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VALENTINE'S DAY LOVE STORIES

Three couples offer viewpoints on five decades of marriage



From left: Michele and Lou Palermo on their wedding day in Yonkers, Westchester County in June of 1973. Mary and Bill Roeder in one of their wedding photos from April 8, 1967 in Astoria, Queens. A wedding photo of Phyllis and Tony Marinaccio on the couple's wedding day in the Bronx on July 19, 1970.

-Courtesy photos

Editor's note: Each year for Valentine's Day, we at the Southern Dutchess News interview couples who have been married for more than 50 years.

By Kristine Coulter

Three local couples recently sat down with Southern Dutchess News to recall the first years of their relationships, marriages and advice for couples getting married in the near future.

Michele and Lou Palermo: 'His smile' and she 'laughed' at all his jokes

Lou and Michele Palermo, East Fishkill residents, have been married for 50 years. They met on a blind date.

"He was dating my girlfriend, and I was dating his friend," Michele said recently. They met in Yonkers in 1969.

"I didn't notice him that much because I was with this other guy," Michele recalled. "The other guy did not drive.

Lou became the driver."

Lou said what caught his eye about Michele was "she laughed at all my jokes."

Michele said, "I knew his mother before I knew him."

Michele shared that Lou's mother worked at the school she was enrolled in in the cafeteria.

So, what caught Michele's eye about Lou?

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East Fishkill Library hires Kristen Salierno as new director



Kristen Salierno

By Kristine Coulter

The East Fishkill Library District has a new library director Kristen Salierno. Salierno was recently the library director for the Howland Public Library (HPL) in the City of Beacon. Former East Fishkill library director Gloria Goverman recently retired after two decades of service. Salierno, who the library board of directors appointed, began as director on Feb 5th.

"I am very honored to have been chosen by the Board of Trustees and I greatly look forward to serving this community and the patrons of this beautiful library," said Salierno.

Salierno also previously worked for Blodgett Memorial Library in the Village of Fishkill as assistant library director before she went to work for Howland Public Library.

"The Board of Trustees looks forward to working with Kristen to further the library's social mission, and to bring the library closer to its Strategic Plan goals," Traci Suppa, president of the library's Board of Trustees, said in a statement. "In addition to her impressive qualifications, her familiarity with NYS and MHLS (Mid-Hudson Library System) processes and procedures means she'll be quickly up to speed to serve our community well."

Salierno told Southern Dutchess News, "I am delighted to be the leader of such a wonderful staff."

As far as future plans for the library district, Salierno stated, "The goals of the library's strategic plan will be at the forefront of my efforts, particularly the broadening of programming."

According to the statement from the trustees, Salierno earned a Master of Science in Library and Information Science (MSLIS) degree from Long Island University in 2010, and recently received an Advanced Certificate in Public Library Administration, also from Long Island University. It was also stated in the announcement that Salierno holds a New York State Public Librarian Professional Certificate, and she is a 2019 graduate of the New York Library Association Leadership and Management Academy.

Take 'the plunge' Feb. 17 in Fishkill

By Kristine Coulter

Take part in "Freezin' for a Reason" Polar Plunge in Fishkill on February 17. This is the 26th year of this local event that raises funds for the athletes of Special Olympics New York. Organizers suggest all teams and individuals schedule a time to arrive at The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation, at 436 Van Wyck Lake Road, Fishkill and take the plunge.

The event last year had more than 700 participants. The participants in 2023's event raised more than \$228,000. The goal is to raise \$250,000 in 2024, said Teresa Gilli, Director of Development for Special Olympics NY.

Gilli remarked, "Every year, it seems like there's more and more" participation in the event.

The \$250,000 will sponsor 500 athletes in one season – so this would be tremendous for Special Olympics NY said Gilli. Gilli and founder of the Polar Plunge in Fishkill Chris Hamel organize the annual event.

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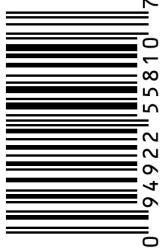


"Freezin' for a Reason" Polar Plunge in Fishkill is set for February 17 at The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation.

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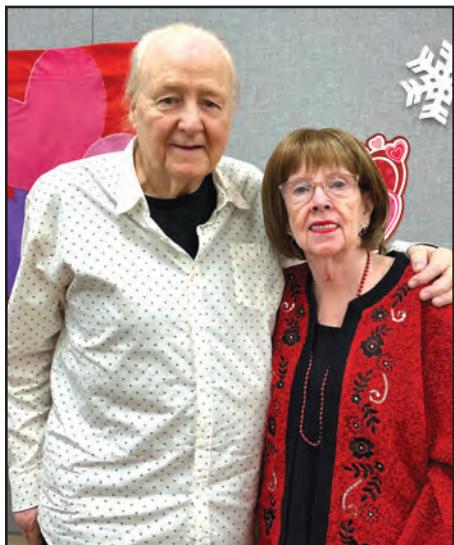


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Three couples offer viewpoints on 5 decades of marriage



From left: Michele and Lou Palermo and Mary and Bill Roeder during a recent stop at the East Fishkill Senior Center. Phyllis and Tony Marinaccio as they celebrated one of their recent anniversaries in Poughkeepsie.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter, courtesy photo

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"I liked his smile. He was always considerate. He was a nice guy."

Lou said he remembers asking Michele's father for permission before proposing to her.

"I just asked her one time. We were in the car," he said. "It was nothing fancy. It didn't make the 11 o'clock news. She responded like she was expecting it." Michele said they had discussed marriage before Lou asked her to marry him.

The two were married in St. Batholomew's Church in Yonkers on June 17, 1973.

It was rainy to begin with, said Michele, "and then it cleared up. It was a beautiful day."

"The pictures that were taken outside all came out very nice," recalled Lou.

The reception was held at Parkway Casino in Tuckahoe in Westchester County. There were about 150 people who attended the wedding.

"It was also Father's Day," said Lou.

The couple lived in Yonkers during their first years of marriage. They moved to Lake Carmel in Putnam County and then to East Fishkill. Lou worked in IT. Michele worked for Putnam County.

They have one son, Christopher, and daughter-in-law, Christina, and three grandchildren (Dominic, Gabriella and Gigi).

They honeymooned in the Poconos.

As for advice they would offer to couples who are engaged, Lous said, "Always communicate so you both can agree a bit on everything."

Michele said, "Don't rush into anything – take your time."

Mary and Bill Roeder: He 'made a splash' and she 'was beautiful'

Mary and Bill Roeder met when they were around 13 years old. They now have been married for 56 years.

"As soon as I saw her that was it. She was beautiful," Bill recalled about seeing Mary in Astoria, Queens when she and her family moved to the neighborhood.

During an outing at a local pool when they were older, Bill swam and put her on his shoulders.

"He made a splash," Mary said, and then to Bill she remarked, "You made a splash."

They began dating as teenagers.

Mary knew a candy store owner and would go to that store. Bill found that out from a mutual friend. One day Bill 'hap-

pened' to go into the candy store and Mary was there.

They talked. "That's what I wished for. It was like a miracle," said Bill.

After dating, they talked about marriage.

Bill was 19 and had to get permission from his parents to get married, he said. Mary was 20. They are 6 months apart in age, they said.

The two were married in Most Precious Blood Church in Astoria, Queens on April 8, 1967.

"The sun came out when we were doing our vows," recalled Bill. They said it was beautiful seeing the sun shine through the stained glass windows in the church.

Bill's parents had a three-family home. They lived on the middle floor in Astoria.

Bill worked for the New York Police Department (NYPD) for 31 years. Mary said she worked for "Ma Bell," the New York Telephone Company. "When I got pregnant, I quit," Mary remarked. She went on to work in the church rectory as the pastoral assistant. She went on to become the first woman trustee of the church.

The couple has 2 children. They have 5 grandchildren.

As for the advice they would offer to couples thinking of marrying or who are

engaged, Bill said, "Try to have things in common." Mary agreed, adding that she and Bill have many things in common.

Phyllis and Tony Marinaccio: 'Bowled' over after meeting

Anthony "Tony" and Phyllis Marinaccio met in a bowling alley in the Bronx. The couple ceelebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary in July 2023.

"We met in Gun Hill Bowling Alley in the Bronx through my cousin," recalled Phyllis. They used to go out in groups with friends, she said.

In 1964 they met, when they were in high school, though they were enrolled at different schools, said Tony.

Asked about their first date Tony replied, "I don't remember." Phyllis responded, "I don't remember either. The first date [I do remember], we went to River Lounge in Yonkers (Westchester County)."

"We're both compatible. We're both from large families," said Tony. They each have five siblings.

As for the proposal.

Tony said, "Oh."

Phyllis, said, "Oh, jeez."

It was in 1969 during a get-together for Memorial Day in Queens. They were playing Twister. Phyllis said she went to wash up in the bathroom. Tony went into the bathroom, she said, and asked her to marry him.

The wedding took place at Immaculate Conception Church in the Bronx. Tony was in the Navy. They were married on July 19, 1970. The reception took place at Pelham Manor Catering in Pelham Bay.

After they were first married, they lived in Queens.

Phyllis was a lab technician. When he got out of the Navy, Tony worked for the NY Telephone Company for 30 years.

They have two daughters and three grandsons.

As for their suggestions for people who are getting married this year, Tony said, "Be patient, I guess. Agree on the important things like finance, kids. We agree on all the important stuff."

Phyllis said, "Love is one of the bigger things. Be patient. Talk to one another. Discuss what's most important before you get married."

DCC President Peter Grant Jordan honored with Tuskegee Airmen Leadership Award

Dutchess Community College President Dr. Peter Jordan received a Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter, Tuskegee Airmen Leadership Award on Feb. 3 at The Villa Borghese in Wappingers Falls.

The Tuskegee Airmen Annual Tuition Assistance Dinner, held every year during Black History Month, honors the legacy of the historic Tuskegee Airmen, the first African American military aviators in the United States. In addition to raising funds to support educational opportunities for

aspiring young aviators and students, it's an occasion to honor one or more community leaders or organizations who have advanced the cause of young people in our area.

President of the Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee, Inc. Duane H. Ware stated, "Dr. Jordan's life of leadership and service embodies the values, excellence and perseverance we share with our students. Thank you and congratulations, Dr. Jordan."

DCC Board of Trustees Chairman Michael Dupree said, "Dutchess Community College shares the vision of the Tuskegee Airmen – both the courage they displayed as one of the most decorated groups to fly in the Army Air Corps during World War II and their current commitment to providing scholarships for deserving students, placing them on a path to productive and fulfilling lives. We are proud to see an exceptional leader and innovator – our President Peter Jordan – recognized by such an organization."

DCC President Dr. Jordan said, "This award symbolizes the courage and strength of purpose embodied by the Tuskegee Airmen, traits shared by the dedicated faculty and staff who inspire and support our students. It means a great deal, both to myself and the College I serve, to be recognized for our work."



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Celebrate an exciting 2024 season of Dutchess County's sports heritage this spring

To the Editor:

The Sports Museum of Dutchess County (SMDC) exists to ensure that the history of sports in Dutchess County is honored and preserved. Located at historic Carnwath Farms in Wappinger, our "Legends of Dutchess" exhibit features dozens of current and former athletes and coaches with Dutchess County connections. Included are USMNT captain Tyler Adams, 1939 World Light Heavyweight Champion Melio Bettina, and athlete and Dutchess Community College coach Patsy Zerbe.

Highlighting our grand opening on May 4th will be a presentation by baseball historian Robert Mayer. Mayer will discuss "Early Hudson Valley Baseball." Additionally, the SMDC has partnered with the Poughkeepsie Public Library on a program called "Women in Sports Tell Their Stories" to be held at Adriance Memorial Library, 93 Market Street, in Poughkeepsie on March 28th at 7 p.m.

The SMDC is planning other new exhibits and events for the coming year, including additions to our baseball room featuring newly discovered artifacts, a new display on the history of women in sports, and our summer and fall family gatherings featuring food trucks and vendors.

The SMDS, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, presents these opportunities for our community at no charge. We count on the generosity of members and donors from our community to fund our exhibitions and programs. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the SMDC and continue to show the community's support for our mission and vision.

For further details on the SMDC, please visit our website at www.sportsmuseumofdutchesscounty.org

We can also be reached at sportsmuseumofdutchesscounty@gmail.com or at 845-473-0903.

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See who is 'backing the blue' in Fishkill

To the Editor

On February 7th, a town board resolution failed to direct Chief Dworkin to recertify a police officer who was decertified without due process or cause (losing his professional license.) I placed this item on the agenda as I was sure it would pass unanimously as it appeared that all 4 board members (one vacancy up for election this November) were pro police and "backed the blue." Boy was I wrong, myself and Councilman Totino voted yes to "back the blue." While Councilmen Forman and Wrye voted against "backing the blue."

