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Three vie to become the next mayor of Wappingers Falls Election set for March 18



There are three candidates vying for the position of mayor in the upcoming Wappingers Falls election. Pictured, from left, are Kevin Huber, Charles Ferry and Jennifer Niznik. The election is set for March 18.

Compiled by Kristine Coulter

The registered voters in the Village of Wappingers Falls will head to the polls from 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. on March 18. There are 3 candidates for mayor this year. The candidates are: current mayor Kevin Huber, Charles Ferry, a former police chief and a chairperson for the Wappingers Falls Parks Commission and current village trustee Jennifer Niznik.

The following 4 questions were emailed to each candidate:

1. Why are you running for mayor? What experience will you bring to that office?
2. How would you handle the Village's

financial situation?

3. What are your plans, goals for the Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department?

4. What other priority would be on your agenda if you win?

Responses from each candidate follow, starting with the incumbent and then in alphabetical order.

Kevin Huber

1. Why are you running for mayor? What experience will you bring to that office?

Having served twice before as Deputy Mayor and now Mayor for the past two

years, I bring a unique perspective to the office that my opponents do not have. I have a proven track record of leading the Village through challenging times, including navigating a state audit and implementing necessary financial reforms. My leadership has been rooted in integrity and honesty, as I believe these are the core qualities every chief elected officer should embody.

I've worked closely with the board and Treasurer to correct past mistakes, improve fiscal accountability, and secure millions in grants for vital projects. With

-Courtesy photos from candidates' campaigns

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2 Cornell webinars to focus on HPAI, poultry health

In light of the resurgence of infections from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI, Bird Flu), Cornell Cooperative Extension's Livestock Program Work Team is responding by hosting two webinars that will interest small flock owners. The two webinars focus on providing research-based information about the state of HPAI and avian disease in small flocks and how to get started raising laying hens.

The first webinar is titled, "Raising Laying Hens for Eggs: Is it all it's cracked up to be?" Owning a home flock can be rewarding but with it comes responsibilities. This webinar takes attendees through everything from local regulations of chicken ownership through the process of raising chicks. It also will cover the costs of raising a flock and requirements and best management practices of selling eggs. This webinar will be presented Tuesday March 11 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. Register to receive the Zoom link, <https://tinyurl.com/GettingStartedLayingHens>.

The second webinar is titled, "Avian Disease and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza – the latest updates and what it means for poultry health." Dr. Chad Wall from NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets shares, "The avian influenza (HPAI) outbreak that began in February of 2022 is the largest animal disease event ever for the United States. Minimizing risk of infection through strong biosecurity efforts remains the best way to ensure a healthy flock." This webinar will cover updates about the HPAI outbreak, symptoms of HPAI, common small flock diseases, and keeping your poultry safe. It will be held Tuesday, March 18 from 6:30-8 p.m. via Zoom with the registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/HPAI2025>.

Both webinars will provide an opportunity to ask questions and are free of charge. They will be recorded, with recordings sent to registrants.

See advice about Bird Flu from DC Health Dept. on page 6

Marist basketball teams earn top seeds at MAAC tournaments

By Morgan E. Maier

Marist University's 2024-25 athletic accolades could easily fill some news pages on their own. To the delight of Red Foxes basketball fans, the men's and women's teams have set program records and milestones all season long. At the close of the regular season, history is still in the making. Each Marist squad has earned a spot in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference championship and could clinch an automatic bid to the 2025 NCAA Tournament.

Single-game tickets are now on sale for the MAAC championships, and Marist's chance at a double strike of history. From March 11-15, Atlantic City's Jim Whelan Boardwalk Hall will host the Foxes' hunt for its first March Madness ticket since 2021. Each team is guaranteed a first-round bye for owning a top-six conference record.

The NCAA awards one automatic tournament bid to every conference tournament winner. Smaller market conferences like MAAC provide little opportunity for a team to build a season resumé worth an at-large bid. As a result, Marist basketball's March ticket always comes from conference tournament wins.

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Lexie Tarud of the Marist University women's basketball team drives the ball upcourt during a recent game. The Marist women begin play in the MAAC tournament next week.

-Courtesy photo

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another term, I'll continue to foster growth, tackle long-standing issues, and work tirelessly to make Wappingers Falls an even better place for all.

2. How would you handle the Village's financial situation?

Getting control of the Village's financial situation was an arduous task due to years of mismanagement and a staggering turnover in administration, particularly within the Treasurer's office. Over a 16-month period, there were seven changes in leadership, which created a field day for disorganization, incorrect appropriations, and a lack of quality oversight. It was a difficult challenge to regain control and restore order, but so much of that chaos is now behind us.

We have a committed Treasurer who has worked tirelessly to dig deep into the records, identify shortfalls, and fix the issues that have long plagued the Village. My plan is to stay the course and continue following the Corrective Action Plan while ensuring that the board is privy to the spending that happens. The Finance office has made significant strides and has worked hard to bring years of neglect into compliance.

3. What are your plans, goals for the Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department?

I am committed to maintaining public safety in an affordable and responsible way. As Mayor of the Village of Wappingers Falls, I have been entrusted to serve as the true voice of our community, and I take that responsibility seriously. My mission is to ensure that every resident feels safe and supported, and that our local law enforcement is a natural extension of our community fabric.

In practical terms, my goal is to continue supporting our Police Department by

providing them with the necessary resources to do their jobs effectively. We have already secured over \$235,000 in grant money to help improve efficiencies. I am committed to building a police department based on community policing principles—where our officers are not just enforcers of the law, but also trusted neighbors who know and understand the unique needs of our residents.

4. What other priority would be on your agenda if you win?

As Mayor of the Village of Wappingers Falls, my additional priorities include:

- Fiscal Responsibility: Create efficiencies and reduce costs to lower taxes and address outstanding debt.
- Public Spaces Enhancement: Advance the lake project as a hub for passive recreation and youth activities, expand summer camp eligibility, and support park events that unite our community.
- Local Business Promotion: Boost our economy through initiatives like "First Saturdays," grand openings, and a "shop & eat local" campaign.
- Infrastructure Improvements: Continue water and sewer updates, road paving, address the water crisis, and advance lake remediation to keep our parks accessible and welcoming.

Together, these initiatives will enhance our community's quality of life while ensuring responsible governance.

Charles Ferry

1. Why are you running for mayor? What experience will you bring to that office?

My wife Lori and I have lived in the Village for 37 years.

I am in in this race because I have the experience and knowledge to help our Village thrive.

I have 37 years of experience in the public sector, 10 years as a Police Chief. I prepared and managed a \$5-million-dollar budget and dealt with a wide spectrum

of public sector challenges. I hold a bachelor's degree in Community and Human Services. I am Chairperson of our Parks Commission. I retired in 2019 and will be available to give the Village my full focus.

2. How would you handle the Village's financial situation?

I propose the below changes to improve Board oversight and restore trust in the handling of public funds.

- Priorities and timelines will be set for the Treasurer's Office
- There will be an annual independent audit of the Treasurer's records
- Detailed monthly financial reports completed for the Board and shared with the public
- The 3-member Finance Committee will be eliminated
- All six trustees will be responsible for fiscal oversight.
- Finances will be discussed at the monthly public workshop meeting.
- Establish a citizen-based Budget and Finance Advisory Committee to provide comment to the board during the budget process and as requested.

3. What are your plans, goals for the Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department?

To address financial limitations and staffing shortages of the department I would:

- Increase pay to attract and retain officers
- Stop the over-involvement of the Village Board in the department
- Provide two trained and properly equipped officers 24-hours a day
- Most felonies should be investigated by the New York State Police Bureau of Investigations
- Make traffic safety is a shared responsibility of all officers on patrol, not a specialized traffic safety unit
- Maintain the current around-the-clock dispatchers
- Administration: one superior officer, one senior dispatcher, one patrol Sergeant and a part-time Police Commissioner.
- Any expansion of these minimums must be scrutinized.

4. What other priority would be on your agenda if you win?

Technology is an underused tool for improving transparency and communication. I will use already existing systems for better transparency, communication and awareness of village government. This includes:

- Creation of high subscriber rate, text-based emergency notification system for important need to know information

- Establish a text-based notification system for information about public meetings, overnight parking, events, and helpful community information

- Establish a reliable, easy-to-navigate, and regularly updated website
- Publish financial documents on the website
- Establish and maintain official social media sites
- Increase subscriber rates and use of the GovDelivery email service, currently provided by the County.

Jennifer Niznik

1. Why are you running for mayor? What experiences will you bring to that office?

I know what's broken in our village and I have the courage to fix it. I continue to see leadership give in to louder voices instead of doing what's right for our community and I'm running to change that. I have over 10 years experience as a Village trustee and have worked closely with previous administrations and I have seen what works and what does not in that position. I have deep roots in the Village and I care deeply about taking it in the right direction.

2. How would you handle the Village's financial situation?

First and foremost, I would be transparent. I am committed to addressing the Village's financial challenges with a responsible and transparent approach. I will identify insufficiencies and ensure taxpayer dollars are being used effectively. There needs to be a hard look at the Village financials and be open to the taxpayer about it.

3. What are your plans, goals for the Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department?

I am a strong supporter of our Police and all of our first responders. Shutting down the late night shift was irresponsible and unsafe. I know the State Police and County Sheriff's Dept. are great organizations, but life and death moments are separated by seconds and that is what we forfeit by eliminating our late tour officers.

4. What other priority would be on your agenda if you win?

I want to be open and transparent with all the issues we face and build trust with the residents and show them that I will work tirelessly for a better village community.

We have water issues that need to be addressed. Water bills are going up and it is a tremendous burden on many, particularly those on a fixed income. We need to explore all options and help ease this burden.

Wappingers Falls election set for March 18

Pursuant to Section 504 of the Election Law, the general Village Election of and for said Village will be held on March 18, and that the polls will be open between the hours of 10 a.m. and 9 p.m.

The Village has been divided into three election districts and that a description of said districts, together with the polling place for each such district is as follows:

Election District No. 1: All that portion of said Village lying North and West of the Wappinger Creek; the polling place in District No. 1 is the Village Hall 2582 South Avenue in said Village.

Election District No. 2: Election District No. 2 is comprised of all that portion of said Village generally bounded as follows: on the South by the Village boundary line, on the North by East Main Street, on the East by South Avenue and on the West by the Wappinger Creek and the polling place is the Village Hall, 2582 South Avenue in said Village.

Election District No. 3: All that portion of the Village lying outside the two districts above described; the polling place is the Village Hall, 2582 South Avenue in said Village.

The term for mayor and trustee positions are each 2-year terms.

The following are names of

candidates nominated:

Democratic Party

Kevin Huber, Mayor
Don McCormick, 1st Ward Trustee
Rosemarie Vanca, 2nd Ward Trustee
John Tylliszczak, 3rd Ward Trustee

Republican Party

Jenifer Niznik, Mayor
Don McCormick, 1st Ward Trustee
Rosemarie Vanca, 2nd Ward Trustee
Ryan Chiumento, 3rd Ward Trustee

Village First Party

Kevin Huber, Mayor
Don McCormick, 1st Ward Trustee
Mary Paonessa, 2nd Ward Trustee
John Tylliszczak, 3rd Ward Trustee

Village United

Charles Ferry, Mayor

Plain Truth

Ryan Chiumento, 3rd Ward Trustee

Village Unity

Jenifer Niznik, Mayor

Information was submitted by John M. Karge, RMC, CMC, Village Clerk & Chief Election Officer, Village of Wappingers Falls.

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AG announces 122-count indictment against 4 for alleged roles in drug-trafficking network

New York Attorney General Letitia James announced the takedown of a drug trafficking ring in the Hudson Valley that illegally sold cocaine, powder fentanyl, and counterfeit oxycodone pills containing fentanyl across Dutchess, Ulster, and Orange counties. An investigation led by the Office of the Attorney General's (OAG) Organized Crime Task Force (OCTF) recovered two and a half kilograms of cocaine worth approximately \$45,000, thousands of counterfeit oxycodone pills containing fentanyl worth over \$500,000, and three and a half kilograms of powder fentanyl worth over \$200,000. Five illegal handguns, including two ghost guns, and four high-capacity magazines were also seized during the operation. A 122-count indictment charging four individuals for their roles in the drug trafficking network was unsealed in Dutchess County Court. The indictment charges Xavier Grant, Antawone West, Michael Jones, and Kenyi Torres with multiple felonies for narcotics and firearms offenses.

"Drug traffickers who distribute lethal amounts of opioids put communities throughout our state in danger," said James. "Not only did these individuals sell deadly narcotics, they disguised fentanyl in fake prescription pills, putting the lives of their customers at even greater risk. I thank our partners in law enforcement for their collaboration in this effort to take a dangerous criminal organization off our streets as we continue to work to keep New Yorkers safe."

The takedown was the result of an eleven-

month joint investigation led by OCTF and the New York State Police's (NYSP) Special Investigations Unit – Hudson Valley (SIU-HV) and Troop K – Violent Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team (K-VGNET).

The investigation included hundreds of hours of physical and covert surveillance, analysis of voluminous electronic evidence, including cellphone communications, covert video and audio recordings, and other traditional investigative techniques. During their communications, the defendants frequently utilized coded and cryptic terminology in an attempt to disguise their illicit activities, such as referring to orders of counterfeit oxycodone pills containing fentanyl as "blues," "blueberries," or "perks," a nod to their legitimate, prescription medication counterparts.

The investigation revealed that Grant, West, Jones, and Torres allegedly obtained cocaine, powder fentanyl, and counterfeit oxycodone pills containing fentanyl for further distribution. Additionally, the investigation revealed that the four defendants worked together to store, supply, and distribute the narcotics in Dutchess, Orange, and Ulster counties. The narcotics were stored in various stash locations in the residential areas of Poughkeepsie and often sold in parking lots. The investigation also allegedly seized five illegal handguns, four of which were loaded, and two of which were ghost guns, in addition to four illegal high-capacity magazines.

