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OLL girls basketball team wins NY State AAA championship



Members and coaches of the Our Lady of Lourdes High School girls basketball team hold the NYS Championship trophy after winning the title on Sunday in Troy.

-Courtesy photo

By Rich Thomaselli

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The Our Lady of Lourdes High School girls basketball team, at one time the most dominant program in the area, won the state championship for the first time in two decades on Sunday with a 69-54 victory over Liverpool of Syracuse in the Class AAA final.

The game was played at Hudson Valley Community College.

"Unreal feeling!" said Warriors star Simone Pelish, who will matriculate at the University of Miami in the fall.

OLL won nine state titles in the 1980s, 1990s and early 2000s under

Coach Brian Giorgis until he left to coach at nearby Marist College, and then one another state crown under Sarah Hoyt in 2004. This is the first state championship under current coach Al Viani, whose daughters Jenna and Julianne starred for the Warriors.

"It's all about these kids," he said. "I'm just so proud of them."

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OLL BOYS END SEASON WITH LOSS IN SEMIFINALS

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The Sugar Maple Celebration will be held at The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation on March 23 in Fishkill. Pictured is Thomas Grant working at the Evaporator.

-Courtesy photo

Celebrate the sugar maple at Sharpe Reservation Saturday

By Kristine Coulter

The Sugar Maple Celebration is on tap at The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation on Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Camp Hidden Valley.

"We are excited to have a live animal show by Animal Embassy, Hudson Highlands Nature Museum, and legendary storyteller Jonathan Kruk. In addition, we have our time-tested favorites including learning about maple syrup at

our sugar shack," said Timothy Stanley, the director of Sharpe Reservation.

This year there are 175 taps on sugar maples at Sharpe, said Stanley. "We tapped on February 16th. So far so good. We are bottling syrup on a daily basis. We need nights below freezing and days above freezing for the trees to produce. We are worried an early March warm up [may] impact our late season crop," he explained.

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Serino delivers first State of County address

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino presented her first State of the County Address this evening, outlining many of her priorities for Dutchess County Government, before hundreds of residents, business and nonprofit leaders, as well as local and state officials gathered at Red Hook High School's Performing Arts Center in Red Hook.

County Executive Serino said, "The state of Dutchess County is strong, thanks to the dedicated

women and men of County government who go above and beyond to enhance our quality of life. We are truly fortunate to live and work in this vibrant and thriving community, but we must commit ourselves to always striving to do more – to be responsive to each of our young people, families, seniors, veterans and those who are struggling – to listen to their concerns and encourage them to help us decide how we, as a community, tackle difficult challenges.

We must, above all, treat each other with respect, kindness and compassion. These are the principles and goals that guide me each day and will inform the decisions I make on behalf of our taxpayers."

Welcomed by Red Hook Central School District Superintendent Dr. Janet Warden, the audience enjoyed an opening program that featured a performance from Red Hook High School student Nora Callaghan-Jurgens who sang "I Have Confidence"

accompanied by Choral Director Matthew Funigielo. Bishop Debra Gause of Holy Light Pentecostal Church offered the invocation. Desiree King of Mental Health America of Dutchess County sang the national anthem with Dutchess County Sheriff Kirk Imperati leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Dutchess Community College student Robert Bohl, who will be graduating from the Mechatronics Lab program this spring, introduced the County Executive.

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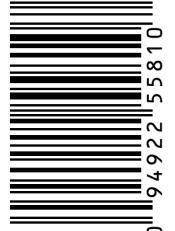
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Event attendees also had the opportunity to view artwork from Red Hook High School students on display in the lobby, as well as enjoy piano music played by student Jacob McGee and learn about various student programs in including the FFA agricultural program and the RoboRaiders technology program.

County Executive Serino's address affirmed her commitment to ensuring the work of Dutchess

County Government remains focused on enhancing the quality of life for residents. Having taken office just over two months ago, she has been engaged in learning about projects under development as well as promoting new ideas and concepts to explore. The County Executive underscored throughout her address that bringing people together - through roundtables, discussions and events - is paramount to creating effective solutions for difficult challenges and that every decision must be carefully weighed for its impact on the taxpayer and how it will benefit people for generations into the future.

The County Executive touched on a wide range of initiatives and programs that she has already been engaged with, as well as some of what she is focused on for the coming year, including:

- Creation of the County's first Community Engagement Office, tasked with listening to residents' concerns, developing active solutions to their issues and creating a more responsive County government. This will include mobile office hours around Dutchess, expansion of community

education events as well as County employee outreach.

- Creation of new opportunities for youth, including: Expansion of Dutchess County's ongoing "YOU Without Walls" initiative by continuing to offer new and unique innovative programming in collaboration with community partners; Encouraging local students to pursue alternative paths to success through partnerships with local trade unions as well as Dutchess Community College (DCC) where additional pipelines to jobs programs in the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) sector and Automotive Maintenance Technician are being created to augment the successful Mechatronics Lab and Aviation Education programs and partnering with Wappingers Central School District to host a "Career in the Skilled Trades" fair on Thursday, April 18th to highlight trades and other skilled job opportunities at Roy C. Ketcham High School.

- In partnership with Dutchess Outreach and the United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region, launch the "Dutchess County Food Security Council" to more effectively address hunger and food insecurity while improving access to healthy, locally grown food for the growing number of people who depend on the 65 food pantries throughout Dutchess County.

- Expanding the impact of mental health and public health by returning to independent departments of Health and Mental Health, with current DBCH Commissioner Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado continuing to lead public health efforts and Jean-Marie



County Executive Sue Serino

-Photo by Curtis Schmidt

Niebuhr taking the helm to oversee mental health services. The planning process to make two separate departments is underway. The County Executive highlighted several of the County's mental health efforts including: The Dutchess County Stabilization Center, a partnership with People USA, has just become the first licensed Supportive Stabilization Center in New York State; With support from the County Legislature, adding new recovery coaches at the Empowerment Center at 230 North Road in Poughkeepsie, primarily focused on serving young adults, ages 18 to 25; Funded through Opioid Settlement Fund dollars, Dutchess County has partnered with Oxford House for the opening of the first of three sober-living houses for individuals in recovery.

- Continuing to address homelessness with a multi-faceted approach that includes the upcoming opening of Hudson River

Housing's youth transitional housing facility in the City of Poughkeepsie that will house up to 12 individuals ages 18 through 25 who may be at a risk for homelessness, and the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program that has been highly successful in helping dozens of individuals find housing, get treatment and more.

- Dedicating hotel tax revenue from short-term rentals to ensure a sustainable funding stream for the County's innovative Housing Trust Fund, bolstering the original \$12.3 million commitment that created the fund, to encourage more developers and organizations to partner with the County to create additional transitional and affordable housing across Dutchess County.

- Address challenges of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) plaguing communities across the nation, including contracting for supplemental ambulance service to address gaps in coverage, facilitating regional collaboration, working with DCC to attract more people into the EMS field, support current first responders with mental health support to prevent burnout, advocate for state and federal legislation to address EMS challenges, re-establish a critical incident response team to assist first responders and help them cope with the traumatic incidents they witness while on the job as well as provide public education on when to call an ambulance.

- Creating a think accessible public awareness campaign, focusing on residents and visitors with physical disabilities, while also incentivizing small-business owners to make their businesses more accessible.

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Sap Happy Maple Weekend returns to Bowdoin Park March 21-24

Dutchess County Parks' popular Sap Happy Maple Weekend will take place at Bowdoin Park Thursday, March 21 through Sunday, March 24 with a line-up of fun, educational, and delicious events for all ages.

"Maple Weekend is a truly a unique experience," said County Executive Sue Serino. "Residents of all ages can come out to sample our house-made maple syrup, learn the history of the syrup-making process, and be our judges for the second annual Best Pancake Competition! I am grateful to our Parks team for creating this fun collaboration with fellow County departments and community businesses."

Sap Happy Maple Weekend events will be held in collaboration with the County's Office for the Aging (OFA), Eastern Dutchess Road Runners Club, The Culinary Institute of America, Just a Little Pie Shop and the New York State Maple Producers Association. Dutchess County Parks Pure Maple Syrup will also be available for purchase (cash only) throughout the weekend, while supplies last. Event information, including registration and updates, for Sap Happy Maple Weekend are available on the Dutchess County Parks Facebook page and at dutchessny.gov/parks.

Sap Happy Maple Weekend features

Seniors Pancakes in the Park and Maple Bingo will be held in collaboration with OFA on Thursday, March 21 from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Auditorium at Bowdoin Park. Residents ages 65 and older and a caregiver are invited to come enjoy a free pancake breakfast and play a game of maple-themed Bingo. Registration opens Friday, February 23 and is available by calling OFA at 845-486-2555. Reservations are required as seating is limited.

Parks staff will provide hands-on learning opportunities for all ages during its popular Maple Education Demos and Tasting sessions on Friday, March 22 and Sunday, March 24. Participants will learn about the art and history of making maple syrup and watch the different steps of the maple syrup making process, from the tapping of trees to sap collection, and boiling it down to make syrup. Native American methods for creating maple sugar will also be explored. Sessions will be offered at 10am, noon, and 2pm. Classes are \$5 per person and pre-registration is required. Register at DutchessNY.gov/Parks.

The second annual Sap Happy 5K Run/Walk will be held in partnership with Eastern Dutchess Road Runners

Club steps off on Saturday, March 23, starting at 8:30am. The run will be rain or shine, and the course route is along the paved and gravel roadways within Bowdoin Park. Pre-race bib pick-up will be at Fleet Feet Poughkeepsie, located in the Shoppes at South Hills, from March 20th-22nd during store hours. Day-of race bib pick-up will begin at 7:15am at Pavilion 5 at Bowdoin Park. All registered participants will receive a maple-themed bandana and awards will be given to the top five male, female, and non-binary runners. Pre-registration is required and costs \$20 per person or \$15 for Eastern Dutchess Road Runners Club members. Register online at Dutchesny.gov/Maple5K.

The second annual Community Breakfast and Best Pancake Competition will be held Saturday, March 23rd from 9:15 a.m. to noon in the Bowdoin Park Auditorium. Dutchess County Parks staff will again team up with Culinary Institute of America students in a competition for who makes the Best Pancake. Who wins? You decide! Tickets are \$5 per person (cash only at the door) and children 6 and under are free. Tickets are on a first

come, first served basis and while supplies last. Walk-up Maple Education workshops will also be held (weather depending) and are included with pancake breakfast entry.

Just a Little Pie Shop will feature Dutchess County Parks' Pure Maple Syrup in a signature Maple Syrup Pie, which will be available for purchase at the shop from Wednesday, March 20 through Wednesday, March 27, or while supplies last. Just a Little Pie Shop is located in Eastdale Village on Route 44 in the Town of Poughkeepsie.

Maple Education Group Opportunities
Dutchess County Parks is a member of the New York State Maple Producers Association, which will bring its Maple Experience Mobile Classroom to local School Districts in March and April, including a field-trip experience at Wilcox Memorial Park in Milan on April 3rd for home school groups, and local clubs. Please call 845-298-4600 for more information.

Other group Maple Education experiences are available at Bowdoin and Wilcox Park by appointment. For more information on these or other Parks Naturalist programs, please call 845-298-4600.

Celebrate the sugar maple at Sharpe Reservation Saturday



The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation's Sugar Maple Celebration is set for March 23 in Fishkill. Pictured are Aliyah and Andrew Stanley. -Courtesy photo

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So, what can attendees expect during the annual event? "This is a family fun day! We have a dining hall full of vendors, our Annual Maple Syrup Judging Contest, planetarium shows, blacksmith, portable sawmill demonstrations, maple syrup demonstrations and more! It is a wonderful way to celebrate the arrival of spring!" Stanley replied. He added, "The day becomes an annual tradition for many. Families return year after year! Everyone loves locally produced syrup."

Remember: This is one day a year that The Fresh Air Fund's Sharpe Reservation is open to the public.

"Year-round school groups, scouts, community-based groups and churches utilize the camps for day and residential

trips. During the summer thousands of New York City children have the opportunity to come to summer camp to develop life skills and have fun in the outdoors," said Stanley.

More information about The Fresh Air

Fund can be found at www.freshair.org. The event is free but there will be items available for purchase (bringing cash is suggested).

Sharpe Reservation is at 436 Van Wyck Lake Road, Fishkill.

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Viewpoints

The importance of Gideon's Promise

By Margaret Walker

Etched above the entrance to the United States Supreme Court is the phrase "Equal Justice Under Law." These words are both an ideal and a promise. An ideal that the quality of justice should never be based on impermissible factors such as race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or the amount of money you have. A promise of our society's abiding commitment to provide equal justice for all.

The Sixth Amendment of the United States Constitution, ratified in 1791, gave citizens certain rights in criminal trials, including the right to counsel. Some may not realize that prior to 1963, that right only applied in the federal courts, not in state criminal trials. Local defendants who could afford to pay a lawyer could retain one, of course, but if someone did not have enough money, they could be tried and convicted without a lawyer in the state courts.

It was not until 1963 that the United States Supreme Court decided in the landmark case of *Gideon v. Wainwright* that the Sixth Amendment right to counsel applies in every court in the land. They did this by determining that the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which provides all citizens with "equal protection under the laws," includes the Sixth Amendment Right to Counsel. The story leading to one of the most important legal rulings ever decided by the Nation's Highest Court is an iconic American tale.

In the summer of 1961, Clarence Earl Gideon faced a criminal trial in a Florida state court on charges that he broke into a poolroom and stole coins from a cigarette machine. He asserted his innocence and requested a lawyer. That request was denied because there was no right to a court-appointed lawyer at the time. Gideon cross-examined the witnesses himself, without knowing criminal procedure law. He was basically a lifelong drifter at the age of 51, with an eighth-grade education. He was found guilty and sentenced to five years in prison.

Writing from his prison cell in Florida, he sent a handwritten petition to the U.S. Supreme Court arguing that the Constitution does not allow poor people to be convicted without legal representation. The time was finally right for this argument.

On March 18, 1963, Justice Hugo Black, writing for a unanimous Court, stated: "...reason and reflection require us to recognize that in our adversary system of criminal justice, any person haled into court, who is too poor to hire a lawyer, cannot be assured a fair trial unless counsel is provided for him. This seems to us an obvious truth."

At his retrial, with a lawyer, Gideon was acquitted. Ever since, it is accepted that the right to counsel is essential. But the question remained of what level of government would pay for lawyers to represent criminal defendants who could not afford a lawyer.

The states handled the creation of their public defense systems very differently. Some created a statewide Public Defender office. New York, two years after *Gideon*, enacted County Law Article 18-B, which



Margaret Walker

became a dysfunctional guarantee of the right to counsel insofar as that law mandated New York's 62 counties to fund their own public defense. Compensation rates for county-provided lawyers were variable and for many years, not enough to provide meaningful representation.

New York State now has a hodgepodge of public defense systems, from county public defender offices, to contracts with Legal Aid Societies, to private attorney panels. Today, 61 years after *Gideon*, implementation of the right to counsel remains uneven across the state and nation, and people who cannot afford counsel are regularly denied their basic right to a qualified attorney, resulting in unjust verdicts.