Yes, the Democratic members on the board voted to "back the blue" while the Republican board members voted no! Even more disturbing was an email from myself to Chief Dworkin discussing the officer's decertification. Councilman Forman was forwarded this email and he mentioned he read it in Executive Session the meeting before which was true. However, he was advised by me in Executive Session that he was given an email that was "incomplete" and was missing the response written by Chief Dworkin. Undeterred, he read the same letter again in public at the February 7th meeting with the same missing response even though he was advised of such. This created additional questions.

Why did Chief Dworkin give "incomplete information" to Councilman Forman? Why did Councilman Forman not follow up with Chief Dworkin for the entire email chain? What does this say about our police leadership when the Chief of Police can give a board member "incomplete information" with no follow-up.

If you think it could not get worse, it did. Councilman Forman suggested we should have not entertained this resolution as the officer did not write a letter to the board asking to be recertified. However, the officer never wrote a letter asking to be decertified.

What happened on February 7th is clear. The Fishkill Republican party led by Councilman Forman and Wrye do not "back the blue." Votes matter and Forman and Wrye are now on record not supporting the "blue." The residents of Fishkill need to know it's my objective to improve our police department and I hope Councilmen Forman and Wrye don't hinder that. We will be discussing those objectives at the February 21st meeting and it will be a big part of my State of the Town address this year. I pray that it can be a bi-partisan State of the Town and not one that lays out reasons why we need change.

Ozzy Albra

Supervisor, Town of Fishkill

New Wappinger gateway sign reinforced



Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini, Wappinger Councilman Al Casella, and Dutchess County Legislator Lynne Miele-Versaci recently announced that one of the Town's gateway signs on Route 376, which was damaged two years ago, has been replaced. This new sign has been reinforced, according to Cavaccini.

-Courtesy photo

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

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.

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 for kids, and the opportunity to play in a 3-minute game with the Harlem Wizards during half-time.

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.

Free tax-preparation service available in Dutchess, Orange, and Putnam counties

Free tax preparation once again is available from AARP Foundation Tax-Aide's IRS certified volunteers through the Hudson Valley CA\$H Coalition. Last year, 5,817 residents of Dutchess, Orange, and Putnam Counties received help preparing and filing their taxes.

A volunteer-run service, the program is designed for low to moderate income individuals and families. The tax service is open to area residents of all ages who meet eligibility guidelines. There are no age restrictions and AARP membership is not required.

To schedule an appointment, call 2-1-1 (United Way's Hudson Valley Helpline) or 1-800-899-1479 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Appointments are available in February through mid-April.

In Dutchess County, there are 14 free AARP Foundation Tax-Aide sites located in: Dover Plains, Fishkill, Hopewell Junction, Hyde Park, Poughkeepsie and Wappinger Falls. This year there will be a new tax site at the Tivoli Library.

In Orange County, there are 15 free AARP Foundation Tax-Aide sites located in: Chester, Cornwall, Goshen,

Greenwood Lake, Middletown, Monroe, Montgomery, Newburgh, New Windsor, Pine Bush, Port Jervis, Walden, Warwick, and Washingtonville. In Putnam County the Tax-Aide volunteers provide assistance from three locations.

"We know that people in our community are working diligently, but finding it hard to survive," commented Jeannie Montano, President and CEO of United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region. "Many of these are the people identified in United Way of New York's ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) Report. They're our friends. They're the people who greet us with a smile and help us every day at restaurants, day care centers, dental clinics, and offices. The refunds that they receive truly make the difference in their very day-to-day survival. We proudly support the Hudson Valley CA\$H Coalition and its partner organizations with grants from the United Way Community Fund. This program is a great example of how we can all come together to help Mid-Hudson Valley residents gain financial stability, a cornerstone of our mission."

Wappingers Congress of Retired Teachers offers Susan Roger Scholarships

The Wappingers Congress of Retired Teachers (WCRT) will again be offering scholarships to Wappingers Central School District seniors this spring. The WCRT Executive Board has again authorized funding for three awards, one at each high school in the district. Each recipient this year will receive a \$1,000 check from the WCRT to be used for tuition, books, or other college related expenses.

The WCRT Executive Board has named the scholarships after Susan Roger, former long-time president of the WCRT. Susan died in 2023 and the Executive Board believes that naming the scholarships in Susan's honor is an appropriate way to recognize her many years of service to the WCRT and to public education.

Also, this year, each of the three scholarships will double, from \$500 to \$1,000 each. The WCRT Executive Board will be working with Roy C. Ketcham (RCK), John Jay (JJ) and Orchard View guidance counselors to determine the recipients of the award. Criteria for the award, developed with input from the current profes-

sional staff, is listed below:

1. The award will go to one senior at RCK, JJ and Orchard View. Applicants should have a high school average of 80 or better; seniors pursuing a career in education or an education related field will be given additional consideration.
2. Preference will go to students who have financial need.
3. Guidance Departments at each high school will recommend candidates.
4. Applicants will submit an essay of no more than 350 words, titled "An Educator Who Influenced My Life" or "Why Education Is My Chosen Career." Essays will be reviewed by the WCRT sub-committee, and top candidates will be referred back to the guidance counselors who will make a final choice.
5. Each award will be \$1,000.

6. Information about the scholarship is available in the guidance offices, and the deadline to apply and submit an essay is April 17. Interested students should contact their guidance counselor for information.

Towne Crier Dance Jam set for Feb. 22

Get On Down at the Towne Crier Dance Jam on February 22 at 7 p.m., 379 Main Street, in Beacon. Dance to a vibrant mix of musical styles; song requests welcome. These dances are informal and even if one comes alone, one can always find a part-

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Dutchess Outreach hosts inaugural Food Pantry Gathering



Dutchess Outreach recently held the inaugural Food Pantry Gathering in Millbrook.

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Dutchess Outreach, the largest food security organization in Dutchess County, hosted the inaugural Food Pantry Gathering in January. Food pantries representing all regions of the county were invited to the Carey Institute in Millbrook to come together and discuss common goals and priorities to end food insecurity.

Natasha Pernicka, who is the executive director of the Alliance for a Hunger Free New York (AFHNY) initiative, was the keynote speaker of the event, and explained the priorities of AFHNY. The group also discussed current and proposed legislation, and what it means for the people they serve on a daily basis.

"We have to stop calling food 'charity.' It's not 'charity,' it is a basic human right" Dutchess Outreach's Executive Director

In Flight, Inc. honors Exemplary Employees and pays tribute to departed colleagues

In Flight, Inc., a distinguished non-profit organization dedicated to supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Hudson Valley & Capital Region, proudly celebrated the outstanding contributions of its employees at its recent annual Holiday Party. The event not only recognized the exceptional dedication of current staff members but also paid heartfelt tribute to two departed colleagues through the presentation of commemorative awards.

The first award, the Star of Excellence Award In Memory of Bonnie Hoeft, was bestowed upon Bill Powers, a devoted facilities worker whose unwavering commitment to excellence embodies the spirit of the late Bonnie Hoeft. As the Chief Financial Officer of In Flight from August 2012 until her passing in May of 2019, Bonnie Hoeft left an indelible mark on the organization with her exceptional leadership, professional integrity, and unwavering support for her colleagues' growth and success.

Matthew Bateman, CEO of In Flight, expressed his admiration for Bonnie, stating, "Bonnie is one of the people I never want to forget because she got us where we are, so in her honor, we decided to create an award that reflects her caring and unwavering commitment to the organization." Dr. Sarah Branham, Vice President of Clinical Services, nominated Bill Powers for the

Renee S. (Fillette) Miccio said. "This country has enough food for people not just to eat, but to eat well."

The Food Pantries that gathered together at this inaugural event service 9,000 people throughout the county every month, representing only a portion of emergency food providers. Dutchess Outreach is excited to continue their work with the other food pantries, and work together to address the food security issues of the community. There is a \$15,912,000 meal gap in Dutchess County, and 25,540 neighbors in Dutchess County are facing food insecurity, as do 25% of adults in the entire State of New York.

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4-H members love to learn and sometimes it's with puppies



Members of the Sandanona 4-H Club pictured with veterinarian Dr. Acworth and Master of Hounds Elizabeth (Betsy) Par.

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One of the newest 4-H programs is a partnership with the Sandanona Hare Hounds based at Thorndale in Millbrook.

Members experience all aspects of canine care and have opportunities such as walking with the Bassett and Beagle packs across some of the most beautiful countryside in our county as they learn about preserving our environment and history.

If your child, aged 6 through 12, and would like to join this program contact CCEDC and ask for Jane.

4-H'ers succeed as grant writers

To successfully write a grant is an

achievement for an adult, but a huge accomplishment for a youth.

A big congratulations must go to two Stony Ground 4-H Club members who were awarded a Youth Microgrant from the Livestock Conservancy!

The club will be using these funds to construct a mobile poultry coop for their heritage chickens and turkeys whom are raised on pasture at the historic Stony Kill Farm Environmental Education Center!

Jeannette Beranger of the Livestock Conservancy worked with Tavin and Lyris Pennock.

Beacon Elks to host free luncheon for veterans, guests on Feb. 24

The Beacon Elks Lodge #1493 Veterans Committee will host a free luncheon for veterans and their guests on Feb. 24 at the Elks Lodge, 900 Wolcott Ave., in Beacon. Lunch is at noon. The guest speakers

will discuss bills presented by the NYS Assembly and Senate, as well as farm-to-table healthy eating.

Call 914-474-1891 to RSVP.

SPORTS REPORT

Renegades announce plans to host athletes from nation of Bhutan

By Rich Thomaselli

Athletes from the small Southeast Asia nation of Bhutan are coming to the Hudson Valley.

And it's all related to baseball, of all things

The Hudson Valley Renegades, the High-A affiliate of the New York Yankees, and the Bhutan Baseball and Softball Association announced a first-of-its-kind event in Minor League Baseball as the organizations have partnered to create "Bhutan Night," a cultural program aimed at growing the game of baseball in the Kingdom of Bhutan.

Athletes from Bhutan will be given a VIP experience for the Renegades' game on Tuesday, Aug. 20 against the Wilmington Blue Rocks, part of a days-long baseball, sightseeing and cultural enrichment journey in New York in partnership with Dutchess Tourism.

"When we first learned about baseball in Bhutan last summer, our first instinct was 'How can the Renegades be a part of this?'" said Zach Betkowski, General Manager of the Renegades. "After our first conversation with Matt DeSantis from the Bhutan Baseball and Softball Association, it was clear that this had the potential to be truly special, and the event took off from there."

"With over a decade of baseball being

played in Bhutan, having this extraordinary opportunity for young Bhutanese to play ball in the very valleys where I first fell in love with the game is a heartfelt moment. We hope it inspires them to continue their journey in the sport," said DeSantis, a native of Fairfield County, Connecticut who introduced baseball to Bhutan, and currently chairs the Bhutan Baseball and Softball Association. "We are grateful to the Renegades for their commitment to growing baseball and providing opportunities for kids near and far to learn about the professional acumen of the sport, both on and off the diamond."

As part of their multi-day excursion to the United States, the Bhutanese athletes will participate in a baseball clinic at Heritage Financial Park and a Business of Baseball panel, showcasing career opportunities in sports outside of being an athlete. They will also embark on a sightseeing tour of Dutchess County organized by Dutchess Tourism before their VIP experience at a Renegades game, including the ability to watch batting practice on the field, throw out a ceremonial first pitch, and more.

After their trip to the Hudson Valley, the athletes will spend time in New York City, touring Major League Baseball's offices and going on a sightseeing tour throughout NYC before returning home.

Pelish tops 2,000-point mark as Lourdes girls defeat FDR

By Rich Thomaselli

It was a milestone night.

Our Lady of Lourdes High School basketball star Simone Pelish put on a show last week in front of family, friends and fellow students.

Pelish scored 40 points in a 74-39 victory over Franklin D. Roosevelt.

But it wasn't so much her exploits in a single game. It was a celebration of

her career.

Pelish cemented her status as one of the greatest players in OLL history by topping the 2,000 point mark.

She joins Dr. Mylaine Riobe, Karen Lounsbury, Jenna Viani and Maddy Siegrist atop the school's girls basketball scoring list. All four have had their numbers retired by the school.

HS Wrestling championships set at Westchester County Center

Attention wrestling fans!

Better known as a place for making basketball memories, a different kind of post-season action awaits at the Westchester County Center in White Plains.

The Section 1 Executive Committee has approved the Westchester County

Center as host of the 2024 Division I (large school) and Division II (small school) Wrestling Championships.