The investigation into this narcotics trafficking network led to the recovery of:

- Two and a half kilograms of cocaine;
- Thousands of counterfeit oxycodone



Some of the alleged counterfeit oxycodone pills containing fentanyl seized during this investigation.

pills containing fentanyl weighing over two and a half kilograms;

- Three and a half kilograms of powder fentanyl;

Five illegal handguns, including two ghost guns and four high-capacity magazines;

- Drug paraphernalia, including scales, ziplock bags, glassine envelopes, and other packaging materials used to package and measure narcotics;

- Two "kilo" presses; and
- Approximately \$255,000 in cash.

The 122-count indictment, unsealed in Dutchess County Court, includes counts for various felony narcotics offenses, including charges against Jones and West for Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree, respectively. Each carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison. Additional charges include various counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance (class B felonies) and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance (class A-II and B felonies), as well as Conspiracy to commit those crimes.

Jones and West are also charged with firearms offenses including Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a class C violent felony, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree, a class D felony, and Criminal Possession of a Firearm, a class E felony.

Grant and Torres are each charged with, among other things, multiple counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Second Degree, a class A-II felony, which carries a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison. They are also charged with Conspiracy to commit those crimes. The charges against the defendants are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Wappinger supervisor orders house demolished where 2 bodies found after alleged arson

By Kristine Coulter

Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini rescinded an original executive order regarding a home where two individuals were found dead. Law enforcement announced arson was the cause of the fire that burnt down the house at 78 Marlerville Road in the town of

Wappinger on Jan. 26. The initial executive order allowed law enforcement and fire officials to investigate the scene. The recent order called for the demolition of the remains of the home, which took place on Feb. 27.

"This is a horrific tragedy for our community. My heart goes out to the family and friends during this devastating time," Cavaccini told Southern Dutchess News on Feb. 26.

According to the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, on Jan. 26, Robert J. Buda was arrested for arson. The Sheriff's Office identified the victims as Jo-Ann and Paul Hait, a married couple. Jo-Ann Hait was 65 and Paul Hait was 63 years old.

According to the Sheriff's Office, Buda, who was known to the couple, was additionally charged in connection with the deaths of the Hait's and their dog.

"Throughout this tragedy I joined first responders on scene into the early morning hours and have maintained regular communication with the Hait family on all recent updates," Cavaccini stated.

Buda was again arrested by Sheriff's Office Detectives on Jan. 31. He was fur-

ther charged with Murder 1st degree, Murder 2nd degree (2 counts), and Aggravated Cruelty to Animals, according to the Sheriff's Office, and the original Arson 2nd degree charge was upgraded to Arson 1st degree.

Buda was arraigned before the Town of Wappinger Court and has been remanded to the Dutchess County Justice and Transition Center with no bail, stated law enforcement.

Cavaccini said, "Thank you to all of our brave first responders on their swift actions that night, facing difficult conditions, and taking this evil individual off of

our streets."

Anyone who may have information on this case can be provided through the Sheriff's Office's tipline at 845-486-CLUE (2583) or dcsotips@gmail.com, or contact Detective Griffin at 845-486-3809 or jgriffin@dutchessny.gov. The Sheriff's Office noted all information will be kept confidential.

"Senior Councilman William H. Beale and I are in communication with law enforcement as the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office continues their ongoing investigation into this heinous crime," stated the supervisor.

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- Maximum 200 words
- Must be sent via email
- Provide a phone number where we may reach you to confirm you have written the letter-writers
- We will run as many letters as possible, space permitting, in our March 12 issue. Please note that we will NOT run negative letters against any Wappingers Falls candidate in the March 12 issue; only letters endorsing candidates will be run in that issue.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We appreciate the passion that people feel for their candidates and their political parties, but encourage letter-writers to express support for their candidates in a positive and instructive manner. It is easy to criticize others, but at the local level, we know that great things can be accomplished through cooperation. We have faith that our readers, and our communities, can rise above the partisan fray in this election season, and emphasize the good that their candidates will do.

Supporting Good Cause eviction legislation

To the Editor:

As chair of the Citizens Committee on Housing Affordability, I am writing to express my support for Good Cause eviction legislation in the Town of Poughkeepsie.

Across the country, real estate has shifted from being the foundation of small businesses and local economies to a commodified asset class. Buildings aren't homes or businesses anymore - they're investment vehicles, and tenants are treated as numbers instead of neighbors.

I support Good Cause because it ensures that Town of Poughkeepsie families have basic protections against being displaced without reason. It creates stability for renters, while allowing responsible landlords to manage their properties fairly. Finally, it prevents predatory practices that prioritize investor profits over community well-being.

To give you an example of community ownership here in Poughkeepsie, meet Dave, a former tenant of my late grandfather. Dave got hit by a car and broke his hip crossing the street, putting him out of work for 8-10 weeks. My late grandfather worked with him so he didn't have to pay rent during that period and set up a payment plan to resume when he recovered. That decision was made with common sense and humanity, treating people as community members.

We cannot let the next generation of families, workers and small business owners be priced out of the community they helped build.

Trevor Redl
Poughkeepsie

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Dutchess Tourism new board members have a 'dynamic mix' of experiences

Dutchess Tourism, Inc. (DTI) is proud to announce the appointment of new members to its Board of Directors and the selection of its governance team for 2025 at their annual meeting earlier this year. With a dynamic mix of expertise spanning higher education, marketing, nonprofit leadership, and destination management, the new additions will help guide DTI into an exciting future in the organization's 10th anniversary of incorporation this year.

Joining the Board of Directors this year are:

- Jocelyn Heyward, Senior Brand Manager, Dassai Blue (Hyde Park)
- Mallory Maggiamo, Executive Director of Graduate Admission & Corporate Outreach, Marist University (Poughkeepsie)
- Lori Robertson, Executive Director, Walkway Over the Hudson (Poughkeepsie)
- Wendy Troncone, Director of Marketing, Adams Fairacre Farms (Poughkeepsie, Wappingers Falls)

These new board members bring valuable expertise in community engagement, strategic partnerships, and brand development, which will strengthen Dutchess Tourism's efforts to attract visitors and support the county's vibrant tourism economy.

Melaine Rottkamp, president & CEO of Dutchess Tourism, Inc., welcomed the new board members, saying, "Each year, we look forward to collaborating with our board members, who bring a wealth of experience and fresh perspectives to our organization. With this talented team in place, I am confident that Dutchess Tourism will continue to innovate and grow, ensuring that our county remains a must-visit destination." She added, "I want to extend a special thanks to Kevin Allan for this leadership as our board chair for the past two years as well as Gaye Mallet, who served as our 1st vice chairperson and is stepping off the governance committee."

In 2023, visitors spent \$756 million in Dutchess County, supporting over 1,200 tourism-related businesses, nearly 10,000 jobs, and generating \$93 million in state and local taxes. This revenue helped reduce the tax burden on residents by \$817 per household while enhancing public services. The impact of destination

promotion extends far beyond the tourism sector, benefiting visitor-related businesses, their suppliers, and the broader community. Through strategic marketing initiatives, partnerships, and advocacy, Dutchess Tourism continues to drive sustainable growth and position the county as a premier destination.

The newly appointed officers of the board include:

- Chairperson: Brandon Walker, Chef/Owner B&L Hospitality, Essie's Restaurant
- Past Chairperson: Kevin Allan, CEO, Changing Our World
- 1st Vice Chairperson: Danielle Strauch, Esq., Partner, Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP
- 2nd Vice Chairperson: Seif Fakhoury, Sales Executive, Courtyard by Marriott and Residence Inn by Marriott
- Treasurer: Brent Caster, General Manager, Bonura Hospitality Group
- Secretary: Dennis Macheska, Associate Dean of the College for Campus Activities, Vassar College

Allan expressed his gratitude for the board's dedication and commitment, stating, "It has been an honor to serve as chair of Dutchess Tourism. I am incredibly proud of the work we have accomplished together to elevate Dutchess County as a premier travel destination. I congratulate Brandon Walker on his new role as chair and have full confidence that, under his leadership, the board will continue to make great strides."

Walker shared his enthusiasm for the year ahead, saying, "I am honored to lead Dutchess Tourism's Board of Directors at such a pivotal time. Tourism continues to be a major driver of our local economy, and I look forward to working alongside this dedicated team to further our mission of showcasing all that Dutchess County has to offer. The future is bright, and I am excited for the opportunities ahead."

As DTI enters its next chapter, the organization is excited to invite industry partners, community leaders, and tourism stakeholders to its upcoming Tourism & Trends Conference and 10th Anniversary Celebration on April 3, at The Grandview in Poughkeepsie. More details on this milestone event will be announced soon.

For more information about Dutchess Tourism, Inc., visit dutchesstourism.com.

Dutchess County Fair scholarship available

The Dutchess County Agricultural Society recently announced that its scholarship application is now available online. This renewable scholarship awards a Dutchess County high school senior, or student enrolled in college or tech school with a \$10,000 scholarship.

The qualifying student must be a Dutchess County resident and/or participate in the programs operated by the agricultural society. The recipient must seek an undergraduate degree in agriculture, horticulture or human ecology or a career related to agriculture or horticulture.

All applicants must submit their applications by 3 p.m. May 9.

Information and a fillable PDF application are available at the Dutchess County Fair's website <https://dutchessfair.com/scholarships/>, through Cornell Cooperative Extension of Dutchess

County and from one's local high school offices.

The NYSAAF (New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs) and NYSSA (New York State Showpeoples Association) offer an annual scholarship program which is available to students who are New York State residents, who currently are (or have previously been) active in a fair that is a member of the NYSAAF or the NYSSA and who plan to attend (or already attend) college in pursuit of a degree. The fair where you have been active, or the NYSSA must endorse your application and will submit it for you. The website www.nyfairs.org offers a complete list of member fairs, the scholarship application, and instructions.

Visit www.dutchessfair.com or www.nyfairs.org for information regarding both scholarships.

Serino to present State of County on March 11

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino will present the 2025 State of the County Address at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, at John Jay High School in Hopewell Junction.

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The importance of community and building relationships

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By David Hambleton

I want to talk about something near and dear to my heart - community. At Sisters Hill Farm in Stanfordville, our mission statement reflects its importance: "Our mission is to grow healthy food that nurtures bodies, spirits, communities and the earth."

The trendy thing for Community Supported Agriculture Farms (CSAs) now is to offer customers a platform where they can order exactly what they want and have it delivered to their door. Obviously it's not just a trend in the CSA world but in every aspect of our lives, from groceries, to restaurants to used automobiles. You no longer have to leave your house to live a productive life. Your interactions with other humans can be, and increasingly are, transactional.

But many of us are asking ourselves, what are we losing due to the transactional nature of our modern lives? According to a 2023 report put out by Surgeon General Dr. Vivek H. Murthy, Americans are experiencing an epidemic of loneliness and isolation. This is due to a combination of changes over the last century leading to fewer opportunities to engage with our neighbors. We used to cross paths at bowling alleys, social clubs, unions, churches, volunteer fire departments and the like. When we rarely see our neighbors or the struggles they face, we find it difficult to empathize with them. Simple disagreements and misunderstandings can become confrontational quickly.

Community engagement in clubs and activities is one thing, but perhaps what's escalated our isolation epidemic above all else is our addiction to our phones and devices. To my eye, a dominant driver of the world's problems and our subsequent inability as a culture to resolve them is the ever-present battle for our attention. In the interest of retaining our attention, corporations are giving us more of what we seek. Catering our news feeds with information that is increasingly outrageous and inflammatory - all the better to draw us in, supplying us with a constant surge of dopamine that leaves us always craving more. The end result is that we become more fearful and passive.

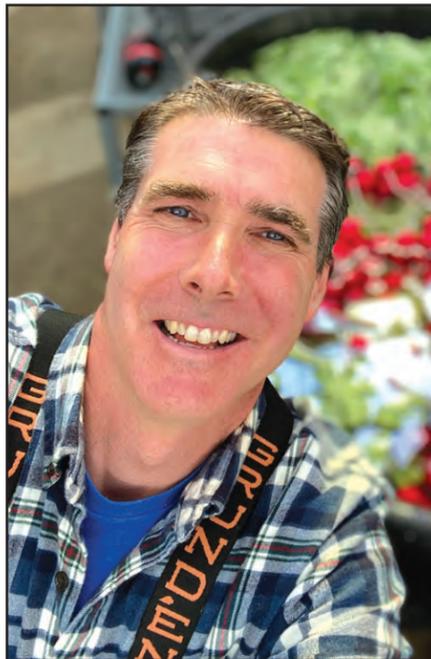
A viable solution

But there is a better way, an alternate path. We have to safeguard our minds and our attention. We have to prevent the modern world and the breakneck pace of change from breaking us. We need to be conscious of the damage that unfettered access to these powerful algorithms designed with keen psychological insight can have on us. Leaving us diminished, lonely, isolated, fearful and at the same time fiercely independent.

How do we protect our humanity in a time of unprecedented change? Am I advocating quitting all social media, becoming Luddites and leaving the modern world and all of the amazing and terrible things it has made possible? Of course not. As with nearly everything in life, it's not so black and white, the solution is usually some shade of grey.

There are mountains of data on how to live a long, happy, and healthy life. Once our basic physical needs are met, healthy food, clean water, and adequate shelter; there are just a few things that are fundamental to human health and happiness. The first and most important is to cultivate good relationships. These relationships are what help bolster our psyches and build healthy communities. Another tenet is to have a sense of purpose. A third is to exercise and manage stress (spending time in nature and visiting a beautiful farm are great for that).

So many members over the years have



David Hambleton

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told me that arriving at the farm to pick up their vegetables is the highlight of their week - that they feel a sense of peace and calm wash over them when they step out of their car. Others have told me how much they enjoy seeing children out picking flowers or herbs with their parents, creating lifelong memories. Some have said that they love to connect and catch up with their friends and neighbors. A member who was overwhelmed with caring for her disabled husband said that coming to one of our work parties, laughing and sharing stories with her friends, "literally saved my life."

For my part, I would have moved on from farming long ago if I didn't get the chance to connect with you all on a weekly basis. There wouldn't be enough joy and meaning in it to overcome the stress of the workload, coupled with the uncertainty of climate change. It's my connection with farm members that keeps me going through the tough times. My ability to imagine and visualize all of you sharing delicious meals with your families and friends, and seeing the joy and gratitude on your faces when you pick up your vegetables - that's what drives me to approach each day with passion despite the challenges inherent in farming.