It is a challenging task to bring to life the promise of *Gideon v. Wainwright* – the dream in which every person charged with a crime will be capably defended. Public trust in the legal system is still shaken by tales of wrongful convictions and the exoneration of the innocent after serving years in prison.

In 2010, New York State created the Office of Indigent Legal Services to assist county governments to improve the quality of legal representation. The funds provided by that Office were deeply needed and made all the difference.

We are most fortunate in Dutchess County to have a public defender office with experienced and dedicated full-time criminal and family defense lawyers, as well as investigators, social workers, and a legal support staff which deliver on *Gideon's* promise every day.

Gideon stands as a milestone in American constitutional law. It affirms the principle of equal justice under the law, the most fundamental aspiration of our legal system. It represents the kind of legal system we would like to have and the kind of society we aspire to be.

As we cherish the ideal, we must continue to deliver on the promise.

Margaret Walker was appointed as Dutchess County's 6th Public Defender on January 2 by new County Executive Sue Serino, after long-time Public Defender Tom Angell retired. Walker was office's Director of Training since 2019 and was a prosecutor prior to that.

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Lawsuit filed on behalf of Dutchess, Putnam residents against U.S. regarding trail public use land

By Kristine Coulter

A lawsuit against the United States Government was filed in the United States Court of Claims recently by Lewis Rice's Federal Takings & Rails to Trails Practice on behalf of several property owners whose properties were taken by eminent domain for the trail in Dutchess and Putnam counties. The lawsuit alleges that the federal government owes them compensation for their land that it authorized for public use, according to Lewis Rice. More than 200 landowners own property along the rail line and are currently eligible to make a claim for compensation from the federal government, states the law firm.

Attorney Lindsay S. C. Brinton, according to her biography with Lewis Rice LLC, "has represented landowners across the nation whose property has been seized by the federal government. A leader of Lewis Rice's Federal Takings & Rails to Trails Practice Group, she works closely with people affected by rail-trail conversions, which is when the federal government converts an abandoned railroad corridor into a public park or trail."

Brinton stated recently that the government has "60 days from the day we filed" to respond to the claim.

The Claim states: "The Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which provides, "No person shall be . . . deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation."

Metro-North Commuter Railroad Company (MNR) formerly owned an easement for railroad purposes between Milepost 0.0 and Milepost 71.2 Dutchess and Putnam Counties, according to the

court document. Then, on January 23, MNR requested the federal Surface Transportation Board ("STB") to issue a Notice of Interim Trail Use (NIT) or Abandonment. Last month, the STB issued a NIT.

According to Lewis Rice LLC, "This order authorized the state of New York to convert the abandoned 71.2-mile rail line to a public hiking and biking trail (Empire State Trail rail-trail conversion)."

"We have been following across the country trails that were happening. We kept an eye on it," Brinton explained.

When the railroad property is abandoned, it states in the Claim, under New York law, "Plaintiffs would have had the exclusive right to physical ownership, possession, and use of their property free of the railroad easement upon abandonment of the use of that easement for railroad purposes" The court document stated that creating the public-access trail the Plaintiffs' property and appropriating a new easement for possible future railroad use has taken from them the value of the land for the trail and "greatly diminished" the value of their property adjoining the trail corridor.

Brinton said they are seeking fair market value. Brinton said they are seeking fair market value. A representative from the government could not be reached for comment.

"There are still several hundred landowners that own land where [the trail] was established," said Brinton. She noted the property owners must "file a claim for compensation if they want to be paid" if that is what the Court finds. If one does not file a claim, one will not be compensated, she stated.

For more information, visit <https://www.lewisrice.com>.

Bipartisan bill aimed at illegal, unlicensed smoke shops

Assemblyman Anil Beepan (R,C - East Fishkill) and Assemblywoman Jennifer Rajkumar (D-Queens) partnered on a bipartisan bill aimed at tackling the proliferation of illegal, unlicensed smoke shops across the state. Known as the (A08428A) "Smoke Out Act," this legislation grants municipalities the authority to shut all illegal smoke shops promptly.

Beepan sparked this bipartisan collaboration with Rajkumar in response to the recent controversy surrounding an illegal weed bus in East Fishkill, vending unlicensed products to residents. Recognizing the urgent need for action, Beepan actively liaised with New York's Office of Cannabis Management, providing information to the community.

The recent incident involving the DispensaryBus, which was impounded by law enforcement after a rigorous investigation, according to Beepan, underscored the limitations faced by local

municipalities in enforcing New York's cannabis laws. In light of these challenges, Beepan emphasized the importance of empowering localities with the tools necessary to implement state and local laws effectively.

Beepan remarked in a statement, "By granting localities the authority to enforce cannabis regulations, we are taking a significant step towards safeguarding our communities from unlicensed and unregulated products."

Rajkumar said in a statement, "My SMOKEOUT Act is common sense legislation with support from both parties and every corner of the State. No matter our political party or where we live, we are all united in our determination to close all 36,000 illegal smoke shops plaguing our neighborhoods. We need to pass the SMOKEOUT Act in this year's budget to empower all localities to take control of the situation and immediately close illegal cannabis shops for good."

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Student mathematicians enjoy Pi Day



Monet Halliday, whose 4th-grade class was recognized for multiplying 18x18 digits, is looking in awe at a 5-foot 3D print of three intersecting cylinders, that took two months to print, which embodies the utilization of the STEAM concepts.

-Courtesy photo

Since March 14, 2015, The Math & Physics Exploration has sponsored an annual math recognition program on March 14 to honor top math students in Dutchess County and in other counties such as Orange and Putnam. Sponsors such as The Hudson Valley Credit Union, Top's Markets, The Daily Planet Diner, Adams Fairacre Farms and Mellina Weiss through the Dutchess County Community Foundation have sponsored this event.

A special program has been offered in the elementary and junior high schools in the Wappingers Central School District with Drs. Irvin Miller, Chris Parks, and Sara Rothman offering instruction. This math program is so supercharged that the students learn how to do 18x18 digit multiplication, how to multiply infinite power series to prove algebraic identities, and how to program in Python.

With the 18x18 digit, they learn a creative way of doing a problem that cannot be done by an ordinary computer and their parents. This approach is being taught to some of the teachers so that they can seamlessly integrate it with the current instruction. Last year, Kristen Nelson and Maleri Patterson of Fishkill Plains Elementary taught their entire fifth grade class to perform this task, while this year, Monet Halliday, Leone and Emily Tompkins are teaching their fourth-grade class the same thing.

I believe that there are hundreds of children in the Wappingers Central School District who have accomplished a math task that has not been done by any other students in New York State except for the students that Dr. Miller taught. Some of those children have gone on to become Valedictorians of their schools.

The multiplication of infinite power series is something that many high school and college students cannot do. Here we have elementary and junior high school students who are more advanced mathematically than their parents and older brothers and sisters. In fact, Dr. Miller did not learn to do these feats until well after he finished his graduate work in High Energy Physics.

The next step was to show these students how to challenge Mathematicians. Last year, a video was produced on Nova explaining some concepts about zero. The students in the enriched math course where shown possible logical errors that these professors made and the process for refut-

ing them. They were then shown another way of looking at math to discover negative numbers and to explain, not just accept, the rules of operation.

The students in the program were given this opportunity to learn how to study advanced math topics through the leadership of Drs. Michelle and Dwight Bonk and support of the Board of Education presided over by John Lumia.

The following students were recognized through certificates and speeches at the event by the following community leaders: Senators Schumer and Gillibrand, Congressman Ryan and Lawler, State Senator Rolison, State Assemblyman Anil Beephan, County Executive Sue Serino, Chairwoman of the Legislature Will Truitt along with legislators in the school district, and town Supervisors Rebecca Edwards, Nicholas D'Alessandro, Joseph Cavaccini, and Ozzy Albra:

Names of the students

Brinckerhoff Elementary

Madison, Adam, Megan, Xavier, Gary, Nehlah, King, Maddox, Martin

Fishkill Plains Elementary

Gouda, Grady, Aurelia, Colton, Eashan, Sabrina, Janiyah, Luke, Levi, Noelle, Anthony, Michael, Ariana, Devan, Rebecca, Kelly, Ian

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John, Luca, Yassin, Michael, Leia, Luke, Rita, Erika

Van Wyck Junior High School

Nicolette, Steven, Johan, Jacob, Bennett, Vincenzo and Morgan

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Roy, Rockwell, Arden, Landon, Anatole

Several students, parents and teachers gave presentations on the impact of this program on the enhanced confidence and the enjoyment of math. After the students were given their certificates and awards generated by a 3D printer, they enjoyed fruit pies and other refreshments.

One may watch the ceremony on the following YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGz0JUHtnaQ>

Dr. Miller is the President and Director of The Math & Physics Exploration (501(c)3).

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VETERANS NEWS WITH ADAM ROCHE

VA to join One-Stop Campus

In January, I detailed some of the highlights of 2023 and expressed that we at Dutchess County Veterans Services and our partners working at the MHA One-Stop facility are always looking to find new and creative ways to better serve our veterans.

I am excited to share that beginning this month, the VA Administration at Castle Point is setting up a satellite office on our campus to give veterans another way to receive personal guidance regarding VA benefits. This will help streamline the application process of obtaining healthcare for all those who have faithfully served our country.

The new VA office will be open at the One Stop in Pleasant Valley the last Thursday of each month for in-person counseling from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Virtual appointments will be available daily for those who don't have transportation or may have other commitments that make it

difficult to get to Castle Point.

There are two rooms dedicated to Video Virtual Care (VVC) where veterans can connect with their VA medical providers for telehealth appointments or meet in-person with a VA representative about any questions or concerns they have regarding their healthcare benefits.

In addition, VA Telehealth icons will be placed on the desktops so vets can easily click and access VA Telehealth Information and resources such as direct links to MyHealtheVet (VHA's Patient Portal), the VA App Store, VA Online Scheduling, and VA Health Chat. Several live virtual VA group programs and classes will be offered.

In my experience working with veterans over the years, I know the challenges of wading through paperwork and providing all the documentation required to get an application completed and ready for a decision by the VA Administration.

Getting many of our vets to go through this sometimes-long process has a lot to do with how they are treated in their initial meeting and how they relate to the person conducting the interview. This is why I am excited about the VA coming to the local one-stop building. I have worked with VA Outreach Coordinator, Leno "Lenny" Okall, who will oversee this new initiative, and his story is inspiring. While just in his 20s, Okall made the journey from Kenya to America alone and with no money. Within a month he made the decision to join the U.S. Marine Corps, simply because he wanted to serve our country.

After active duty, Lenny began his work with the VA as a Health Eligibility Advisor in 2017; and after holding several progressive positions, he eventually became Outreach Coordinator. Those who have worked with him know he is not only an expert at navigating the VA Healthcare system, but he is pas-

sionate about helping his fellow veterans secure all the allowances available to them.

As Dutchess County Veterans Services Director, it's hard to fully express how exciting it is to see the energy around the one-stop campus as it continues to draw more people and organizations who understand its vision and who want to find the most effective ways to help our veterans.

I encourage any organization that works with veterans and wants to help connect vets with the VA, to access the health benefits they've earned, to contact Lenny Okall at 845-831-2000 ext. 217666 and make a virtual or in-person appointment.

And, of course, we at the Dutchess County Veterans Services and everyone at the MHA One-Stop facility are available every weekday to help our veterans in any way we can.

Contact us at 845-486-2060; email us at veterans@dutchessny.gov or visit our webpage at dutchessNY.gov/veterans.



OLL girls basketball team wins NY State AAA championship

Continued from cover

Actually, Lourdes had a class trip to Disney World scheduled that several players had to miss to play in the finals. Now they can agree that this was just as magical, if not more magical, an experience.

Between the two teams, there are just three losses – so Sunday's game was a classic matchup between Lourdes and Liverpool.

The Warriors led by 10 points at halftime and had as much as a 24-point lead in the second half.

Pelish scored 33 points and grabbed nine rebounds. Bianca Velovic tallied 18 points for OLL.

In the semifinals, Claire Wagner came in off the bench and hit four three-pointers in the second half of a 60-51 Lourdes win over Long Island champion Walt Whitman.

Three of her triples came in the fourth quarter.

Wagner finished with the 12 points. Pelish had 14. Kayla Johannessen hit six free throws in the final minute and finished with 12 points.

Sports Museum, Poughkeepsie Public Library District collaborate to celebrate women athletes

By Kristine Coulter

A celebration of women athletes for Women's History Month will take place on March 28th, from 7-8 p.m., at Adriance Memorial Library, 93 Market St., in Poughkeepsie. The program is a collaboration between the Sports Museum of Dutchess County and the Poughkeepsie Public Library District.

"The History of Women in Sports Panel is a celebration of women's contributions to local history and to athletic excellence. The Poughkeepsie Public Library District is proud and excited to be a part of this celebration and evening of community learning," said Charlotte V. Michael Tramontana, Poughkeepsie Public Library District Public Information Officer.

Mary Sagar, a member of the Sports Museum said, "Attendees can expect to hear four women who have had an impact on women's sports in Dutchess County discuss the role that sports has played in their lives and how opportunities for women in sports have developed over the years."

According to Sagar, attendees will hear from:

- Patsy Zerbe, a basketball and tennis coach. Pat's life took a remarkable turn at the age of 11, when she defied convention and joined a Little League baseball team. This set the stage for a lifetime dedicated to breaking gender barriers in sports. Throughout her long association with Dutchess Community College and other local organizations, Pat has been a driving force in creating opportunities for women in Hudson Valley sports. A scholarship for women has been established at DCC in Pat's honor.

- Sharon McSween, slow-pitch softball team manager. Sharon has been involved in coaching and mentoring softball players for many years. Her teams have played in local, state, and national tournaments, often placing in the top three. She has served on the board of several statewide softball organizations and ran several benefits to raise money for worthy causes in the Hudson Valley.

- Bettina Briccetti, founder of the Wappingers Challenger League. Bettina

founded the Wappingers Challenger League when she was 13 years old. Challenger, a division of Little League, is a program designed for children and adults with disabilities to be able to play baseball. Bettina's dream of an accessible environment for the players came true with the opening of Inspiration Field in the Robinson Lane Baseball/Softball Complex in 2015. Bettina is currently a Middle School Music teacher in East Harlem, but she remains involved with the Wappingers Challenger League.

- Erin Doughty, Marist College Women's Basketball coach. Erin recently completed her first season as head coach of the Marist Women's basketball team. A former student athlete at Marist herself, during her 22 years of association with the basketball program Erin helped lead the Red Foxes to several MAAC championships and NCAA tournament appearances.

"The Sports Museum of Dutchess County is developing a new exhibit on Women in Sports. Our four panelists will be highlighted, along with other notable female athletes and coaches. The museum is soliciting donations of photos, equipment, trophies, and other women's sports memorabilia to be included in the exhibit," said Sagar.

"The Library District has been delighted to partner with the Sports Museum of Dutchess County for Women's History Month, and also during our Big Read event in Fall 2023. We look forward to continued partnership, bringing high quality programming to our patrons that educates and empowers all," said Tramontana.