The announcement now gives local high school wrestlers a place of stature that matches its growing popularity.

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4-H'ers impress legislators in Albany

On Monday, January 22, visitors to the New York State Capitol in Albany saw an unusual sight!

Two goats entered the building through the loading dock to play their part in showing members of the State Senate and Assembly from across the state the importance of 4-H to the future of agriculture.

Accompanied by their owners, Kendra, Sienna and Jessa Carpentieri and mom Kelly, the goats named Maple and Crumble stole the show.

Agricultural Literacy

Week is Nearly Here!

From March 18 through 22, Dutchess County 4-H members and volunteers will work in classrooms, libraries and community groups across the county to bring a taste of agriculture to over 2,200 elementary children across the county as part of Agricultural Literacy Week.

This year's book is "I Love Strawberries" by Shannon Anderson. It is illustrated by Jaclyn Sinquett.

Staff, 4-H volunteers and youth, and community members read the book and work with 1st – 3rd grade children, using a fun, hands-on activity to engage them in learning. Each group receives a book along with a toolkit to continue the lessons.

Want to be a reader? Contact Emma elj57@cornell.edu.



Senator Michelle Hinckley spent time talking to the 4-H'ers who were not shy in telling her about their goats and the importance of 4-H. From left are Jessa, Sienna, Senator Hinckley, Crumble, Kendra and Jane Rodd, 4-H Program Leader. Courtesy photo

Second-quarter RCK honor roll students named

The Roy C. Ketcham High School administration released the names of students on the 2nd quarter honor roll for the 2023-24 school year. The students are:

High Honor Roll 9th Grade

Jumana Abdelhay, Kaydalynn Acosta, Muhammad Ali, Isabella Asuncion, Justin Bergman, Shabd Bhangoo, Christian Blake, Kimora Braswell, Louis Ciancio, Russell Clark, Cameron Clyde, Riley Cohen, Alexa Cordero, Sophie Correa, Mikael Daniel, Eshaan Dave, Grace DeRosso, Samantha Evans, Vincent Fakhouri, Dylan Fasolino, Leah Figueroa, Emily Figueroa Garcia, Ava Francisquini, Annalise Froedden, Luke Galgano, Darlene Garcia, Michael Gnaore, Marianna Goncalves, Peyton Hamel, Zachary Harrow, Kaylee Hartford, Natalie Hastings, Logan Higgins, Jenya Hostyeva, Sierra Hrouda, Ashley Jimenez, Adam Kangas, Saira Khan, Layla Khleifat, Madelyn Kostenko, Alyssa Lange, DeJeane Lawrence, Danny Lin, Esther Liu, Cameron Maglio, Keira Malizia, Noah Manuel, Karlet Marquez, Julia Martin, Matthew Martinez, Emma Masek, Katherine McGann, Aiden Mead, Anna Mezarina, Decianna Miranda, Samuel Montenegro, Madison Nunez, Finnegan O'Hara, Kaylee O'Neill, Gianna Orellana, Lila Ortiz, Emily Parker, Madison Phrance, Justin Piazza, Delilah Picher, Aleksander Pickering, Mason Pinto, Chris Pinzon, Michael Pisano, Janice Pizarro, Alexa Pomilla, Mikayla Price, Luz Quezada, Cristian Quizhpi, Aiman Rizwan, Eliany RosarioCabreja, Isabel Saucela, Ethan Sardo, Genevieve Schaefer, Leah Scheider, Calleigh Schilling, Isaiah Schmalz, Hayden Schoenberg, Kayleigh Sharp, Shawn Shutter, Eduardo Silva, Arianna Sloniker, Jada Smith, Tyler Sucharski, Jesiah Swanigan, Keira Swanson, Emma Tasch, Jade Trosa-Hooten, Christian Viala, Alexander Victoria, Haley Washall, Auden Werdal, Gianna Williams, Antaunas Wirszyla

10th Grade

Vanessa Aboagewaa, Richard Acosta Escalante, Raia Allen, Domenick Amendolia, Danielle Antia, Gift Arubuike, Alexander Arvelo, Grace Ashley, Angelo Battista, Julien Battista, Erik Berg, Dominic Best, Caleb Bieber, Dominick Bodarky, Kelsey Bollen, Ainsley Bosman, Kaelyn Brenner, Paige Brothers, Makenzie Capurro, David Carbone, Anthony Carino, Amber Carpenter, Angelina Carroll, Reinaldo Castro, Donald Cheng, Sarah Chinas, Kaylie Conforti, Safyra DaSilva, Keira DeWit, Chase Dicembri, Mary Dingman, Samuel Dolezal, Camryn Dorsman, Isabelle Echegaray, Thomas Eglit, Sophia Fakhouri, Cassandra Fitzpatrick, Cole Gallwitz, Caroline Garnica Nieto, Adam Gazal, Braeden Greene, Delal Gunes, Ariel Illescas, Edgar Illescas, Allison Kaminski, John Kennedy, Avery Kenny, Emma Klopotski, Catherine Koch, Matthew Kowalczyk, Mia Kowalczyk, Emma Kozlowski, Anahi Landivar Yascaribay, Zoe Levy, David Lynn, Adrian Macanela, Mallory Martin, Maria Masliukova, Ava Matus, Jack McCarthy, Gia Mejia, Taylor Mensching,

Zuleikha Moazzam, Sheila Moghaddasi, Madison Molina, Gianna Molinelli, Nella Morgan, Dylan Mugnano, Dayanara Munoz Guzman, Peter O'Connor, Kaelynn Odums, Ensley Perez, Jacob Perino, Samantha Piazza, Julia Price, Makayla Renzo, Matthew Richards, Juliana Riguzzi, Chikezie Robinson, Samantha Santiago, Kevin Sarno, Katie Sauve, Edward Schiller, Tessa Schultz, Sebastian Singh, Adrianna Smith, George Soyka, Zachary Spadaro, Dylan Tapia, Grace Travis, Oriana Tsfasman, Alona Vinod, Amtul Wakeel, Jacob Weickel, Madison Williams, Shea Williams, Jerry Wu, Timothy Zandstra, Ryan Zheng

11th Grade

Tomas Alvarez Gutierrez, Mayeesha Alvi, Juel Balaguel, Nicholas Balkissoon, Nicole Balkissoon, Kristy Belesaca Duque, Mattie Betts, Maria Biri, Mikayla Browne, Kathleen Bruno, Rachael Butler, Victor Chacon, Alejandro Cordova, Marcos Cordova, Emil Corporan, Briana Cruz, Shiven Dabhi, Madison DeFrancesco, Elizabeth DeMatteis, Isabella DiGirolamo, John DiNonno, Joshua Feinberg, Dean Fitzsimmons, Shannon Fitzsimmons, Hunter Fodera, Megan Gaklik, Jaeden Gargiulo, Alexi Gaviola, Noelle Gerbeth, Mary Hope Gnaore, Karter Griggs, Zander Gruber, Stephanie Haase, Sarim Hasan, Bryan Hodge, Bryanna Hodge, Nathaniel Hom, Srabon Hoq, Raegan Hrouda, Eshan Ilyas, Ayden Jankowski, Charlie Jarrin, Mamoon Javed, Peyton Kangas, Timothy Kanthak, Mandeep Kaur, Michael Kiernan, Kiera Kilkenney, Abigail Kowalczyk, Ryan Kowalczyk, Taylor Langevin, Kristen Leiladhar, Addison Leone, Kai Listengart, Valerie Luciano, Isabella Martin, Daniel McMaster, Ryan McMaster, Austin McQueen, Orestes Mihaly, Claire Moore, Michal Moranda, Muhammad Muhammad Al-Sheabani, Casey Muller, Connor Mungavin, Brayden Murray, Jessica Murray, Toussaint Nesbitt, Samer Nimri, Anjolaoluwa Odeniyi, Martin Orlov, Abby Ostrander, Ava Paino, Emily Paino, Josette Pardonner, Ethan Paredes, Patricia Pasato Ramon, Kaylee Perez, William Peru, Trinh Phuong, Stephen Polichetti, Arianna Pomilla, Jocelyn Pope, Juliana Praino, Aaron Ramos, William Reitter, Annabelle Roe, David Roe, Jamal Sahawneh, Brandon Santiago, Mateo Sari Arias, Justine Scheider, Lucy Schifini, Anthony Schilling, Cody Schmitt, Cameron Scott, Lily Secor, Ethan Segal, Christiana Simou, Nicholas Simou, Nicholas Smith, Autumn Snead, Ryan Sullivan, Jonathan Tecchio, Dylan Timmons, Jackson Todaro, Gabriela Tuza, Asialyn Vargas, Jake Waxman, Julia Wickliffe, Arianna Zerafa, Emily Zhang, Sophie Zhang, Kevin Zuniga-Alonso

12th Grade

Dominic Abbatiello, Alexis Accomando, Julian Alexis, Ester Almonte, Nikita Amin, Leonardo Amodeo, Alyssa Barna, Marisa Belfiore, Juliana Belmonte, Nadiyah Bey, Haileigh Bowen, Victoria Brower, Dylan Bush, Emily Calo, Kendra Campos, Brandon Castorina, Hannah Centorani, Kenneth Chapman, Sophia Cheng, Jaylyn Chorba, Jasmine Chownwai, Matthew Cohen, Bryan Cruz, Maya Davino, Anne DelRosso, Nicholas Detomaso, Benjamin

DiDonato, Moriah Downes, Jason Due, Cameron Duro, Emily Duro, Katelyn Earp, James Eglit, Hailee Ellsworth, Andrew Fabrizio, Ethan Fischer, Nicole Flores, Andres Frank, Nicholas Gaetani, Aniyah Gaines, Finn Gaklik, Laila Gazal, Jared Gonzalez, Kevin Guerrero, Tyler Gunn, Andrew Hanscom, Elizabeth Haw, Julie Hayes, Koran Hicks, Connor Hitt, Sean Hoolahan, Kiera Ignatz, Abigail Kenny, Kasey Kosakowski, Tyler Lange, Jacob Leon, Jonathan Lichwick, Brianna Lombardo-Merritt, Aaron Lopez, Fernando Lucas Balcazar, Makayla Magarelli, Connor Mako, Melisa Marin-Martinez, Noel Martinez, Logan Mateja, Catherine McCourt, Ryan Mealy, Daniel Mejia, Jenny Mikulsky, Marissa Montalbo, Aidan Moore, Sophia Moran, Victoria Moranda, Salma Muhammad Al-Sheabani, Jessica Murphy, Daniel Nagy-Makai, Jennifer Nardelli, Richard Newman, Thomas Nicoletti, Linette Nunez, Sean O'Dell, Jaime O'Neill, Marleen Ogada, Jennifer Palma Ayala, Katherine Pani, Alejandro Perez, Anna Petramale, Luke Picone, Rachel Prongay, Joseph Quezada, William Quinn, Adam Renihan, Luiz Resurrecion, Sade Reyes, Brianna Riley, Caitlin Robertson, Jason Ruiz, Derek Sarno, Sabrina Schmitt, Aksat Shah, Lea Sikov, Deslyn Slater, Brooke Smith, Lauren Socha, Keira Su, Brin Tompkins, Alex Turner, Daniela Tuza Dumaguila, Siani Urbano, Angela Vasquez, Michael Velders, Briana Villa, David Villareal, Caleb Waller, Katelyn Wilkinson, Alyssa Wong, Patrick Yen, Yutongfei Zhang, Ryan Zindler, Erblin Zukaj, Melanie Zuniga, Stephanie Zuniga

Honor Roll 9th Grade

Bryan Alcantara, Sofia Aly, Aurora Amen, Mikaela Beaubrun, Sofiya Borsch, Gabrielle Bramble, Zaiden Brown, Anthony Buele-Brito, Aidan Cancel, Janae Carrero, Mia Carvalho, Emma Cruz, Jermaine Curry, Devan DeJesus, Lilliana DeRose, Amelia DeSa, Natalia Dinardo, Sean Douglas, Diego Duarte, Elliette Durso, Joshua Gallman, Alexandra Garcia Hernandez, Dezirae Glenn, Felicianna Goncalves, Ania Guallpa, Isaiah Hernandez, Roisin Hynes, Richard Johnson Jr, Anthony Kiesbye, Ishmael Lunsford, David Martinelli, Renmy Mayorga Melgara, Aidan McCormack, Paige-Bowie Mrvos, Fatoumafla Ndiaye, Mason Nichols, Ashley Nocera, Anthony Nucifore, Julian Olmo, Gabriela Palma-Ayala, Elana Patterson, Nowitzki Perez Segura, Nickolas Potthast, Nicholas Pugliese, Mike Quezada, Daniel Quizhpi, Jonathan Ridpath, Zachary Rodriguez, Shanelle Rowe, Finnley Rundle, Talisa Saint Albert, Jordyn Schwartz, Kailyn Sciortino, Yuvraj Singh, Madisyn Spagna, Trent Staples, Elena Stojkaj, Binta Susso, Purav Swaminarayan, Marcia Toledo Tito, Matthew Trocino, Valerie Tullo, Yana Tykhanska, Raphael Viala, Londin Watkins, Sophia Williams, Jazmine Wirsching, Olivia Wolpert, Adrian Wong

