
Town of East Fishkill

TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS

The East Fishkill Town Board and the Recreation Advisory Board are requesting proposals on food concessions for the

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Town of East Fishkill Recreation Facilities, for the Main Complex located on Rt. 376, the Rt. 52 Complex, and Red Wing Park.

Bid specifications may be obtained at the Town Clerks Office in the East Fishkill Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00pm. Bids are to be returned to the Town Clerks Office in a sealed envelope clearly marked Food Concession Bid no later than noon February 29, 2024

Peter J. Cassidy
Town Clerk

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL

LEGAL NOTICE - WORKSHOP

EAST CLINTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the East Clinton Fire District Board of Commissioners will hold a workshop on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the firehouse located at 9 Firehouse Lane, Clinton Corners, New York for the purpose of a discus-

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sion regarding a new firehouse, in particular, bonds and grants.

Dated: January 28, 2024

By order of the East Clinton Fire District Board of Commissioners
Karen Buechele,
Secretary

LEGAL NOTICE

Please take notice that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Wappingers Falls will hold a public hearing on February 6, 2024, at 7:00 pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the Ameri-

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can Legion Hall, 7 Spring Street, Wappingers Falls, New York, on the application submitted by Djalil Bouneffouf, owner and applicant, for property having an address of 2544 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls, NY (Grid #6157-06-301997), and located in the Village Residential (VR) Zoning District. The applicant is seeking approval to exceed the maximum lot coverage of 60%. The applicant is proposing 66% lot coverage requiring a 6% variance. A copy of this applica-

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tion is on file in the Planning and Zoning Department and is available for inspection when the Department is open, Monday-Friday, 8:30AM to 3:00 PM. The telephone number is 845-297-5277. All interested persons may appear in person, by agent, or by attorney, and all will be heard.

Date: January 24, 2024

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NOTICE OF NAMES OF PERSONS APPEARING AS OWNERS OF CERTAIN UNCLAIMED PROPERTY HELD BY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE OF DUTCHESS COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 601 of the Abandoned Property Law of the State of New York that

The undersigned as Commissioner of Finance of the County of Dutchess has on deposit or in her custody certain moneys and property paid or deposited in actions or proceedings in court(s) in the said County.

The persons whose names and last known addresses are set forth below appear from the records of the said Commissioner of Finance to be entitled to certain such property of the amount of \$50 or more.

People vs. C. Berchtold 86 Prospect Street Marlboro NY 12542

People vs. Jayson Birdsell 63 Sutton Park Road Poughkeepsie NY 12603

People vs. Raymond Brubacher 609 First Street Watervliet NY 12189

People vs. Mario Buckham 146 Manson St. Apt. C Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Alesha Bunn 73 N. Clinton St. Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Brian Clarr 19 Conklin Street Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Nicholas Cooper 3538 Rt. 9W Highland NY 12528

People vs. Luigi Dagostaro 48 Gates Ave. Apt. C1 Montclair NJ 07042

People vs. Andre Dennis 60 Taylor Ave. Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Taiquan Elting 100 Innis Ave. Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Celestino Gaspar-Balta 559 Main St. Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Junios Green 18D Flannery Ave. Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Isaac Hasbrouck 590 Noxon Road Poughkeepsie NY 12603

People vs. Muhammad Khan 844 Route 6 Mahopac NY 12541

People vs. Brian King 13 Gifford Ave. Apt. 2 Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Eugene Lafayette 57 Smith St. Apt. 1 Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Mark Levy 53 Pendell Road Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Peter Marinelli 510 Maloney Road Poughkeepsie NY 12603

People vs. Victor Martinez-Juan 211 Mill St. #1 Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Shamaya Meekins 49 Points of View Warwick NY 10590

People vs. Luis Menendez Flores 532 Setate St. Apt. 2 Hudson NY 12534

People vs. Amanda Navarro 57 Sasso Lane Wingdale NY 12594

People vs. Matthew Pugnali 87 Traver Road LaGrangeville NY 12569

People vs. Jonathan Taber 596 N. Quaker Lane Hyde Park NY 12538

People vs. Devvon Taylor 21 Charles St. 10C Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Marven Thompson 42 College Ave. Apt. A Poughkeepsie NY 12603

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People vs. D. Turnquest 63 B. College Street Enfield CT 06082