Bill Ponte, who is president of the Board of the Sports Museum, said the museum board is "pleased to partner with the Poughkeepsie Public Library District to present this program." He added, "The museum is committed to highlighting the contributions of women as equal partners in Dutchess County's sports history."

If one is interested in donating an artifact to the museum, please contact Bill Ponte at 845-473-0903, or email sportsmuseumofdutchesscounty@gmail.com for more information.

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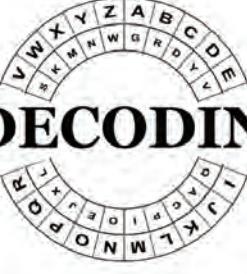
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The People's Choice in 1824?

By Bill Jeffway

A small sewing box in DCHS Collections says "The People's Choice" on the top with an engraving of John Quincy Adams on the inside. It is an early example of a political campaign trinket. Adams was elected President in 1824.

Whether he was the people's choice, or not, is debated among historians and scholars and shows how the American electoral system has been evolving over time. The election outcome is often referred to as having been a "corrupt bargain" which is language that showed up in local newspapers at the time.

The election was conducted from Tuesday, October 26 to Thursday, December 2, 1824, and involved four major candidates: John Quincy Adams, mentioned earlier, the son of the second U.S. President, John Adams, was from a well-to-do and established Boston family. Andrew Jackson, the rough and rugged self-made military man was from Tennessee. Also running was House Speaker Henry Clay of Kentucky, and Secretary of the Treasury William Crawford of Georgia. Town of Amenia's Smith Thompson, then Secretary of the Navy, had wanted to run but pulled out from the crowded field.

First, let's look earlier that year when bills that would have changed the system in New York from having electoral college electors chosen by a vote of a joint session of the New York State Senate and Assembly, to direct election by voters going to the polls as they are today. This "direct" system was in place in most States, but not New York State. The change in law failed. The *Poughkeepsie Journal* was furious, editorializing on March

3, 1824, "Voice of the People. The proceedings of the people who are daily assembling in the different towns and counties of the state to express their wishes respecting the electoral law and their indignation at the conduct of Governor Yates, [U.S. President] Martin Van Buren and the other men who have lent their influence and exertions to defeat the public will on this occasion pour in upon us in such floods that it is no longer in our power even to notice all of them..."

So, in late October the two bodies, the NYS Senate and Assembly, got together to vote.

Several rounds of voting were inconclusive because both houses needed to agree on a candidate. Ultimately, John Quincy Adams got a majority of votes in both houses, including the support of Dutchess County State Senator Isaac Sutherland, of Stanford. New York's 36 electoral college votes were sent to the U.S. Capitol in Washington DC, for John Quincy Adams.

But when all thirteen states' votes were counted, four candidates split the vote such that none won enough electoral college votes to become President. In States where votes had been counted, Jackson had a majority of the popular vote: Jackson got 151,363 and Adams 113,142. Jackson got 99 electoral votes and Adams got 84; but 131 was required to win.

The rule that was in place then, is the rule that is in place now. When a candidate does not receive enough votes from the electoral college, the Presidential election is determined by one vote from each state in the U.S. House of Representatives. Each state's vote is determined by a majority of votes of the congressmen for that state. New York

had 36 Congressmen.

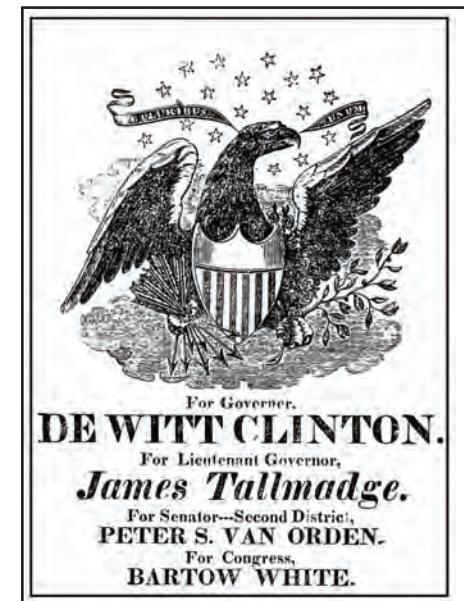
During this unprecedented period, newspaper editorials lobbied for their respective favorite candidates. The *Poughkeepsie Journal* was firmly for Andrew Jackson, writing, "...Jackson could probably poll twice as many votes in old Dutchess as all of them together." The local names associated with the promotion of Jackson for President were formidable: Hyde Park's Morgan Lewis, the former Governor, among them.

The *Journal* editorialized repeatedly that the public should lobby the local Congressman at the time, William W. Van Wyck of Fishkill, to vote for Jackson, although his vote would be but one of 36. The majority vote of the New York delegation went for John Quincy Adams.

In what became known as the corrupt bargain, Clay lent his support (and all his electoral college votes) to Adams with the agreement that Clay would become Secretary of State (which he did). This gave Adams enough votes to win in the House of Representatives.

On February 2, 1825, the *Poughkeepsie Journal* reported the following, "The latest rumors from Washington represent that Mr. Adams and Mr. Clay have concluded a bargain by which the latter has agreed to smother his resentment against the former and unite in making him president. Rumor says Mr. Clay is to receive as payment the office of Secretary of the State. Such are the rumors from Washington that efforts are being made to defraud the American people of the candidate of their choice by corrupt combinations among some of the leading friends of Adams and Clay."

Two weeks later the *Poughkeepsie Journal* editorialized with an olive branch, "Having been decidedly opposed to Mr. Adams election to the presidency from a sincere conviction that he was unworthy to fill that exalted station it will not be expected that we should rejoice at his success especially when we add as our firm belief that Mr. Adams is not the choice of the nation and that his election has been affected by bargaining and corruption. Still, Mr. Adams has been chosen agreeably to the forms prescribed by the Constitution



Above from the newspaper, the Dutchess Observer, during the election of 1824, supported DeWitt Clinton for Governor and James Tallmadge for Lieutenant Governor. Unlike the U.S. Presidential election taking place at the same time, the election of the Governor was by direct popular vote while Presidential electoral college electors were chosen by the New York State Senate and Assembly in a joint session. Clinton ran on a campaign of making Presidential electors a direct choice by the vote of the people which came to pass by 1828.

-Courtesy images

and we must submit to his reign with the best grace we can."

Four years later, in 1828, Adams and Jackson met in a rematch. Jackson took 56% of the popular vote and won almost every state outside of New England. Jackson handily won Dutchess County and all towns went for him except the following for Adams: Beekman, Hyde Park, Pawling, Union Vale. The "people's choice" of 1828 emerged as Andrew Jackson.



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Although it is now faded and hard to read, the top of the box, when closed, has the words "The People's Choice" with an image of John Quincy Adams on the inside, visible when open. The box might be related to the 1828 election which saw an identical match up of the 1824 candidates of Adams and Jackson. Jackson won in 1828.

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I made a pile of rot and so can you!

After years of teaching about composting in my biology classes, I finally started my own. It sits a short distance from a door off my kitchen. The key to making it a success (and keeping it smelling good) is maintaining the right balance of carbon and nitrogen decomposing materials. (That's right ... I have a rotting pile of compost close to my house and it does not smell!)

What is compost?

Compost is a mixture of ingredients used as plant fertilizer. It improves soil's physical, chemical, and biological properties. It is commonly prepared by decomposing plant and food waste, recycling organic materials, and manure. Compost improves soil fertility.

How I created my compost pile

I chose a place to put my compost pile that is relatively flat, close enough to my kitchen to be convenient, but far enough away to not be an eye-sore. It is also close to the hose and spigot.

Next, I decided how I would collect and store my browns (carbon-rich items) and greens (nitrogen-rich items). For browns, you can use cut up newspaper, toilet paper and paper towel roles—or the “ready-made browns” that fall from the trees each autumn. As for the greens, I collect and store plant-based wastes in a container in my fridge. Cut pieces small so that they decompose faster.

I started the compost pile with a 4"-6" layer of leaves (browns). They absorb extra liquids, elevate the pile, and encourage air circulation. Next, I layered greens and browns like lasagna. I added water to dampen the pile as I made layers.

Keep the volume of browns to greens at



Above: Turning the compost pile.

Right: Collect and store plant-based waste in the fridge until ready to place in the compost pile.

-Courtesy photos

about 3:1. (I just visually guestimate this!) When I get a full container of food scraps (every 4-7 days) I dump them on the pile and mix them in with a garden fork. Cover the greens with about 4"-8" of browns.

Hot makes it rot!

As the materials in a compost pile begin to rot, its temperature begins to rise. Temperatures between 90-140 degrees F are usually considered ideal. High temperatures help reduce the presence of pathogens and weeds.

Monitor the pile for temperature, moisture, and odor, and make adjustments as

needed. Decomposition will be slow if the pile is too cool or dry. Remedy it by adding greens and turning the pile. If the compost is too wet, there may be a bad odor or poor air circulation. Address that problem by adding browns and turning the pile.

Get the kids involved

Those who compost reduce trash that would otherwise go to landfills or incinerators. That is a powerful way to limit greenhouse gasses that contribute to climate change. Creating a compost pile takes minimal effort, equipment, expense, or expertise. In fact, it helps eliminate the



need to purchase compost, fertilizer, and pesticides. Simply add finished compost to your soil to make it healthier, prevent erosion, conserve water, and aid plant growth. Composting can even be fun!

Instruction about composting is standard fare in most Ecology units and classes. But don't let that learning stop at school. Try composting at home with your kids. Its Backyard Biology---learning for the fun of it.

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://www.gertrudekatzchronicles.com/> and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com/>

Statewide outdoor burn ban ongoing through May 14

By Kate Goldsmith

New York State's annual burn ban is in effect from March 16 through May 14.

According to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), open burning is the single greatest cause

of wildfires in the state. To report a wildfire, call 1-833-NYS-RANGERS (1-833-697-7264) or contact a forest ranger in your area.

When you plan a fire, always check for fire danger in your area on DEC's online

map (updated every week).

The DEC advises that local governments may have stricter rules than the state; check with your fire department about local burning laws.

There are several exceptions to the open burning prohibition:

- Camp fires or any other outdoor fires less than 3 feet in height and 4 feet in length, width or diameter are allowed.
- Small cooking fires are allowed.
- Ceremonial or celebratory bonfires are allowed. Disposal of flags or religious items in a small-sized fire is

allowed, if it is not otherwise prohibited by law or regulation.

- Only charcoal or dry, clean, untreated or unpainted wood can be burned.

- Fires cannot be left unattended and must be fully extinguished.

- Open burning to control invasive plant or insect species is allowed. Case-by-case DEC approval is required.

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County receives \$3 million grant for two-way radio system

Dutchess County's Consolidated Two-Way Radio System Project received a significant boost last week with a \$3 million grant award from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services' (DHSES) Interoperable Communications Targeted Grant program. County Executive Sue Serino announced the \$3 million award will help offset the County's costs as the Department of Emergency Response continues to facilitate the construction of a new interoperable, countywide public-safety radio network that will increase reliability and eliminate coverage gaps in radio communications among first responders.

The County's Consolidated Two-Way Radio System Project is projected to cost \$32 million in total. The Dutchess County Legislature unanimously authorized more than \$18 million in serial bonds to fund the project. Additionally, the County has utilized American Rescue Program (ARP) funds and other state and federal funding sources to partially offset project costs. The new \$3 million grant from New York State will help reduce the amount the County will need to secure through bonding, saving Dutchess an estimated \$357,000 annually in principal, interest and fees.

County Executive Serino said, "In an emergency, seconds count, especially when trying to coordinate help between responding agencies and lives are potentially on the line. Our commitment to ensuring public safety hinges on first responders' ability to communicate the details of an emergency quickly to be able to coordinate an efficient, response between agencies. Our Emergency Response team's work on this challenging and complex project has put Dutchess County at the forefront in the state for addressing these critical communications challenges. We appreciate Governor Hochul and the DHSES recognizing this work and providing additional support for this critical investment."

The grant will help purchase a Project 25 (P25) digital radio system, which once installed will help bring multiple agencies into a single emergency radio communications system, ensuring smooth, direct communication between Dutchess County first responders as well surrounding counties' agencies and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority Police Department. In addition to improving communication between agencies and disciplines (fire, emergency medical services and law enforcement), the P25 system will significantly improve communications coverage across the County, increase system resiliency and incorporate emerging technologies.

Emergency Response Commissioner Dana Smith said, "Emergency communications infrastructure is critical to preventing gaps in coverage that could prove fatal in an emergency. Once complete, our new radio system will be used by every EMS, fire and law enforcement



Dutchess County's Consolidated Two-Way Radio System Project received a \$3 million grant award from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services' (DHSES) Interoperable Communications Targeted Grant recently.

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agency in the county, creating both cost savings and greater interoperability between our 9-1-1 center and the various agencies."

P25 is a set of standards—established by the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials International (APCO), the National Association of State Telecommunications Directors (NASTD), federal agencies, and the National Communications System (NCS), and standardized under the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA)—manufacturers can follow to ensure their equipment can communicate with equipment produced by other manufacturers.

The County's radio project, which began in 2022, has included the identification, design and construction of 19 additional radio tower sites throughout Dutchess County. It is anticipated that construction of these sites, as well as installation of equipment, will begin later this year, with testing scheduled for late 2025.

Dutchess County was one of eight counties to be awarded funding through the New York State 2023 Statewide Interoperable Communications Targeted Grant Program. The program focuses on closing gaps in National Interoperability channels implementation and enhancing regional alliance, ensuring that county communication systems remain capable to support multijurisdictional.

Sports Report

Local youth leagues to benefit from Renegades 'Show on the Road'

By Rich Thomaselli

Youth baseball and softball players will now get a chance to see what it's like to play professionally.

The Hudson Valley Renegades and Heritage Financial Credit Union have announced an all-new initiative for the 2024 season centered on their partnership's joint commitment to supporting youth baseball and softball programs throughout the Hudson Valley.

It's called "Show on the Road."

As the name implies, the Renegades will be taking their game entertainment experience on the road from Heritage Financial Park and delivering it directly to youth leagues across the community.

"The 'Show on the Road' program is a great example of the positive impact of our community partnership with Heritage

Financial Credit Union," said Zach Betkowski, General Manager of the Renegades. "The fact that we are able to bring our show and experience directly to local youth leagues and give them a taste of the Renegades experience is a core principle of our mission statement. Supporting youth baseball and softball in our community is truly an exciting way to create life-long memories for families in our community and a means to help grow the game of baseball from a grassroots level."

Every element that fans have come to enjoy and associate with the fan experience of Renegades baseball will come to these games—they will have the full treatment of a public address announcer doing player introductions, walk-up music for batters, promotions and games performed in

between innings, and of course appearances from mascots Rascal and Rosie.

Broadcasting games

Separately, the team and Pamal Broadcasting announced an expanded partnership, with the home of the Renegades Baseball Network moving to five stations throughout the Hudson Valley.

All 132 Renegades regular-season games and all postseason games will be broadcast on WBPM 96.5 FM and WBNR 1260 AM in Beacon, WGHQ 92.5 FM and 920 AM in Kingston, and WLNA 1420 AM in Peekskill. This network of stations is also the radio home of Army football.