10th Grade

Eva Adams, Meghan Aiello, A'Leyna Bassue, Melody Bermeo, Annabella Bobinski, Kennady Boothe, Gwenyth

Browne, Dominick Cantalupo, Grace Carroll, Sabrina Chownwai, Giovanni D'Urbano, Amy DeGroff, Liam DeSa, Jada Deda, Natalie Deegan, Timothy Florio, Cristian Gallegos, Alexandra Gonzalez, Tyler Hall, Alf Hamilton, Charlotte Harris, Brenden Harris, Sophia Haskins, Giancarlo Henry, Lucas Hipolito, Paige Hotle, Aidan Hudson, Anthony Ihkwaba, Justin Iorio, Sadie Ketcham, Kaleb Koch, Alyssa Kurlander, Jayden Laureano, Emilia Lee, Madison Lee, Nicole Leguillou, Donavon Lewis, Justin Lopez, Gabriel Luongo, Christian Maltais, Savannah Martin, Lilly Masciola, Brayden McMaster, Connor McQuade, Antonio Miranda, Matthew Monaco, Maya Moore, Juliette Moreno, Christopher Napoli, Daniel Norton, Madison Ortiz, Karla Padilla, Madison Perez, Lucien Peters, Graziella Picciotto, Natalie Post, Jayden Renzo, Rosa Reyes, Liam Rodriguez Mendoza, Gabriela Rosario, Jayden Rowley, Ilias Semri, Saina Sharma, Marc Sullivan, Ayden Toth, Jordan Turner, Kimora White, Indiria Williams, Alyssa Wojcik

11th Grade

Martin Abril, Raheem Adebolu, Vanessa Anugwo, Sofia Ariza, Viktoria Barragan Gonzabay, Matthew Bell, Kyler Bozsik, Rylen Brown, Aiden Caba, Julia Cantalupo, Brianna Carlin, Shane Chach, Efrain Chiquin Chun, Nicholas Cuadra, Austin Deler, Jayden Delhall, John Esposito, Yahir Fernandez Rodriguez, Tyalia Fret-Thom, Joshua Garcia, John Harkins, Adamaris Jimenez, Kionna Jordan, Sophia Kapogiannis, Linus Kuder, Riley Landolt, Steven Lin, Isabella Luciani, Johnny Lynch, Derek Marr, Adrian McClean, Kyp Mitchell, Sophia Molina, Sebastian Morales, Dolores Morocho, Emmanuel Nunez, Sarah O'Shea, Angel Perdomo, Jacob Pesantez, Joseph Petrocca, Haley Polidore, Tazrin Promi, Aiden Ramage, Erika Ramos, Max Reitter, Gabriel Rodriguez, Christopher Schetter, Isabella Sinagra, Ella Thyrre, Amanda Timmons, Teagan Tompkins, James Townsend, Madisyn Travers, Noah Wasilko, Charlotte Williams, Manuel de Jesus Yanqui Zhinin, Arlynn Zhunio

12th Grade

Ethan Abrahams, Zachary Avis, Michael Becker, Daniel Berak, Giann Bhangoo, Gabriella Cefaloni, Johan Cepeda, Robert Ceru, Brayan Chavez Juarez, Disaya Clarke, Isaiah Claudio, Cindy Cruz Rubio, Joshua Cumberbatch, Thomas D'Amato, Nicholas DeRose, Christopher DeVizio, Julianna Devlin, Ethan Dinsmore, Julia Faust, Lisu Flores, Jayden Fontanez, Jonah Francis, Mali Garcia, Ali Gill, Luca Giuliano, Aleena Gonzalez, Corinne Hayward, Leila (Jinx) Hill, Samira Hoque, Kathryn Hotle, Fay Jimenez, Cameron Jones, Amber Leslie, Andrew Letizia, Tommy Leung, Ava Maffia, Celina Maldonado, Raigan Martinez, Figo Matute, Aameya McFadden, Aiden McLaughlin, Taylor McLeod, Hilary McRae, Peyton Mikelic, Sakeena Moosvi, Owen Paino, Dante Penasso, Michael Pulcastro, Laura Ramos, Nia Rencher, Sophia Roldan, Sophia Rosario, Juliana Sanchong, Noah Schmalz, Zachary Scott, Joseph Scotto, Nicholas Sharp, Isabelle Sirman, Levente Tresanszki, Matthew Wojcik.



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Polar Plunge Saturday in Fishkill



The annual Freezin' for a Reason Polar Plunge for Special Olympics New York is set for February 17th at The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation in Fishkill.

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Fundraising is "very important" for the Special Olympics, she said.

"This community has come through for Chris and me, year after year, after year, and it makes a big difference," Gilli noted.

There are many new teams, and individuals, participating in taking 'the plunge' in 2024.

"This will help our athletes more than people can imagine," Gilli said. "It's amazing how many people come back year after year and participate."

Some of the businesses taking part again include Adams Fairacre Farms, iHeartRadio, and Mahoney's.

The "Cool School Challenge" is once again happening during the event. This year there are two scholarships for the top two individual students who are the top fundraisers. The two individual scholarships are for \$1,000 each, said Gilli.

Dutchess BOCES has won several years in the row" for top fundraising school, remarked Gilli.

All the schools compete. The winning school's name will be placed on the trophy. The top school also gets to display the trophy at its school for a year, Gilli explained.

FDR Library to host Presidents Day Weekend events

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in Hyde Park will present free public events this weekend to commemorate Presidents Day.

There will be a film screening of "The President's Mystery" on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 1 p.m., in the Henry A. Wallace Center. The 1936 film is based on a plot line developed by FDR himself. A millionaire goes into hiding when his personal life begins to crumble, but must rethink his situation when he is accused of murdering his wife.

Registration for the film screening is required; visit www.fdrlibrary.org to register.

From 2 to 4 p.m. in the Research Room in the Library Building, a selection of presidential autographs from the Roosevelt Library archives – largely from FDR's personal collection – will be on display. These items are only displayed once a year. Registration is not required for the documents display.

Special event set in Washington, D.C.
This President's Day, Feb. 19, marks the

At Sharpe Reservation, participants will plunge into Camp Mariah. Parking will be at Camp Tommy at Sharpe Reservation this year. There will be two buses, said Gilli, that will transport participants and spectators to Camp Mariah. Plunges are 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., noon and 1 p.m., noted Gilli.

Tim Stanley is the executive director for Sharpe Reservation. "The Fresh Air Fund is excited to partner with Special Olympics to host the Annual Polar Plunge at Sharpe Reservation. We are working closely with the organizers of the event. The big question - will the lake have ice or no ice in mid-February? With the wild swing in temperature, it is anyone's guess. Regardless, the water will be cold for an invigorating mid-winter dip," said Stanley.

There will be a food truck, Cider Brothers Roadhouse.

For individuals who raise \$500 and more will be recognized on a banner. Teams that raise more than \$2,500 will have their team names displayed on the banner, too.

"I'm excited. We're still looking for more participants and teams," said Gilli.

One may sign up at polarplungeny.org and click on Fishkill.

82nd anniversary of the signing of Executive Order 9066 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt that led to the wrongful incarceration of 120,000 Japanese Americans during World War II.

A commemorative event titled "Memory and the Nation: Day of Remembrance 2024" will be held in Washington, D.C., at the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center (513 13th Street, N.W.) from 1 to 2:30 p.m. It will feature a panel discussion with William Harris, Director of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum; Perrin Ireland, artist and biologist, and great-granddaughter of Franklin D. Roosevelt; and Dr. Madeline Hsu, Professor of History and Director, Center for Global Migration Studies, University of Maryland. The moderator will be David Inoue, Executive Director of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Registration is required at <https://americanhistory.si.edu/events/calendar/memory-and-nation-day-remembrance-2024> for this free public event.

Ribbon-cutting event held for Dynamic Intervention Wellness Solutions in WF



A ribbon-cutting ceremony was recently held for Dynamic Intervention Wellness Solutions, 3 Market St., in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

Wappingers Falls Business Association President Jackie Muller, and founder of Dynamic Intervention Wellness Solutions, remarked, "Our hearts are truly touched by how Wappingers Falls has welcomed us. We are committed to continuing to support our community, roll up our sleeves and do what needs to be done for families, business and local town and village organizations."

Some of the elected officials who were in attendance included Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini and Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino, as well as NYS Senator Rob Rolison and Wappingers Falls Trustee John Tyliszczak.

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Obituaries

Nancy Brownell



Nancy Adeline Rossi Brownell, our dear wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt and friend, passed away on February 7th, 2024, surrounded by her family in Cortlandt Manor, New York. She was 58.

Nancy was born on March 9, 1965 in Port Chester, New York to loving parents, Jerome Rossi and Stella Grimes Rossi. A lifelong Hudson Valley resident, Nancy grew up alongside her sister, Catherine, in Cold Spring. She attended Franciscan High School in Mohegan Lake and Ithaca College, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Broadcast Journalism, Business Administration and Political Science in 1987. After graduation, Nancy joined her father's company, Rossi Walling X-Ray Corporation, in Peekskill.

Around the same time, she met her ador-

ing husband, Richard Brownell, and the two wed on November 2, 1991. They went on to have two sons, Tyler Brownell and Justin Brownell. An avid chef and entertainer, Nancy turned every meal into a phenomenal, multi-course feast that was always able to feed far more people than were in attendance. Nancy was also a passionate gardener, as demonstrated by her Presidency of the Garden Club of America (Orange and Dutchess). She was an accomplished skier, an ardent traveler, including to her family favorites of Lake George and Hilton Head Island, and an icon of style and taste. She was also a lifelong philanthropist, contributing to her community in every way she could, and demonstrated through her passion for giving back via volunteer positions at organizations including the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley, Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation, Vassar Brothers Medical Center, Estate Planning Council of Putnam County, the Powelton Club and Ithaca College. Most recently, she was the Vice President of Putnam County at the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley, a role she held since 2015.

However, most importantly, Nancy was a wonderfully caring and selfless mother, wife, sister, daughter, aunt, cousin and friend. Her eternal beauty, sharp intellect, passion, vigor, energy, humor and thoughtfulness will be deeply missed by the countless people that she touched throughout her life and cherished by the many people that loved her deeply.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Rick Brownell; sons, Tyler Brownell and Justin Brownell; mother, Stella Rossi; sister, Catherine (Joseph) Platt; daughter-in-law, Madeline Jecklin; god-son, Andrew Platt; god-daughter, Abigail Platt; grand-dog, Dingo; and grandcats, Sirus and Luna. Nancy was pre-deceased by her father, Jerome Rossi, who passed away in May 1991. Though her life was unfairly cut far too short, her family is extremely grateful for the wonderful memories they shared together recently, including trips to London to visit Tyler, Madeline and Dingo; trips to Austin to visit Justin, Sirus and Luna; and many adventures, celebrations and holidays surrounded by her dear family and friends.

The family is welcoming any donations in her name to the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley (<https://cfhvny.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/list>).

Calling hours will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, February 16 at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, Inc., 1089 Main Street, Fishkill, NY. A funeral service will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, February 17 at the Fishkill United Methodist Church, 38 Broad Street, Fishkill, NY. Interment will follow at Fishkill Rural Cemetery.

For online tributes, you can visit Nancy's Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

Rudolph Godoy, Sr.



WAPPINGERS FALLS - With profound sorrow, we announce the passing of our dearly loved father, Rudolph Godoy, SR, on January 31, 2024. He was born on November 28, 1945. He is survived by his wife, Erika Godoy, his brother Edward Godoy and his children Rudolph Godoy, Timothy Godoy, Heidi Godoy and Tanya Godoy-Rathbun. His legacy lives in his grandchildren Andrew Rathbun, Alexander Rathbun, Jack Godoy, Ella Godoy, Aiden Rathbun, Harper Wescott, Cooper Wescott, and his great grandson Caleb Rathbun.

Rudy's greatest joy was his family, playing the piano, and teaching students his craft. His bright smile and joyful laugh will be missed.

His life was celebrated on Friday February 9th at St Mary's, Lady of the Falls,

Wappingers Falls, NY.

Celebration of his life followed at the VFW in Wappingers Falls, 8 School Street, Wappingers Falls.

