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Parking issues abound for Walkway this season

Very limited parking on east side; new cost on west side

By Jim Donick

One of the top tourist attractions in Dutchess County and the entire Hudson Valley, the Walkway Over the Hudson State Park, will have very limited parking on the east side of the Hudson River for tourists or local citizens for most of this year and into the next. Parking on the Ulster County side is now no longer free. There will be no state-provided parking on either side of the river until the spring of 2026 at the earliest.

The issue of park access is mainly due to two simultaneous construction projects on the Dutchess side: One by Scenic Hudson, creating a new headquarters; and another by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, building a new maintenance facility. The two projects have shut down both of the parking lots traditionally used by tourists and by local citizens hoping to experience the park and to learn about the Hudson River. The situation is coming to the fore as the Valley moves into the warm days of the spring and summer seasons.

Parking on the Ulster side of the river on spaces owned by the Town of Lloyd should continue to be available. It will require paying the toll at the Mid-Hudson Bridge plus \$5.25 via credit card for parking, either in the lot or anywhere on Haviland Road. The Town of Lloyd recently instituted the pay system.

Traditionally, the primary (i.e. most used) parking lot on the Dutchess side of the park was a large dirt area. Though privately held, that parking was made available year-round to park-goers. That area, which held well over 100 cars, was recently purchased by the non-governmental organization Scenic Hudson, along with the old Standard Gage factory



Pictured above is Scenic Hudson's original sign near what used to be the most-used parking area on the east side for the Walkway Over the Hudson State Park. It originally promised opening to the general public on weekends and evenings starting in the spring of 2025. After the Southern Dutchess News interview with Scenic Hudson Management, the indication of "spring" was taped over. Scenic Hudson later put up a new sign near this one indicating opening in "Summer" of 2025.

-Photo by Jim Donick

complex across the street on Parker Avenue. The factory is being rehabilitated into a new headquarters complex for Scenic Hudson.

Scenic Hudson notified the public, mostly via signs put up on the periphery of the lot, that they would close this parking area down in December 2023 to support construction at the new site. At that time, the signs promised the reopening of the lot for the public on weekends and evenings only, starting in the spring of 2025. Scenic Hudson didn't actually close the parking to the public until late spring or early summer of 2024. A sign

previewing a spring of 2025 opening remained until recently.

When the incongruity of the sign was pointed out to Scenic Hudson officials in an initial interview, their project manager commented that "signage is expensive." Subsequently, black tape was placed over the word "spring." A month or so later, while leaving the old sign in place, Scenic Hudson officials added a new sign suggesting the opening would be in the summer of 2025. Ned Sullivan, president of Scenic Hudson, now predicts "late summer or early autumn."

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Judge hands down decision in Wappingers Falls mayoral race

Huber to serve another term

By Kristine Coulter

Dutchess County State Supreme Court Judge Christi Acker handed down a decision regarding the Village of Wappingers Falls mayoral election, which took place on March 18. The race was between current Mayor Kevin Huber, a former village Trustee Jennifer Niznik and a former police commissioner Charles Ferry. Acker also stated regarding Village Clerk John Karge, "There is no indication that he failed to comply with the law nor is there any evidence of fraud."

"Quite simply, there is no proof that the Village Respondents failed to follow the Election Law," reads Acker's decision.

"Based upon the foregoing, the Court finds that [Niznik] failed to carry her burden to show that the Village Election Inspectors did not comply with the Election Law and the Impound Proceeding is dismissed in its entirety," stated Acker.

Acker said that after hearing the testimony of a witness, "the Court concludes that voters were identified pursuant to the Election Law."

According to Acker's decision, "In fact, [Niznik] called only one of the six election inspectors and [Niznik] herself did not testify at the hearing. Given that she was a candidate for Mayor, it is a safe assumption that she voted in the election. As [Niznik] alleges "stunning irregularities" in the conduct of the election, the absence of her own testimony is notable." Acker also states that there was not one "single instance" identified "in which a prospective voter's signature was not checked, nor any instances in which an individual's signatures did not match." She continued, "Moreover, this Court is precluded from "uncourt[ing]" any of the absentee or early mail ballots that were cast."

Niznik posted to social media on April 5, "I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who stood by me throughout this challenging election. Your dedication, hard work, and unwavering support have been truly inspiring. Whether you volunteered your time, spread the word, or simply showed up to vote, you played a crucial role in ensuring that every voice in our community was heard." She continued, "A special congratulations to our newly elected trustees, Rosemarie Vanca and Ryan Chiumento. Your victories are well deserved, and I have no doubt that you will serve the people of Wappingers Falls with integrity and dedication. We look forward to the positive changes you will bring to our village."