I'm aware that joining a CSA is not nearly as easy as ordering your groceries online. It takes work from you, it takes time, it takes care to prepare home-cooked meals from scratch. But on balance, it is more than worth it - in fact it's essential. Sharing wholesome food with those you love is elemental to our humanity.

A personal mantra of mine is "Anything worth doing takes time. Don't waste time in pursuits that are not in alignment with your deepest values." Easy is not the solution to a happy life. Money, fame, glory, a fancy car do not bring true happiness. Think about what you're most proud of, something that gives you a sense of joy and self-worth. I'd be willing to bet it didn't come easy, most likely it took a great deal of effort and involved working in concert with others. You might think it was an independent task, but in all likelihood, you were bolstered in your efforts, emotionally, physically or psychologically by someone who loves you. Like a farmer, you can choose to cultivate those relationships and watch your life blossom. That's what real community is all about.

"Farmer Dave"
David Hambleton
Director and Farmer
Sisters Hill Farm

Educational presentation on 'Good Cause Eviction' law in Fishkill set for March 12

By Kristine Coulter

Town of Fishkill tenants, community members and the public can learn more about the recently passed "Good Cause Eviction" law. The educational presentation will take place on March 12 at 7 p.m. at the Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, in Fishkill. Scheduled to speak during the presentation are members of the Mid-Hudson Valley DSA (chapter of Democratic Socialists of America), Hudson Valley Justice Center lawyer and Fishkill Town Supervisor Ozzy Albra.

Albra noted in an email to Southern Dutchess News that the Fishkill Town Board "passed a Good Cause Eviction Law late last year 4-0 with 2 D[emocrat]s and 2 R[epublican]s voting yes, a true bipartisan effort."

Adam Sendelbach is a Fishkill resident and Mid-Hudson Valley DSA member.

Sendelbach said, "I first got involved with Good Cause Eviction last summer. Personally, I have had two siblings priced out of Fishkill. I am a college student, and am at risk of being priced out of the community that I grew up in. I had already been semi-familiar with the law because of the Mid-Hudson Valley Democratic Socialists of America's focus on getting it

passed in upstate municipalities. So, when it was mentioned at a town board meeting that I happened to be at, I decided to start advocating for this law."

Sendelbach continued, "We knocked on hundreds of doors, started a petition that currently has just under 200 signatures, organized tenants to speak at board meetings and call the members and because of that, we were able to get a unanimous vote in favor of the bill."

Sendelbach was asked why people should attend this meeting. He said people should attend for several reasons.

"The biggest reason being able to get educated on the law. About a month after the law was passed, I was talking with a tenant who said that her landlord told her that the bill failed to pass. She was surprised, and a bit agitated, when I told her they were wrong. Because of this, it is important that tenants know their rights."

According to Sendelbach, this meeting "is also a perfect place to get to know other members of the community. By the end of the meeting, tenants will be well educated and be given an opportunity to get further involved."

Albra said everyone is invited to the meeting.

'Shotgun Scientist' Dr. Angelica Patterson to speak at Cary Institute

On Friday, March 14 at 7pm, Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies will host a public lecture featuring Dr. Angelica Patterson, a plant ecophysiological and science communicator from Mount Holyoke College. She has been dubbed the "Shotgun Scientist" for a method she uses to collect leaves from trees to study how they respond to climate change. Guests can attend the presentation in-person at Cary's auditorium in Millbrook, or via live stream. For more information and to register, visit caryinstitute.org/events.

As northeastern forests recover from a history of agriculture and timber harvesting, they have become one of the world's fastest-growing carbon sinks. By locking carbon in their wood, the trees that make up these forests are allies in the fight against climate change. But warming temperatures are leading to shifts in the tree species that make up these forests, as some slowly migrate northward in search of cooler conditions.

Patterson will discuss her research on how different tree species are responding to warming temperatures, which are most tolerant, the role of other stressors,

and what this means for future carbon storage. Her work has revealed that resident trees (such as Northern red oak and red maple) may have a physiological disadvantage compared with their migrant counterparts (such as pignut hickory and American sycamore), and are at risk of being replaced due to this and other ecological factors.

This event is free and open to all. There will be time for audience Q&A following the presentation. Registration is required; There are separate signups for in-person seating in our Millbrook auditorium and virtual access via live stream.

Patterson is the Curator of Education and Outreach for Mount Holyoke College's Miller Worley Center for the Environment. Patterson received her bachelor's from Cornell University and her master's and doctorate degrees from Columbia University. She is an advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion in the environmental sciences.

For more information about Dr. Patterson and her work, visit her at theshotgunscientist.com or on X @ColorfulSciGirl.

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Guidance about Bird Flu from the County Health Department

Influenza H5N1, more commonly known as bird or avian flu, has been making national news in recent months, and there have been questions from local residents concerned about risk. The Dutchess County Department of Health (DOH) reminds and reassures residents that avian flu remains classified as a “low” public health risk by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). There have been no confirmed cases of bird flu in humans anywhere in New York State.

“With the popularity of backyard flocks and our diverse wildlife habitats, residents have asked about the risk of bird flu. Fortunately, the public health risk of bird flu remains low,” said DOH Commissioner Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado. “Staying vigilant about animal exposures and following some simple steps is the best protection against bird flu.”

DOH suggests residents visit CDC’s Bird Flu update page for the latest information and follow these easy steps to stay healthy and safe:

- Avoid direct contact with wild birds, livestock and other animals infected with bird flu

- Avoid eating raw or undercooked meat or eggs

- Avoid handling sick wild or domestic birds including chickens and ducks

- Avoid consuming raw (unpasteurized) milk or dairy products

- Wash hands well and often

If you see sick or deceased birds, do not touch them. Anyone concerned after finding a single deceased bird or poultry can report it through the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation’s (DEC) report page. If you see a group of dead birds or if several of your poultry flock are sick or have died, please contact the local DEC office directly at 845-256-3000. For more guidance on reporting, visit Reporting Dead Wildlife - NYSDEC.

For more information about the Dutchess County Department of Health, including clinical services and public health information, visit dutchessny.gov/health.



The Dutchess County Health Dept. offers guidance regarding Bird Flu.

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Serino announces funds to support five nonprofit youth team sports programs

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino today announced \$121,198 in grant awards has been awarded to five non-profit youth team sports programs for underserved children under the age of 18 through New York State’s Youth Team Sports (YTS) grant program. These grants will support opportunities for underprivileged young people to participate in sports activities that enhance their physical, mental, emotional and social well-being; reduce stress, anxiety and depression; strengthen social skills and teamwork; and lower the likelihood of substance abuse and other risky behaviors.

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino said, “Every child deserves the chance to fully develop themselves – physically, mentally and emotionally. These grants will offer young people throughout Dutchess County access to programs that will help them strengthen their bodies and minds, setting them on a course toward future success. We’re proud to partner with the awarded organizations and look forward to seeing the successes that will come from these grants.”

Projects funded through the 2025 Youth Team Sports Program include:

Boys and Girls Club, City of Poughkeepsie – \$38,364 to offer the “Triple Play” basketball program, which will allow young people to participate in

a competitive team sports program that includes instruction and training, physical fitness, nutrition education and tournament play. Funds will be used for salaries, authorized travel, supplies and tournament fees.

Dover Little League, Dover Plains – \$33,000 to provide “Everyone Swinging for the Fences,” a competitive baseball and softball program dedicated to creating enriching learning opportunities for all players, regardless of their background. Funds will be used for contractual services, sports equipment purchases, supplies, staff training and uniforms.

Mid-Hudson Aquatics, Town of Poughkeepsie – \$5,016 for selected graduates of Community Matters 2’s “Swim with a Friend program” and children from the community to participate with Mid-Hudson Heatwaves competitive swim team. Funds will be used for swim meet fees and sports supplies/equipment.

Northern Dutchess Aquatics Club, Red Hook – \$12,731 to provide two free six-week, new swimmers programs for young swimmers aged 5-9, allowing these young swimmers to experience the joy of swimming while learning the four competitive strokes. Funds will be used for coaches’ salaries, sports supplies/equipment and pool rental.

YMCA of Kingston and Ulster, Kingston – \$32,087 to allow 96 Dutchess County young people, ages 7 to 15, to participate in a free 6-week basketball league at Red Oaks Mill Park in Poughkeepsie, consisting of both practices and competitive games against other teams in the league. Funds will be used for coaches’ salaries, contractual fees, sports equipment purchase, supplies and court/park rental.

Applications for the Youth Team Sports grant program were reviewed by the

Dutchess County Youth Board and Coordinating Council, as well as the Department of Community and Family Services Commissioner, with recommendations made to the County Executive for final approval.

Applications for the 2026 YTS program are expected to be available in September, subject to New York State funding availability. More information about DCFS grant funding opportunities is available at dutchessny.gov/Departments/Youth-Services/NYS-Office-of-Children-and-Family-Services-Grant-Funding.htm.

Wine educator Kevin Zraly to appear at Uncorked for a Cause in Poughkeepsie on March 13

Premier Cares Foundation announced its highly anticipated fundraising event, Uncorked for a Cause, being held from 6-9 p.m. on Thursday, March 13. This evening will feature world-renowned wine expert and educator Kevin Zraly, offering guests an unforgettable experience in support of a worthwhile local charity.

Uncorked for a Cause will take place at the historic Vassar College Alumnae House bringing together wine enthusiasts, and community leaders for a memorable evening of fine wine, gourmet food, and inspiring conversation. The evening’s highlight will be a tasting of the most famous 6 wines from around the world led by Kevin Zraly. He will share his expertise and passion for wine, offering attendees a unique opportunity to expand their knowledge while supporting a meaningful cause.

With over 40 years of experience in the world of wine, Kevin Zraly is one of the

most celebrated wine educators globally, having taught thousands of people through his acclaimed Kevin Zraly Wine School and numerous bestselling books. His masterful ability to make wine accessible and enjoyable for everyone has earned him an unparalleled reputation in the industry. At Uncorked for a Cause, Zraly will guide guests through a curated selection of 6 wines, paired with delectable dishes that complement the unique flavors of each bottle.

Through this event, Premier Cares Foundation is raising crucial funds to provide vital support to patients in need, including healthcare services, educational opportunities, awareness, and financial support while in treatment.

The Vassar College Alumna House is at 161 College Avenue in Poughkeepsie.

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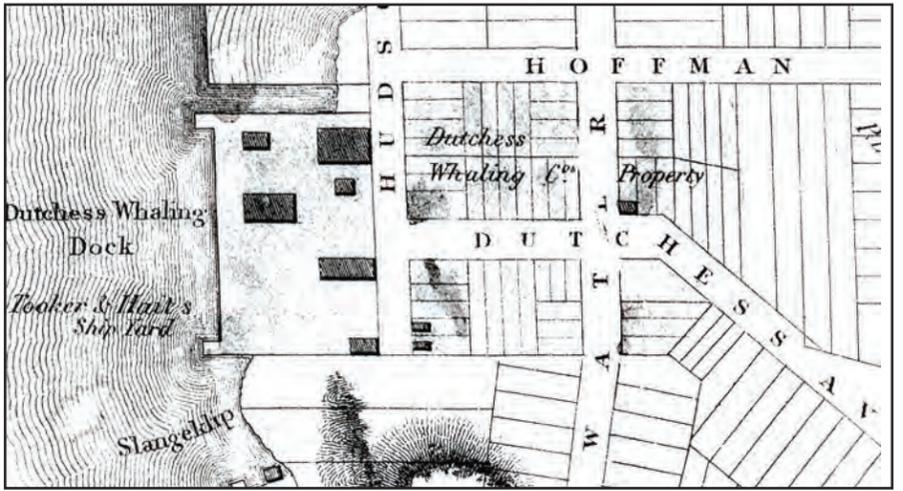


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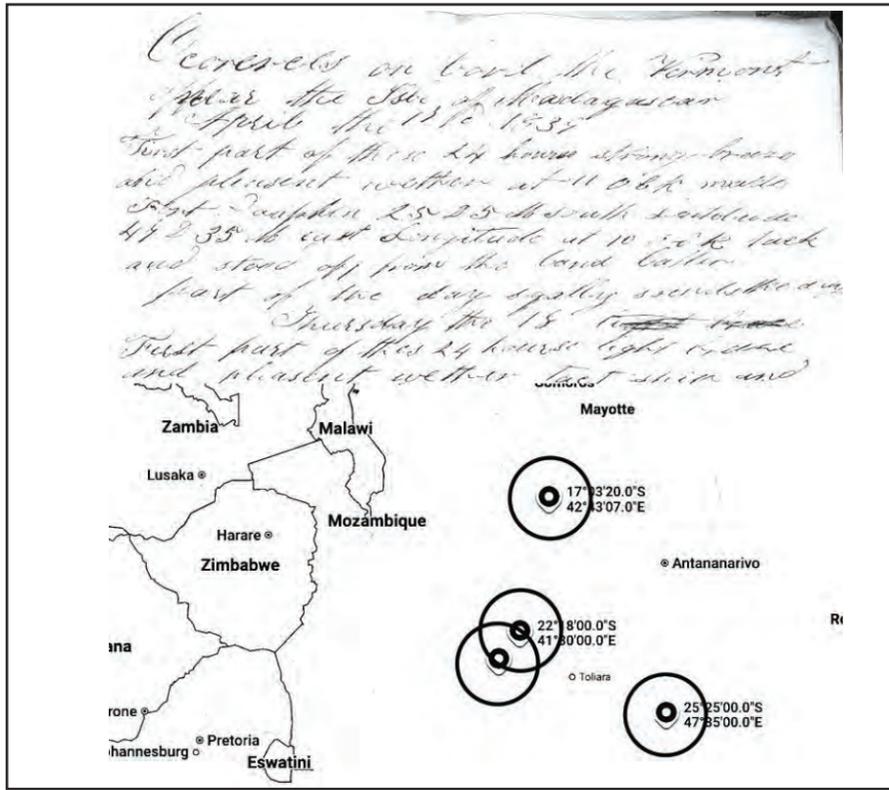
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Above: 1834 map of Poughkeepsie showing the location of the Dutchess Whaling Company's dock at the end of Dutchess Avenue near Upper Landing.