GIVE BLOOD GIVE LIFE

Who needs blood?



Under normal circumstances, every two seconds someone in America will need a blood transfusion. Blood transfusions are used for trauma victims - due to accidents and burns - heart surgery, organ transplants, women with complications during childbirth, newborns and premature babies, and patients receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or other diseases, such as sickle cell disease and thalassemia.

Lucy G. Rado



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Lucy Grace Rado, 100-years-old, of Wappingers Falls, NY, reunited with her family in Heaven on Saturday, February 3, 2024, to begin the next chapter of her storybook life.

Lucy was born in East Rutherford, New Jersey, on December 13, 1923, one of eight children of the late Bernard and Mary (Bonanno) Lopez. Her parents had immigrated to America from the Aeolian Islands of Italy in 1913. Lucy graduated from Wappingers High School in 1944 and began working as an executive secretary in the Personnel Department of IBM under its, then, President and CEO, T.J. Watson, until she retired to begin a family.

Lucy married Edward J. Rado, a local hair stylist and World War II Veteran, on Sunday, June 24, 1951, at St. Mary's Church in

Wappingers Falls. Edward predeceased her in 2009. In her later years, Lucy worked as a senior buyer at All Sport Health and Fitness Center in Fishkill.

Lucy is survived by her three sons, Edward J. Rado, Jr. of Renton, WA, Philip M. Rado and wife Christine of San Marcos, CA and David R. Rado and wife Jeanine Agnolet-Rado of Hopewell Junction, NY. Lucy took great pride in her six grandchildren: Nicholas, Matthew, Julia, Garret, Isabella and Gabriella as well as in her cherished home where she lived for over 60 years. Lucy is also survived by her sister, Nancy Fulvio, and her brother, Vincent Lopez, as well as by many loving nieces, nephews and extended family. She was predeceased by her brothers, Bernard, Joseph, Frederick, Anthony and by her sister, Mary Sanfillippo as well as by her companion of over 20 years, Donald Shoemaker.

Lucy was a life-long parishioner of St. Mary's Church in Wappingers Falls and loved her community and the small, Hudson Valley town in which she lived. An avid reader and lover of history, Lucy would often stay up most of the night to finish a good book and take a Sunday afternoon drive to secretly explore abandoned farmhouses in search of lost treasures. She was proud of her Italian heritage and had fond memories of her trip to Italy to visit her ancestral home. Lucy possessed exquisite taste in all things. With a penchant for antiques and for fine clothing and shoes, Lucy could have been called the Imelda Marcos of Wappingers Falls. With a fiery personality to match her fiery, red hair, she was the epitome of an independent woman, ahead of her time. She proved daily that, regardless of challenges, she was a survivor - ultimately becoming one of Dutchess County's prized Centenarians.

Relatives and friends were invited to attend a visitation at McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Roue 82, Hopewell Junction on Saturday, February 10, 2024. The Mass of Christian Burial will be offered in the spring on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 12pm at the Church of St. Mary's, 11 Clinton Street, Wappingers Falls.

In lieu of flowers, Lucy's family requests donations be made in her memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or online at stjude.org.

Dangerous winter weather intensifying emergency blood shortage

\$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email for those who come to give in Feb.

The American Red Cross continues to experience an emergency blood shortage as severe winter weather has further impacted the ability to rebuild the blood supply. Blood and platelet donors are urged to give now to help ensure lifesaving medical procedures are not delayed.

The national blood supply remains at critically low levels. Blood drives have been canceled in nearly every state where the Red Cross collects blood. As a result, nearly 15,000 blood and platelet donations have gone uncollected this month alone. In addition to dangerous road conditions, many Americans have dealt with flight and shipping delays, and the Red Cross is no different. Snow, ice and extreme temperatures have made it tougher to move vital blood products across the Red Cross network, affecting deliveries to hospitals in locations.

As much of the country warms up this week, individuals are urged to make an appointment now to give blood or platelets by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). As a thank-you, all those who come to give Feb. 1-29, 2024, will receive a \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. Visit RedCrossBlood.org/Heart for details.

The nation is currently facing the low-

est number of people giving blood in 20 years. When fewer people donate blood, any disruption to blood donations - like recent weather systems - can have a huge effect on the availability of blood products and dramatic consequences for those in need of emergency blood transfusion. Generous blood donors are vital to ensuring those in need of transfusions have access to lifesaving care.

New Blood Donor Rewards program

Since announcing an emergency blood shortage earlier this month, thousands of donors across the country have answered the call to help. In appreciation for all those who take the time to help save lives, the Red Cross is pleased to launch an all-new Blood Donor Rewards program. This program offers a new way for the Red Cross to say thank-you for the generous donations that are critical to patients counting on lifesaving care. All donors will now earn points for their donations that accumulate each time they roll up a sleeve to give. Donors automatically started earning points on Jan. 1, 2024, and they can redeem points any time of year to receive e-gift cards or save them to redeem and claim an exclusive Red Cross merchandise item in the next calendar year.

For more information, visit RedCrossBlood.org/Rewards.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities:

Poughkeepsie: Feb. 16: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Poughkeepsie Galleria, 2001 South Road.

Creative Living

Pianist Conrad Tao to perform on Feb. 18 at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon

The Howland Chamber Music Circle continues its winter Piano Festival with pianist Conrad Tao on February 18 at 4 p.m. at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon. Following the concert, audience members can meet Tao and enjoy complimentary refreshments. All ticket holders are invited to the reception. To purchase a ticket before they are gone, visit howlandmusic.org. The Howland Cultural Center is at 477 Main Street.

New to the 2023–2024 season, we are introducing a pricing structure to include music lovers who may have been unable to afford our tickets in the past. A limited number of tickets will

be available on a pay-what-you-wish basis. These tickets will be released one week prior to each concert.

In his first performance on our stage, Tao's program will interweave the six Intermezzi by the timeless master Johannes Brahms, with works by leading contemporary composers David Fulmer, Todd Moellenberg, and Rebecca Saunders. He rounds out the program with the Maurice Ravel's monumental Gaspard de la nuit.

For more information on this performance, the Howland Chamber Music Circle, or to purchase tickets, please visit www.howlandmusic.org.

Conrad Tao will play in the Howland Chamber Music Circle Piano Festival on February 18 at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon.

-Courtesy photo



Questions about aging? Attend monthly program at East Fishkill library on Feb. 21

Aging with Grace, a monthly program at the East Fishkill Community Library, will be held on February 21. This program meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 12:30-2 p.m. in the Cross Room. Local resident and educator Carole

Penner will lead this group; drop-in and all are welcome to attend.

Visit eflibrary.org or call 845-221-9943 for more information.

The library is at 348 Route 376 in East Fishkill.

New programs offered at Grinnell Library

Join staff at Grinnell Library for some new programs:

Textiles & Tea: Every Tuesday from 2 - 3:30 p.m. through February 27. Join us for needlework and a cup of tea! All are welcome -whether you cross stitch, crochet, knit, embroider, or more, you're welcome to join. Please bring one's own supplies. Adults of all ages. No registration required.

Strengthen, Stretch, and Stabilize: A movement/mat class for all adults: Every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. through February 29. A community fitness class geared for all levels, incorporating yoga, Pilates, and functional movement patterns in a gentle, all-inclusive design. Chelsea Acree, movement specialist, will lead the class through a series of exercises to move and warm the body,

which will leave you feeling longer, taller and connected. Wear comfortable clothes and make sure to bring a mat/towel! No registration required.

Art Buddies: Every Thursday from 4 - 4:45 p.m. through February 29. National Art Honor Society students will create art together with younger students. Ages 5 and up. No registration required.

"Frozen" Party: Wednesday, February 21 at 2 p.m. Join Miss Molly for a special Frozen party featuring snacks, songs, and activities. Participants are encouraged to wear their favorite "Frozen" costume! All ages. No registration required.

For questions and registration, contact the library at 845-297-3428. Grinnell Library is at 2642 East Main Street in Wappingers Falls.

Celebrate Washington's birthday at Orange County headquarters

Come to Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site and help us celebrate George Washington's Birthday!!! The three-day event will be held February 17th, 18th and 19th, from noon - 3 p.m. each day. Admission is free for all those three days, though donations are welcomed.

Sing "Happy Birthday" to General Washington (reenactor John Koopman) as he cuts into the birthday cake, officially starting the day's festivities. Have a piece of cake and prepare to enjoy all that each day offers: history, music, demonstrations of 18th century military and camp life, a take-home craft and more.

After enjoying his cake, the General will meet visitors at his Headquarters.

Mrs. Martha Washington (reenactor Sandy Spector) will join him Sunday and Monday. Each day, balladeer Thad McGregor will offer musical entertainment, and youth of all ages can create a take-home craft and play with 18th century toys and games! On the grounds, Revolutionary War reenactors will perform demonstrations of 18th century military and camp life.

For more information call 845-562-1195.

Sponsorship for this program is provided by the Friends of the State Historic Sites of the Hudson Highlands, Palisades Interstate Park Commission and the Palisades Parks Conservancy.

Book club to discuss 'Small Mercies' on Feb. 22 in East Fishkill

The EFCL Evening Book Group will meet to discuss "Small Mercies" by Neil King Jr. on February 22 at 6:30 p.m. Copies of the book are available within the Library system. All are wel-

come to come and join in the discussion of this work.

Call the library at 845-221-9943 for more information. The library is at 348 Route 376 in East Fishkill.

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A cheeseburger casserole

For your Valentine or any time

When I realized this article would break on Valentine's Day and may not be read by most of you until days after, my first thought was 'Oh well. There's always next year,' quickly followed by 'Not so fast.' What at first I perceived as a missed opportunity quickly turned into a chance to make a gentle point that's near and dear to my heart so this will, hopefully, pay homage to love and inspire you to find ways to show it all year long.

Valentine's Day is meant to celebrate romantic love, a time to make grand gestures and declarations that we might forego all the other days of the year. I am all about romance, but when I remembered that Valentine's Day started out, as many of our holidays do, with a pope making a feast day out of a pagan ritual, it kind of took the romance out of it, which left me with the bigger picture – love. On further contemplation I realized that, while the holidays we celebrate are meant to reinforce important values like gratitude, honor, kindness and generosity, they all pretty much share a common thread, which is also love, just in different forms.

So let's look at love, shall we? We throw the word around pretty casually and sometimes with little reverence for how important it is. We love sports, our dog, our children, going to the movies, pizza,

friends, sunny days, our parents, ice cream, our spouse, all very different kinds and degrees of love that get lumped under one little word. It hardly seems fair, but there it is. Sure, we can help it out by throwing in an adjective – romantic, platonic, endless, brotherly, obsessive, maternal, passionate – but that just further proves the absurdity of having one word for so many feelings.

Then again, I've noticed that Valentine's Day has gotten away from being exclusively romantic. Look in the greeting card aisle and you'll see categories like Friendship, Daughter, Husband and From The Dog. And you know what? I think that's just fine. Why not celebrate all the love? It's one of the things we humans are best at and certainly what makes life worthwhile.

Which brings me back to the point of deciding to write this for publishing after Valentine's Day, so thanks for staying with me. When it comes to showing someone you love them, you don't need an excuse or a deadline. Or a holiday for that matter. I'm not saying you shouldn't get flowers or a card for the actual day – my father still picks out perfect Valentine cards as he's done my whole life and I cherish every one – but maybe keep those expressions going all year, even in little



A delicious Cheeseburger Anytime-Valentine casserole.

-Photo by Vicki Frank Day

ways. One day can't possibly do justice to the best emotion we have, just as one all-encompassing word isn't enough to reflect the many nuances of love. A love note tucked into a lunch box, the surprise of someone's favorite cake just because, a card in the mail to let someone know you're thinking of them, heck, just doing the dishes, are all little things that say a lot and keep the love light burning strong for everyone in your life any time. Or how about a simple sit-down meal made extra special with little touches, like fancy china, candlelight and the addition of hearts to the presentation, like this kid-friendly casserole!

CHEESEBURGER ANYTIME- VALENTINE CASSEROLE

What kid doesn't love cheeseburgers? Treat them to a different version and make it extra special by cutting hearts out of hash brown patties for an edible Valentine any time that the beloved little ones in your life are sure to love. To make this easier this recipe calls for a 15oz can of tomato sauce, but I had leftover homemade spaghetti sauce on hand, so I used 2 cups of that instead. It's tasty either way. I took inspiration for this from Ree Drummond, The Pioneer Woman's recipe.

A note about the hash browns: I didn't specify the package size because there are many brands out there in different quantities, so get what you like and can find. Most come in 10-20 count packages. Putting the frozen patties in the fridge overnight will thaw them enough to cut into shapes and also makes them crispier when baked because you're eliminating excess moisture. (Just be sure to use up any extra within a day or two. You don't want to refreeze them). If you don't have a small-medium heart-shaped cookie cutter, you can use a knife to cut freehand hearts or make a heart template out of cardboard.