On Huber's re-election social media, a post posted from his team last week, stated, "Judge Acker's decision speaks for itself, feel free to read the decision and understand

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John Jay High School's Jaybots to compete in Houston April 16-19

By Kristine Coulter

The Jaybots, John Jay High School's robotics team, will be traveling to Texas to compete in the FIRST Tech Challenge World Championship from April 16-19. This comes after qualifying matches earned them a place in the Excelsior Region Championship Tournament, which took place in Utica last month.

Veda Kodakandla, webmaster, said, "They were quite competitive, but we always tried our best."

Veda joined the Jaybots "to learn more about 3D printing, various coding languages, and to compete."

As for the trip to Texas, Veda is looking forward to "compet[ing] with other teams and to see how we place."

During the 4-day tournament, the Jaybots will go up against 256 other teams from 30 countries.

Nicole Lillo joined the Jaybots because of really liking STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and

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Members of the John Jay High School Jaybots team. The team will be competing in Texas from April 16 - 19.

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really enjoying robotics. "I especially like the idea of working as a team. Having the opportunity to be a Jaybot means a lot to me," remarked Nicole, who is the Outreach Manager.

As for the entry by the Jaybots, Nicole said, "We are very optimistic and working very hard for the upcoming competition."

Ava Davis is the Branding/Graphics Leader for the team.

"I'm most excited to be there for my team and experience this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

According to information from the Jaybots, "Along the way, they won an Inspire Award, which is given to a team that is a role model for other teams; a Control Award, which is given to a team that demonstrates innovative thinking to solve challenges; and a Think Award, which is given to a team that has creatively

overcome engineering obstacles. They have also participated in numerous outreach events in which they share their love of STEM with the community, such as hosting workshops for elementary school students and participating in the Hudson Valley Renegades' Education Days."

Ava described the previous competitions as "competitive" and "high energy, there was always something going on."

The Fishkill Town Board offered congratulations to the Jaybots.

"Supervisor [Ozzy] Albra and Members of the Town Board wish to congratulate our local students from the John Jay High School robotics club... We wish them the best of luck..." was written in an email to residents.

Hailey Kim, the Jaybots' Gamemaster, said the previous competitions were "definitely stressful" but tournaments from this year and previous years "were a good learning experience."



The Town of East Fishkill displays a congratulatory message for the Jaybots.

-Courtesy photos

Hailey remarked, "Our entry for the World Championship is something that all of us are proud of. We've spent months designing and building the robot to make it good, and then some more time redesigning and rebuilding it to make it even better. All the time we've spent and all the practice we've done this year was worth it, because our judging was amazing, and our performance was at its peak. We've done so much this year, and were excited to be able to go to Houston to show off our bot and learn from the other teams."

The FIRST® Tech Challenge (FTC) is described as "a worldwide competition in which students design, build, and program robots that complete a variety of complex tasks."

Matthew Glasser is the Computer Aided Design (CAD) Leader.

"I'm excited to meet other teams from across the world and learn about other

robotics programs, how they run, and learn new ideas," said Matthew.

Matthew was asked, 'Can you believe the Jabots advanced to the World Championship,' to which Matthew replied, "Of course."

Joseph Lopez, Treasurer, said, "I am most excited for Texas brisket." Joseph also remarked, "It still doesn't feel real, but I am not surprised we made it."

Joseph Marra, Build Leader for the Jaybots, said, "My team and I understand the competition in our region, however on the world stage it's a whole different animal."

Joseph also remarked, "While I still don't believe we made it to the World Championship, it feels like it was meant to happen all along."

One may support the 14-member team, of freshmen to seniors, with their journey by donating to the Jaybots Booster Club, a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit, at <https://gofundme.com/jaybots>.



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Eastdale Village Announces Addition of Lola's Café






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Parking issues abound for Walkway this season

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This project is moving forward with funding provided through the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP).

In December 2024, the state-provided parking on the Walkway's east side was closed in order to facilitate a building project. Several years ago, the park's offices and maintenance building on the corner of Parker Avenue and Washington Street burned down. OPRHP is now building a new and larger facility on the eastern end of the state's parking area. When closing the area, the state put up signs that the parking area was closing, but would be reopened in January 2026. The opening indication on those signs has since been taped over.