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Scribbles in an old ship log reveal history of whaling in Dutchess



The persistent, daily record (through good days and bad) create a vivid picture of the scale and risk of the work at sea. St. John's recording of latitude and longitude allow us to plot the precise path of the ship, in this instance around the island of Madagascar off the east coast of Africa.

-DCHS Collections, Google Maps.

By Bill Jeffway

The Dutchess County Historical Society recently acquired a 36-page ship log covering the dates of February 10, 1839 to March 7, 1840. The thirteen months reflect only a portion of the "Barque Vermont's" journey as a whaling ship, out of Poughkeepsie. The first pages document having left Poughkeepsie at least a month prior. The last pages document their leaving New Zealand. A barque (sometimes bark) is a type of sailing vessel with three or more masts of which the fore and mainmast have square sails.

Many are surprised that inland Poughkeepsie (not to mention the city of Hudson, further north) could be a whaling port. But voyages could take up to three years, so an inland port could be as easily used as one seaside, like New Bedford.

Among a dozen or so major initiatives from the self-declared *Improvement Party* in the 1830s, including investor Matthew Vassar, was the formation of what came to be two whaling companies. The "Vermont" was Poughkeepsie's first whaling ship, bought and launched on its first voyage in 1832 by the Poughkeepsie Whaling Company. The severe 1837 national financial crisis put an end to that company and the "Vermont" was purchased by Dutchess Whaling Company just prior to the 1839 voyage.

Even considering the financial crisis, the golden age of the American whaling industry is sometimes referred to as 1840 to 1861.

Although the author always signed his name on each page, on Sunday, Jan. 19, 1840 he mentioned his hometown which has allowed us to confirm his identity. He signed off, "James Harrison St. John of Ridgefield (CT), Barque Vermont, Indian Ocean."

James H. St. John was a blacksmith. Ship log entries show that he put that trade to good use in helping damaged ships they encountered, or for trading with "natives" for food and water. He records creating iron "spikes" and iron tools.

A good deal of the record is about the weather, and actions taken with the many sails. What follows are some excerpts that relate to the more dramatic parts of the adventure, which give us an insight into the risk and massive scale of the undertaking. We find justice meted out by the captain using lashes. We see the small boats involved in the chase completely destroyed by a whale and the occupants rescued from

the water. In addition to quick stops at tiny islands, the writer describes "natives" onshore in Africa, Madagascar and New Zealand Mowries.

The key to knowing the "Vermont" sailed from Poughkeepsie (in addition to its clearly documented ownership) is an entry of Wednesday, the 4th of September, "...killed a hog, the last one that we had brought from Poughkeepsie." And he signs off on Friday the 27th December adding "Barque Vermont from Poughkeepsie." Because the author records position in latitude and longitude, we can see that the ship travels around 250 miles each day.

FEB 28, 1839: First part of these 24 hours calm and foggy with a light shower. At daylight [are] in sight of the Island called Tristan...and the Nightingale Island. At 10 o'clock we [were] within about 3 miles of Tristan. We lowered down a boat and went ashore to purchase potatoes for the crew. At 3 o'clock, lowered another boat to get some fish. This island is inhabited by shipwrecked sailors and women from the Isle of France. They have about fifty persons. They have been provided with farming utensils and stock from ships so as to enable them to obtain a living. At 8:00 went ashore, the governor standing from the island...

MAR 8: All hands engaged in cleaning muskets and swords.

APR 3: At 2 o'clock have in sight the island of Madagascar. Were close in to land, tacked ship and stood off. Saw a large ship standing, proved to be the Royal William of St John's, New Brunswick. Four months out, she tact and kept company with us. Very sharp lightning over the land.

APR 4: At 10 o'clock they [barque Royal William] lowered their boats and came upon board. The R. Wm, she was bound into Augustine Bay. She proved to be in a leaky condition. At 5 o'clock [they] came on board, [we] hoisted our lights, to keep company with us through the night.

APR 5: At about 6 o'clock we were ... obliged to lower the boats and tow the ship [Royal William]. We had about 35 boats helping us which came from other ships which were at anchor in the bay, there were seven [ships] in number. We came to anchor about 9 o'clock.

APR 6: In the bay of St. Augustine [Madagascar]. Our deck was crowded with natives. They are about the size of our North American Indians and as black as

cold tar, they have milk to sell, lemons, cattle, sheep, etc.

APR 10: Most of the men gone on shore. I was to work for the Royal William in making [iron] spikes of which I made about 500 for her.

JUL 13: At Dalrymle Bay, New Holland [Australia]. While the men were on shore the cook was displeased because he could not go there and went and hid the harpoons. When the [men] went to turn into their hammocks they saw the irons gone and the cook owned it and the captain gave him seventeen lashes.

DEC 18: The whale ran about 2 miles to the leeward then ... At about 4 o'clock he ran his head against the waste boat and knocked the second mate overboard...at 5 o'clock the third mate lowered another boat and came to our assistance.

Got a second lance at [the whale] but as would have it he sounded and took with him two lines, 4 irons, 4 lances, and stove [damaged] 4 boats. Stoved [damaged] 2 of the boats by the whale and two by running against one another.

DEC 21: One of them [one of two whales] went right over the bow boat and stove her all to pieces the crew was picked up by the larboard boat one of the crew by the name of Moses Hatch was badly injured in one of his legs and is now confined to his berth. The boat was so badly damaged as to

not be worth picking up.

DEC 25: At 5 o'clock lowered the boats for two whales to the leeward...at 6 o'clock had him alongside and commenced cutting. On board the Vermont off the Island of New Holland [Australia]. And so ends Christmas Day in the year of our Lord 1839.

DEC 29: They soon gave him [the whale] several good lances but he run his head right through the bow boat and stove her all to pieces, the waste boat picked the crew up, theft had but just time to get them into the boat before the larboard boat was stove then they picked them and started for the ship with 18 men in one boat.

DEC 31: The latter part of the day commenced blowing quite hard. All hands employed in stowing down, stowed 43 barrels at 10 o'clock it began blowing so hard that we had to [stop].

JAN 1, 1840: The wind still continues to blow very hard. At 2 o'clock all hands were called to secure the waste boat, it being most of the time under water. At 4 o'clock we took in the waste boat, it being stove very badly. The middle part of the day it continued to blow a severe gale it being the hardest we have had.

Every roll that she [the ship] makes she rolls her lee rail [side of the boat opposite the

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Mill House Brewing soars to new heights with planned opening of The Ridge by Mill House

Excitement is brewing as The Ridge by Mill House (The Ridge)'s owners, Executive Chef Daniel Crocco and Brewmaster Jamie Bishop, announced that the new restaurant will open its doors on Wednesday, March 26.

Located at 387 South Street in Highland, the mountain-top eatery marks Mill House Brewing Company's first expansion into Ulster County.

"We've poured our hearts into every detail of The Ridge over the last several months of construction and preparation, working to perfect it from the ground up," said Crocco. "From carefully curated wallpaper to locally sourced fixtures and a menu we're especially proud of, every aspect of The Ridge is intentional. We cannot wait to welcome you to this corner of our world and to raise a glass with friends we know -- and the new ones we'll make."

While The Ridge will have an ever-changing menu, patrons can expect to see dishes such as a Swordfish Skewer, Brown Butter Squash and "Chicken & Dumplings" Gnocchi, alongside casual bites such as The Ridge Burger and Pad Thai Kale Salad during the restaurant's first few months of operation. Beyond the main menu, the restaurant will also offer Sunday brunch, a raw bar and an in-house dry-aged steak for two -- served on handcrafted cutting boards from Hudson

Valley artisan, Living Edge Designs, that double as a statement art piece in the dining room. Additionally, the cabin-esque property will serve a variety of Mill House Brewing Company's award-winning craft beers on tap, including a new signature ale dubbed Haus Hefeweizen, thoughtfully crafted for The Ridge.

The Ridge aims to be a place where locals and visitors can celebrate special moments, both big and small, or enjoy a date night with one of its decadent desserts, like their Ricotta Cannoli Crepes or Peach Brown Sugar Strudel, which will pair perfectly with one of the soon-to-open restaurant's handcrafted cocktails, such as the Desperado, The Ridge's take on the locally famous Mill House Brewing Co.'s Shinebox, or an indulgent after-dinner drink such as the S'mores Coffee.

"We've worked hard to create a space that feels both fresh and familiar," said Bishop, who grew up in Clintondale. "While we've put our own spin on things, we wanted to honor the charm and character that made this place special to so many before us. Every decision was made with our future guests and neighbors in mind, and we can't wait to unveil it to our community."

The Ridge's opening marks a momentous occasion for Crocco and Bishop as they continue to expand Mill House



The Ridge by Mill House at 387 South Street in Highland, a mountain-top eatery, will open on March 26.

-Courtesy photo

Brewing Company's presence throughout the Hudson Valley. Most recently, the dynamic duo announced they were hitting the road with a full-service catering business, Embers by Mill House. With both of these new ventures, Mill House aims to bring its signature flavors and esteemed

hospitality to a wider audience.

For more information on The Ridge by Mill House, including updates around reservations -- which will go live on March 12 -- and hours of operation, follow The Ridge on Facebook (@The Ridge by Mill House) and Instagram (@theridgebymillhouse).

HCMC, East Fishkill library Spring Concert Series starts on March 7

By Kristine Coulter

Spring is in the air. To celebrate, Howland Chamber Music Circle (HCMC) will present Spring Concert Series. The Town of East Fishkill is sponsoring the series, which will be held in the rotunda of the East Fishkill Community Library. The three-month series will offer performances by musicians at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376.

"The performers are selected by the Howland Chamber Music Circle. HCMC connects people through music with its free community concert series, presented in non-traditional places, where everyone can enjoy music in a casual atmosphere," explained Lu Ann Kaldor, the adult programming assistant for the library.

Trombone player Ed Neumeister, along with his jazz quartet, will perform at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, March 7.

Neumeister said The Ed Neumeister Quartet will perform works from his last few albums, including the most recent, critically acclaimed, "Covers" with jazzed-up iconic Beatles and Led Zepplin songs, original chamber jazz pieces and some selected gems from the jazz canon. Performing with Neumeister will be Bruce Arnold on guitar, Cameron Brown on bass and Harvey Sorgen on drums.

"I enjoy performing for appreciative, listening, attentive audiences in general, but playing for fellow community members and neighbors is "icing on the cake." And the commute is...delightful," said Neumeister.

Kaldor remarked, "This year's series is a musical timeline - from early music

to jazz to pop, this series has something for everyone."

Vocalist and violinist Jennifer Justice will perform in April. Stop by the library at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, April 4 to hear her.

Then in May, Richard Kolb, a guitarist and lutist, will entertain those in attendance. His show is set for 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 12.

Kathleen Bosman, with the HCMC, is a violist (a viola player) and violinist.

Bosman and Brad Hubbard, board members of the HCMC, said via email, "The performers for the East Fishkill Community Library series were chosen because they are local musicians in our community." They added, "One of the missions that we want to promote is community. It is very lovely to go see a concert where you don't know any of the performers. But this is an opportunity to see your neighbors perform." Bosman and Hubbard, who noted all of the performers live in Beacon.

"All three of these performers are world-class performers. We are blessed to have such high-quality artists living among us. Also, all three of these artists are proponents of the concept of an interactive concert experience. Again, it is about community," remarked Bosman and Hubbard. "If you are hanging out with your friends and neighbors you can share experiences and ask questions. There is a real exchange that flows more than one way; that is what these concerts are designed to do."

There will also be what Kaldor described as "the informative post-per-



Ed Neumeister and the Ed Neumeister Quartet will perform in the rotunda of the East Fishkill Community Library on March 7.

-Courtesy photo by Katharina Gossow

formance question and answer sessions."

Bosman and Hubbard said, "The thing we are looking forward to the most is sharing good music with other people. The comments and thoughts from the

audience are always interesting and enlightening. Music is on some levels an abstract form and can mean many things to many people. Sharing these ideas in the community bonds us together."

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Obituaries

Daniel J. Yanarella



Daniel J. Yanarella, a 24-year resident of New Windsor and formerly of Central Valley, passed away peacefully at home on February 22, 2025. He was 78 years old.

He was born on December 11, 1946 in Beacon, the son of the late Ernest D. and Margaret Kochay Yanarella. He graduated from Beacon High School. Dan proudly served in the US Marine Corps from 1966 until his honorable discharge in 1968. He was a Vietnam Veteran, serving overseas as a Sergeant. Dan worked as a carpenter for New York State Palisades Park until his retirement in 2002. He also worked as a real estate agent in Monroe.

He is survived by his son, Christopher Yanarella; his sisters, Tina Kearney and Jean Noack; his brothers, Ernest

Yanarella and Paul Yanarella; his many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sisters, Peg Hosky and Linda Olivo.

Funeral arrangements will be private for the family. Dan will be laid to rest with his parents at St. Joachim Cemetery, Beacon.

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

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

Nicholas Joseph Maiolo



Nicholas Joseph Maiolo passed away on February 22, 2025 at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital. He was 39. Nicholas was born on March 28, 1985 in Poughkeepsie, NY to Dominic Maiolo and Brenda (Pirtle) McClusky.

Nicholas was a caring person, a true gentleman who was always ready to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He had a big heart and always had a big smile on his face. He was a very hard worker and would always be there for anyone who needed him. In his spare time, he loved going to the Orange County Speedway to watch the races his uncle was in. He loved all animals, especially his dog Chevy who he shared an incredible bond with.

Nicholas was a brave and strong person who fought a valiant 39 year battle with congenital heart disease but he

never let it slow him down or get in the way of doing what he liked to do. He recently received a new heart and liver where he continued that valiant and brave pursuit of life and happiness.