INGREDIENTS

1 package frozen hash brown patties, thawed in the fridge overnight
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 medium onion, chopped
2lbs ground beef
Salt and pepper to taste
1 (15oz) can tomato sauce
1 tablespoon mustard powder (like Coleman's)

1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
1 (8oz) block Monterey Jack cheese, shredded
1 (8oz) block Cheddar cheese, shredded
1 (oz) can diced tomatoes, drained
~1/3 cup dill pickle slices (I bought whole pickles and cut them because I like the smaller results)

METHOD

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Grease a 9x13 baking dish and set aside.

Lay thawed hash brown patties on a work surface, pat dry with a paper towel and cut into heart shapes. The number you get depends on the size of your cutter. (I made 22 2-inch hearts). Set aside.

In a large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil. Add onion and cook over medium heat until translucent, stirring occasionally. Add ground beef, break up with a wooden spoon and season with salt and pepper. Cook until no longer pink, stirring occasionally.

If there's excess grease in the pan, drain it or use a spoon to remove some. Add tomato sauce, mustard powder, Worcestershire and Monterey Jack and mix to combine. Continue cooking until cheese melts, 2-3 minutes more.

Transfer to the prepared baking dish. Evenly sprinkle Cheddar on top, then arrange hash brown hearts however you like.

Bake until cheese is bubbly, 35-40 minutes, remove from oven and top with diced tomatoes and pickles.

Makes 10-12 servings.

Sure, it's nothing fancy, just a simple meal made with love for those you love. But if it gets everyone to sit together at the table to share some quality time it becomes something special – a love note to express the best of what life has to offer for those we hold most dear. Love doesn't need a holiday. Love IS a holiday. 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

Hudson Valley Seeds

Everything you need to know about sowing seeds now and in the upcoming weeks.

Let's get the jump on spring! We sow flower and vegetable seeds indoors now so the transplants will be ready to go into the garden in May. This gives the plants time to mature before the growing season ends in late September.

To get some expert advice on seed starting, I visited Hudson Valley Seed Company across the river in Accord, N.Y. Since its origination at the Gardiner Library in 2004, Hudson Valley Seed has grown into a trusted and respected source for garden seeds. The selection of heirloom and open-pollinated seeds are curated by founders K Greene and Doug Muller. A third of the varieties in the extensive online catalog are grown on their own farm.

I met with sales and customer service manager Crimson Krier-Glading at the company's retail store on Route 209 in Accord, and right away I learned some new information even though I've been starting seeds for almost 65 years (yes, the April 25 entry in my 1959 diary reads "planted onions in my garden"). Crimson told me that onion seed should be sown indoors in early February. Now I know. As Thomas Jefferson famously wrote – "I may be an old man, but I'm a young gardener."

Here's a rundown of some seed starting tips, some from Crimson, and some from a Hudson Valley Seed blog:

- Heat: Pepper and tomato seeds prefer consistent temperatures of 80-85 degrees Fahrenheit. Keep your trays on a heating mat, put them by a wood stove, or place them on a windowsill that's kept warm by the sun. Try to avoid prolonged temperatures below 65 degrees, since seeds may rot. If you don't have an ideal indoor setup, start your seeds 2 weeks earlier than

you otherwise would and over-sow. You can also place covers over your trays to trap heat, but they should be removed after seeds germinate.

- Light: This goes for all seedlings, really: make sure they are getting consistent light. A windowsill might not be enough; consider purchasing a grow light.

- Water: Specifically, a balanced amount of it. All seeds prefer consistent water for germination, and they should never be let to dry out. However, over-watering can be just as perilous, since it can cause rot or damping off, a fungal infection that preys on new sprouts. Keep your trays moist but not wet. Most seeds are small and delicate and don't like to be disturbed, so instead of watering directly with a hose or watering can, fill up a spray bottle and spritz regularly.

- Air Flow: Place your trays somewhere where they'll have plenty of air to breathe. If you have a small fan, you can even hook it up near your trays. This will help combat any extra moisture, and it will also encourage your seedlings to develop sturdy stems which will help them when they enter the real world of the garden bed.

- Protection: Be wary of rodents: they love pepper seeds especially. If you think there's a risk of rodent infiltration, protect your trays with a covering or caging. Just be sure to remove any covers that block airflow once the seeds have sprouted to avoid damping off.

- Space: Seedlings planted too close together will compete for resources and can become stunted and stressed. Similarly, if the seedlings are sown in small cells, they should be repotted into larger containers once they have four true leaves. Pinch off the baby leaves (cotyledons), remove the plants

carefully (a spoon can help dislodge the roots without disturbing them), and replant in the new pot, burying the stem up to the leaves. This last step is crucial: tomatoes have tiny hairs along the stem that, when placed in soil, form new roots. The deeper you replant, the stronger a tomato's root system will be.

There are plenty of vegetables and a few flowers, that can, and even should, be grown from seed, sown directly into garden soil:

April – radishes, peas, carrots, beets, spinach

May – sweet corn, beans, zinnias

June – Squash, melons, cucumbers

We talked about growing sweet corn in a home garden. You need to plant several rows, so the wind can properly blow the pollen down onto the silk, or the kernels won't develop properly. Hudson Valley Seed offers some interesting sweet corn varieties: "Double Red," the dwarf "Blue Jade," and "Martian Jewels." Crimson also recommends cucumber "Tokiwa," poppy "Mother of Pearl" and a hardy hibiscus.

The seed packets at Hudson Valley Seed are gorgeously illustrated, many by local artists like Julia Whitney Barnes and Wendy Hollander.

A local gardener, Alan Zapolksy, was browsing in the shop. I asked him for a comment. He loves the local aspect and raved about the "creamy" fingerling potatoes he harvested last season.



Crimson Krier-Glading, sales and customer service manager at Hudson Valley Seed Company.

-Photo by Mark Adams

If you don't want to drive to Accord (It's a nice ride through Rosendale and High Falls), you can buy Hudson Valley Seeds at a few Dutchess County garden centers, including The Phantom Gardener (in a week or two) and Adams Fairacre Farms.

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

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Sarah Morgan wins American Legion Post 1758 contest



American Legion Post 1758 in Hopewell Junction held an oratorical contest for high school students recently. Contestants were required to present an oration on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution.

During the Post's January meeting, the a certificate and a check for \$200 was awarded to the contest winner Sarah Morgan, a senior at John Jay High School in the Wappingers Central School District. Winners of post contests can go on to a district competition then to state, then national. The prize money for winning contestants increases at each level. At the national level, the first-place prize is a \$25,000 scholarship.

The purpose of The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program "A Constitutional Speech Contest" is to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States among high school students. Other objectives of the contest include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties and responsibilities, rights, and privileges of American citizenship.

Pictured (from left) are Dan Oberhauser, oratorical chairman; Elaine Morgan, mother of Competition winner Sarah Morgan; Sarah Morgan, oratorical winner, and Jim Reynolds, post commander.

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Ribbon-cutting ceremony held at Salsa Fresca Mexican Grill in Village of Fishkill

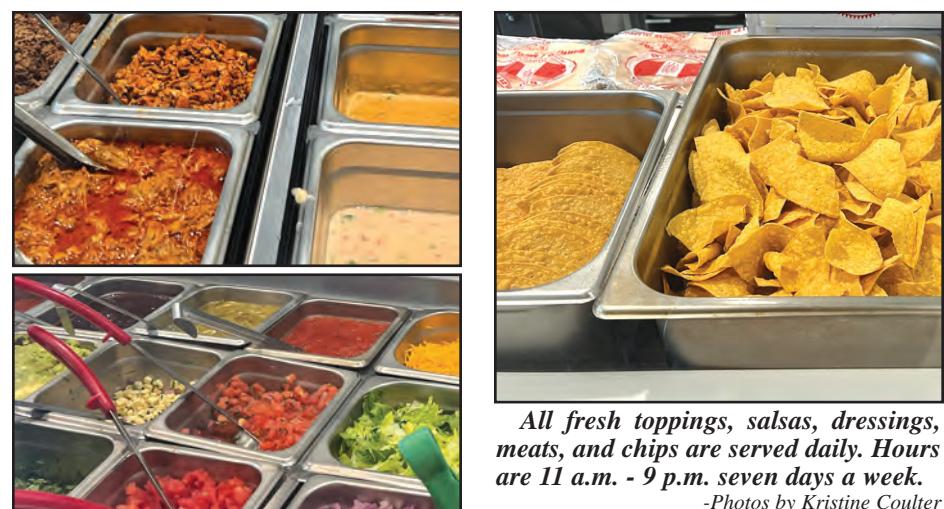
Restaurant famous for ‘house-made’ salsas and guacamole



A ribbon-cutting ceremony took place at Salsa Fresca Mexican Grill, 584 Route 9, in the village of Fishkill on Feb. 8.



The spacious seating area in Salsa Fresca in the Village of Fishkill.



All fresh toppings, salsas, dressings, meats, and chips are served daily. Hours are 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. seven days a week.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter

By Kristine Coulter

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held for Salsa Fresca Mexican Grill in the Village of Fishkill. Salsa Fresca is open for business at 584 Route 9 in Fishkill. The ceremony took place on Feb. 8.

Salsa Fresca co-owner John Tucker said the feedback from customers “has been great.”

According to information about Salsa Fresca, the restaurant is “fast-casual Mexican food famous for its house-made salsas and guac.” There are currently 15 different locations throughout New York and Connecticut.

Village of Fishkill Mayor Kathy Martin said, “I am so thrilled to have another restaurant that offers sustainability. She added, “They do so much for our community and first responders.”

“You walk into our restaurant, you can get all of the freshest food,” said Eric Friedman, COO for Salsa Fresca and a former Team Director for New England at Chipotle. Friedman said team members dice the tomatoes, grill the chicken, and even bake.

“I don’t know how we do it,” he said.

“What our brand is all about, we have a commitment to the people that want to be a part of it,” said Friedman. That is why

Salsa Fresca gives its employees 20% of its profits.

“We hope the 20% helps people feel they’re not just a worker,” said Tucker.

“We make people our forefront of making money and being happy,” said Friedman.

Salsa Fresca in Fishkill is open 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. seven days a week (closed on Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas).

According to Salsa Fresca:

- Salsa Fresca gives 20% of its profits to every single employee annually

- Its founders are passionate about food and people

- Salsa Fresca supports its community through donations of food and funds to local schools, charities, events, and more

- Salsa Fresca's meat is fresh - never frozen

- The 7 salsas & 6 dressings are house-made daily from scratch (guac and queso, too!)

- Salsa Fresca uses all-natural chicken and pork, and humanely-raised beef

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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 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 mailcopyofprocesssto 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 desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail processsto 58 Hillcrest Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

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Meme's Property, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 11/1/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. 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 desig. 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 location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process 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.

D A N O L A R ENTERPRISES LLC. Filed 11/9/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 50-54 Charles Colman Blvd, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: General.

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

Notice of Qualification of WWD 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. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mailcopyofany 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.

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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 maybe 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.

PERPARA LLC. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/28/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom processagainst may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processsto 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 mailcopyofany 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.

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 mailcopyofprocesssto the LLC, 104 E Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Remodeling Services, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/14/23. Office:

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METSASERIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed w/ SSNY 12/13/23. Of- fice: 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. 701413th 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 PI, #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 designated as agent for process & 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 12/11/2023. 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

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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

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 mailcopyofprocesssto the LLC, 50 Mountain Lane, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful

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

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 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 processagainstitmay be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 4232 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: registered professional nursing

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

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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 12 Michael Dr, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. General Purpose

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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 mailcopyofprocesssto the LLC, 50 Mountain Lane, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful

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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. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom processagainstitmay 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

WILLIAMS TOWING AND RECOVERY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Secy 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

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

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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. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom processagainstitmay 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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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 processagainstitmay beserved.SSNYshall mailcopyofprocesssto the LLC, 3 Hubert St. Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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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.

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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. Ohiovile Rd, New Paltz, NY 12561. General Purpose

The Best Hot Soup EverLLC, 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. Mailprocess 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: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Blake Fahay, 30 N Grand Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Notice of Formation of CLEARTOUCHMGMT 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.

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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 mailcopyofprocesssto the LLC, 832 Wolcott Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508, Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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.

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.