"I couldn't be happier or prouder with our expanded partnership with the Renegades. Since 1994 the Renegades have epitomized family fun and success. As a family-owned

and operated broadcast company, we are drawn to anything that brings families to affordable fun, so our partnership with the Renegades checks all the boxes," said Chuck Benfer, Chief Operating Officer of Pamal Broadcasting. "...To be able to deliver the play-by-play to those unable to make the game in person on our expanded sports network of stations throughout the Hudson Valley is our honor."

"We are very excited for the expansion of our partnership with Pamal Broadcasting and their sports network becoming the new radio home of the Renegades," said Joe Vasile, Director of PR & Broadcasting for the Renegades. "Our 30th anniversary season is shaping up to be our best yet, and our expanded radio network is just one of many exciting developments."

OLL boys finish strong season with loss in NY State semifinals

By Rich Thomaselli

It's difficult to find any joy and positives in a loss but the Our Lady of Lourdes High School boys basketball team will look back on this and realize that they made it to the state semifinals.

Despite being shorthanded.

The Warriors played the game without their best player, Patrick Faughnan, who suf-

fered a torn interior cruciate ligament halfway through the season. OLL had many successes in the season, including a Mid-Hudson Athletic League title and championships in Section 9 and the state regional final, but lost to West Genesee, 79-61, in a Class AA game on Saturday.

The game was played at Cool Insuring Arena in Glens Falls.

"This season was a hell of a ride," OLL coach Jim Santoro said. "I'm so proud of what these boys were able to accomplish."

Lourdes had not been here in seven years; the Wildcats were seeking their first title since 2019.

It was still a fantastic season.

Remember, this was a team that started the year with state championship aspirations and

an 8-0 record, and then had to remake everything. In 35 years, it might have been Santoro's best coaching job.

But West Genesee was just too much in this one, rolling to a 14-point lead early in the second quarter and never looking back.

Zach Hart had a double-double for the Warriors with 20 points and 10 rebounds.

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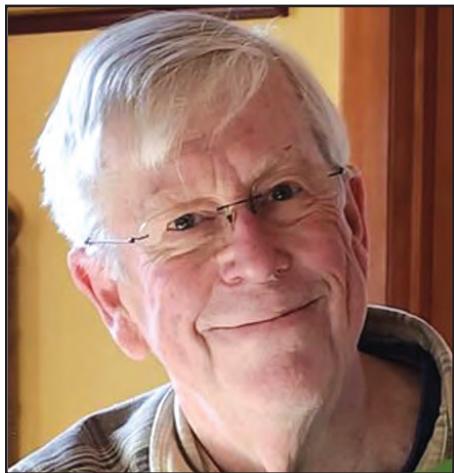


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Obituaries

Roderick John MacLeod



Roderick John MacLeod, age 67, died peacefully at home on Sunday, January 28, 2024.

Rod served his community with a wide range of professional abilities and civic contributions, always serving people and building relationships. Through his high school and college years and beyond, he worked as a meat cutter, serving and getting to know the clientele at Metzger's Meat Market. Eventually convinced that was not his life calling, he enrolled in New York Law School, receiving his Juris Doctor degree in 1993. In his professional role he served as an attorney and later a partner with Gellert, Klein & MacLeod, LLP in Poughkeepsie. Along with the

many individuals who sought out and relied personally and professionally on his counsel, he also ably provided legal counsel and advice to dozens of volunteer fire departments throughout Dutchess County and beyond.

Music was a vital theme throughout his life. In high school he sang in the John Jay chorus and performed a vocal solo piece in the senior recital. Church choir participation was a constant throughout the years. He served for many years as a dedicated and musically creative church organist at New Hackensack Reformed Church.

He was interested in and committed to his community. He grew up at Immanuel Church in Myers Corners. Moving back to this community after college, he served there on the church council and taught Sunday School. In the wider community he volunteered with a wide range of local civic and charity interests including 19 years with Hudson River Housing Inc.

Trains, whether spending time on his model train layout or collecting railroad memorabilia, were a lifelong passion and hobby, fueling his involvement in the transformation of the Poughkeepsie Railroad Bridge into what is now the Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park and in the restoration of the Hopewell Junction and Hyde Park Depots.

The New Hackensack Fire Department was his closest community. He would have joined the fire company when he was 14 but had to wait until 16, serving for 51 years and remaining a top responder, answering over 300 calls in 2023. His death, coming as it did, within hours of responding to a call is classified as a "Line of Duty Death". At the time of his death, Rod was serving as the Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners for New Hackensack Fire District.

He was proud of his Scottish ancestry and was very interested in and well-read on the history of Scotland and of the MacLeod clan. He and Karen spent many vacations exploring Scotland and developing relationships with family and friends from his paternal grandparents' native Isles of Skye and Lewis, Scotland.

He served and protected his community with dedication and kindness. Many benefited from his quietly offered personal and professional generosity. Known for his honest and realistic counsel, wry smile and unconventional sense of humor, Rod is missed by many who relied on him.

Rod was predeceased by his parents, F. John and June MacLeod, and by his younger brother Kevin (Cindy) MacLeod. He is survived by his wife of nearly 47 years, Karen; and his daughter Kate (Manny) Valdivia and dearly loved grandchildren Mance, Roddy, Ruthanne, and Megan. He is also survived by his siblings Douglas (Cathy) MacLeod and Kathryn (Mark) Elliott as well as many nieces and nephews.

Visitation and funeral arrangements: Fire fighters are invited to a visitation and memorial service to be held at Straub, Catalano & Halvey Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 10, 6-8pm, with the Fireman's Service to be held at 7:30pm.

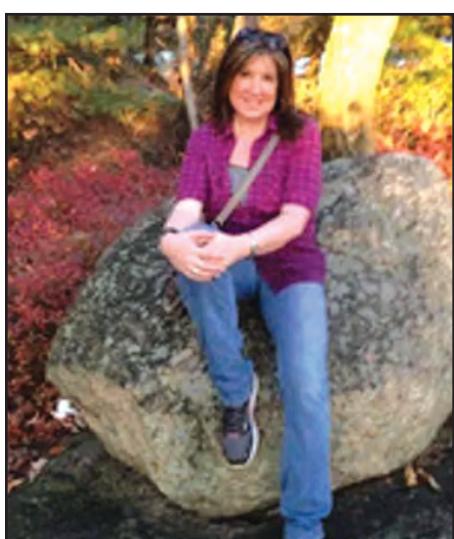
Friends and family are invited to a visitation Thursday, April 11 at 1-4pm and at 6-8pm at Straub, Catalano & Halvey Funeral Home.

A private funeral service will take place Friday, April 12 at 1pm. It will be live-streamed with the link to be posted on the funeral home's website.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Rod's name to Immanuel Christian Reformed Church, 253 Myers Corners Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 or Hudson River Housing, 313 Mill Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

For directions or to send a personal condolence, please visit www.StraubCatalanoHalvey.com.

Donna DiMarco



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Donna M. DiMarco of Wappingers Falls entered into rest Monday, March 11, 2024 surrounded by her family, at Vassar Brothers Medical Center. She was 57.

Daughter of Edwin Niemcyk and the late Rose (Risole) Niemcyk, she was born January 27, 1967 in Wappingers Falls. She met Paul T. DiMarco in 1985 and they were married on October 18, 1997, in Wallkill, NY. Paul and Donna were soulmates who enjoyed 40 years together. They had many wonderful adventures including the creation of a successful ice cream vending business. Chilly Willy's Ice Cream commenced 26 years ago with one truck and has now expanded to several. Mr. DiMarco survives at home.

Donna was a 1985 graduate of Roy C. Ketcham High School. She was extremely

active in Miles for Hope, a foundation to support those with breast cancer. Through her own battle she remained strong and emboldened this wonderful organization and even added pink sprinkle to her ice cream truck. Donna and Paul founded The Totally 70's Radio Network where Donna was the host of Monday Night Love for ten years and had followers from around the globe. She was an extraordinary woman with a kind and loving soul. Her dynamic personality was reflected in her way of living and doing business. Her presence made people happy, and this gave Donna the strength to keep going through the difficult times. She will be greatly missed.

In addition to her husband, Paul of Wappingers Falls and her father, Edwin of Lincolnton, NC, she is survived by her brothers, Douglas Niemcyk of Wappingers Falls and Edward Niemcyk of Lincolnton, NC; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service and celebration of life will be held June 30, 2024 at Bowdoin Park, Pavilion 4.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Donna's name to Miles of Hope, www.milesofhope.org/donate.

Arrangements are under the direction of Straub, Catalano & Halvey Funeral Home, 55 E. Main Street, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. To send a personal condolence, please visit www.StraubCatalanoHalvey.com.

Henry S. Kaps



EAST FISHKILL - Henry Steven Kaps, 85, an area resident since 1973 and previously of Brooklyn and the Bronx, passed away on March 11, 2024.

Born in the Bronx on March 8, 1939, Henry was the son of the late Henry and Marie (Markey) Kaps. He proudly served in the US Navy. Henry was employed as an electrician by Local 3 in New York City until his retirement in 2004.

On October 25, 1958 at St. Martin de Tours Church in the Bronx, he married Theresa B. Doria Kaps who predeceased him in 2015 after 56 years of marriage. He lovingly cared for his wife, especially during the last 8 years of her life, while she battled cancer.

Henry was a parishioner at St. Columba

Church in Hopewell Junction. He enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his children, Robert S. Kaps and his wife Joann DeLuigi of Fishkill, Karen A. Kaps of Wanaque, NJ, and Kevin J. Kaps and his wife Nicole of San Antonio, TX; his grandchildren, Christina Kaps, Damien Kaps, Evan Kaps, and Cameron Kaps; his great-grandchildren, Trinity, Adriana, Jayden, Gianna, and Stella; and his niece, Michelle Ruvolo. In addition to his wife and parents, Henry was also predeceased by his infant daughter, Denise Ann Kaps.

Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered at St. Columba Church, 835 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. Burial at St. Peter's Cemetery will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society. Please visit Henry's Book of Memories at www.mchoulnfuneralhome.com.

Elaine George Mustakas



WAPPINGERS FALLS (formerly of Rockville, MD) - Elaine George Mustakas, an extraordinary woman whose unwavering love and resilience touched the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her, passed away peacefully at her home on March 13, 2024, surrounded by her loving family at the age of 94.

Born in Wilmington, DE on April 22, 1929, Elaine was the daughter of George and Stella (Barras) Gatanis. She married the love of her life, Gus D. Mustakas, on November 12, 1950, in Bethlehem, PA, and together they founded their family business, East Fishkill Provisions Smoke Haus and Deli in Hopewell Junction. Elaine's nurturing spirit extended to the patrons of East Fishkill Provisions/Smokehaus Deli, where she was affectionately known as "Mom" to all who knew her.

Elaine was a devoted member of St. Gregory the Theologian Orthodox Church, where her faith was a guiding light in her life.

Elaine's life was centered around her

children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Her greatest joy was to be surrounded by family. Her kitchen table was more than just a piece of furniture; it was the heart of her home, where generations of family members gathered to share stories, laughter, and delicious meals. She was the originator of "Sunday Dinners" for the Mustakas family, and Sundays at Yiayia's were always eagerly anticipated by all.

Elaine is survived by her children and their spouses, Jim and Caryn Mustakas, George and Leasa Mustakas, Kris and Prinny Mustakas, Rose Mustakas and her partner Tamara Champion, Estelle, and Markella and Hank Brown; her grandchildren, their spouses and great grandchildren: Katrina and Fabio Cruz, Gus and Shaylee Mustakas (Demetrios, Niko, Theo), Eleni and Brian Tarpey (Austin, Madison, Charlotte, Makenna), Joan Mustakas (Mason), Gus Mustakas, Markella Mustakas, Gus and Brittney Mustakas (Kora), Niko Mustakas, Zoey Mustakas, Savannah Champion, Grace Champion, Eleni Neckles, Kristos and Victoria Brown (Eleanor Mae, Colette Lucille, Delilah Ann), Spero Brown, Rose Brown and her partner William Powell (William, Bradley, Bentley, Brody), and Lew Brown; her brother, Nicholas Gatanis and his wife Carol; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. In addition to her parents and loving husband, she was also predeceased by her brothers and their wives, Tom and Margaret Gatanis, Jim and Pauline Gatanis, Kris Gatanis, and Gus and Mary Gatanis.

The Mustakas family remains forever grateful for the immeasurable love and selflessness demonstrated by her daughter, Estelle, during Elaine's final years. Estelle's unwavering dedication and compassionate care provided Elaine with comfort, dignity within the familiarity of her own home. Estelle's presence brought warmth and solace to Elaine's days, offering unwavering support to both her mother and the entire family.

"A mother's love knows no bounds; it lives on in the hearts of her children and grandchildren forever."

Forever in our hearts, Mom!

Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. The funeral service was held at St. Gregory the Theologian Orthodox Church, 1500 Route 376 Wappingers Falls followed by interment in Fishkill Rural Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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Art & Soul Gala set for March 28

Vassar Haiti Project to host annual event in Poughkeepsie

By Kristine Coulter

The 12th annual Art & Soul Gala will be held by the Vassar Haiti Project on Thursday, March 28 at Vassar College's Alumnae House, 161 College Ave., in Poughkeepsie from 5:30-8 p.m. For tickets visit www.thehaitiproject.org.

"This is the 12th annual Gala at Vassar College's Alumnae House. The evening's high energy starts with live entertainment from Vassar's Student Jazz Band. At the event sponsors and community members who loyally attend each year mingle and reconnect with each other, knowing that they are directly impacting the health of thousands of Haitian patients. Speeches from both of our honorees as well as students and visiting guest alumnae set the stage for the evening. There will be beautiful, vibrant Haitian art available to purchase. Paul Pescos, of Millbrook, is bringing his band, La Bonne Vie to entertain us with Haitian music. Additionally, there will be delicious hors d'oeuvres, desserts and beverages, catered by Twisted Soul," said Lila Meade, who along with her husband, Andrew, founded the VHP.

This year Dr. Daniel "Danny" Aronzon, the former CEO of Vassar Brothers Medical Center, and Edwidge Danticat, a renowned Haitian-American writer and novelist, are the honorees.

Meade explained, "Our honorees are chosen by the Medical Advisory Board, a group

of local physicians who oversee the work of the clinic in Haiti. Dr. Danny Aronzon was chosen because he was the founding member of the Advisory Board. His focus, dedication and connections brought together a group of physicians who helped to build the clinic and make it a reality. His presence back in the community has spurred great excitement." As for Danticat, Meade stated, she "is an acclaimed Haitian-American author who has won over 30 awards from her mostly fictionalized depictions of Haitian life. Her works are reflected in 17 novels that have been heralded and studied by college and high school students internationally. Ms. Danticat has met with the Vassar Haiti Project students over the years and was pleased to be invited as an honoree this year."

Member of Vassar College's Class of 2024, Jessica Porras is president of the VHP. Jessica stated, "Witnessing individuals from Vassar and the community collaborating to foster positive change for those with whom they have no direct acquaintance is truly a profound experience." It was stated that she's looking forward to the event and working with her colleagues in VHP to "making the event an unforgettable one for the supporters."