Nicholas is survived by his father Dominic Maiolo, his mother Brenda McClusky, his stepfather Steven McClusky, his sister Christine Maiolo, his faithful companion Chevy, and many beloved aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He was predeceased by his grandparents Dominick and Frances Maiolo, and Glen and Velma Pirtle.

Calling hours were held on Friday February 28th, 2025 at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, 1089 Main St. Fishkill. A funeral service was held and followed by burial at Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery.

Please consider a donation in memory of Nicholas to the American Heart Association.

Lucrezia S. Chiero



Lucrezia S. Chiero, 95, an area resident for 20 years, died on February 25, 2025 at the Taconic at Hopewell. She previously lived in Yorktown.

Born in Mount Kisco on December 23, 1929, Lucrezia was the daughter of the late Francesco and Rose (Taylor) Servello. She was employed as a clerk at Reader's Digest for over 25 years until her retirement. She was a parishioner at St. Mary, Mother of the Church in Fishkill and enjoyed playing Bingo at the Fishkill Senior Center.

Lucrezia is survived by her daughter, Sandra Rivera and her husband Domingo; her son, Dominick Chiero; her grandchildren, Nicole and Chris, Johnny and

Michelle, Mark, Samantha and Sean, and Jayley; her great-grandchildren, Matthew, Savannah, Elise, Skylar, M.J., and Sebastian; and her brother, Francesco Servello, Jr.

In addition to her parents, Lucrezia was also predeceased by her loving husband, Dominick Chiero in 2003; and her daughter, Pauline Torrisi.

Calling hours were held on Friday, February 28 at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Saturday, March 1 at St. Mary, Mother of the Church, 106 Jackson Street, Fishkill followed by burial at St. Francis Cemetery in Mount Kisco.

Donations may be made in memory of Lucrezia to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America. Please visit her Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

Conrad Zigmund Mayeski



Conrad Zigmund Mayeski, ("Connie") 78, passed away on Saturday, February 22, 2025, at Baystate Medical Center surrounded by family.

He was born in Lake Ariel, PA to the late Conrad Z. and Annastasia (Okupniarek) Mayeski. After graduating from North Pocono High School and working on the Mayeski family farm in PA, Conrad served his country in the United States Air Force from 1966-1970 and was deployed overseas in Europe which he really enjoyed. He attained the rank of Sergeant and was awarded the AFM, NDSM and AOM. Afterwards, Connie worked a career as a truck driver and was a passionate member of the Teamsters Union. He absolutely loved to drive a truck and in

a career that covered millions of miles, he drove for Consolidated Freightways, UPS and other companies in addition to driving independently and as an owner/operator.

Connie had a great love for heavy machinery, farming and construction equipment, and of course semi-trucks and the nation's roads and highways. In his spare time, he loved to go RVing, traveling, and golfing. He also loved a good lite beer and hanging out with friends and family, particularly during the Christmas season. He really enjoyed taking his children and grandchildren to Disney World, tinkering in the garage with tractors, tools and model trains, and getting back to the family farm whenever he could. Connie had a gregarious personality and truly enjoyed socializing with everyone he met.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 26 years, Patricia L. Mayeski, his children, Ullrich C. Mayeski and his wife Kavonne of Nashville, TN, Carsten R. Mayeski and his wife Christine Connolly of Sharon, Lisa M. Kubik and her husband Tony of Westfield and Steven M. Sands of West Springfield, his grandchildren, Landric Mayeski, Marin Mayeski, Decker Mayeski, Axel Mayeski, Edith Mayeski, Lulu Mayeski, Samuel Kubik and Jules Kubik. Additionally, he leaves his three brothers, Marty Mayeski of Beacon, NY, Donald Mayeski of Norfolk, VA and Michael Mayeski of Blakesley, PA and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Conrad's Liturgy of Christian Burial was held on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at St. Mary's Church, 30 Bartlett St. Westfield. Burial with Military Honors followed in the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, 1390 Main St. Agawam. Visiting hours were held in the Firtion Adams Funeral Service, 76 Broad St. Westfield, MA.

To send a personal condolence, please visit www.firtionadams.com.

Sharon A. Plattner



Sharon A. Plattner, 51 year resident of Beacon and formerly of Rye, entered into rest surrounded by her family at home on March 2, 2025. She was 78 years old.

She was born on July 18, 1946 in Rye, the daughter of the late John Skelly and Rita Hansen. On December 24, 1972 in Rye, she married Morton Plattner. After raising her daughters, Lauren and Alison, returned to work as a bank teller at several local area banks until her retirement. She enjoyed the theatre and traveling with Morty.

Sharon is survived by her devoted husband, Morty Plattner; her daughter, Lauren D'Onofrio and her husband,

John and their daughter, Amanda of Wappingers Falls; her daughter, Alison Polidore and her husband, BJ and their children, Haley and Hudson of Wappingers Falls; and her sister-in-law, Randy Plattner Krengel of Nyack.

Family and friends will gather on Friday, March 7 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, 2 Beekman Street, Beacon. A funeral service will be held at the funeral home at 12 p.m. Burial will follow at Fishkill Rural Cemetery.

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

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

Scribbles in an old ship log reveal history of whaling in Dutchess

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direction of the wind] all under. The water keeps constantly flowing across our decks so that the water is above three feet deep sometimes and more....later part of the day the wind abated some.

FEB 1, 1840: Home sweet Home there is no place like Home. Too true to write.

FEB 5: We are now bound for

New Zealand.

See more at www.dchsny.org/vermont.



Bill Jeffway is the Executive Director of the Dutchess County Historical Society and can be reached at bill.jeffway@dchsny.org or 845-293-7711.

Creative Living

Lectures, readings, interactive events part of DCC's 2025 Women's History Month programming

Dutchess Community College (DCC) will celebrate Women's History Month with a series of on-campus events highlighting the achievements and influence of women. All events are free and open to the public, thanks in part to the support of the DCC Foundation, Office of Student Activities, and Office of Instruction & Learning.

The month-long programming, featuring authors, scholars, poets and professionals, offers opportunities for learning, discussion and appreciation. A full schedule with event details is available at www.sunydutchess.edu/whm, with an overview below.

A lecture on women artists of the Hudson River School will follow on March 6 at 12:30 p.m. in the Mildred I. Washington Art Gallery. As part of the "About Water" exhibition, featuring Hudson Valley artists Daisy de Puthod and Jean-Marie Martin, DCC Associate Professor of Art Margaret Craig will explore the often-overlooked contributions of women to the 19th-century movement. The event will also include an interview with de Puthod.

Poets Kateri Kosek and Joann Deudicibus will present their work on March 13 at 12:30 p.m. in The Writing Center as part of the "Process to Text" series.

The event will include a reading, followed by a Q&A session and book signing.

A lecture by Vassar College professor Dr. Kahdeidra Martin will take place on March 27 at 12:30 p.m. in Hudson Hall, Room 406. In "Africana Religious Literacies: Honoring Ancestry and the Divine Feminine in Language Learning," Martin will examine how practices of ancestral veneration and honoring the Divine Feminine offer tools for deepening our understanding of literacy, linguistics and Africana religious systems.

Students, faculty and staff will gather for a community reading on April 1 at 12:30 p.m. in the Handel Dining Room. Reading Women: Moving Forward Together! Women Educating & Inspiring Generations will feature poetry and prose reflecting the 2025 National Women's History Month theme. Light refreshments will be served.

A Women in STEAM Panel will be held on April 17 at 12:30 p.m. in Dutchess Hall, Room 101. Women professionals in science, technology, engineering, art and math will share their career experiences, challenges and successes, offering insights for students interested in STEAM fields.

Later that evening, a virtual reading,



Pictured, from left, are Kahdeidra Martin, Joann Deudicibus and Kateri Kosek who will take part in Dutchess Community College's Women's History Month events. -Courtesy photos

Celebrating Black Women Authors, will take place on April 17 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Faculty, staff and students will read selections from their favorite Black women writers across genres, including poetry, science fiction, biography and fiction. The event is co-sponsored by the Association of Women at DCC (AWDCC) and The Writing Center.

For more information, contact Shalon Hallager at shalon.hallager@sunydutchess.edu. If you require sign language interpreting services or special accommodations, please make your request at least two weeks before the event by reaching out to Linda Bertolozzi at 845-431-8058 or bertoloz@sunydutchess.edu.

Fishkill Recreation

East Fishkill Recreation

By Lauren McMenamin
Recreation Assistant Director

Babysitting Course: Our babysitting course is open to boys and girls ages 10-17 who are interested in babysitting! The next course will be offered on Sunday, March 16 from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Limited seats available.

First Aid & CPR: Come get certified at the Fishkill Rec Center. Red Cross Basic First Aid and CPR. March 30 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The course is open to ages 16+.

Holiday Paint Night w/ The Artist's Corner: Artists of all ages are invited to participate. Come as a family, with friends or paint solo! Painters will paint on an 11x13 canvas. For St. Patrick's Day - March 13th, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Cooking Classes for Kids:
Mommy & Me for ages 6-8
Jr. Chefs for ages 9-13
Teen Cooking Club for ages 14-18
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What One Will Gain: Healthy Food

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Visit our website for a complete class description and schedule.

Little Explorers: Dive into a morning filled with purposeful stations designed around a theme. Children will have the opportunity to explore at their own pace and learn through hands on exploration, for March 8th.

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

Visit our website for more information and to register www.FishkillRecreation.com.

By Bill Green
Recreation Director

The trip to Paramount Hudson Valley on Friday, May 2 to see "So Good the Neil Diamond experience." is now filled.

Register now for our very popular (30+ years) East Fishkill Co-Ed Sand Volleyball League. The fee is \$50 for a team or \$5.00 for an individual sign-up. Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Golfers - sign up now for the first of four Adult Golf Lessons with Lisa Monaco. Session 1 is May 6,8,13 & 15 from 6-7:30 p.m. at Beekman Golf. The fee is \$100 for residents and \$125 for non-residents. Checks should be made out to Lisa Monaco. There will also be sessions in June, July and August.

We still have a few openings for our casino trip on Thursday, April 17 to Resorts Catskills Casino. The fee is \$50

and includes \$25 free slots play and a \$15 food voucher. You may sign up online or at the Rec Office on Anne Avenue.

Saturday, April 12 is Opening Day. Our annual Spring Fling/ Egg Hunt is scheduled for Sunday, April 6.

Season passes for Red Wing Park go on sale Monday, May 5. Red Wing opens Memorial Day weekend May 24-26.

Our 2025 East Fishkill Recreation Guides may be picked up at the East Fishkill Town Hall 330 Route 376), the East Fishkill Community Library (348 Route 376), the Community Center (890 Route 82) or the Davis House, 4 Anne Ave.

Our Summer Camp is for youngsters 6-14 years of age. Camp registration is underway.

If you have any recreation questions or concerns, please call 845 226-8395 or email Recreation1@eastfishkillny.gov.

Skylkill event March 5 in Lagrangeville

"In the Archives of Colonial Williamsburg Foundation," will be held at the Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville, on March 5. Christy and Erin of Relics in Situ will join the group again to present a lecture on the Archives. They will take into the Bruton Heights Education Center to view rarely seen treasures from an embroiderer's

point of view.

Skylkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America, presents this program beginning at 12:30 p.m. Join other needleworkers for fun and learning beginning at 10 a.m. or come for this program only beginning at 12:30 p.m.

For more information visit www.facebook.com/SkylkillLEGA or email EGASkylkill@gmail.com.

Dance at Elks set for March 7

Dance at the Elks Lounge Dance Night on Friday, March 7 at 7 p.m., at 900 Wolcott Avenue (Rt. 9D), Beacon. Lose oneself to a vibrant mix music played by DJ Rhoda. Song requests are welcome. Attire is whatever suits one's mood - from blue jeans to dazzling sparkles. Admission is \$15 and includes a variety of complimentary snacks, and a full cash bar is available.

For more information, call 845-765-0667 or rhodaja@optonline.net.

Lit Lit set for March 7

The next Lit Lit will be on Friday, March 7 from 7-9 p.m. To sign up to read, arrive at the Howland Cultural Center, 477 Main St., in Beacon, by 6:30 p.m. or just come and listen.

The Howland, asks that everyone donate \$5 to help keep the lights on, more if you can, less if you can't.

Soft drinks, beer and wine, and snacks are also available by donation.

HUDSON VALLEY NATURALIST

by Francine Wizner



Exploring the scientific blarney of optical illusions for St. Patrick's Day

March is the month for Irish music, Celtic Knot designs, and cartoon leprechauns. In these final days of winter, you may also imagine that legendary pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Since the icons of St. Patrick's Day include imaginary little people and four-leaf clovers, which occur with a frequency of 5,000 to 1 compared to the three-leaf variety, let's add our own bit of scientific blarney in the form of optical illusions.

A reflection can be considered a type of optical illusion if it creates the perception that we see something that differs from reality. The things we see are the result of interactions between light, our eyes and brain. Light hitting our eyes is converted into electrical signals, which are then transmitted to the brain. The brain interprets (or misinterprets) those signals as a visual image. Misinterpretations might happen as the result of the viewing angle, the type of mirror, or our own expectations.

Mirrors

All objects absorb, reflect and transmit the light falling on them, depending on the materials they're made from. Things we call "mirrors" are a special class of objects that reflect an unusual amount of that light.

When you look at a flat mirror, rays of light shoot through the glass and hit the coating behind it. Light reflects off of the mirror in an orderly way. What you see in the glass is a reasonable approximation of

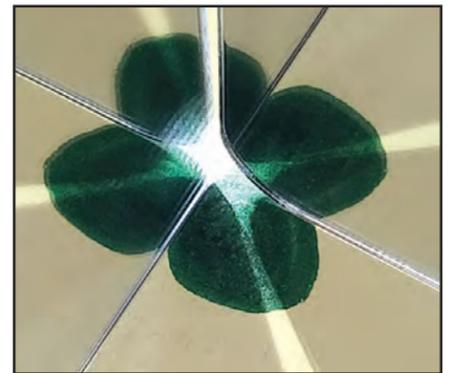
what is there, except that the image is laterally inverted. Concave mirrors are great for shaving and plucking eyebrows, because close images are magnified. From far away, objects in concave mirrors seem upside down. If you look taller and thinner than you actually are, you might be seeing yourself in a convex mirror. Your rear- and side-view mirrors on your car are convex.