F L I G H T L I N E A V I A T I O N PROPERTIES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/17/2024. Off. Loc.: DUTCHESS Co. SSNY desig. As agt. upon whom process maybe 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 maybe served. SSNY shall mail process to: 15 W Bard Ave, Red Hook, NY 12571. List

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of names and addresses of all general partners available from SSNY. Purpose: any lawful activity. 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 mailcopyofprocesssto the LLC, c/o Jeffrey S. Anagnos, 4 Albie Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any 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: any lawful

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 Poughkeepsie 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.

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 Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice Of Formation of CJR RE Services LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the

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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 location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom processagainstitmay 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 activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

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

KB Properties of the 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 it may be served. SSNY shall mailprocesssto the LLC, 2265 South Road, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose for all lawful activities.

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: any lawful

Notice of formation of Impact Global Funds LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/24/24. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY mail process to 1 Richmond Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

DJK HOPEWELL PROPERTIES, LLC. Arts. 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 process to: 28 Wilkes St. Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful activities.

Notice of Formation of TAX AND BOOKKEEPING MANAGEMENT LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/06/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as an agent of LLC upon whom process maybe served. SSNY shall mail the process to TAX AND BOOKKEEPING MANAGEMENT LLC, 68 Rhone Ridge Dr, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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 Corners Road, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Driviano, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 1/22/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY design-

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Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/24/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom processagainstitmay 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 activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

Mcia Groupe LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/24/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail processsto 2600 South Road, Ste 44-282, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

Charmont Designs LLC -Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/29/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process maybe served. SSNY shall mail process to: 60 Pommelay Farms Lane, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful

JOHN BASSETT ARCHITECTURE PLLC, a Prof. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/29/2024. 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, 3500 Route 9G, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: To Practice The Profession Of Architecture.

COMPASSIONATE PET CARE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/20/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail copy to: 22 Violet Hill Road, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful.

Notice ofFormation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the LLC is: Millbrook Strategies LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: January 23, 2024. The County in which the Office is to be located: Dutchess. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom processagainstitmay be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: PO Box 446 Wassaic, NY 12592. Purpose: any lawful activity.

nated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 655 Little Britain Road, New Windsor, NY 12553. Purpose: any lawful activity

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Feb. 17 at West Point



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VRG GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/21/23. 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, 132 Honeywell Lane, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Winnie Vita Photography, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/24/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 164 Ridgeline Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

RAYMOND AVENUE GYM, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/31/24. 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, c/o Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & Iuele, LLP, 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Tatu Travel LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/15/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to PO BOX 3063 Poughkeepsie NY 12603. Purpose:

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any lawful.

H O M E S P U N BEACON LLC. Filed 9/8/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 232 Main St, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: General.

EKT NY LLC. Filed 1/23/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 76 Frost Hill Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: General.

Purple Comet Courier LLC. Filed 10/31/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #402735, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: Ann-marie Carrube, 12 Arbor Hill Dr Apt 5, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: General.

Mercury Jiu-Jitsu LLC. Filed 10/31/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 6 N Clover St# 1, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

Palumbo's Landscaping LLC. Filed 1/22/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 926 Camby Rd, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: General.

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Notice of Formation of NETTICKS GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/23/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Joy Gumpel, 6 Scarborough Lane, Suite C, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Ketamine Lounge LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/14/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: ELAINE SUDERIO, 249 MAIN STREET, SUITE 103, BEACON, NY, 12508, USA. Registered Agent: SAMANTHA ORTIZ, 249 MAIN STREET, SUITE 103, BEACON, NY, 12508, USA, upon whom process against LLC may be served. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Endless Auto Group LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/15/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 980 Broadway Ste 235 Thornwood NY 10594. Purpose: any lawful

Tomli Management LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/17/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 63 Peach Rd Poughkeepsie NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful

Tm Consulting & Technical Services LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/5/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 68 Frances Drive

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beserved. SSNY shall mail process to: 271 Devon Farms Rd, Stormville, NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Qualification of Kizan Technologies, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/30/24. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Kentucky (KY) on 10/4/00. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Republic Registered Agent Services Inc., 54 State Street, Ste 804, Albany, NY, 12207. Principal business address: 12 E. Saw Mill Run, Poughquag, NY, 12570. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Endless Auto Group LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/15/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 980 Broadway Ste 235 Thornwood NY 10594. Purpose: any lawful

Tomli Management LLC. Filed with SSNY on 1/17/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 63 Peach Rd Poughkeepsie NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful

M E R E D I T H MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/12/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be

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Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Qualification of Kizan Technologies, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/30/24. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Kentucky (KY) on 10/4/00. 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. KY address of LLC: 3110 Finchville Rd, Shelbyville, KY 40065. Cert. of Formation filed with KY Secy of State, POB 718, Frankfort, KY 40602. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 2/6/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 6099 Ny-82, Stanforville, NY 12581. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

LEMONS WILD

34, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed New York Sec. of State ("NYSS") 09/26/2022. Office loc. Dutchess County. NYSS designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be

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served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 46 Pond Gut Road, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Mental Health Counseling.

Notice of Formation of 30 SENGSTACK LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/02/24. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Sengstack Ln., Tivoli, NY 12583. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Engel & Davis LLP, 620 Fifth Ave., 2nd Fl., NY, NY 10020. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

S T A N F O R D

ARMORY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/08/2024. 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, 6099 Ny-82, Stanforville, NY 12581. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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served. NYSS shall mail a copy of any process to c/o The LLC, 39 Hook Road, Rhinebeck, New York 12572. There is no specific date set for dissolution. Purpose: to engage in any lawful activity or act. Name and Business Address of Organizer is Adeline P. Malone, Esq., 7537 North Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571.

WILD LEMONS 14, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed New York Sec. of State ("NYSS") 09/26/2022. Office loc. Dutchess County. NYSS designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYSS shall mail a copy of any process to c/o The LLC, 39 Hook Road, Rhinebeck, New York 12572. There is no specific date set for dissolution. Purpose: to engage in any lawful activity or act. Name and Business Address of Organizer is Adeline P. Malone, Esq., 7537 North Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571.

APS Consultancy

LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/25/2023 Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served and shall mail process to 503 Hicks Hill Rd. Stanforville, NY 12581. General Purpose.

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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 JONES AKA NORMA H. JONES; SCOTT CLARK, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF NORMA JONES AKA NORMA H. JONES ANY AND ALL KNOWN OR UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF NORMA JONES AKA 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 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.

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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, WASSAAC, 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 CERTIFI-

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CATES, SERIES 2006-2 Plaintiff, vs. JOY COLE-JOHNSON, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE 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 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

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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 \$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, WASSAAC, 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

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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 Orangeborro Avenue, Suite 500, Buena Park, California 90620. SUN WEST MORTGAGE COMPANY INC., Plaintiff, against JACOB HERBERASHERAT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO FRANKLIN P. HERBER A/K/A FRANKLIN PHILIP HERBER; NATHAN HERBERASHERAT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO FRANKLIN P. HERBER A/K/A FRANKLIN PHILIP HERBER; JOHN DOE AND JANEDOE 1 THROUGH 50, INTENDING TO BE THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DISTRIBUTEES, DEVISEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, AND ASIGNEES 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 par-

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ties intended being the persons or parties, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the mortgaged premises described in 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.

MCABE, 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 HOME OWNERS 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

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ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN 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

DCC Black History Month lineup includes free interactive panels and discussions

In celebration of Black History Month, Dutchess Community College will host a series of events on the College's main campus – covering a range of subjects from Science, Technology and Engineering (STEM) to reproductive rights and supporting justice-involved youth and featuring award-winning author Dr. Emily Bernard.

The Black Solidarity Reads Lyceum will be held in the James & Betty Hall Theatre on Feb. 15 at 12:30 p.m. The speaker, Dr. Emily Bernard, is a Green and Gold Professor of English at the University of Vermont, 2020 Andrew Carnegie Fellow and author of the essay collection, "Black is the Body: Stories from My Grandmother's Time, My Mother's Time, and Mine," which won the 2020 LA Times Isherwood Prize for Autobiographical Prose. Bernard will discuss two essays from her book and the role the college classroom can play in the larger project of interracial understanding.

On Feb. 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the Ritz Lounge, there will be a STEM Job/Internship Panel and Networking Event. Participants will hear from high-achieving STEM professionals who will speak about their academic and career experiences in addition to providing advice for students interested in entering the field upon graduation. Attendees will also have the opportunity to meet the panelists and ask individual questions during the networking portion of the event. Representatives from GAP Inc., Nuvance



Emily Bernard

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Health, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Labella Associates and IBM are scheduled to speak on the panel.

A panel titled "Reproductive Justice in Minority Communities" will take place

on Feb. 29 in Dutchess Hall, room 101. Community health experts from Planned Parenthood will discuss reproductive rights in minority communities.

DCC's Black History Month events

were curated and organized by the Black History Committee: Chair and Assistant Professor of English Willie Morris, Assistant Professor of History Shalon Hallager and Associate Professor of Accounting Ahmed Ismail.

Chair of the Black History Committee and DCC English Professor Willie Morris said, "The positive impact of these events extends well beyond the month of February. It's about making an academic connection and introducing the discipline of Black Studies – to DCC students as well as middle and high school students, teachers, faculty, staff and the broader community. We do this because it furthers the academic and social mission of the College."

DCC President Dr. Peter Grant Jordan said, "Especially as we navigate these uncertain times, marked by divisiveness and social unrest, it's so important that our community comes together to learn and celebrate our diversity. As Dutchess County's community college, we are proud to offer events such as these that underscore our commitment to strengthening systems to advance diversity, equity, inclusion and social justice."

This year's programming comes with the kind support of the DCC Foundation, DCC Writing Center and DCC's Francis U. and Mary F. Ritz Library.

DCC's BHM events are free and open to the public. A full calendar with more details can be found at www.sunydutchess.edu/bhm.

JJHS Olympiad team takes home top prize



John Jay High School's Science Olympiad Team took home the top prize at the Mid-Hudson Regional Science Olympiad competition this weekend. The team won medals in all 22 events; including 8 first place medals and 35 overall medals! John Jay will be sending a team of bright, hard-working science students to the New York State tournament on March 15th-16th at LeMoyne College in Syracuse.

The competition was hosted by John Jay, with 35 teams from 21 schools attending the event. JJHS team is so grateful to the many members of our community who helped make this a success by volunteering and/or showing their support for the event!

-Courtesy photo

GNSO to perform in Newburgh on Feb. 17

The Greater Newburgh Symphony Orchestra (GNSO) will perform a special concert on February 17 at 4 p.m. at Aquinas Hall on the Mount Saint Mary College campus in Newburgh. Two distinguished pianists will perform concertos by Romantic composing giants Saint-Saëns and Rachmaninoff as well as a vocal soloist on marvelous melodies from Puccini, Handel, Mozart and Rossini.

Commenting on the Concerto of Concertos Maestro Russell Ger stated that "Camille Saint-Saëns clearly revered music of the past, his Second Piano Concerto bearing the overt imprints of Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, and Chopin. The opening is thoughtfully reflective, the second movement is playful, filled with wit and humor, while the finale is an opportunity for the pianist to show off during a turbulent movement that ends in a blustering whirlwind of chords and fiery arpeggios."

"A wonderful and novel inclusion in the program is a vocal soloist who performs arias from four operas," Ger continued. "We have a beautifully lyrical Baroque love aria from Handel, Rossini's virtuosic late Classical aria also about love, Mozart's light-hearted

aria about how young women must know how to manipulate their men, and finally Puccini's lushly Romantic aria from "La Rondine." Finally, Rachmaninoff's Third Piano Concerto is one of the most technically forbidding in the repertoire – richly melodic, it alternates between moments of great delicacy and shattering power. It is one of the most beloved concerti in history."

This concert is not a part of the season subscription but represents the fifth year of a unique partnership between the GNSO and Moxart, Inc., a Philadelphia-area non-profit organization whose mission is to provide accomplished, non-professional musicians with opportunities to play a concerto with a fine orchestra. A concerto is any piece for solo instrumentalist and orchestra. After their great success in Philadelphia, Moxart continued to expand by reaching out to the GNSO in the Hudson Valley.

Tickets are Balcony \$75, Center Reserved \$60. General \$50, Senior Citizen \$30 – can be purchased at the door. Call 845-913-7157 or visit www.newburghsymphony.org. Students are admitted free to General seating. Show date is February 18.

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The annual meeting of the Pleasant Valley Cemetery Association will be held in the parlor of the First Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY on February 20, 2024 at 7:00 in the evening for the election of three (3) Trustees and for the transaction of any additional business that may be brought before the Board.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN THAT** the following offices shall be filled at the next annual Village Election of the Village of Fishkill, which will take place on **TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024**. **TRUSTEE - Two positions will be filled** Term - 3 Years

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Independent Nominating Petitions may be picked up at the Village Clerk's office, Van Wyck Hall, 1095 Main Street, Fishkill. The first day upon which an individual may sign an independent nominating petition is Tuesday April 2, 2024 and all independent nominating petitions are due to be filed in the Village Clerk's office, Van

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Wyck Hall, 1095 Main Street, Fishkill by Tuesday May 14, 2024
Pam Ruyack
Village Clerk
Dated:
February 9, 2024

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hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-14-24 Professional Services for Workplace Planning and Needs Assessment for Dutchess County Government

Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 28th day of February 2024 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Ser-

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vices, 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.