Currently, parking recommendations from both Scenic Hudson and the State Park management indicate that parking can be found at Pulaski Park, a few blocks away, or on Brookside Street, some distance to the south. Directions to these two alternates is provided by signage near the Walkway entrance on Parker Avenue. Reading the signs requires exiting a vehicle in order to read them; however, there is nearly no parking close by to allow this to happen.

Pulaski Park's lot is limited to roughly 40 spaces. The park, itself, features a City of Poughkeepsie swimming pool that is very heavily used in the summer time. Access to the pool is limited to pass holders, who regularly fill the park to capacity.

Brookside on-street parking has some capacity but, depending on how far up the street one finds a space, the walk to the park could approach half a mile. The sidewalk condition there is also far from perfect.

In the case of both of these suggestions, the actual access to the park is via the Washington Street staircase. The staircase is steep, and has a significant 90-degree turn before one reaches the top. It is not handicapped-accessible, nor is it easy for families with young children in strollers to utilize.

Attorney Fred Schaeffer, credited by many as the "Father of the Walkway," spent the better part of 13 years helping bring the dream of the park to reality. He reports that the situation has him "very concerned."

Currently suffering from some physical ailments, Schaeffer was still able to enjoy his bicycle on the Walkway.

"I can't physically carry my bicycle up those stairs anymore, though," he notes. "I'm hoping they can find me a place to keep the bike up there."

Except for the elevator, there is currently no handicapped access to the park from the Dutchess County (eastern) side. The park staff recommends that those who are physically challenged go to the other side of the river. However, there is no sign to that effect near the park, and no directions for tourists on how to find the other side's parking.

Linda Cooper, OPRHP's regional director, commented on the situation at the Walkway recently. She said that, in spite of the fact that the dirt parking area had been the one used by most park-goers over the years, the primary parking lot was the state-provided pay parking at the top of the hill behind this area. That pay area was not as large as the dirt lot, but was free to senior citizens during the week.

Cooper noted that the new, larger maintenance facility would allow for the storage of more equipment, including the Friends of the Walkway's summer tram. Asked why it was not possible to rebuild the maintenance facility on the same footprint as the one that had burned – the park had used that site since 2009 – Cooper said that some of their vehicles were not legal to drive up the street to the park's entrance. In spite of having kept those vehicles in the old site and used them for many years, she reiterated that "we have to be legal."

In a discussion of the larger parking lot having been purchased by Scenic Hudson, Cooper was asked why the state didn't purchase it instead. She responded, "We thought about it, but I guess Scenic Hudson gave them a better offer."

Cooper denied any possible relationship with the Scenic Hudson project across the street from the park.

"We have nothing to do with that," she said.

When reminded that the sign on the front of the Scenic Hudson headquarters project indicated the participation of the OPRHP in the project, she reiterated that there is no relationship between OPRHP and Scenic Hudson on this project. The sign was removed from the Scenic Hudson project later on the same day as our interview.

In fact, the Scenic Hudson project relies heavily on State and Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credits that are administered for this project by OPRHP. A Taconic Park Region commissioner who asked not to be identified confirmed that the money and project are closely monitored by OPRHP for this project and others throughout the state.

Cooper agreed that handicapped access to the park from the Dutchess County end could be problematic. She noted that the Town of Lloyd, which owns the Walkway parking on the western side, has provided handicapped spaces in their parking lot. There is no indication of this on the Dutchess County side, nor any information about how to get to that lot.

As to the possible shortage of parking at Pulaski Park when the swimming pool is in use, Cooper said, "We are not in competition



Ned Sullivan

-Courtesy photo

says: "The Walkway Over the Hudson is one of Dutchess County's most iconic destinations, and it plays a major role in driving tourism and supporting our local economy. Each year, it draws hundreds of thousands of visitors who don't just come for the breathtaking views – they also explore our downtowns, dine in local restaurants, and stay in our hotels. It's a powerful example of how investing in our natural and historic assets can create real economic opportunity for our community."

What might it all mean? The Heart Walk and other annual activities could certainly be impacted. All of these issues have been brought to the attention of the State OPRHP and to Scenic Hudson. Both are looking at them.

If nothing changes, there will be no state-provided parking for the Walkway Over the Hudson State Park for the next year. The part-time availability of parking on the plot now owned by Scenic Hudson will be limited to evenings and weekends.

The Friends of the Walkway organization is planning to have off-site parking organized for their volunteers and for Walkway Ambassadors. They are also outlining some shuttle services to be available from other parking lots in Poughkeepsie for their major events, like the popular annual 4th of July Fireworks event. For the Fireworks event, usually about 1,800 of the 3,000 patrons enter the Walkway from the Dutchess County side.