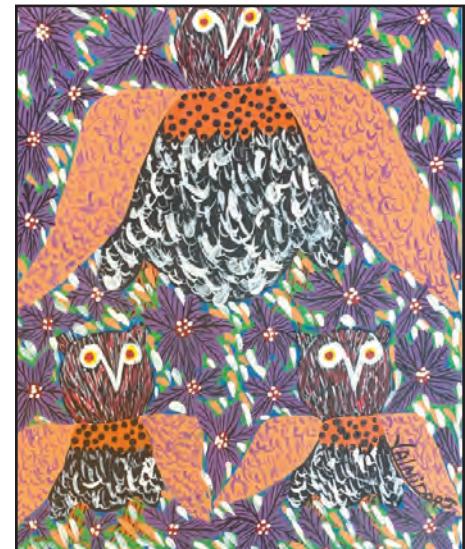
This year the funds will support the clinic for a whole year. The funds will pay "the salaries of the staff at the clinic, (doctor, nurses, midwife, support staff) and also for the medications for the patients, Meade explained. "The clinic is the only operating

health care facility in the area with patients waiting for up to two hours to see the doctor. This year, the Solar Lab will be finished and a technician and medical director who can oversee the operations of the clinic will be added to the staff," she said.

It was noted that even when turbulence and uncertainty pervade Haiti, Dr. Norvillus, the clinic's new physician said, "We must continue with our mission because in turmoil, there is always hope; when everything appears black, a wisp of light will appear." For him, that wisp of light is the Haiti Project. According to the doctor, "Without fail, thousands of people have received free treatment. With you, there is still hope and the population is counting on you."

"VHP is inextricably linked to my passion for working in the health field - without my experiences in VHP, I would not be in the place, personally or professionally, that I am in today. Having the privilege of learning from and collaborating with our dedicated Haitian partners, the Medical Advisory Board and Vassar students deepens my appreciation of the gift of health. I've just entered medical school and look forward to improving health care accessibility," said Sonia Gollerkeri. Gollerkeri, a member of the Class of 2021, will be speaking during the gala.

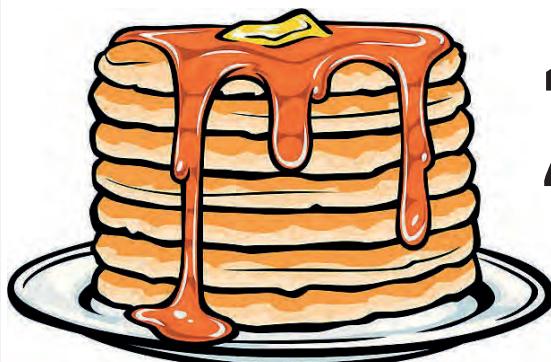
Isabella Sagman, a member of the class of 2026, and Vice President for the student's Health Committee, said this event is an integral part of VHP and the clinic's



The Vassar Haiti Group will host its annual Art & Soul Gala in Poughkeepsie on March 28.

-Courtesy image

work. "It is a night of celebration, remembrance, and looking forward. The funds raised fund our clinic in Fiervil, Haiti for another year and give way to new possibilities," said Isabella.



2024 Pancake Breakfast All You Can Eat

Date:	March 24th, 2024
Time:	Hours 8 A.M. to 11:30 AM
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that's italian!



Growing up with two foreign parents has been interesting. When other kids were getting Star Wars action figures, I was getting new socks. Shopping with my mother was also an adventure. Especially clothes shopping.

I can remember getting my Easter suit with my little brother Vinny. I think I was around 7 or 8 years old and he was 3 or 4. We were going to Poughkeepsie to shop at Schwartz, which was located next door to Coppola's on Main Street on the Main Mall. The Main Mall was a magical place for kids. The stores were huge. There was Lucky Platts, Woolworths, Up to Date, not to mention the House of Cards and, of course, Schwartz. There were fountains in the middle of the Main Mall, which was an open-air plaza the length of Main Street, that you could throw pennies in and make a wish. Vinny and I were very excited because that meant we could also stop by to see our uncle at the restaurant and maybe even have a soda.

However, business was first. We would have to go get our suit. As I said, clothes shopping was an adventure and not in a good way.

Into Schwartz we marched. Mom, Vinny and I. Through the jewelry department and the purse section, around the fake fern plants and up the glass staircase to the children's department.

Now in the children's department there were two sections. The kids' section for normal-sized kids was in the front next to

Getting an Easter Suit

Luigi and Vinny were thankful that Easter only came around once a year.

the boy scout section. However, since Vinny and I were not your normal run-of-the-mill sized boys, we had to go to the Husky section.

I'm not going to say Vinny and I were fat. Let's just say that our legs hadn't quite caught up with the rest of our body. The Husky section was for boys who were too big for kid-sized clothes, yet too small for adult clothes. They were meant for taller kids also, so they were proportioned for tall "Husky" kids.

Shopping in the Husky section was embarrassing. The clothes never fit right because the crotch would hang too low, and the selection was small. Mom picked out matching powder blue suits with possibly the ugliest polyester faux silk shirt ever known to man and an orange tie. The blue suit was bad enough; however, the shirt looked like a paint factory threw up on it and, well, the orange tie just set off the menagerie of colors perfectly. It had every single color known to man splashed onto this funky, silky feeling shirt. But young as we were, we did not have a choice in the matter.

So here are these two "husky" boys standing in this section where there are no other kids. Mom is telling us in Italian to stand up straight as she held up the pants to us to see which one might fit us First one, then another. The sizes were going up and up. Vinny and I just stood there with a "Husky"-sized pout on our face. Finally, she decided which ones would fit

us. Now she wanted us to try on the pants to make sure they fit around the waist properly. The fitting rooms were clear across the store and Mom was in a hurry.

So, picture two husky boys in the husky section with a mom holding up Husky pants. Not embarrassing enough, right? Naturally, Mom tells us to try on the pants right there. After we put up a fight, off came our pants and on went the other pants. There we stood Vinnie and I, no pride left in our husky bodies. Mom poking and prodding us to make sure the fit was right. She had us bend down to make sure we wouldn't split the seam. Telling us to stand up straight. All in Italian all the while, other people and their kids were milling around. It wasn't bad enough that the Husky kids were trying on Husky clothes in the Husky section, but now we also had to change in the husky aisle.

Once Mom was satisfied that the suit basically fit right, and that we were completely embarrassed, we had to go see the tailor on the main floor. Now, logic would dictate that we could change back into our normal clothes Right? Not us. We trudged down the glass stairs to the men's department still wearing our suits with our shoes and our normal clothes in our hands wearing matching powder blue suits.

The tailor was an old Italian man who spoke very little English. He materialized out of nowhere, with some white chalk and proceeded to mark us up. He spoke Italian very fast, but I can remember him saying that we were wearing a husky sized suit. Perfect.

Once he was done, he allowed us to go into the dressing room and get changed. Thank God. We didn't have to get changed in the aisle again.

Mom paid for our powder blue suits and our genuine polyester faux silk shirt, our neon orange tie and we were free.

We then walked next door, with our heads hanging low and had our soda. While Vinny and I consoled each other about the experiences of the day over an Uptown cola, Mom visited with our uncle

for a few minutes. Once our time was up, Mom came over to us and said it was time to go.

That night mom made asparagus and pasta. Hmm. No wonder we were always in the husky section. Well, at least the end of the day was good.

Asparagus and Pasta

Ingredients

1 lb. tagliatelle pasta
1 lb. fresh green asparagus, washed and stalk ends removed
1 onion, peeled and finely chopped
2 garlic cloves, peeled and diced
1/4 cup fresh parsley, rough chop
2 zucchini, cut and cubed
1/4 cup cream cheese
2 oz. Parmigiano Reggiano
1 pinch salt (for pasta/asparagus)
1 pinch black pepper
4 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil

Directions

In a large frying pan place the asparagus, zucchini, onions, garlic and olive oil. Cook on low heat until onions are translucent.

Add, parsley, grated cheese and cream cheese and set aside.

In a pot of boiling, salted water add the tagliatelle past and cook until tender, about 4-5 minutes.

Drain pasta and add to asparagus mixture while the pasta is still dripping wet. In other words, add a little bit of water.

Combine until pasta and sauce are combined. Serve with toasted crusty Italian bread and wine, of course.

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.

Reformed Church in Poughkeepsie presents the Living Last Supper

DaVinci's painting comes to life on Holy Thursday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Reformed Church, 70 Hooker Ave., in Poughkeepsie. Free will offering.

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Wappinger Recreation

By Donna Lenhart
Assistant for Recreation Dept.

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Now hiring Summer Camp Counselors! We're seeking energetic, enthusiastic individuals to join our team as Summer Camp Staff!

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Applications accepted until all positions are filled.

Meanwhile, put your ears on and hop over to Martz Field this Saturday, March 23, from 1– 3 p.m. for the annual Egg Hunt for kids aged 0-13! Join us for the biggest Easter egg hunt in town, featuring a whopping 10,000 eggs!! The guest of honor, Mr. Bunny, will be there for your kiddos to take photos with, so make sure to visit him under the pavilion. Bring the whole family and hop along to Martz Field. There's fun for everyone with snacks, special prizes, games, and activities. And of course, our awesome raffles, including our bike raffle! Don't miss out on the 'egg-stravaganza' of the year!

Summer camp registration for Town of Wappinger residents is now open. Go to: www.wappingerrecreation.com to learn more. Get some kicks in our soccer clinics! There will be a new set of clinics starting in April for both beginner and intermediate-level students. All clinics take place at Evans Elementary on Wednesday or Thursday evenings. Please check www.wappingerrecreation.com to register and for more info.

Town of Wappinger senior residents: have you checked out the Senior Center yet? Our monthly newsletter is now online, so go to: wappingerrecreation.com.

10,000 eggs for annual Easter Egg Hunt at Martz Field in Wappinger on Saturday



The Town of Wappinger will host an Easter Egg Hunt on March 23 at Martz Field in Wappinger.

-Archive photo

By Kristine Coulter

The Town of Wappinger will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt at Martz Field from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, March 23. The egg hunt is for children between the ages of 01-13. Pre-registration is not required. However, one does have to check in at the front table upon coming to the event on the day of the egg hunt.

What can one expect upon arrival? "A LOT of eggs. We have 10,000 eggs that we split up among the different age groups participating. We also have games for the kids, snacks, and a craft," said Jessica Fulton, Wappinger Recreation Director

These events are important as a com-

munity to gather and come together.

"Every event is a great opportunity for people to get together and have a fun day with the people in their community. You run into old friends and sometimes meet new ones. The Egg Hunt is extra special though, it's the first big event after everyone has been cooped up inside all winter. So, it always seems to have that extra energy that comes from the start of spring," remarked Fulton.

There will also be special prizes, games, and activities. Attendees can also participate in raffles, which will include a bike raffle.

Martz Field is located at 119 Pye Lane in Wappinger.

Stormville Fire Company to host pancake breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt on March 24

By Kristine Coulter

The Stormville Volunteer Fire Company, 112 Old Rt. 52 Stormville, will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, March 24, from 8-11:30 a.m. There will also be an Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. The firefighters have been offering pancake breakfasts since 1991.

Bill Leo, fundraising chairperson for the fire company, said those who attend the breakfast and egg hunt can expect value.

"We put on a good show for the price. It is an opportunity for [the community] to meet the volunteers with the company and to speak to the firefighters," said Leo. The menu will include eggs, pancakes, sausages, bacon, hash browns, bagels, an omelet station, coffee, tea, apple juice and orange juice. Approximately 200 people are served during these breakfasts held throughout the year, he said.

The egg hunt "has been happening for

many years. It is always on Palm Sunday," (the day Christians commemorate Jesus's entry into Jerusalem) Leo explained.

"We have the Easter Bunny there for the children." The egg hunt is for those in the age range of 3-10.

There will also be a time for children to have pictures taken with the Easter Bunny, he said. Attendees can also participate in raffles that will be available. One does not need to register to attend.

The funds will go towards necessary gear throughout the year, or food for when firefighters are out on a long call, and other any necessary items that come up, Leo said. This year the Stormville Fire Co. Inc. is celebrating its 75th anniversary, he said.

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, \$5 for children (6-12), free for children 5 and younger.

For more information on the event, visit StormvilleFire.org.



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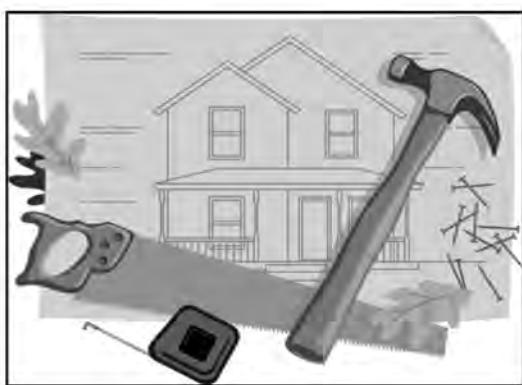
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By Bill Green
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Our Men's Winter Basketball and our Coed Winter Volleyball programs conclude this Sunday, March 24. Many thanks to Frankie Matteo and Don Black for directing these popular programs.

Our Adult Golf Instruction scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays May 7, 9, 14 and 16 from 6-7:30 p.m. is now filled. The fee is \$100 for residents and \$125 for non-residents. Checks should be made out to Lisa Monaco. Additional sessions will be

held in June and July.

Our April 14th Resorts Catskills Casino trip is now filled. Call to get on a waiting list. There are still a few seats still available for our Sunday, April 28 to NYC to see "A Sign of the Times."

Saturday, April 6 is our Town Cleanup Day and our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Complete information is in our Rec Guides. Sunday, April 7 will be the rain date for the Egg Hunt.

Saturday, April 13 is Opening Day for our sports programs and September 21 is East Fishkill Community Day this year.

East Fishkill Children's Summer Camp registration is under way for residents and non-residents.

The Saratoga trip this summer will be on August 15th.

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

'Exploring Self With Self Portraiture' on March 28 at East Fishkill Library

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Forest Glen Construction & Consulting , LLC filed on 1/28/24 . Office

Dutchess Co SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to 29 Thunder rd Hopewell Jct Ny 12533. Purpose: any lawful

MOD BURGER LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 2/22/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process maybe served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Brian Arnoff, 157

Dapson-chestney Funeral Home, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/12/2024. Office: Dutchess County.

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SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 51 West Market St Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful

Legacy Shores LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/15/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1208 Route 9g Hyde Park NY 12538. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Form. of FINGERBANG ISLAND LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/05/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Bianca Grimshaw, 210 Hobbs Ln., Clinton Corners, NY 12514. Purpose: Any lawful act.

Mountain View Events, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/12/2024. Office:

Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 43 AUTUMN CHASE DRIVE, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Any lawful purpose.