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The Regular Annual Meeting of the Wappingers Falls plot owners will be held on March 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. on Point St., New Hamburg, NY.

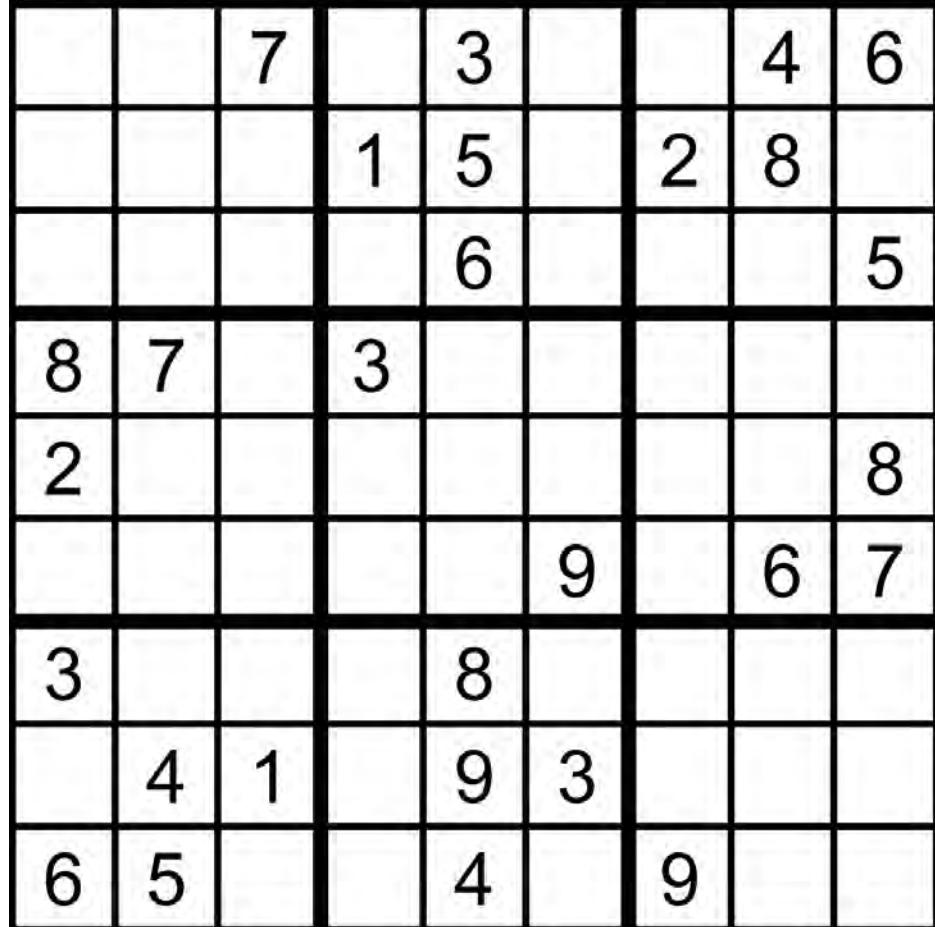
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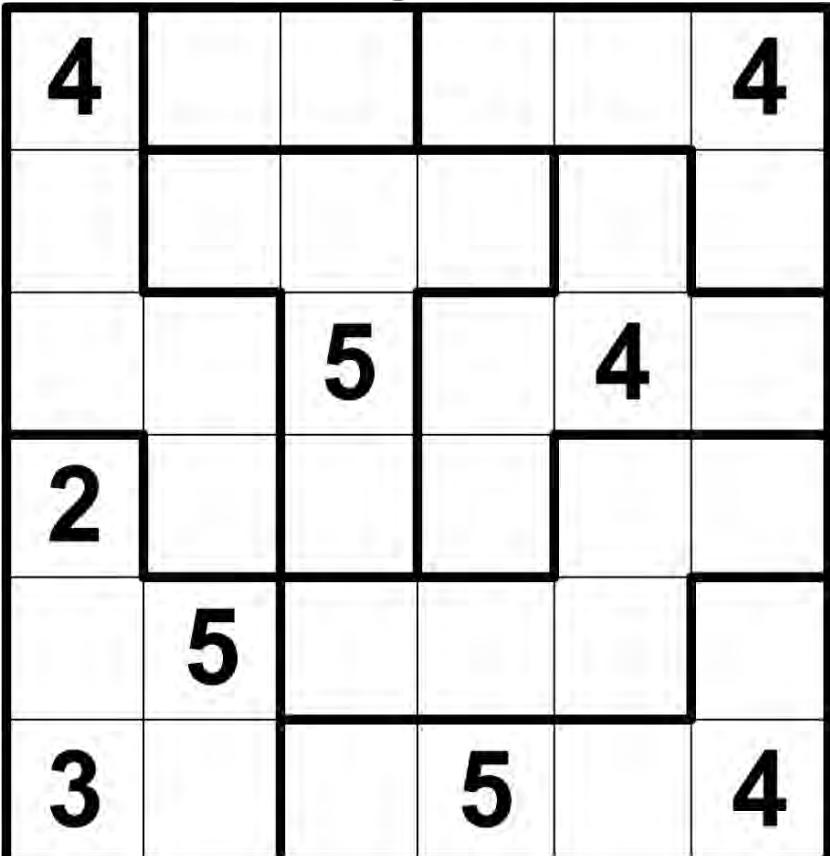
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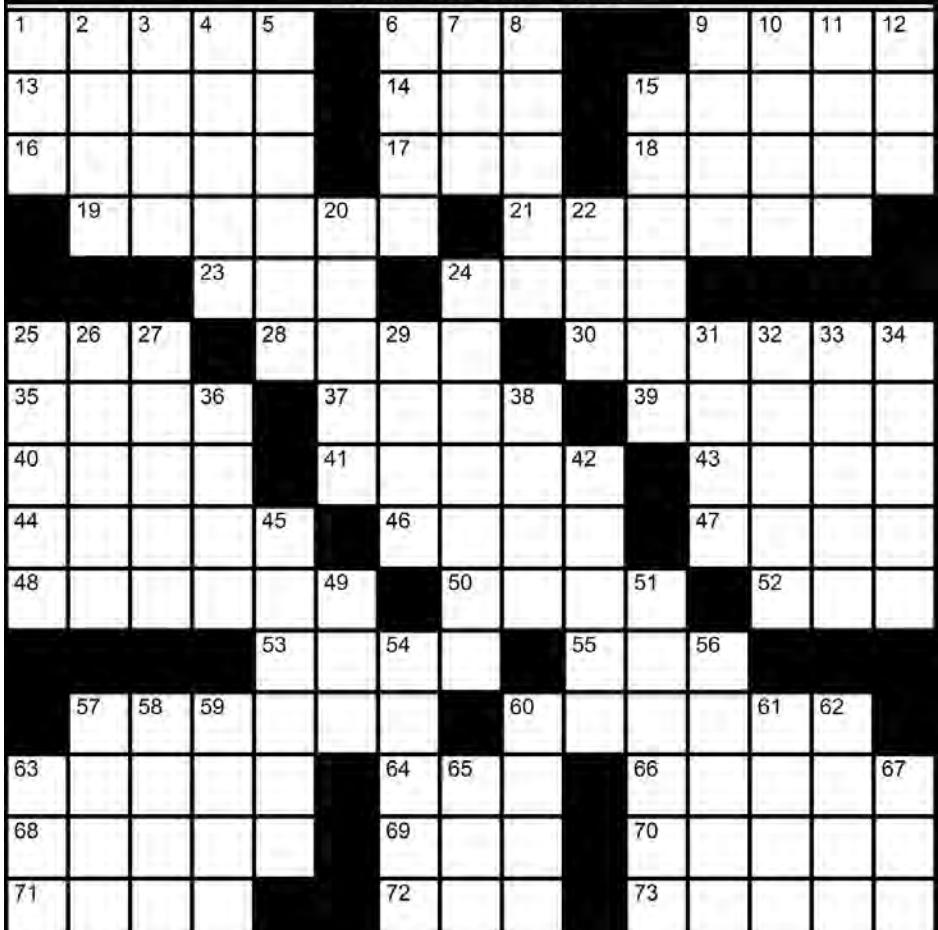
1. Desert bloomers
6. Request for tailor
9. Paul Bunyan's companion
13. Delivered by plane
14. Boiling emotion
15. Match play result?
16. Like the North vs. the South war
17. Bag, à Paris
18. Nymph of lakes and springs
19. *Team that never made it to Super Bowl
21. *Last year's Super Bowl winner
23. *Safety value
24. Disfigure
25. *Birthplace of NFL
28. Roofed colonnade
30. Dr. Seuss' Yertle
35. Auctioneer's final word
37. Sea eagles
39. Popular winter boot brand
40. Largest ethnic group in Rwanda
41. User's destination
43. Like Twiggy's skirt
44. Former anesthetic
46. Not all
47. Death notice
48. Like r in American English
50. Luau souvenirs
52. Opposite of WSW
53. Vatican's head
55. Cattle prod
57. *AFC's top seed
60. *Host state of this year's Super Bowl
63. Like allergy spray
64. Second person of be
66. Pleasant odor
68. Fervent
69. Grazing ground
70. "When pigs fly!"
71. Modeling material
72. *NFL Honors' announcement

73. Trento's Council of _____

DOWN

1. Chlorofluorocarbon, abbr.
2. Alight, past tense
3. Boat mooring spot, e.g.
4. Short for betwixt
5. Wife's parents
6. Serpentarium noise
7. Time period
8. Hajj destination
9. Hillside, in Scotland
10. "Dream on!" (2 words)
11. Constricting snakes
12. * _____ zone
15. Bad blood
20. Post-it user
22. Not miss
24. Street opening
25. *Half-time show entertainer
26. Compass point
27. In spite of the fact, arch.
29. Loads from Iodes
31. *CBS announcer and former QB
32. Native American group
33. Famous Bolshevik
34. *Like the Super Bowl players
36. Sonny & Cher, e.g.
38. Ditto
42. Neutral shade
45. With mature appearance
49. Bamboozle
51. Learned one
54. Religious song
56. Defier
57. Not top-shelf
58. On the ocean
59. Deviate
60. Type of tide
61. Peace symbol
62. End of grace
63. *49ers' conference
65. Short for one time around
67. Short for Arthur

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County Players to present 'An Ideal Husband'

Oscar Wilde's classic comedy runs through Feb. 24

County Players, one of the longest-running community theatre companies in the area will present the classic comedy by Oscar Wilde "An Ideal Husband." This Main Stage production directed by Michael J. Frohnhofer runs through February 24. Performances are scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays February 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, and 24 at 8 p.m., with matinees on Sunday, February 18, and Saturday, February 24 at 2 p.m. with performances held at the County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 W. Main Street, in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

This witty and still topical play brings an act of political sin into the heart of the English home. An ambitious government minister, Sir Robert Chiltern's smooth ascent to the top seems assured until Mrs. Cheveley appears in London with damning proof of his previous financial chicanery.

The production features the local talents of Veronica Acevedo, Connie Boden, Mike Boden, Craig Brown, Mark Colvson, Donna Conway, John Leinung, Keller Mickle, Glen Morrice, Rebecca Nagle, Peggy Ringwood, Amy Schaffer, and Robert Yarnall.

Of this production director Frohnhofer said, "Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband" takes a satirical look at society and politics through the lens of relationships and integrity. This play, written over 120 years ago is still quite relevant, exploring concepts of wealth and power, love and forgiveness and the expectations of men and women. Oscar Wilde's wit and humor shines through the play, contrasting richly with his social commentary. Come in from the cold and enjoy a rich, warm and witty romantic comedy."

Please visit countyplayers.org for up-to-date information on theater restrictions and protocols as COVID-19 restrictions and mandates are evolving daily. The box office will once again open for in-person ticket sales on performance days. Individual tickets are available online in advance of the performance dates. Accessibility: If one requires wheelchair accessibility, please contact our Box Office at 845-298-1491.

This production of "An Ideal Husband" is made possible by Bronze Sponsor: Stissing Center. Hudson Valley Credit Union proudly sponsors County Players' 66th Season.



The cast of "An Ideal Husband." Performances of Oscar Wilde's classic comedy will run through Feb. 24 at County Players in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

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