Friends of the Walkway Executive Director Lori Robertson said, "Friends of the Walkway is working closely with our partners to provide as much access to parking as possible while lots near the park are under construction."

She noted, "During special events like the July 4th Fireworks, we routinely utilize several parking areas located less than 0.7 miles from our entrance to accommodate our guests. Information about general parking availability can be found at walkway.org/visit, while special event parking options, including handicapped parking, are communicated through our specific event webpages and emails sent directly to registered attendees. Carpooling is always encouraged."

What to expect for the summer? Parking will be a significant issue for at least the next year. If coming to the Walkway, look at the various websites to acquire the latest parking information.

Information about the elevator can be found at Elevator Hotline: 845-834-3641 to confirm elevator status prior to a visit.

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Potential Waterfront Project in Town of Fishkill

To the Editor:

At the recent April 2, 2025 Town of Fishkill Board meeting, Supervisor Albra and Council Member Bardini mentioned that they were working on a project for the Fishkill waterfront. I reminded that the board had already heard from that developer, Thomas Perna, RPA Associates. He came before the Board to ask, and we consented, to endorsing his efforts to request the MTA allow him to build a bridge over the tracks to this parcel of land on the river.

After that recent Board meeting, I reviewed the potential scope of this project, all conceptual at this point, by reading Mr. Perna's 10-23-23 letter to the Fishkill Planning Board where he described this project. Maybe it has altered since then, but at that point it consisted of a road system, a bridge over the MTA railroad tracks, 116 residential units in four buildings, a waterfront park, commercial development and a public boat launch ramp. Supervisor Albra indicated last night that the Town Board should be the lead agency on this development and that he wanted to fast track it.

That initially sounded interesting, except for the fast-tracking part, but John Forman and I strongly believe the Planning Board has the training and staff to be the lead agency. We are writing this letter to the editor to basically let everyone know including the Town Board that the Planning Board needs to do what it is they are exquisitely trained to do. They have the time and the skill to review such complicated projects therefore they must be lead on this project should it ever get to a point where there are formal plans. This whole project sounds like a win for the Town of Fishkill, but let's put its review through the appropriate process, via the Planning Board.

John Forman, Councilman
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CSEA: Cuts to NIOSH would put millions of workers at risk

To the Editor:

The CSEA (Civil Service Employees Association) is expressing concern about deep staffing cuts at the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) as part of a restructuring ordered by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

The cuts would eliminate nearly 900 jobs, or two-thirds of the workforce, as well as entire divisions at the agency, which conducts research on workplace safety and health and making recommendations to prevent work-related injuries and illness. NIOSH has provided lifesaving work since Congress created it in 1970.

These ill-advised cuts to NIOSH will potentially endanger millions of workers. This is not just a budget cut - it's a rollback of decades of worker safety progress putting millions of workers at risk. One of CSEA's top priorities is to ensure that our union members can do their jobs as safely as possible so they can get home to their loved ones. CSEA will continue to monitor the situation and act accordingly.

Here is what NIOSH does for workers:

1. Tests and Certifies Respirators – NIOSH ensures that respirators protect workers from deadly hazards like asbestos, silica, and infectious diseases.
2. Develops Lifesaving Workplace Standards – Many of OSHA's protections (e.g., noise limits, chemical exposure rules) are based on NIOSH research.
3. Investigates Worker Deaths and Hazards – NIOSH runs the Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (FACE) Program, which investigates worker deaths to prevent future tragedies.
4. Studies Dangerous Chemicals and Diseases – NIOSH identifies workplace carcinogens and toxic chemicals before they cause widespread harm. Their research has led to protections against lead poisoning, silica, and PFAS chemicals.
5. Protects First Responders and Health Care Workers – NIOSH developed PPE standards for firefighters, paramedics, and nurses. Their research helped protect workers during COVID-19, Ebola, and 9/11 cleanup efforts.
6. Improves Safety for High-Risk Jobs – NIOSH studies injuries and deaths in dangerous jobs like construction, mining, trucking, and agriculture. Their work leads to safer equipment, training, and practices that prevent thousands of injuries every year.
7. Advances Workplace Mental Health and Violence Prevention – NIOSH studies workplace stress, burnout, and violence-especially for social workers, nurses, and teachers. This research helps create solutions to protect workers from assault and mental health crises.