Bluebonnet LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/13/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 30 Louise Terrace, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful

1 Route 8 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/20/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 57 Conklin Hill Road, Stanfordville, NY 12581. Purpose: any lawful

Mid-Hudson Vision Therapy, LLC. Filed 2/13/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. As agent for process & shall mail to: 80 Washington St., Suite L03, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: TWO CROSS STREET LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 15, 2024. Office location: Dutchess County, NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The LLC address to which SSNY shall mail process is 4 Cross Street, Beacon, New York 12508. Purpose: Any lawful

The Gyst with Carrie,LLC filed on

11/30/23 office Dutchess County SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to 73 Roundhill Rd Hopewell Jct NY 12533 Purpose: any lawful

Forest Glen Construction & Consulting , LLC filed on 1/28/24 . Office

Dutchess Co SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to 29 Thunder rd Hopewell Jct Ny 12533. Purpose: any lawful

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Main St., Beacon, NY 12508, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

WEDLUXE BRIDAL LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/7/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 20 Spruce Ct, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Form. of Fingerbang Island LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/05/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. 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 agents, Trang Le and Mai Ho,

33 Styvestandt Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful

W A L K E R ARCHITECTURE PLLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/22/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 43 Autumn Chase Drive, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Any lawful

Mountain View Events, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/12/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1891 County Road 83, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Purpose: Architecture.

SULTZER AND LIPARI, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/22/24. Office: Dutchess County. 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 agents, Trang Le and Mai Ho,

33 Styvestandt Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful

ANGELA G. CARR Phd LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/21/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 85 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 200, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law.

Notice of Formation: Sewer Scope & Drain Cleaning, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 02/09/24 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 PLLC, 248 Maloney Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology.

AcmeCreations,LLC. Filed with SSNY on

2/14/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 618 Washington St. NY NY 10014. Purpose: any lawful

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Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: Beechwood Rental Property LLC, hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was February 14, 2024. 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 agents, Trang Le and Mai Ho, 33 Styvestandt Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: Styvestandt Property LLC, hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was February 14, 2024. 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 agents, Trang Le and Mai Ho,

33 Styvestandt Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation: Sewer Scope & Drain Cleaning, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 02/09/24 Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 248 Maloney Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology.

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Nvvvn LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/23/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 792 Beekman Rd Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful

Ribeiro Constructions LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/20/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 363 Secor Ln Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Empire State Steals LLC. Art. of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 01/14/2024. Office located in Dutchess County. SSNY is agent for process service and is to mail process to Jack Young, 827 NY-82, Suite 10-108, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful actor or activity.

1189 Holdings LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/19/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 23 South Creek Rd Staatsburg NY 12580. Purpose: any lawful

JAIME FLOORING AND REMODELING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/28/21. 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 Roberto Alan Ostos Garcia, 22 Jewett Ave Apt 1, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Black Oak Stables LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/19/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Qualification of Wireless Edge Towers III, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/22/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC

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Delaware (DE) on 2/24. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St, Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.

POLYMER FOCUSED MANUFACTURING & TECHNOLOGY LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/24/2024. 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: The LLC, 135 Deer Run Rd, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful act.

KENNY PROPERTY SOLUTIONS, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/26/2024. 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: The LLC, 72 Glen Ridge Rd, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful act.

Dion Properties 2 LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/12/2024. 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, 80 Vineyard Ave, Highland, NY 12528. Purpose: any lawful act.

Grime Time Commercial Cleaners LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 02/20/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 12 Hillside Ave, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Janitorial.

Notice of Formation of S K and Son Jewelry, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/26/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

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upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Shameen Khan, 7 Kimlin Ct, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful

New Origins Developments LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 2/19/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 13 Spy Glass Hill, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. General Purpose

Formation of CAPTAIN ANDREW R. BEAIRD, LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/26/2024. Office loc.: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail process to Andrew Beard, 25 Thomas Rd., Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Open Road Tutoring and Advocacy LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/09/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process maybe served. SSNY shall mail process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc. at 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY, 11228 Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: JF Dutchess Properties, LLC, hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was February 16, 2024. 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, Joseph Fuscaldo, 155 Davis Road, Salt Point, New York 12578. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of: SPRUCE RIDGE 49, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/29/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DEaddr.of LLC:

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process to the LLC, 18 Black Watch Drive, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of ALINA ELLINGTON PSYCHOANALYSIS PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/20/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 135 SOUTH HARMONY HILL ROAD, PAWLING, NY 12564. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Notary Prince, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/18/2022. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Spiegel & Utrera, P.A., P.C. 1 Maiden Lane, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10038. Purpose: any lawful actor activity.

Notice of formation of SWEAT EQUITY LLC (the "LLC"). Arts. of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on February 29, 2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy to 10 Monell Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful activity.

I AM Created, LLC, filed articles of organization with the NY Secretary of State on 12/29/2023. Office: Dutchess County. NY Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NY Secretary of State shall mail copy of process to Joy Hampson at 503 Popula Boulevard, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Qualification of 14 FRONT MILLBROOK LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/16/24. Office

location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/26/24. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Bangall Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 Nancy Court Suite 5 Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful

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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: Investment real estate.

Notice of Formation of O and E Ricci, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/29/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Scott Ricci, 9 Knoll Court, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: any lawful

act or activity. Notice of Formation of Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on . Office Location: . SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: . Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of 4608 RT 199 LLC (hereinafter the Company) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on February 23, 2024. The office of the Company is located in Dutchess County, New York. The Company has designated the Secretary of State of New York as its agent upon which process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 10 West End Avenue, Apartment 5B, New York, NY 10023. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of LLC Notice Of Formation of Virginia Kelsey LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/04/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is 10 Clark Avenue, Millerston, NY 12546. The purpose of the Company shall be to conduct any lawful business or activity whatsoever, as permitted by applicable law.

Notice of Formation of Raines & Eckert, LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/18/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. Julie Raines is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served at 9 Edna Drive, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: program evaluation.

Andros Development LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/26/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to 24 Cooperstown Rd., Dover Plains, NY 12522. Any lawful purpose.

ZURIA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/07/22. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Mid Central Radiology, PLLC, 2522 South Road, #1090 Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Diagnostic Radiology.

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02/15/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 50 Mountain Lane, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Mike Quinn Law PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/21/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served to: 103 Sunflower Circle, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful.

Covered Bridge Land Company, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 3/8/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 6411 Montgomery Street Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful

851 Route 22 Holdings LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/24/2021. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 851 Route 22 Pawling NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful

NATIONAL DRONE SERVICES, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/8/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process maybe served. SSNY shall mail process to Heather Crowley, 94 Sunrise Hill Rd., Fishkill, NY 12524, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of All Bread Distribution, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/29/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Martha A. Bermudez, 24 Canterbury Ct, Hopewell Junction, New York 12533. Purpose: any lawful actor activity.

Mid Central Radiology, PLLC, Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 2/8/24. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to Mid Central Radiology, PLLC, 2522 South Road, #1090 Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

The deadline for Legals is every Monday @ 12 noon for a Wednesday Publication* *When a public holiday falls on a Monday the deadline becomes Friday at noon.

Town of Poughkeepsie Recreation

By Janet McHugh
Recreation Director

Registration is now open for both adult and youth tennis lessons. We have three sessions to choose from. This is a great program being instructed by Arlington H.S. teacher and coach, Dave Gatta.

Summer Camp registration is taking place. Our summer camp offers flexible weekly sessions for your convenience. No extra charges or fees for special events and activities, it's one low price for all. Get an early booking discount if you register by May 19. Registration and details can be found at www.PoughkeepsieTownRec.com.

Mark your calendar for our annual

Spring Fest on Saturday, April 6. It takes place on the campus of Vassar College from 1-3 p.m. It's going to be fun for the whole family with music, food, games, activities, and much more. Free admission for Town of Poughkeepsie residents.

Do you know someone looking for full-time or part-time employment? The Town of Poughkeepsie has positions available. Check the town website at www.townofpoughkeepsie.com and look for job opportunities under Human Resources.

CLUB CLASSIC SENIOR CENTER NEWS
By Ruta Ronis

Looking for something new to do? Something that's fun and stress free? Something that will help with balance, memory skills, and eye-hand coordination all in one activity? Then you need to check out our new "Fit and Fun Mat Games" on Tuesdays at 10:45 a.m. These floor mats get you moving as you "walk the line," follow alternating printed footprint patterns, or make your way through a maze. They'll also challenge your thinking skills as you toss a bean bag on a map of the USA and name the state it lands on. Practice your aim with a bull's eye target and try to toss bean bags onto Roman numerals and their numeric values. We even have a "Hopscotch" mat for those feeling young at heart. No worries - you can walk the pattern if you no longer hop. Our "Fit and Fun Mat Games" are all judgement free!

We also have Chair and Mat Yoga sessions, Zumba Gold, Exercise with George, and an Indoor/Outdoor (weather dependent) Walking Club. Phyllis over-

sees the Watercolor Painting sessions on Thursday mornings, while Loretta heads our Crafty Crafters on Friday mornings. And BINGO is still played on Wednesday mornings.

Dates for upcoming specials:

(Tues.) March 26 at 1 p.m. - Congressman Pat Ryan's Care Van will be visiting.

(Thurs.) March 28 at noon - Lunch and Learn: "Bear Mountain Bridge Centennial" - Learn the history of this 100-year-old bridge that is still in use today. Participants are invited to stay for a complimentary light lunch after the presentation. Please sign up in advance either in person at our Center at 14 Abe's Way or by phone (845-462-0265) during our regular hours Monday - Friday between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

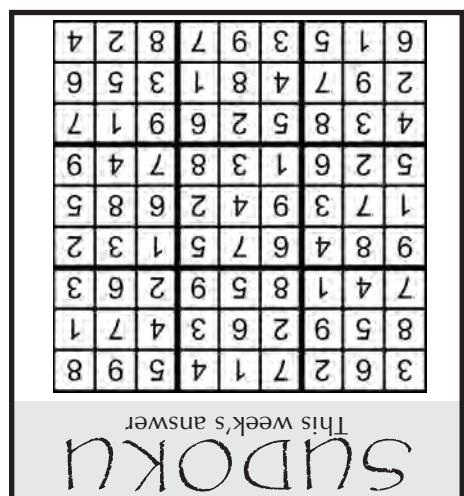
(Thurs.) April 4 - Birthday celebration for all those born in April, with cake for everyone!

(Fri.) April 5 - Club Classic Presents John Beale and The Institute For Lifetime Learning. Did someone say, "free college courses for seniors"? Come find out more.

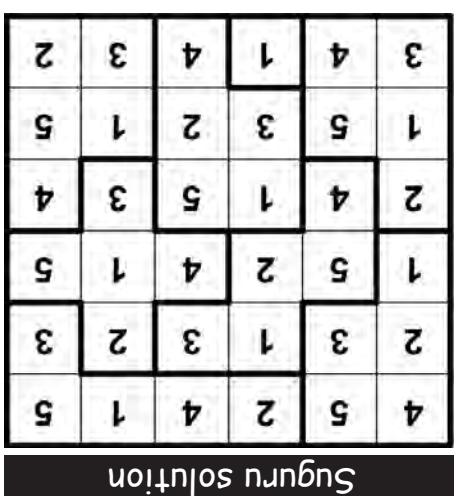
(Thurs.) April 11 - Lunch and Learn at noon: "Flower Arranging" with an Adam's Floral Department specialist.

(Thurs.) April 18 - Reminder: Our Center will be open for those not going on today's Bus Trip.

this week's puzzle solutions



SUDOKU
This week's answer



Suguru solution

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DKB Equipment LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/07/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 14 Hartstone Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful.

Arbor Monkey Tree Service LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/07/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 14 Hartstone Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful.

PCA LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/07/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 55 Lent Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful.

CSR Enterprises, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/19/2021. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to James Bello, PO Box 730, Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose

Risen Sourdough LLC, Arts of Org. filed

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with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/1/2024. Office: Dutchess. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Trista Mergian, 49A N Parlman Rd, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. General Purpose

HUDSON VALLEY HOMES REALTY LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/08/2024. 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, MATTHEW DECLAIR 21 GOLDFINCHDRIVE, SALT POINT, NY, 12578. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Alpha Shredders LLC Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 02/24/24. Business Address: 8 Woodland Circle Hyde Park, NY 12538. County of Dutchess ("the address"). Registered Agent: Jason Samradli, at that address. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Duration: Perpetual. Phone Number: (845)705-4297

The Inspired Home Project, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with

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the SSNY on 3/3/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The Inspired Home Project, LLC, 203 Beach Road, Poughquag, NY 12570. Any lawful activity.

JAIM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/10/2024. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 62 E Hook Cross Rd., East Fishkill, NY 12533. Any lawful purpose.

5THGENLLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/13/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1282 Dutchess Tpke., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Prime Real Property Partners, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/12/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to

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against may be served & shall mail process to 30 Eastern Parkway, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Soundview Corner LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 10/26/2022. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 11 Seymour Ln, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. General Purpose

FAN ENTERPRISES 4 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/12/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 236 Ketchamtown Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

P A R A D I G M I N V E S T M E N T C A P I T A L L L C App. for Auth. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/13/24. LLC was Organized in FL on 10/16/2017. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to

EMPIRE DOGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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c/o Alexis Gaona, Managing member, 702 Freedom Plains Rd., Unit C4 #169, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Required office: 2109 Sorrento Cir., Winter Park, FL 32792. Cert of Org filed with: SSFL, 2415 N. Monroe St., Ste. 810, Tallahassee, FL 32303. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

ROE'S SPORTS BAR AND GRILL, LLC. Articles of Organization of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with Sec. of State of NY ("SSNY") on 02/28/2024. 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 process to the LLC, 23 Monaco Drive, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

FIRSTEUROPE LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 2/7/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 20 E 84th St Ste 2B NY, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

WING WOMAN PRESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/11/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY

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03/14/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 18 Westage Drive, Suite 9A, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Secure Guard Locksmiths, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/14/24. Office: Dutchess County.

SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 23 Monaco Drive, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Las26, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/11/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 24 Monroe Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

TEAMZAPHIREAND ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/15/24. Office: Dutchess County.

SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 71 Beach Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

StackNStorE. Fishkill LLC filed 3/13/24. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. for process & shall mail to: c/o Cosmo D. Marfione, 222 Bloomingdale Rd, #404A, White Plains, NY 10605. Purp: any lawful.