People vs. Jason White UNKNOWN

Deposited in Action of Proceedings in the City of Beacon Court

People vs. Eric Anderson 56 E 1st Street New York NY 10003

People vs. John Battle 26 North Hamilton Street Poughkeepsie NY 12601

People vs. Mark Cargine 20 Summit Road Mahopac NY 10541

People vs. Dasean Turner 6 Spring Street Beacon NY 12508

People vs. Fisher Fisher 6 Souh Davies Terrace Beacon NY 12508

People vs. Dustin Folkes Jr. 341 Carey Ave. Fishkill NY 12524

People vs. Jaciara Hakim 512 Liberty Street Newburgh NY 12550

People vs. McGrath McGrath 276 Temple Hill Road New Windsor NY 12553

People vs. Michael Schneider 149 Main Street Beacon NY 12508

People vs. Christine McMahan 17 E Hook Cross Road Hopewell Junction NY 12533

People vs. Marquis Thompson 78 Bridge Street Newburgh NY 12550

532 Chapel Lake Dr A Virginia Beach VA 23454

Deposited in Action of Proceedings in Dutchess County Courts

Dutchess County vs. Gjobalin & Prena Bujaj and MERS as Mortgagee 683 Beekman Road Hopewell Jct. NY 12533

NYS vs. April C. Martinez-Gutierrez 95 E. Main St. Beacon NY 12508

Estate of Enrico Perri for Enrico Joseph Perri 19 Fairview Drive Yorktown Height NY 10598

Oscar Segura vs. Mark G. Hussey 130 North Main St. Port Chester NY 10573

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT

(A) A list of names contained in this notice is on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Commissioner of Finance;

(B) Any such unclaimed moneys or other property will be paid or delivered by her on or before the thirty first day of March to persons established to her satisfaction their right to receive the same; and

(C) In the succeeding month of April, and on or before the tenth day thereof, such unclaimed moneys or other property still remaining will be paid or delivered to the Comptroller of the State of New York, and the undersigned shall thereupon cease to be liable therefore.

Dated: February 1, 2024

Poughkeepsie, New York

/s/heidi seelbach

Heidi Seelbach

Commissioner of Finance

Dutchess County, New York

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22. Pendulum's path
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25. *Ice ____, Best New Artist nominee
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61. Arabian bigwig
62. Fair attraction
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The solutions to the Sudoku, Crossword puzzle and Suguru can be found on page 5B.

Bardavon presents films that revolutionized cinema



“Citizen Kane” (above) and “Black Panther” are two of 12 films to be screened during the Bardavon/UPAC film series, “Game Changers.”

-Courtesy images

“Game Changers” is a free movie series at Bardavon in Poughkeepsie and Ulster Performing Arts Center (UPAC) in Kingston. This new series features 12 films that revolutionized cinema. Each film in the series represents a bold step forward; using new and adventurous techniques, courageous directorial visions, or telling stories from new points of view. In addition to the screenings being free of charge, all 12 films are preceded by a Happy Hour starting at 6:30 p.m., featuring half-price beer and wine as well as free snacks and soda. All movies begin at 7:30 p.m.

The schedule:
“Citizen Kane” – Feb. 1 at Bardavon
“Black Panther” – Feb. 15 at Bardavon & UPAC
“Stray Dog” – March 7 at UPAC
“The Seventh Seal” – March 21 at

Bardavon
“Cleo From 5 to 7” – April 4 at UPAC
“Playtime” – April 11 at UPAC
“The Thin Blue Line” – April 25 at Bardavon
“Close-Up” – May 9 at UPAC
“Chungking Express” – May 16 at Bardavon
“Beau Travail” – May 30 at UPAC
“Pan’s Labyrinth” – June 13 at UPAC
“Moonlight” – June 20 at Bardavon
Reserve your free ticket by stopping in to the Bardavon or UPAC box office, or by calling Bardavon at (845) 473-5288 or UPAC at (845) 339-6088.

The Bardavon/UPAC film series is sponsored by Marshall & Sterling and Herzog’s; and is supported by the New York Theatre Organ Society, who will bring the Mighty Wurlitzer Organ to life before every film screening at the Bardavon.

Love Songs & Lattes on Feb. 12 in Beacon

The Beacon Players will present Love Songs & Lattes in the Beacon High School lobby on February 12 at 7 p.m. Enjoy a sweet treat, a latte (or tea) and some music. One might even get a sneak peek of “Phantom of the Opera,” which

the drama club will perform in April. The event will take place at Beacon High School, 101 Matteawan Road, in Beacon. For more information, visit beaconplayers.com.

Debut of The Beacon Players Younger Company set for Feb. 9-10

The Beacon Players Younger Company will perform “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown,” on February 9 at 7 p.m. and February 10 at 1 p.m. The performances will take place at Beacon High

School, 101 Matteawan Road, in Beacon. Performances are by special arrangement with Concord Theatrics. For tickets, visit beaconplayers.com.

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