Without NIOSH, workers would lose these essential protections and put millions of workers at risk for injury and death. These cuts will only benefit billionaires who want to create more profits by gutting worker protections.

Mary E. Sullivan
CSEA President

Release the kids from Ukraine

To the Editor:

We had the opportunity this weekend to attend a screening at The Moviehouse in Millerton of two very moving short films focusing on the impact of Russia's barbaric war upon children — "Sunflower Field" and "Once Upon a Time in Ukraine" - followed by a panel discussion with Polina Buchak, who directed Sunflower Field, and Anastasia Rab, Chief Advancement Officer for Razom.

In the panel discussion, Ms. Rab highlighted the plight of the 19,546 known children abducted and held by Russia. You see, Russia is not content with destroying Ukraine and its' past, it is intent on destroying her future as well by abducting her children. Of the greater than hundred thousand kids believed to have been abducted, there are 19,546 fully documented cases which demand our attention and support. This is documented at ReleaseTheKids.com.

We urge everyone to go to the site and learn about their plight and how to support. One simple action is to call, email, and or write your representatives including the President to demand that release of all abducted children be written in as a RED LINE to any ceasefire and peace agreement supported by this country.

While doing so, please also let your representatives know that you demand America supports a Just Peace for Ukraine consistent with our values with full territorial integrity rather than just any peace which leaves Ukraine and Europe exposed to the next round of Russian terror.

Mark Lagus
Town of Northeast

County Health Fair returns to DCC's Falcon Hall on April 12

The Dutchess County Department of Health (DCDOH) is hosting the 4th Annual Y.O.U.R (Young, Old, Urban, Rural) Health Fair on Saturday, April 12 to connect residents to health resources and enhance the wellness of the local community. The event will take place from 11a.m. to 2 p.m. at Dutchess Community College's Falcon Hall, located at 50 Mascot Drive in Poughkeepsie.

Individuals of all ages and abilities are invited to this day of fun with family-friendly activities, interactive health and fitness demonstrations, food trucks, free giveaways and more. Dutchess County Public Transit will provide free transportation from the City of Poughkeepsie to the event.

The afternoon will gather over 60 exhibitors including community health providers, local businesses, nonprofits, County Government departments and more to offer health information and

resources through interactive booths, hands-on trainings, insurance navigation and connection to ongoing care.

For those with sensory-sensitive needs, ThinkDIFFERENTLY and DCDOH's Early Intervention and Preschool teams will offer an outer space-themed, sensory-friendly area for those who need a break from crowds. Within this area, there will be arts, crafts and games, as well as information on services for residents of all abilities.

Dutchess County Public Transit will provide free shuttles from the Transit Hub on Market Street in Poughkeepsie to Falcon Hall, running continuous loops from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

More information about Dutchess County's Health Fair is available at dutchessny.gov/healthfair. To learn more about health resources available in Dutchess County, residents can visit dutchessny.gov/health.

Thousands attend Poughkeepsie Library's Children's Book Festival at DCC

More than 2,300 people attended the Poughkeepsie Children's Book Festival, held by the Poughkeepsie Public Library District (PPLD) on Saturday, March 29, inside Falcon Hall at Dutchess Community College.

The event included more than 100 authors and illustrators of children's and young adult books, as well as the characters Esteban the Magnificent, Mouse from "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie," Curious George, and Elephant and Piggy, from their eponymous series, who interacted and posed for photographs with their young readers.

The book festival gave both the children and authors a chance to make a personal connection. "This was such a magical day to connect with a great library, amazing readers and caregivers, and amazing authors," said Ree Augustine, author of "Hangabout Far From Home."

Children met their favorite writers, got autographs, and played with interactive activities and crafts provided by The Art Effect and the Mid-Hudson Discovery Museum. "What a successful, fulfilling

day," said Marian Grudko, author of "Claudine and the Bridge of Two Hearts."

Additionally, thanks to the Friends of PPLD, over 1,000 books were given away to visitors aged 17 and younger, thrilling both children and parents. "This is our favorite event every year," Amanda Carlon, a festival attendee, said. "My kids love it!"

The PPLD acknowledges the Friends of PPLD, The Art Effect, Dutchess Community College, the Mid-Hudson Discovery Museum, Merritt Bookstore, and volunteers from the LEO club at Spackenkill High School, JROTC at Poughkeepsie High School, and Vassar College for their generous support and assistance with this event.

To learn about next year's event, check the PPLD website early next year at poklib.org. Follow the PPLD on Facebook and Instagram.