Architectural designing with reflections

Stephen Whalen, of Whalen Architecture PLLC in Lagrangeville, knows how to design a home to harmoniously exist in its environment, as well as be energy efficient. Owners of a home in Pawling were interested in making their house "disappear" within the landscaping and surrounding trees. To accomplish this, a mirror finish was applied to the upper windows near the gabled roof.

Those glazing panels give the illusion that the house merges with the woods. The reflective glass also gives the occupants a lot of privacy, though it is possible to see inside the home when standing very close. The windows are reflective, but they are not actually mirrors.

Besides a reflective film, the windows were tinted to reduce the sun glare and heat gain on the interior of the residence, making the house more energy-efficient during the cooling season. A house seeming to disappear within the surrounding



Clockwise from top: Experiments with mirrors give the illusion of reflected rainbows, a four-leaf clover and a five-leaf clover.

-Photos by Francine Wizner



Whalen Architecture designed this Pawling home with reflective windows, making it seem to disappear into the woods.

-Photo by Stephen Whalen

Ukrainian Women's League sets 100th anniversary reception set March 7

The Poughkeepsie/Kerhonksen Branch 95 of the Ukrainian National Women's League of America (UNWLA) is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the national organization all during 2025.

An opening reception of the Ukrainian Connections Exhibit is set for Friday, March 7 from 5-7 p.m. at the Cuneen Hackett Art Center at 9 Vassar Street in Poughkeepsie. The event is open to the public.

The exhibit highlights the work of four Ukrainian Artists connected by their deep ethnic roots. They include Vitalia

Deriabina, a resident artist from Kyiv, Ukraine and Ulana Salewycz, Marianna Crans and Cathy Gorham all of whom are Ukrainian American artists from the Hudson Valley.

This exhibit is also a tribute in memory of Ukrainian sister, Cathy Gorham.

The Victorian Gallery weekday hours are Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. This exhibit will run through March and April and is one of many events set during 2025.

For more information, call 845-486-4571.

Trivia events sponsored by Blodgett Memorial Library

The following trivia events will be held by Blodgett Memorial Library in the village of Fishkill.

Trivia Event for Blodgett Memorial Library set for Thursday, March 13. For information and to sign up, go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trivia-event-for-blodgett-memorial-library-tickets-1256570298589?aff=oddtcreator> OR <http://bit.ly/4kf4tw3>

It will be held at Hudson Valley Brewery,

7 East Main St., from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in Beacon.

Another Trivia Event for Blodgett Memorial Library will be held on April 6.

To sign up, please go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trivia-night-tickets-1256576236349?aff=oddtcreator> OR <https://bit.ly/4gWYjCw>.

It will be held at Industrial Arts Brewery, 511 Fishkill Ave., Beacon, from 3:30-5 p.m.

woodland could be considered an optical illusion, because it creates the perception of a seamless continuation of the forested landscape. From certain vantage points, it's difficult to distinguish where the reflective surface ends and the actual forest begins. Psychologically, mirrors in a natural setting are unexpected.

Am I Looking over a four- or five-leaf clover?

Rest assured that you can explore reflections this St. Patrick's Day without trying to make your house disappear! Gather some paper, two small mirrors, colored pencils, clay and a protractor. Draw a green circle and use clay to prop the two mirrors at an angle so that they reflect two circles and then four circles. Keep adjusting the angle and placement of the mirrors to see how many leaves you can make your clover. Measure the different angles of the mirrors with a protractor and compare that to the number of leaves. Do any patterns emerge?

Continue the exploration by drawing rainbows and symmetrical shapes or letters to see how many designs can be made using the mirrors. Photograph the reflections to document your discoveries. Here is a video of this activity: <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/rahdLZgt7Gc>. Here is an organized lesson plan for this activity: <https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Product/ST-PATRICKS-DAY-EXPLORING-REFLECTIONS-ENRICHMENT-ACTIVITY-7603380>.

Francine Wizner is a native of the Hudson Valley. She grew up in the Catskills of Greene County and spent over 3 decades teaching in Ulster County. She creates science-themed instructional materials and books, as well as being a Citizen Scientist in the management of her current home in an enchanted woodland of Dutchess County. Find her at <https://medium.com/@wiznerf>, <https://substack.com/@gkatzchronicle>, and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com/>.

Registration opens for Weekend Archery Classes at Bowdoin Park

Registration for the next round of Dutchess County Parks' popular weekend archery classes at Bowdoin Park in Poughkeepsie will open March 12th at 9 a.m. Sessions begin on March 22nd and will take place at Bowdoin Park's archery range, located near Pavilion 4. The program consists of five classes, held on Saturdays, with various time slots to accommodate more students. The sessions, each an hour long, are designed for children ages 8 and up, and adults with any level of archery experience. Space is limited, so be sure to register early at www.DutchessNY.gov/ParksEducation.

The first session will cover basic archery safety and skills for new participants. Most of the sessions will be spent practicing with the bows, allowing participants to learn through experience. All equipment is provided. The total cost for the program is \$70 per person and

includes all five classes and equipment. Dates and times for the archery sessions are:

- Saturday, March 22
- Saturday, April 12
- Saturday, April 19
- Saturday, May 17
- Saturday, June 7

Time Slots

- 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- 10-11 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- 2-3 p.m.
- 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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

For registration and programming information, visit DutchessNY.gov/Parks.

get growing!

by mark adams

Pleasant Valley Community Gardens

Boundless enthusiasm and hopes for another bountiful year



"There is nothing more exciting than watching seeds germinate." When Janice Novet, co-president with Sandra Larkin of Pleasant Valley Community Gardens (PVCG) told me this, I wasn't sure whether to feel sorry for her, or to admire her boundless enthusiasm. After all we were at the PVCG monthly meeting. Janice really is one of the most enthusiastic people I've ever met.

Pleasant Valley Community Gardens is in its third season at the Helen Aldrich Park in Salt Point. In its first two years, the all-volunteer garden team (currently 20 active members) donated 3,300 pounds of vegetables to local food banks, including the Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Food Pantry.

The February 11 meeting at the Pleasant Valley Library included a tutorial on seed starting by member Bill Fischer, which no doubt precipitated Janice's burst of enthusiasm. Bill brought his equipment and a supply of seeds to pass out to the group, all of whom are real gardeners, priding themselves on raising the garden plants directly from seed.

Here's how Bill does it:

1. Fill a shallow tray with potting mix. Pro-mix or Miracle Gro, for example.
2. Make depressions only where seed will go.
3. Plant the seeds and label. Note - lettuce seed should be sown on top, since it needs light to germinate.
4. Water until moist.
5. Place a clear plastic humidity dome over the tray.
6. Remove the dome after seeds have come up.

7. Keep the seedlings well-lighted and don't allow them to dry out.

8. Fertilize after they have grown with water soluble fertilizer.

Bill recommends moving the trays of seedlings outside for a few hours on warm days, to toughen them up, until it's time to plant them in the garden. Someone asked about heat mats that are made for starting seeds. The consensus among the members was that they are not absolutely necessary, except maybe for peppers, which need extra warmth to germinate.

The garden covers 8,300 square feet (approximately 80 x 100), fenced in for protection from deer. Irrigation is a challenge, since there is no well or electricity on site. The town provides water that is pumped into a collection of big tubs scattered around the garden. Volunteer Dave Talbot has engineered a drip system to siphon the water to each individual plant. Not a perfect solution, because there's not much pressure, but it is ingenious.

More volunteers are always welcome. The PVCG website <https://pleasantvalley-communitygardens.com/> invites potential volunteers or interested visitors to attend the Wednesday or Saturday morning activities at the garden starting, probably, in late March, weather permitting. Or stop in at the organizational meetings the first Thursday of the month at the Pleasant Valley Library.

Don't miss the PVCG winter gala, 7-9 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Pleasant Valley. Music by Bob Arthurs and Steve LaMattina. \$15 admission gets you some light refreshments and permission to bring your own wine.



At a recent meeting of the Pleasant Valley Community Gardens, Bill Fischer demonstrates how to start seeds.

-Photo by Mark Adams



A volunteer works in the gardens, which last year donated 3,300 pounds of vegetables to local food banks.

-Courtesy photo

Speaking of Galas, save the date for the 17th annual Beatrix Farrand Garden Bellefield Design Lecture, Sunday, June 1, at 2 p.m., at the Wallace Center, FDR National Historic Site in Hyde Park. This year's speaker is Jonathan Kavalier, director of Gardens and Grounds at Dumbarton Oaks in Washington D.C.

I will give out more details in a separate article closer to the date. Stay tuned.

And speaking of wine, I was a member of a three-person team that visited legislators in Albany last week to advocate for farmer-friendly legislation. The other members were fruit grower Jim Bittner and Sam Filler, the executive director of the N.Y. Wine and Grape Foundation. We understand that international trade is a

federal, not a state issue, but nevertheless, Filler was dismayed at the prospect of a trade war with Canada. In 2024, \$700 million of U.S. Wine went to Canada, including a big chunk of New York's production. According to Filler, a wildcat boycott is already under way, with the same Canadians who are booing our national anthem refusing to buy our wine. At the very least, our state legislators, along with N.Y. Commissioner of Agriculture Richard Ball, need to make their voices heard in Washington.

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

By Jen Silverman

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JJHS recognizes honor students

The John Jay High School administration announced the honor roll students for the 2nd quarter of the 2024-25 school year. The students named to the honor roll are:

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March events in the Poughkeepsie Public Library District

Registration is now open for the following events in the Poughkeepsie Public Library District.

- Raj Yoga Book Club**
 Thursday, March 6, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library
- Mary Anning: History's Greatest Fossilist**
 Thursday, March 6, 7 - 8 p.m.
 Virtual
- Series: Day of the Dead in Mexico**
 Saturday, March 8, 2:30 - 4 p.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library
- Coffee Roasting 101 with Willie Needham**
 Tuesday, March 11, 6 - 7:30 p.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library

- Garden Enthusiasts Meet Up**
 Tuesday, March 11, 6 - 8 p.m.
 Boardman Road Branch Library
- Strategy Board Game Night (18+)**
 Thursday, March 13, 5 - 7:30 p.m.
 Boardman Road Branch Library
- Medicare 101 / Navigating the Medicare Website**
 Friday, March 14, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library
- Jewish Cooking & Culture Series: Not Your Bubbie's Matzo Balls**
 Sunday, March 16, 2:30 - 4 p.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library
- Gilded Age Scandals**
 Wednesday, March 19, 6 - 8:15 p.m.

- Adriance Memorial Library
- Discovering Moths: Nighttime Jewels in Your Backyard**
 Thursday, March 20, 7 - 8 p.m.
 Virtual
- Artist Talk: The House in Me: Invisible Presence / El Hogar en Mí: Presencia Invisible (bilingual in English and Spanish)**
 Saturday, March 22, 2 - 4 p.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library
- Concert: Beacon Jazz Lab**
 Saturday, March 22, 2025
 2:30pm - 4:30 p.m.
 Lateef Islam Auditorium at the Family Partnership Center, 29 N. Hamilton St.
 No registration required

- Demystifying Dahlias!**
 Monday, March 24, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
 Adriance Memorial Library
 - The History of Magic**
 Wednesday, March 26, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
 Boardman Road Branch Library
 - Poughkeepsie Children's Book Festival**
 Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 Falcon Hall - Dutchess Community College
 Free and open to the public!
- Adriance Memorial Library is located at 93 Market St. in Poughkeepsie. Boardman Road Branch is at 141 Boardman Rd. in Poughkeepsie. For more information, call 845-485-3445.

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Notice of Qualification of 19 WASHINGTON AVENUE LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/13/25. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/01/21. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Bangall Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation: Ruthful + Co LLC. Articles of Org. filed w/ Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) 1/21/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: Ruthful + Co LLC, 283 Mills Cross Rd., Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: any lawful activity.

VACATIONS BY JAKE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/16/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 13 Constitution Drive, Cold Spring, NY 10516. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LNE HOME IMPROVEMENT LLC. Filed 9/11/24. Office: DUTCHESS Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Jaime Patricio Lojano, 7 Neville Rd, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: General.

LD EVENT DESIGN LLC. Filed 11/4/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 24 Kent Rd, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of Sanchez Towing & Recovery LLC. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/09/2024 Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as an agent of LLC upon whom the process may be served. SSNY shall mail the process to 69 Taft Ave Arlington NY 12603. Purpose:

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any lawful activity.

83 NORTH AVENUE P.V., LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/21/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Cappillino Rothschild & Egan LLP, 7 Broad St., Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 83 North Ave., Unit 1, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569.

Notice of Formation of NONNINA NY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/17/25. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 2703 W. Main St., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Schrom Family Farms LLC (hereinafter the Company) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on January 16, 2025. 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 whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is 683 Bangall Amenia Road, Stanfordville, NY 12581. The purpose of the Company shall be to conduct any lawful business or activity whatsoever, as permitted by applicable law.

SAVONA'S PIZZA OF FISHKILL, LLC Art. of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 1/13/2025. Off. Loc. : Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 7249 South Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571, USA. Purpose: Any lawful actor activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ORIGINAL SANTA CLAUS LLC Art. Of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/5/25 Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as

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Agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 13 Sterling Ct, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful activity.

64 East Market Street LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/11/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 6822 US-9, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Really Horrible Music, LLC filed with the SSNY on 1/13/2025. 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, 152 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COPIOUS MANOR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/07/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Omar Al-Shloul, 77 Creek Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

G l e n h a m Manufacturing Company LLC filed w/ SSNY 1/15/25. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 78 Mason Cir, Beacon, NY 12508. Any lawful purpose.

Painted in Gold, LLC a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 11/14/24. Location, Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 20 Clover Way, Unit 3, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful. Business to facilitate art workshops.

Notice of Formation of A Horse's Heart, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 10/23/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be

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served. SSNY shall mail process to: 651 Schultzville Rd, Clinton Corners, NY 12514. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Fiona Eltz, 651 Schultzville Rd, Clinton Corners, NY 12514. Purpose: any lawful activity.