Las26, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/11/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 24 Monroe Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

TEAMZAPHIREAND ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/15/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 71 Beach Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
SUMMONS**
SUPREME COURT
OF THE STATE OF
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COUNTY OF
DUTCHESS
WILMINGTON SAV-
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ETY, FSB, NOT IN
ITS INDIVIDUAL
CAPACITY BUT
SOLELY IN ITS
CAPACITY AS
OWNER TRUSTEE
FOR CASCADE
FUNDING MORT-
GAGE TRUST AB2,
Plaintiff, -against-
MARK E. CHURTON
AS HEIR OF THE ES-
TATE OF SUSANNA
M. CHURTON, if liv-
ing, and if he/she be
dead, any and all per-
sons unknown to
plaintiff, claiming, or
who may claim to
have an interest in, or
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this action; such as
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included in the follow-
ing designation,
namely: the wife,
widow, husband, wid-
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next of kin, descen-
dants, executors,
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devisees, legatees,
creditors, trustees,
committees, lienors,
and assignees of
such deceased, any
and all persons deriv-
ing interest in or lien
upon, or title to said
real property by,
through or under
them, or either of
them, and their
respective wives,
widows, husbands,
widowers, heirs at law,
next of kin,
descendants, execu-
tors, administrators,
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and assigns, all of
whom and whose
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you within the State of New York); the United States of America may appear or answer within 60 day of service hereof; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgement will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This Supplemental Summons and Amended Complaint are being filed pursuant to court order dated February 14, 2024. **NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME** If you do not respond to this Summons and Compliant by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you filing the answer with the court, a default judgement may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. **YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR CASCADE FUNDING MORTGAGE TRUST AB2AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.** Dated Uniondale, New York, February 19, 2024. Respectfully submitted, Pincus Law Group, PLLC. By George J. Weissinger, Esq., Attorneys for Plaintiff, 425 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556, 516-699-8902

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS—SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS – KEY-BANK, NA AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRST NIAGARA BANK, NA, Plaintiff, -against- HEIDI SEELBACH, AS ADMINISTRATRIX OF MICHAEL LANDI AKA MICHAEL A. LANDI; ANNA C. ALFONSO, if he/she be living and if he/she be dead, the respective heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributes, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees,

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legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or inheritance, lien or otherwise any right, title or interest in or to the real property described in the complaint, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; MELISSA DICKSON, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; MICHAEL ALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; LAURIEALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; AMBER ALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; JOSEPH ALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; LYNNE HOBLER, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; DAVID ALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI ; RICHARD ALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; MICHELLE WATSON, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKAMICHAEL A. LANDI; DANIELALFONSO, JR., AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKA MICHAEL A. LANDI; GINA HANSUT, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAELLANDIAKA MICHAEL A. LANDI; AMELIA BROWN, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAELLANDIAKA MICHAEL A. LANDI; FRANK ALFONSO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LANDIAKA MICHAEL A. LANDI; KIMBERLYTORANO, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAELLANDIAKA MICHAEL A. LANDI; UNITED STATES OF

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Main Street, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Dated: January 24, 2024 Green spoon Marder LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By Monica G. Christie Esq., 590 Madison Avenue, Suite 1800, New York, NY 10022
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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION OF TRUSTEES HOWLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a vote will be taken upon the following proposition to appropriate the funds necessary to meet the estimated expenditures of the Howland Public Library for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, to be held at the Howland Public Library, 313 Main Street, Beacon, New York, on April 25, 2024, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m.:
Proposition #1
"Shall the sum of **\$1,427,106.00** be appropriated for the annual support of the Howland Public Library for the fiscal year **2024-2025** and shall the Beacon City School District be authorized to levy the taxes necessary to raise such amount?"
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that at the same time and place, a vote to elect one (1) member to the Board of Trustees for a term of one (1) year, one (1) member to the Board of Trustees for a term of two (2) years, and a vote to elect two (2) members to the Board of Trustees for a term of five (5) years each, will also occur.
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of trustee of the Howland Public Library must be filed with the Library Election Clerk no later than 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, 2024. Each petition must be directed to the Library Election Clerk, must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the Howland Public Library District or as amended by any executive order, must state the residence of each signer, and must state the name and residence of the candidate. Petition forms may be obtained from the Library weekdays between 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board

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of Registration will meet on April 9, 2024, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. for the purpose of preparing a register of the qualified voters of such Library District at the offices of the Howland Public Library, 313 Main Street, Beacon, New York. Any one not presently registered will be registered in accordance with Section 2014 of the Education Law. Any person shall be entitled to have his/her name placed upon such register, provided that at such meeting of the Board of Registration, he/she is known or proven to the satisfaction of such Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at the school meeting or election for which such register is prepared.

Voters registered for general elections under Article 5 of the Election Law are eligible to vote at the April 25, 2024, budget vote and election without further registration. Voters who have been previously registered for any annual or special meeting or election and who have voted at any such annual or special meeting or election held or conducted during the last four calendar years preceding 2023 are eligible to vote at the April 25, 2025, budget vote and election without further registration.

The register prepared will be filed in the office of the Library and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the Library District between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on each of the five days prior to the election. The register will also be available for inspection on the day of the election at the polling place.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the Library office. If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the completed application must be received by the Library Election Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m., prevailing time, seven (7) days before the annual library budget vote and election. If the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter, the completed application must be received by the Library Election Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, one day before the annual library budget vote and election. A list of all persons

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to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection weekdays between 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., prevailing time, at the Library office on each of the five(5)daysbeforethe annual district vote and election. By order of the Board of Trustees of the Howland Public Library Julie Beyer Library Election Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF WAPPINGER DUTCHESS COUNTY, NY

Project Name: Heinemann Caretaker's Cottage Location: 1111 Route 376 Application: Nos.: 24-3491 (Site Plan) and 24-4115 (Special Use Permit) **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the **1stdayofApril,2024**, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Article IX, Section 240-87 of the Town Law, on the application of **24-3491 (Site Plan) / 24-4115 (SUP)** **Heinemann Caretaker's Cottage Site Plan & Special Use Permit:** To discuss a Site Plan and Special Use Permit application. The applicant is proposing the conversion and legalization of an existing accessory structure as a caretaker's cottage on 21.28 acres in an R80 Zoning District. The property is located at **1111 Route 376** and is identified as **Tax Grid No.: 6358-01-205670** in the Town of Wappinger.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board has not made a determination of significance pursuant to State Environmental Quality Review Act and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing. All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above.

Signed:
Bruce Flower,
Chairman
Town of Wappinger
Planning Board
Date:
March 8, 2024

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TOWN OF WAPPINGER DUTCHESS COUNTY, NY

Project Name: Suben, LLC Subdivision Location: New Hackensack Road and Widmer Road Application: No.: 23-5228

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the **1stdayofApril,2024**, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Section 276 of the Town Law, at which time all the parties shall have an opportunity to be heard with regard to the application of

23-5228 – Suben, LLC Subdivision: To discuss a Subdivision application. The applicant is proposing to subdivide two (2) residential lots on 3.1 acres in an R-20 Zoning District. The property is located at the corner of **New Hackensack Road and Widmer Road** and is identified as **Tax Grid No.: 6158-04-632426** in the Town of Wappinger.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board has not made a determination of significance pursuant to the Environmental Conservation Law and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing.

All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above.

Signed:
Bruce Flower,
Chairman
Town of Wappinger
Planning Board
Date:
March 8, 2024

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-17-24

Dutchess County Audio and Video Equipment Maintenance and Repair Services at Various Locations

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 9thdayofApril2024 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website

<http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportuni-

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ties". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

PUBLIC NOTICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 501 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW, THE ASSESSOR FOR THE TOWN OF PLEASANTVALLEY HAS INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW. TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT TO REVIEW THIS INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 845-635-1111 EXT. 208 GARTH SLOCUM, ASSESSOR

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-19-24 Supplemental Non-Secure Detention Services

Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 11thdayofApril 2024 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, New York 12601. Specifications and proposal forms may be obtained by visiting our website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 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 **26th day of March, 2024** at 7:00

p.m. at the Town Hall of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Section 240-37 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Wappinger to consider the following area variance:

Appeal No.: 24-7816 (Area Variance)

Sam Kusnetz and Alana Jacoby: Seeking an area variance

Section 240-37 of District Regulations in an R-10 Zoning District.

-Where **25 feet** to the frontyard property line is required, the applicant can provide

7' 6 1/4" for a 575 sf, addition to include two (2) office spaces, lounge and bathroom, thus requesting a variance of **17' 5 3/4"**.

The property is located at **10 Liberty Street** on 0.30 acre and is identified as **Tax**

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Grid No.: 6056-09-014563 in the Town of Wappinger.

All interested persons will be heard by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above.

Signed:
Peter Galotti,
Chairman
Zoning Board
of Appeals
Town of Wappinger
March 6, 2024

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF VIABLE FARMLAND IN DUTCHESS COUNTY

Pursuant to Section 303-b of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law Article 25AA, the Dutchess County Legislature has designated the period April 15 through May 14, 2024, during which Dutchess County landowners who own "predominately viable agricultural land" may request that their land be newly included in the County's Agricultural District 21. In order to be considered for such inclusion, an application must be on file with the Dutchess County Soil and Water Conservation District on or before May 14, 2024. Only parcels judged to be "predominately viable agricultural land" will be included. To receive an application, contact the District at 845-677-8011 ext. 3. A copy of the application can also be downloaded from the District's website: <http://dutchesswcd.org>. Landowners whose parcels are already included in an Agricultural District are not required to apply as part of the annual inclusion process.

Inclusion in an Agricultural District provides potential right-to-farm protections for qualifying farm businesses, including protection against laws that unreasonably regulate farm operations in agricultural districts, limited protection from private nuisance claims, and notification of property buyers about farming practices prior to purchase of property in agricultural districts.

Applications must be on file with the Dutchess County Soil and Water Conservation District on or before May 14, 2024. The Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board will review applications and submit a report to the Dutchess County Legislature, which will hold a public hearing and forward any approved applications to the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets

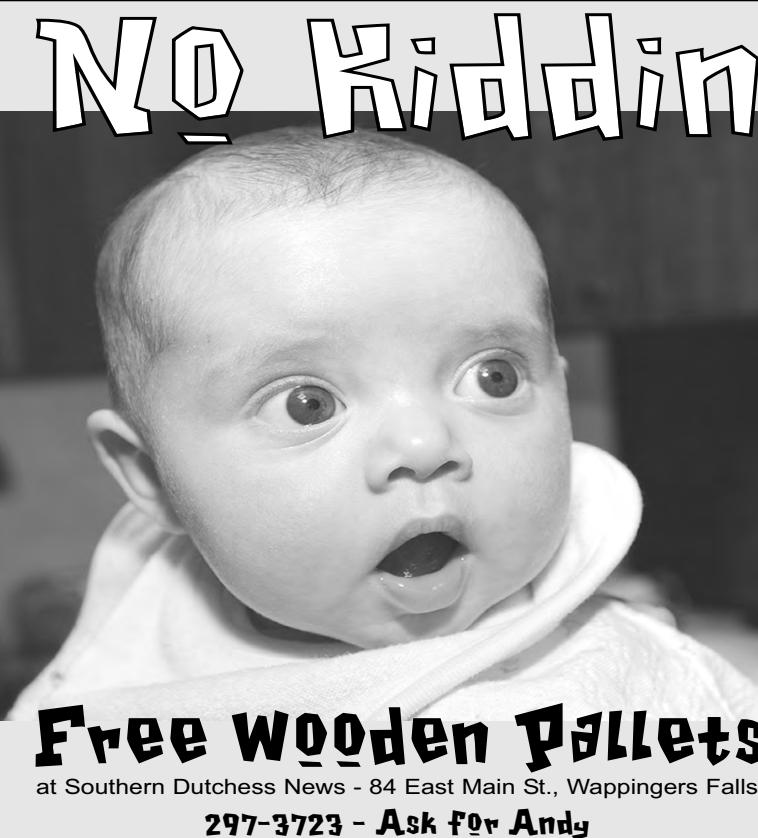
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for certification. Only parcels judged to be "predominately viable agricultural land," pursuant to Section 303-

b of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law will be included.

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LEIGH WAGER CLERK, DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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DUTCHESS COUNTY EARLY VOTING FOR THE 2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

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POLLS ARE OPEN FOR EARLY VOTING AS FOLLOWS:

Saturday, March 23:	9AM–6PM
Sunday, March 24:	9AM–6PM
Monday, March 25:	11AM–8PM
Tuesday, March 26:	9AM–6PM
Wednesday, March 27:	11AM–8PM
Thursday, March 28:	8AM–5PM
Friday, March 29:	8AM–5PM
Saturday, March 30:	9AM–6PM

At any of the following locations:

ArborRidge Pavilion at Brookmeade, 11 Mountain Laurel Lane, Rhinebeck
Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill
Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie
Cornell Cooperative Center, 2715 US-44, Millbrook
Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market St, Poughkeepsie
Board of Elections Training Facility, 4280 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park, NY 12538

HANNAH R. BLACK and ERIK J. HAIGHT, COMMISSIONERS DUTCHESS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

112 DELAFIELD STREET, SUITE 200 POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK 12601 845-486-2473

www.elections.dutchessny.gov

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LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The following entitled bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on March 11, 2024, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Dutchess, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is each available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: Poughkeepsie, New York,
March 14, 2024.

LEIGH WAGER
Clerk, County Legislature

RESOLUTION NO. 2024057

BOND RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 11, 2024.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PRELIMINARY EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PLANNING FOR THE EXTERIOR BUILDING ENVELOPE IMPROVEMENTS AT 45 MARKET STREET IN POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, NEW YORK, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$176,750, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$176,750 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF.

Specific object or purpose:

Preliminary planning expenses in connection exterior building envelope improvements at 45 Market St. in Poughkeepsie, New York

Period of probable usefulness:

5 years

Maximum estimated cost:

\$176,750

Amount of bonds to be issued:

\$176,750 bonds

SEQRA status:

Type II Action

Therapy dogs bring stress-relief for Mount St. Mary students during midterms



For Mount Saint Mary College students, a group of therapy dogs offered a stress-relieving break to them when they were taking their midterms the week of March 5th. According to research, spending time with, petting, or observing animals can reduce heart rate and blood pressure and lower stress.

These dogs were provided by Hudson Valley Paws for a Cause. At the college, the popular event has evolved into a tradition. This event took place at Mount's Kaplan Family Library and Learning Center, which co-sponsored the event with the counseling center.

-Courtesy photos

Traditional Okinawan Karate students compete, succeed in regional tournament



Students from Traditional Okinawan Karate schools in Pleasant Valley and East Fishkill were winners among the hundreds of participants in the 22nd annual New Paltz Karate Invitational Tournament on Feb. 24. The tournament featured competitions in kata (martial arts forms), sparring and, for more advanced students, kata with traditional weapons and padded weapons sparring. Students competed against other students of their age and rank.

Following the competition, a huge

pizza party was held for the participants and their families and friends. Traditional Okinawan Karate focuses primarily on self-defense and improvement, not competition, but the school participates in one annual tournament as an opportunity for students to learn how to perform under pressure. For more information about Traditional Okinawan Karate, call 845-635-1426 for Pleasant Valley, or 845-978-5856 for East Fishkill.

The East Fishkill winners of the 6-year-old yellow belt sparring division included Savannah Lambert (1st place, center), Theodore Smith (2nd place, left), Silas Lambert (3rd place, right).

-Courtesy photo

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Notice is hereby given that Public Hearings will be held by the Town of East Fishkill Zoning Board of Appeals, Dutchess County, on Tuesday the 26th day of March, 2024 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may come onto be heard at the **Town of East Fishkill Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction**, the Town of East Fishkill Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct Public Hearings on the following applications.

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1.Kristina Thomsen, 39 Elk Rd., Hopewell Junction, requesting a 5' side line and 10' rearline variance for a proposed 300sf deck pursuant to the Schedule of Bulk Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance

2.Michael O' Hallaron, 19 Birch Dr., Hopewell Junction, requesting a 12' rear line variance for a proposed 12'X20'(240sf) deck, pursuant to the Schedule of Bulk Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance.