The Poughkeepsie Public Library District (PPLD) has been serving the community since 1874, striving to provide resources and opportunities that



Michele McAvoy displays the books she has written during the annual event. -Courtesy photos PPLD



Author Rebecca Gardyn Levington is all smiles during the festival.

enrich, inform, and empower individuals of all ages. Through innovative programs, comprehensive collections, and a commitment to fostering a love for learning, PPLD aims to positively impact the lives

of the people it serves. For more information, follow the Poughkeepsie Public Library District on Facebook and Instagram, visit <https://poklib.org>, or call 845-485-3445 ext. 3707.

Glenham fire commissioners to meet April 9

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Glenham Fire District rescheduled their April 2 monthly meeting. It will now be held on Wednesday, April 9 at 6 p.m.

The location remains the same - Slater Chemical Firehouse located at 76 Old Glenham Road, in the hamlet of Glenham in the town of Fishkill.

Blodgett Memorial Library Food Drive set for April 12

Blodgett Memorial Library, 37 Broad St., in Fishkill will be hosting a food drive on April 12 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

They will be collecting canned goods, dry pasta, rice and other non-perishable items.

Central Hudson Gas Main and Service Replacement Project begins in Wappinger

The Town of Wappinger Office of the Superintendent of Highways has issued a permit to Central Hudson Gas & Electric to Replace the Gas Main & Services which affects residents in the Fleetwood Manor District.

The work will begin April 10, and be completed on or around August 10.

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Easter Sunday April 20
6:30am Sunrise Service
Red Wing Park
7:30am Breakfast
Hopewell Reformed Church
Easter Worship
8:45am & 10:30am



BluePath celebrates recent graduates

BluePath Service Dogs, a nonprofit organization that provides autism service dogs, celebrates the placement of three new service dog teams, offering newfound hope and freedom to children with autism and their families.

“Graduation day is a milestone that never loses its magic,” said Michelle Brier, BluePath’s Chief Executive Officer. “It’s the moment we see the impact of our collective efforts - the culmination of years of dedication, love, and belief in something bigger than ourselves. We don’t just celebrate new service dog teams; we celebrate possibility, transformation, and the power of community.”

The demand for BluePath dogs is greater than ever before; one in every 36 children born today will develop an autism spectrum disorder (Center for Disease Control and Prevention). The propensity to wander or bolt is a hallmark behavior of autism and poses a significant threat to the well-being of children affected. Even the most routine trips outside the home can quickly transform into life-threatening experiences. To avoid disruption and risk, children and their families often retreat into the safer environments of their homes and experience significant social isolation as a result.

Juan Alvarez and Lisbeth Quispe, from

Danbury, CT, are the proud recipients of BluePath Ginny for their seven-year-old son, Eliam.

“Eliam has had many challenges,” said Juan Alvarez. “He is very sensitive to loud noises and if there is something he doesn’t like or gets frustrated, he instantly bolts without measuring the danger that can be.”

Service dogs are the only effective intervention to elopement in children with autism. BluePath is committed to serving children with autism and their families by providing high quality service dogs that offer safety, companionship, and independence – free of charge.

“Our first weekend with Ginny was spectacular. We went to our favorite restaurant, and for the first time in a long time, we had a family dinner without worrying that Eliam would run off or get frustrated,” said Alvarez. “Seeing Eliam with Ginny gave us a sense of peace we hadn’t known before.”

Since its inception in late 2016, BluePath has matched 57 service dogs with individuals on the autism spectrum and their families. Eligibility criteria for receiving a service dog, as well as information on volunteer and support opportunities, can be found at www.bluepathservicedogs.org.



BluePath Service Dogs graduates for March 2025, from left, Salem, Hazel, Ginny, and Maverick.

-Courtesy photo BluePath Service Dogs

BluePath’s 9th Annual Walkathon will be held on Saturday, May 10 at FDR Park in Yorktown Heights, Westchester County. Walk begins promptly at 10:30 a.m., with the choice of a 1.7 mile or 3-mile loop.

Participants receive a T-shirt and access

to all-day activities, including bounce houses, a bubble bus, games, food trucks, and more. This is an inclusive event - a quiet tent with comfortable seating, books, and fidget toys is available throughout. Register at www.bluepathservicedogs.org.

Masque & Mime celebrates 60 years with ‘Mary Poppins’

By Kristine Coulter

Masque & Mime, the drama club at Roy C. Ketcham (RCK) High School, put on performances of the classic “Mary Poppins,” everyone’s favorite nanny who watches after the Banks children, at the school’s Bové Theater earlier this month.