POPE AND HAYMAN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/24/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 101A S. Hamilton Street, Apartment 6A, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

DURANT'S, LLC, filed App. for Auth. with the SSNY on 12/18/2024, using the fictitious name DURANT'S NY LLC. Office: Dutchess County. LLC formed in CT on 1/7/1997. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served and shall mail process to: 1155 Rte 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. The address of the principal office: 1155 Rte 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Cert of Formation filed with CT Sect'y of State, 210 Capital Ave, Ste 104, Hartford, CT 06106. Purpose: any lawful act.

793 MIGHTY OAK, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/29/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Christian Fekete & Kimberly A Baker, 25 Oak Tree Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

52-54 PIN OAK, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/29/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Christian Fekete & Kimberly A Baker, 25 Oak Tree Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

D I E H L ' S PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/27/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 88

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West Cookingham Dr., Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LIGHT SPEED LAZER TATTOO REMOVAL, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/27/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 516 Haight Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NYCLK2, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/29/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Mr. Timothy Lynch and Dr. Angelish Kumar, 103 Kent Street, Brooklyn, NY 11222. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

18 HOOKER AVE POUGH LLC Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on January 23, 2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 9 Vanvoorhis Drive, Fishkill, New York 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Upper Lake Radiology, L.L.C. filed an App. for Auth. with the Dept. of State of NY on 1/9/2025. LLC formed in NJ on 8/20/2024. Office located within NYS: Dutchess County. Principal business location: 109 Upper Lakeview Ave, Ringwood, NJ 07456. The Sect'y of State of NY is designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 109 Upper Lakeview Ave, Ringwood, NJ 07456. Purpose: Medicine.

BIRDIEKILL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/30/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 44 Elm Street, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LUXE SKIN BEAUTY BAR, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/23/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2494 South Road Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of H&H Clean LLC, filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 18, 2024. The LLC is located in Dutchess County. The SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the office location: 7014 13th avenue suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity

Gather & Graze Charcuterie LLC Filed 01/28/2025. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 37 Wright Blvd, Hopwell Jct, NY 12533. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity.

JWT Engineering Consulting, PLLC, Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 1/13/2025. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, PO BOX 54, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: To Practice The Profession Of Engineering.

60 Milewood LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/17/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to 119 Verbank Road Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF RDQ Properties LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 1/31/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as an agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him is 909 Beekman Road, Hopewell Jct., NY 12533. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

B R E E Z Y BUILDERS, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 2/3/25. Office in

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Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 191 Rushmore Rd., Stormville, NY 12582, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of RA'S ROOFING REPAIR, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/22/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Robert Turner 97 Talleur Lane Clinton Corners, NY 12514 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Jack's Pack, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on January 16, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Jenifer Borba, 6 Pye Lane, Wappingers Falls, New York 12590. Purpose: any and all business activities permitted under NYS law.

Law Office of Michael G. Del Vecchio, PLLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on December 4, 2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Law Office of Michael G. Del Vecchio, PLLC, P.O. Box 722, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful activity.

SALA CAPITAL LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/7/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 51 Noble Hill Dr, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Form. of PRODIGAL PARADIGM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/26/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 3853 ROUTE 82, MILLBROOK, NY 12545. Any lawful purpose.

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Kiki B12 LLC filed w/ SSNY 1/31/25. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the the LLC, 799 Sergeant Palmateer Way, Apt. B12, Wappinger Falls, NY 12590. Any lawful purpose.

BLACK KAT STUDIOS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/24 Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 568 North Avenue, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: any lawful act.

BIDDRINA HOLDCO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on February 4, 2025 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, PO Box 518, Bangall, NY 12506-0518. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Find the Spaces Between LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/29/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 68 Bangall Amenia Rd, Stanfordville, NY 12581. Purpose: any lawful activity.

1215 Shunpike LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 2/4/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any such process served to 103 South Main Street, Sharon CT 06069. Purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

NEXT LEVEL STRATEGIC PARTNERS LLC. Filed 10/29/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Jacqueline Harr, 61 Locust Grove Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: General.

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of Northern City Properties LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/28/2025. Office location: Dutchess County NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Arolo Delacruz 12 Richards Blvd Poughkeepsie Ny 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Worthex Pro Inspections LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/22/2021. Office location: Dutchess County NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Arolo Delacruz 12 Richards Blvd Poughkeepsie Ny 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

THE BARN AT ALPINE RANCH, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 8 Sherman Dr, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: any lawful act.

Beekman Home Construction, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on January 30, 2025. Office location: Care of LMD Companies, P.O. Box 1670, Wappingers Falls, New York 12590, Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to the LLC, 13 Ryan Ct. Clinton Cors, NY 12514. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Lumina Learning LLC Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/02/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 179 South Cherry St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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AND PAINTING, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/19/2025. 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, 51 Long Meadow Drive, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Narrow Flats LLC. Filed with SSNY on February 4, 2025. Office: Dutchess County, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 258, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful

SMART CHOICE PROPERTY ONE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/22/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 794 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Jota's Food Truck LLC. Filed 2/6/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 29 Forbus St Apt 7, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of Spark Coffees LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/20/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 13 Ryan Ct. Clinton Cors, NY 12514. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of a NY Limited Liability Company. Name: WhiteOak.IO, LLC. Articles of Organization filing date with Secretary of State (SSNY) was 10/28/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy of process to 104 S Quaker Hill Road, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under NYS laws.

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: ONE JOHN STREET, LLC, hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the

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Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was January 30, 2025. 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, Elaine Suderio and David Miller, 23 Marshall Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LUX FITNESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/25 Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2 Stirrup Trail, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful act.

DM DELHALL THERAPY ASSOCIATES LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/31/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Denice Mateo-Delhall 2 Kent Rd Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Sepideh Hakimzadeh LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/22/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 107 Kansas Road, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

HAWK AMP, LLC Filed with SSNY on 02/03/25. Office Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 21 Pine Echo Dr. Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Hudson Co, LLC, filed App. for Auth. with the SSNY on 11/8/2024, using the fictitious name Hudson Co of DE, LLC. Office: Dutchess County. LLC formed in DE on 8/3/2010. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served and shall mail process to: The

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LLC, 2290 Rte 199, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Address required to be maintained in DE: Corporation Service Company, 2711 Centreville Rd, Ste 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert of Formation filed with DE Sec'y of State, John G. Townsend Bldg, 401 Federal St, Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of Native Minds, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/14/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 16 Pasture Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Early Interventions Licensed Behavior Analyst NY PLLC, Arts of Org filed with SSNY 09/30/2015 Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: The PLLC, PO Box 136, Salt Point, NY 12578 Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Custom Tours LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/01/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to PO Box 2631, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of SaltLine Solutions LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/8/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Christine Pettit NP in Psychiatry PLLC. Filed 1/29/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: 349 Liberty Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: NP in Psychiatry.

ROBERT C. DILLULLO ACCOUNTANT, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 09/06/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the

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LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 72 Spy Glass Hill, Hopewell Junction, NY, 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Moove In Partners - Pawling LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/22/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 80 State St, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Phoenix Muses LLC filed Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State on February 10, 2025. The office of the LLC is located in Dutchess County, NY. The New York Secretary of State has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 221 Pitcher Lane, Red Hook, NY 12571. The LLC is managed by its members. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Form. of SNGNY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/13/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 4001 S DECATUR BLVD STE 37445, LAS VEGAS, NV 37445. Any lawful purpose.

MONITOR PAUL HOME IMPROVEMENT LLC. Filed 12/23/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Paul Jhonny, 3485 Route 9 Trlr 8, Cold Spring, NY 10516. Purpose: General.

183 N HAMILTON REALTY LLC. Filed 10/29/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 183 N Hamilton St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General.

489 FREEDOM REALTY LLC. Filed 10/29/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 183 N Hamilton St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General.

Brightpath Hospitality LLC. Filed 2/10/25. Office: Dutchess Co.

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SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 45 Pitcher Rd, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of Capital Fleet Solutions LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/8/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Capital Fleet Solutions LLC, P.O. Box 155, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

EFTIALEX REALTY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/20/2025. 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, 31-35 Eastdale Avenue North, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Tende Personal Care LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/19/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 8 W Main St., Beacon NY 12508. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Upstate Bodywork, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 1/6/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 12 Crescent Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful.

Notice of Formation of 1-2 Tree Top LLC, a domestic limited liability company (LLC). Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/04/2023. The LLC is located in Dutchess County. The SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the office location: 35 Orchard Place, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity.

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Saint Patrick's Day classics on the cello with Alex Prizgintas at the Pleasant Valley Library on March 15



Alex Prizgintas will perform at the Pleasant Valley Library on March 15.
 -Courtesy photo

What an exciting way to celebrate Irish spirits and all things green! The unique sound of Alex Prizgintas' electrified cello includes reels and jigs along with giges and traditional Irish tunes. It even features a hit from the Irish rock Group U2, "With or Without You," signatures from Bing Crosby such as "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," and the hymn "Be Thou My Vision." Prizgintas and his amplified cello will be part of the Pleasant Valley

Library at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 15. Accompanied with a narration that reveal some of the back stories of baroque, jazz, folk, and Rock n' Roll classics, he immerses his audience in a journey through musical history.

"I tend to have two audiences; those who know me as a cellist and those who know me through my lectures on topics of regional history. My bifurcated inter-ests certainly keep me busy developing

new stories to share about our Hudson River Valley as well as expanding my concert programs that strive to keep audiences engaged, enlightened and hopefully entertained." To learn more and see other video samples of his music and lectures, please visit alexprizgintas.com. Register at https://pleasantvalleylibrary.org.

The library is at 1584 Main St. in Pleasant Valley.

this week's puzzle solutions

This week's answer

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Suguru solution

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Halcyon Hudson International LLC, filed App. for Auth. with the SSNY on 1/14/2025. Office: Dutchess County. LLC formed in DE on 1/8/2025. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served and shall mail process to: Jacqueline Preziosi, 2515 South Rd, 5th Fl, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Address required to be maintained in DE: 251 Little Falls Dr, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert of Formation filed with DE Sect'y of State, PO Box 898, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: 241 Fairview LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 11, 2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 203 Cardinal Road Hyde Park, NY 12538: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of HUDSON VALLEY SHORT RENTAL LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/19/22. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 94 MAPLE ST BEACON, NY, 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Notice of Formation of Tanya Murray Creative, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/23/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 22 E. Market St, Ste 203, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: 241 Fairview LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 11, 2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 203 Cardinal Road Hyde Park, NY 12538: Any lawful purpose.

SHREENATHJI TRADING LLC. Filed 1/23/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Chandni Shah, 128 Stony Brook Rd, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: General.

Incl don Chiropractic Office PLLC. Filed 2/19/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 997 Main St, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Chiropractic.

Notice of formation of L & MG74, LLC filed with SSNY on 2/18/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY is des-

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igned as the LLC's agent upon whom the process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to L & MG74, 21 Morris Drive, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

283 20TH LLC. Filed 12/30/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Ghioni Tax & Accounting Solutions LLC, Po Box 786, Gresham, OR 97030. Registered Agent: Peter Barrett, 58 Sherow Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: General.

Notice of Qualification of VIGILANTE HEATING, COOLING, PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/12/25. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/4/25. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 80 State St, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St. Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Corporation Service Company, 80 State St, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice is hereby given that a Professional Limited Liability Company (PLLC) has been formed under the laws of the State of New York. Darlene Carole Klosen P.T. PLLC Articles of Organization filed with State of New York, Department of State Date of Formation 2/11/2025 The company is formed to provide physical therapy services. Darlene Klosen 80 Watch Hill Drive, Fishkill NY 12524 This notice is published in accordance with the requirements of the State of New York.

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Notice of Qualification of VIGILANTE PLUMBING & DRAINS, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/12/25. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/10/25. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 80 State St, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St. Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Corporation Service Company, 80 State St, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of LONGHORN VEHICLES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/25/25. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 273 Old Camby Rd., Verbank, NY 12585. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of BLACKBIRD HOSPITALITY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/25/25. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 445 Main St., Ste. 210, Beacon, NY 12508. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Qualification of 3302 FRANKLIN AVENUE LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/25/25. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 02/17/25. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Bangall Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545. SSNY desig-

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nated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

DON'T MUST LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/07/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Suite 1, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

CHRC CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANTS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/27/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Suite 1, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

CORCOLI REFERRAL GROUP LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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02/27/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Suite 1, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of Bloom and Beam Artistry LLC, a domestic limited liability company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/15/2025. Office location: County of Dutchess. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 1022 NY-376 #8 Wappingers Falls, New York 12590 Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of a limited liability Company (LLC): Name: 205 Columbia Turnpike LLC, Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 11, 2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against is may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 203 Cardinal road Hyde Park, NY 12538: Any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF DUTCHESS. THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE-HOLDERS OF THE CWBMS INC., CHL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH TRUST 2005-HYB6, MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-HYB6, Plaintiff against- MICHAEL SEDGWICK, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated January 7, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the rear lobby located at the Dutchess County Courthouse, 10 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY on March 18, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Washington, County of Dutchess and State of New York, known and designated as Section 6664 Block 00 Lot 667504.

Said premises known as 354 SOUTH ROAD, MILLBROOK, NY 12545 Approximate amount of lien \$831,708.87 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

Index Number 53474/2023.