3.Karl Vollmer, 1

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Candy Ln., Hopewell Junction, requesting a 14' rearline variance for a proposed addition and a 4' front line variance for a pre-existing non-conforming front porch pursuant to the Schedule of Bulk Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance

4.Camille Riggio, 228-230 Lake Walton Rd., Hopewell Junction, lot A requesting a 9' front yard, 5' side yard and a variance for being in front yard for an existing garage. Lot B requesting 16'

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side yard variance for a pre-existing dwelling, a 6' side yard and front yard variance for an existing shed, 2' sideline and front yard variance for an existing 6' fence and a 35' side yard and a front yard variance for an existing garage pursuant to the Schedule of Bulk Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance

**Norma Drummond
Chairperson
East Fishkill Zoning
Board of Appeals**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
OF HEARING
BEFORE THE
ZONING BOARD
OF APPEALS
Town of Pleasant
Valley, Dutchess
County, NY**

Please take note that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Pleasant Valley, NY, will hold a public hearing on the following proposition:
**33 Netherwood
Plaza, Pleasant
Valley
Appeal #1069
Grid#
6365-02-673567**

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Area Variance Request: The applicant is seeking an area variance to build a 1500 square foot manufactured home located at 33 Netherwood Plaza, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. The previous mobile home was demolished over a year ago and lost its nonconformity. The parcel is zoned rural residential, which requires 3.5 acres to build. This lot is currently 0.92 acres and requires a 2.58 acre variance. The applicant also needs a front

yard setback variance. The rural residential front yard setback needs to be 70 feet, and the applicant is requesting it be 58 feet. This would require a 12 foot variance from the front.

SAID Meeting will take place on March 27, 2024 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y., and begins at 7:00 p.m.

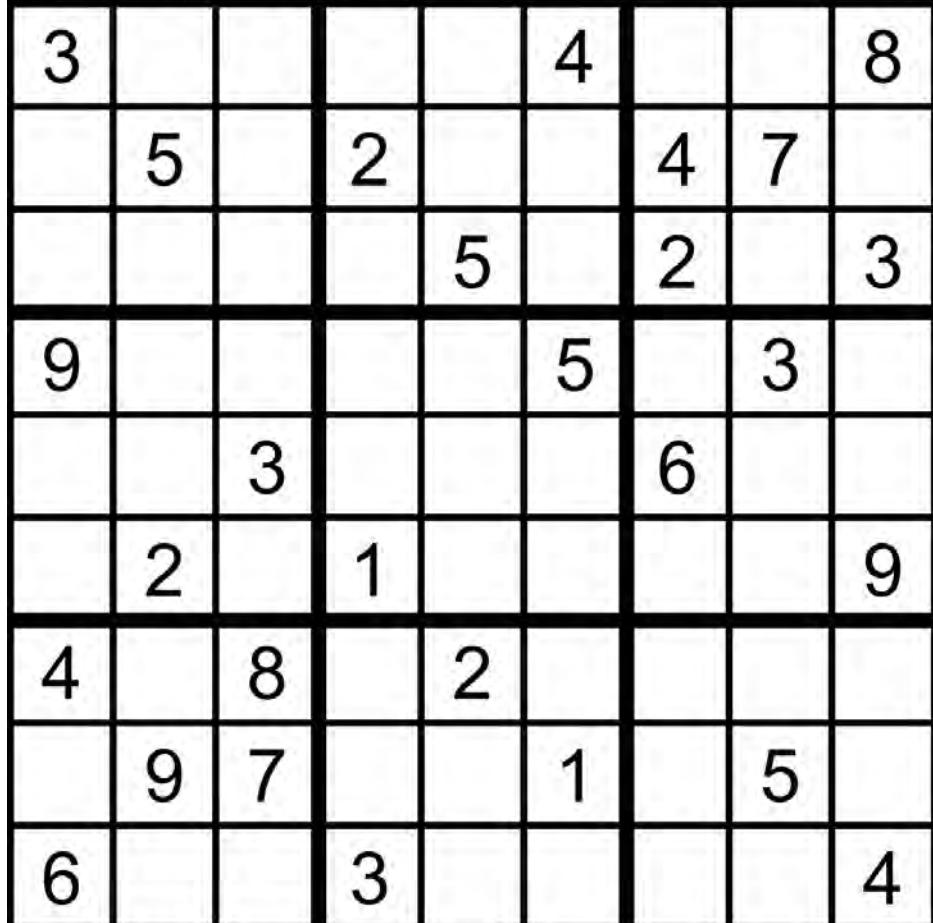
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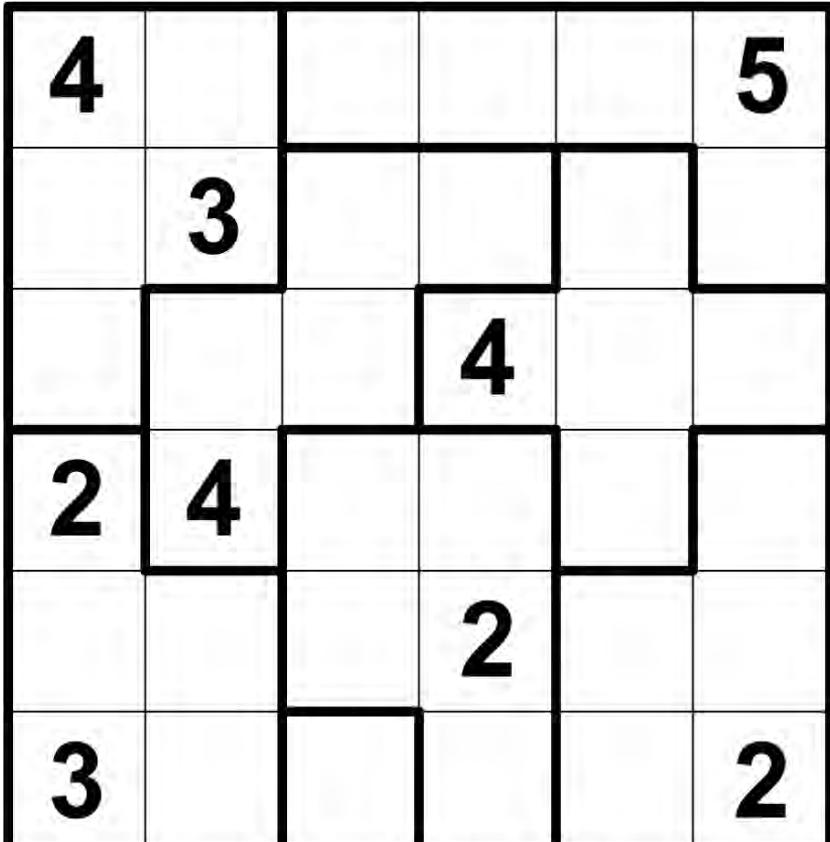
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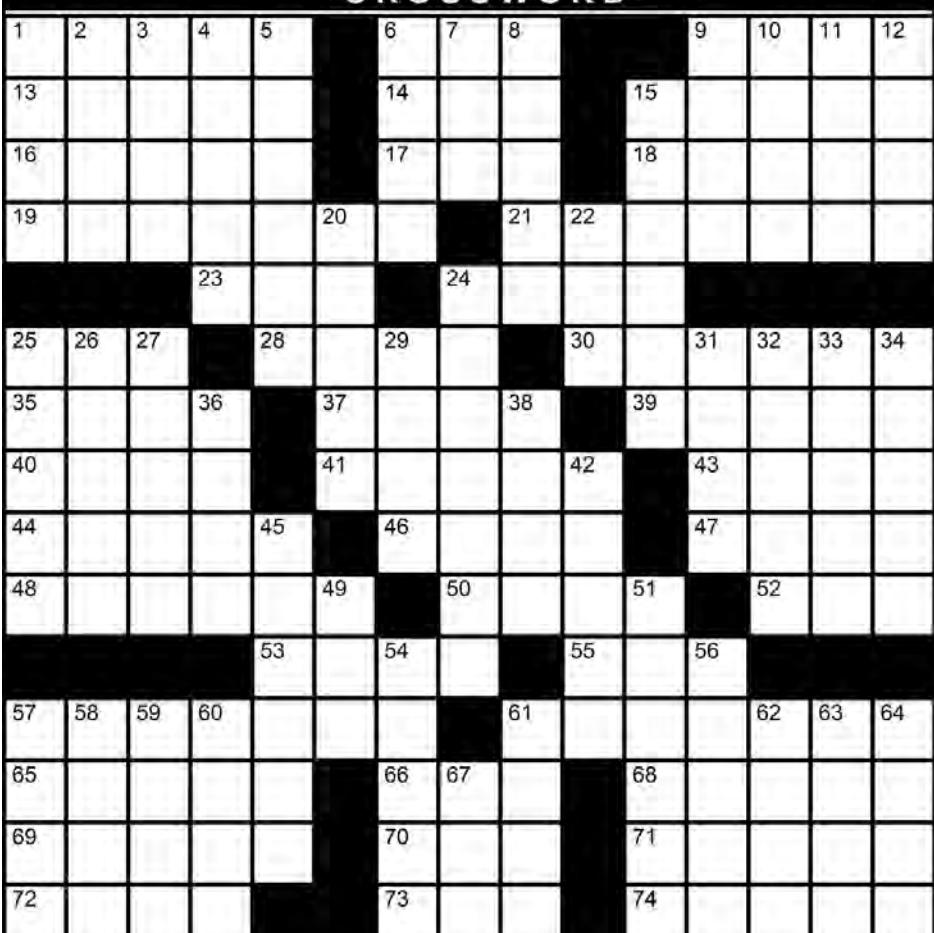
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61. *Not pro
65. Chocolate substitute
66. Hot temper
68. Derived from oats
69. Cuckoo
70. Sir George Ivan Morrison's stage name
71. Baby at a recital
72. Have supper
73. Young newt
74. Many affirmatives

DOWN

1. Brush alternative
2. Culture-growing turf
3. Long forearm bone
4. Satyr
5. City in Poland
6. *Delta Center location: ____ Lake City
7. Hole-in-one
8. Type of polyhedron
9. Raisin's breakfast companion
10. Denim innovator
11. Port in Yemen
12. Toker's pipe
15. Professional reviewer
20. Not pathos
22. Not hers
24. Shoulder rank display
25. Winnowing leftovers
26. Chicken in Mexico
27. Farewell in Paris
29. *School with most NCAA basketball titles
31. Back of the neck
32. Search blindly
33. Lightsaber beam
34. Olden days anesthetic
36. *____ player
38. Garden starter
42. D.S., in sheet music
45. Dance club light
49. Female chicken
51. Speech at a funeral
54. Lacking guile
56. What speakers do
57. LSD, e.g.
58. Indian princess
59. Turkmenistan's neighbor
60. *Type of defense
61. One tenth of a dime
62. Airline postings, acr.
63. Type of pool
64. What means justify
67. Churchill's "so few"

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'Photographs and Improvisions' throughout March in Pawling

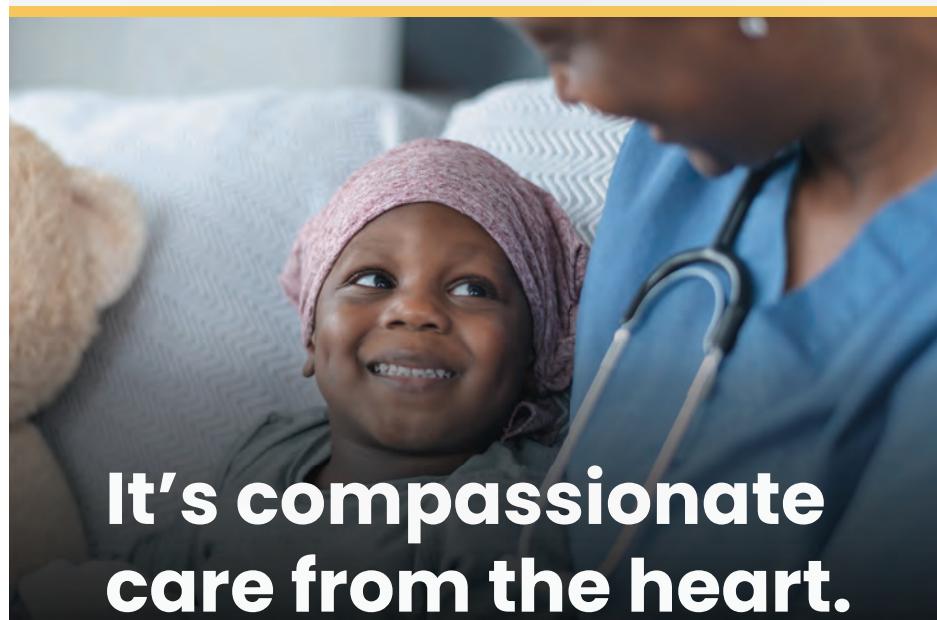


Photography by Jim Stasiak, from left, "Red Leaf," "Leaf After Mist." The opening reception of "Photographs and Improvisions" took place at the LAND Gallery in Pawling. The exhibit will be on display throughout March.

-Courtesy photos by Jim Stasiak



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LAND Gallery in Pawling and the Sherman Artists Association announced a new show by photographer Jim Stasiak called "Photographs and Improvisations." His photographs of a simple leaf take one into a new dimension of seeing, emotion, and expertise. Stasiak's belief is that digital applications are specialized tools that can expand the creative range and perception of the artist in an intuitive, beneficial manner. Stasiak is giving an artist talk on Sunday March 24 from 3 – 5 p.m. The show is from March 1 – 31. For more information, visit www.landgalleryonline.com or www.ShermanArtsts.org.

"Photography is a revealing art. I rely on emotion and expertise to recognize an image, and skill, taste and judgment to reveal an energetically attractive interpretation," says Stasiak. Much like jazz improvisation, his work evolves in stages which focus and intensify his emotional connection with the emerging image. There is always a blend of conscious decision with mindful guidance. He wants the viewer to perceive new context, new color, new structure, new projections and new feelings--and improvise with their own mind's eye.

Stasiak is an award-winning photographic artist, musician and printing arts professional living in New Milford, CT.

His photography spans documentary, creative, travel and constructed imaging, using film since 1965, digital since 1995, and fully digital since 2002. He has taught photographers and artists how digital tools affect the photographic process, how traditional skills can translate from the physical to the metaphysical, and how to optimize images to best utilize the technical considerations inherent in producing digital art.

The Sherman Artists Association is sponsoring the Featured Artist Shows at LAND Gallery which includes the work of some of the most highly regarded photographers and painters in the local area. There is also a curated artisanal gift shop that sells a selection of locally handmade fine art and gifts. The Gallery is located in the heart of the Village of Pawling and regularly organizes photography workshops, walks and other artistic events. The gallery is at 30 Charles Colman Blvd, Pawling. (Right across the street from the Pawling stop on the Metro North Harlem line).

For more information about the Sherman Artists Association, visit www.ShermanArtsts.org. For more information about LAND Gallery, visit www.landgalleryonline.com or Facebook: LANDGalleryinPawling.



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