Stacy Schroeder, director/choreographer (and a 1993 graduate of RCK), said, “I wanted to choose a show that would allow us to celebrate Masque & Mime’s 60th Anniversary year in a big way. “Mary Poppins” is a show that I have always wanted to stage, but I knew it was going to be a challenge in so many ways. Not only did we need to fly [the characters] Mary and Bert, but there was also all of the “magic” to figure out plus the choreography of some huge dance numbers. It seemed to be the perfect choice and challenge for our 60th celebration.”

How did the “flying” work? “I don’t want to give away too much of our magic, but we hired a fantastic company to help us with our flying. A technician from On the Fly Productions, a theatrical flying service, came to the Bové Theater to install the equipment and train our crew and performers to run the flights that Mary and Bert

would need to perform. This was an incredible experience for our students and one they will never forget. On the Fly was able to help us add that last bit of magic to make our Mary Poppins production truly take flight,” said Schroeder.

Juliana Praino, a member of the Class of 2025 and vice president of the club, played Mrs. Banks.

“My favorite scene, by far, is when I go to the bank at the end of the show, and stand up for my husband. I think this scene really shows the Winifred character development throughout the show, and I love the feminist values she represents as a character, so that scene is really powerful to see, and so much fun.”

At the story’s core, said Juliana, is family.

“It talks about some really real and relevant issues, and it reminds us just how important it is to appreciate the people around us, and not doubt ourselves, and those are messages everyone should hear,” said Juliana.

RCK student Julia Cantalupo, is a member of the dance ensemble and dance captain, and co-props crew chief.

“My favorite scene ha[d] to be “Step in Time,” I have loved tap dancing since I



A performance of “Mary Poppins” by Masque & Mime last week at Roy C. Ketcham High School in Wappingers Falls.

-Courtesy photo WCSD

was little, and [I was] very excited that I [got] to show that in this production.”

Julia said everyone in the production “put so much effort into it.”

“The true magic of this production ha[d] been watching these students bring this beloved story to life,” said Schroeder.

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Training events and projects top list for Top Dogs 4-H Club

Dutchess County is currently home to just one active canine 4-H Club. Led by Cathie Morton and Ann Sartori, the Top Dogs 4-H Club is based in the Amenia area.

Members participate in a variety of activities ranging from dog training to arts & crafts to community service projects. The club typically meets two Saturdays a month; once with their dogs and a trainer, and once for a project or special activity.

Training sessions throughout the 4-H year result in a culminating event at the Dutchess County Fair each August, where members have the opportunity to demonstrate what they and their dogs have learned in the performance areas of Agility, Obedience, Rally, and Grooming/Handling/Showmanship. There is also a costume class in which they may

participate by creating a themed costume for themselves and their dogs.

Community service activities are held throughout the 4-H year and to date have included a canine walk-a-thon benefiting local dog rescue Upstate Pups of NY, collecting pet food donations for Hudson Valley Animal Rescue & Sanctuary during a holiday bake sale & Pet Pictures with Santa event, collecting donations for Hope on a Mission in Poughkeepsie, and making handmade holiday cards for area nursing home residents during the holidays.

Non-training meetings have included educational activities such as learning about dog conformation, breed standards, and training tips as well as craft projects ranging from beaded projects to painting and scrapbooking.

If you are interested in joining Top Dogs, contact the 4-H Office for more information and stop by to meet the club members at the upcoming "Fur the Love of Dogs" event on June 21 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Indian Rock Schoolhouse in Amenia. The event is free and open to the public. Well-behaved dogs are welcome! Learn more at dogloveny.org



Top Dogs members pose with the handmade holiday cards they created for area nursing home residents. Courtesy photos



Juliette Gerstle works with her dog, Ella, on obedience commands.

Eastdale Village announces addition of Lola's Café

As Eastdale Village, the Hudson Valley's first live-work-play community, continues to grow and expand, it is poised to welcome another exciting addition: a third location of Lola's Café, on the heels of the restaurant's 20-year anniversary. At 6,000 square feet, the new location will serve as the eatery's largest to date, designed by FW Interiors and is expected to open in 2026.

"Eastdale Village's offerings have continued to evolve over the last several years, and the addition of Lola's Café – an established favorite in our community – feels like the perfect fit," said Joseph Kirchhoff, partner and founder of Kirchhoff. "It's strong reputation and foothold here in the Hudson Valley makes it a natural complement to the experience we're creating at Eastdale and we couldn't be more excited to welcome them to our neighborhood for our residents and visitors to enjoy."