ANTHONY TIRONE, ESQ., Referee DRUCKMAN LAW GROUP PLLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 242 Drexel Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590 For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832. DLG# 39461 {* Northern Dutchess*}

NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF DUTCHESS U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF THE TRUMAN 2021 SC9 TITLE TRUST, Plaintiff, v. PATRICK J. LLOYD AKA PATRICK LLOYD, ET AL, Defendants. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT IN pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the Office of the County Clerk of Dutchess County on January 6, 2025, I, Mark A. Siesel, Esq., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on March 24, 2025 at the Rear

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Lobby of the Dutchess County Courthouse, 10 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, at 03:30 PM the premises described as follows: 91 Clove Branch Road Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 SBL No.: 6458-04-531223 ALL THAT TRACTOR PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Town of East Fishkill, County of Dutchess, State of New York. The premises are sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment, Index No. 2023-52214 in the amount of \$212,748.95 plus interest and costs. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the Court System's COVID-19 mitigation protocols and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale. Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 500 Bausch & Lomb Place Rochester, NY 14604 Tel.: 855-227-5072 105398-184215

Rombout Rural Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, March 11th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at the 1-84 Diner in Fishkill, NY 12524. Association members & interested parties are welcome to attend.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS INDEX # 2020-50965 Filed Date: 2/11/2025 Supplemental Summons

Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the Place of Trial Designation of Venue is based upon the situs of the Subject Property Subject Property: 2 Grubb Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL FUNDING MORTGAGE SECURITIES I, INC., MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-SA2, Plaintiff, against MAGAN RUPARELIA A/K/A MAGAM RUPARELIA AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA; DEVENDRA RUPARELIA AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA; RASHMI RUPARELIA AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA; SUDESH RUPARELIA AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA; NARESH RUPARELIA AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA; RAJNA RUPARELIA AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA, IF LIVING, OR IF DEAD, HER HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DISTRIBUTORS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNORS, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING UNDER, BY OR THROUGH SAID DEFENDANT WHO MAY BE DECEASED, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE OF ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HUSBANDS, WIVES OR WIDOW, IF ANY, AND EACH AND EVERY PERSON NOT SPECIFICALLY

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NAMED WHO MAY BE ENTITLED TO OR CLAIM TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE VERIFIED COMPLAINT, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN, AND CANNOT AFTER DILIGENT INQUIRY BE ASCERTAINED BY THE PLAINTIFF; RAJEN RUPARELIA, AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO PRITAM RUPARELIA, IF LIVING, OR IF DEAD, HER HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DISTRIBUTORS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNORS, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING UNDER, BY OR THROUGH SAID DEFENDANT WHO MAY BE DECEASED, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE OF ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HUSBANDS, WIVES OR WIDOW, IF ANY, AND EACH AND EVERY PERSON NOT SPECIFICALLY

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sure 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. This action was commenced to foreclose a mortgage against real property located at 2 Grubb Street Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. McCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC By: Glenn W. Caulfield, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 145 Huguenot Street, Suite 210, New Rochelle, NY 10801 914-636-8900 914-636-8901 facsimile File # 20-302546 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN 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

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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 16-12-20*

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-13-25 Bus Shelter Advertising Services for Dutchess County Public Transit Proposals must be submitted electronically through the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System (BidNet Direct) Portal on or before 2:00 p.m., March 27, 2025. Specifications, proposal forms and substantial instructions 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.

that's italian!

by luigi coppola



Hunting

An uneventful trip in the woods is saved by a great sandwich.

When I was young we had a BB gun. We would shoot tin cans, targets, each other and anything else we could find. As we got older, naturally we went hunting. I remember one time my brother John decided he was going to bring his little 10-year-old brother hunting for the first time.

I was so excited. The night before, I couldn't sleep. I had visions of Elmer Fudd dancing in my head. I could hear the song, "A hunting we will go, A hunting we will go, hi ho the cherio, a hunting we will go." We were going to stalk our prey and track him down and get ourselves a deer.

It was very cold, so I made sure to lay out warm clothes. I had my snow boots ready as well as gloves, a scarf and a winter hat. I was ready.

The morning finally came, and John and I got up at 5 a.m., packed ourselves some nice Italian breakfast sandwiches with a thermos of espresso, that my mother had made for us, and off we went to a friend's farm, to hunt for the elusive deer.

We parked in front of an old barn and walked into the woods until we reached a tree with an orange marker on it. On the

other side of the tree there was a crude ladder nailed to the side of the tree, and up at the top there was a plywood platform that John had constructed. John told me that this was called a tree stand. We climbed the tree to get up into our stand. Once we were both up, we sat back to back. John had tied a rope to his gun and he pulled it up.

Once we were settled, John told me to keep an eye out for deer. So I started to scan my entire field of vision looking for our elusive deer. I could almost hear Marlon Perkins narrating our hunting trip. I looked left to right and was hoping I would see the deer first.

After about 20 minutes with no deer in sight, I started to get a little bored and a little cold. Suddenly I heard a noise that sounded suspiciously like snoring. John had told me that sometimes deer snort, but I don't remember hearing him say they snore. I was a little worried because I wasn't sure the deer couldn't reach us.

I was looking all around for a snoring deer when I realized that it wasn't the deer snoring. It was my brother John, sound asleep.

I elbowed him in the back to wake him. He yelled at me.

"What did you do that for?" he demanded. "You fell asleep!" I said. "Yeah? So? Why did you wake me?" he answered.

"Because were supposed to be hunting!" I told him, a little angry.

"We are," he said.

It was in that moment that I realized that my idea of hunting and John's idea of hunting were two entirely different concepts. So as John slept, I opened up my sandwich and had breakfast.

Needles to say, I never went hunting again.

Method

In a frying pan with olive oil, toast both sides of the ciabatta roll. Remove and set aside. Add broccoli di rabe to heat up.

While the broccoli di rabe heats up, place mozzarella on one side of the roll and provolone on the other side. Place your heated broccoli rabe on one side.

Fry up the sopresatta, crisping both sides, and place on top of the broccoli di rabe. Scramble the eggs and place on top of the sopresatta.

Wrap sandwich in aluminum foil so all the ingredients blend.

Luigi Coppola is one of five brothers born to Francesca and Antonio Coppola. The Coppola family came to America from Naples, Italy in 1954. Antonio and his brothers opened their first restaurant in Poughkeepsie in 1961. Luigi and his brothers Nick, John, Antonio and Vincent have carried on the family tradition in the way their parents taught them, using classic recipes taught to them at their apron strings. Visit their website at www.coppolas.net.

Italian Breakfast Sandwich Ingredients

- 1 ciabatta roll (split horizontally)
- add:
 - olive oil
 - 1 slice mozzarella
 - 1 slice provolone
 - 1/4 cup sautéed broccoli di rabe
 - 2 large eggs (scrambled)
 - 2 slices sopresatta (fried until crispy on both sides)

Guitarists to meet in East Fishkill on March 16

Come to our Guitar Club at the East Fishkill Community Library on Sunday, March 16. The group will meet monthly on Sundays from 1:30-3:30 p.m., with the exception of summer (June – August) when Sunday hours are closed.

This is an adult group meant for guitar hobbyists to meet up and share their music. Content will be group directed. Activities will include song circle, music swap, guitar care tips and general guitar

geek chat. Local resident Carol Morin will lead this group; drop-in and all levels of experience welcome; no guitar needed to attend (but bring one if you have one!)

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

Finding one's next chapter March 15 at the East Fishkill library

Finding Your Next Chapter: A Journey of Self-Discovery, an immersive work-

shop that will take you on a transformational journey to empower you to become the best version of yourself, will be held at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on Saturday, March 15, at 10:30 a.m.

This is an introductory workshop that will provide clarity and direction on who you want to be, what you want to do, and how you want to live. This workshop uses engaging activities and insightful discus-

sions to help you discover your true potential. Come comfortable and ready to explore and share.

Presented by Joanne Conrad. Joanne's background includes an MEd in Counseling, ten years of experience as an HR Recruiter, and the designation of Certified Career Counselor (CCC).

One can register at <http://eflibrary.org> through the online calendar or call 845-221-9943 ext. 225 for more information.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT D U T C H E S S COUNTY FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FREDDIE MAC SEASONED CREDIT RISK TRANSFER TRUST, SERIES 2022-2, Plaintiff against CYNTHIA JENKINS, et al Defendant(s) Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Fein Such & Crane, LLP, 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800, Rochester, NY 14614. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered January 28, 2025, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at Dutchess County Courthouse, Rear Lobby, 10 Market Street, Poughkeepsie NY 12601 on April 9, 2025 at 2:30 PM. Premises known as 67 Cross Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Sec 5955 Block 83 Lot 872124. All that certain plot, piece or par-

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celoflandsituatelying andbeingintheCityof Beacon, County of Dutchess and State of New York. ApproximateAmountofJudgment is \$103,237.68 plus interest, fees, and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 2024-50325. The foreclosure sale will be conducted in accordance with 9th Judicial District's Covid-19Policiesand foreclosure auction rules. The Referee shallenforceanyrules in place regarding facial coverings and social distancing. Joseph Frank Buono, Esq., Referee File #SPSNY815 The Washington Hollow Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall, 10 Reservoir Drive, Millbrook NY, 12545. PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE CONCERN-

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ING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA (Pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law) Notice is hereby given that Assessment Inventory and Valuation Data is available for Examination and Review. This information which will be used to establish the assessments on the Tentative Assessment Roll of The Town of Pleasant Valley which will be filed on or before May 1st, 2025. To set up an appointment to review this information, please call the assessor at 845-635-8159; Monday thru Friday between the hours of 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Dated: March 1, 2025 Garth J. Slocum, Assessor NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS -----X

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M-M2REHOLDINGS 13, LLC, Plaintiff, -against- Index No: 53854/2018 BARBARA GIOR-D A N O - L E O N - AGGEO a/k/a/ BARBARA G I O R D A N O , ROGER LEON-AGGEO, a/k/a ROGER F. LEONAGGEO a/k/a ROBERT LEON-AGGEO, ASSET ACCEPTANCE, LLC, CATANIA, MAHON, MILLIGRAM & RIDER, PLLC, PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC, and RAZOR CAPITAL II, LLC A/P/O CREDIT ONE BANK, N.A., Defendants. -----X In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated January 28, 2025, duly granted by the Court and entered in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office on January 31, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee, duly ap-

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pointed in this action for such purpose, will offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Dutchess County Courthouse, 1st Floor, rear vestibule, 10 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 on the 7th day of April, 2025 at 2:30 in the afternoon of that day, the mortgaged premises directed in and by said judgment to be sold and in said Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, described as follows: ALL that certain plot, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Stanford, County of Dutchess and State of New York, at 151 Homan Road, bearing tax grid number, Section 135200, Block 6669-00 and Lot 573194-0000, and more particularly described in the "Schedule A" attached to the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, on file in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Dutchess.

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Anthony J. Centone, Esq., Referee Anthony J. Centone, P.C. 1950 E. Main Street, Suite 205 Mohegan Lake, NY 10547-1288 (914) 528-4529 Location of Property to be foreclosed: Town of Stanford, County of Dutchess, State of New York, as more fully described above. DATED: February 20, 2025 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF WAPPINGER DUTCHESS COUNTY PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the 11th day of March, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Section 240-37 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Wappinger to consider the

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following area variance: Appeal No.: 25-7841 (Area Variance) Donald Flood: Seeking an area variance Section 240-37 of District Regulations in an R-40 Zoning District. -Where 50 feet to the front yard property line is required, the applicant can provide 46.7 feet for an existing front porch to remain, thus requesting a variance of 3.3 feet. The property is located at 105 Robin-son Lane on 0.93 acres and is identified as Tax Grid No.: 6459-03-077339 in the Town of Wappinger. All interested persons will be heard by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above. Signed: John Lorenzini, Chairman Zoning Board of Appeals Town of Wappinger February 24, 2025

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THEME: THE OSCARS

ACROSS

1. 1/10
6. European tourist tax, acr.
9. "Germinal" author Émile
13. Bye, in Paris
14. Bigheadedness
15. Relating to wine, arch.
16. Tabletop mountains
17. H+, e.g.
18. Large key on the right
19. *"___ Boys"
21. *"Emilia Pérez" leading actress
23. H in HMS, sometimes
24. Kids' get-away
25. Like certain Four
28. Queen of Carthage
30. Razzed
35. Scary fairytale creature
37. Soft drink
39. Like certain egg order
40. Sir Mix-___-___
41. *Sean Baker's original screen-play
43. Loyal, arch.
44. Caldecott award
46. Ascus, pl.
47. AI's learning material
48. Harry ____, once of One Direction
50. Wearing footgear
52. *At 2024 Oscars, Ryan Gosling sang "I'm Just ___"
53. Sushi restaurant libation
55. Unit of length of yarn
57. *This year's Academy Awards host
60. *Elphaba and Galinda story
63. Antique shop item
64. Metal-bearing rock
66. Mountain nymph
68. Southeast Asian org.
69. Lavatory, abbr.
70. *___ Theatre
71. Whimper
72. Sodium hydroxide
73. Follow

DOWN

1. Scottish cap
2. Barbara of "I Dream of Jeannie"
3. Not yet final, at law
4. Mold a mind
5. Like ear of corn that is ready to cook
6. Bride's cover
7. Opposite of hence
8. Polynesian kingdom
9. Zn
10. "I'm ___ you!"
11. Property right
12. Acronym, abbr.
15. Evening worship
20. "All My Children" vixen
22. Invoice qty.
24. Colossus, pl.
25. Fizzes
26. End of a shoelace
27. *"The Brutalist" leading actor
29. Spanish lady
31. Old, in Scottish
32. Go stealthily
33. Related on mother's side
34. *Chalamet's role
36. Et alibi, abbr.
38. St. Louis' Gateway
42. Garlicky mayonnaise
45. Acne, technically
49. Famous frat house
51. Crack
54. Grassy mound
56. Ohio metropolis
57. Yorkshire river
58. Tea or beer
59. Iranian money
60. We have
61. Mature elvers
62. Dabu-___, chili pepper condiment
63. Operator's equip.
65. *Jamie Foxx won Best Actor in 2005 for this biopic
67. Yellow #5, e.g.

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30th Annual Dutchess County St. Patrick's Parade held in Wappingers Falls



Spectators watch the 30th annual Dutchess County St. Patrick's Parade that was held on March 1 in Wappingers Falls. One of the dogs in attendance at the parade.

Bagpipers from the Hudson Valley Regional Police play their musical instruments.

The Police Emerald Society of the Hudson Valley participates in the annual event.

Firefighters from Wappingers Falls Fire Department converse with paradegoers.

A member of the Hudson Highlands Pipe Band from Cold Spring in Putnam County entertains the crowd.

The Dutchess County Sheriff's Office Color Guard carries the colors.

The incorporation of the Town of Wappinger 150 years ago was celebrated with a "cake" float and a display of clothes worn throughout the decades.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter

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