A Culinary Institute of America graduate, Ed Kowalski, chef and owner, opened Lola's first location in Poughkeepsie in 2005, quickly establishing it as a lunchtime staple. Twelve years later, in

2017, he brought its sought-after menu to a New Paltz location. At Eastdale, guests can expect to experience some of the eatery's signature dishes with new additions including a selection of shareables and Sunday brunch. The restaurant will include a large bar, featuring specialty cocktails and local beers and wines, along with a private dining room to accommodate intimate events, such as wedding tastings and small private dinner parties. In the warmer months, garage style doors will open the space up for al fresco dining.

"Expanding to a third location is an incredible milestone for us, and we couldn't be more excited to welcome this new, larger space to the community," said Kowalski. "We had been searching for the perfect property for years, knowing that this time, we wanted to own the real estate. When the opportunity at Eastdale came up, it just felt right – it's the perfect space to bring our vision to life."

For more information about Eastdale Village or Lola's Café, visit eastdalevillage.com or lolascafeandcatering.com.



Right, officials from Eastdale Village and Lola's Café take part in the ground-breaking event to announce the eatery's planned opening in 2026.

-Photo courtesy of FW Interiors

Cary Institute ecologist finds getting hit by lightning is good for some tropical trees

Getting zapped with millions of volts of electricity may not sound like a healthy activity, but for some trees, it is. A new study, published in *New Phytologist*, reports that some tropical tree species are not only able to tolerate lightning strikes, but benefit from them. The trees may have even evolved to act as lightning rods. The research was led by Evan Gora, a forest ecologist at Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies. Gora studies how lightning impacts biodiversity and carbon storage in Panama's tropical forests. Lightning kills hundreds of millions of trees per year. But in 2015, while working in Panama, Gora and his colleagues came across a *Dipteryx oleifera* tree that had survived a strike with little damage — even though the jolt had been strong enough to blast a parasitic vine out of its crown and kill more than a dozen neighboring trees. "Seeing that there are trees that get struck by lightning and they're fine was just mind-blowing," Gora recalled. Over time, the team encountered

other *Dipteryx oleifera* trees thriving after getting hit, so they decided to take a closer look. Scientists had previously suspected that some trees evolved to tolerate lightning, but evidence to back it up was lacking. In 2022, Gora and colleagues demonstrated for the first time that trees differ in their ability to survive getting hit by lightning. Their new paper, published Wednesday, is the first to show that trees can benefit from these electric jolts.

Using a unique lightning location system, the team tracked the outcomes of 93 trees that had been struck by lightning in Barro Colorado Nature Monument in central Panama. For two to six years after the strike, the team measured tree survival rates, crown and trunk condition, number of parasitic vines or lianas, and neighboring tree mortality. The study included nine directly struck *Dipteryx oleifera* trees, and compared them with 84 other trees that had been struck.

All nine *Dipteryx* trees survived direct light-

ning strikes with only minor damage. In contrast, directly struck trees of other species were badly damaged, losing 5.7 times more leaves from their crowns, and 64% died within two years.

When each *Dipteryx* tree was zapped, an average of 9.2 neighboring trees were killed as the electricity traveled between adjoining vines and touching branches, or jumped across small gaps between trees. Lightning strikes also reduced *Dipteryx* liana infestations by 78%, freeing trees from some of the pressure these parasitic vines have on light and nutrient availability.

These patterns also bore out across the broader population. The team found that *Dipteryx* trees tend to have fewer lianas. Analyzing trends in tree death over the past 40 years, the researchers found that the trees neighboring *Dipteryx* trees were 48% more apt to die than other trees in the forest, likely because of lightning.

Using drones, Gora and colleagues created 3D models of canopy height, which showed that *Dipteryx* trees tend to be about four meters taller than their nearest neighbors, likely because lightning killed their taller neighbors, giving them an advantage in competing for light and space.

"These data provide the first evidence that some trees benefit from being struck by lightning," the authors write. Or, as Gora puts it, "It's better off for a *Dipteryx oleifera* tree to be struck than not."

Because of all these benefits, *Dipteryx oleifera* trees may be specially adapted to attract lightning. With their distinctive height and unusually wide crowns, they may be up to 68% more likely to get electrocuted than other trees with average height and crowns, according to the team's calculations.

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Renegades rebound from opening loss, take series with 2 wins over Jersey Shore

By Morgan E. Maier

The Hudson Valley Renegades have opened the 2025 season with a series win. Among the seas of pinstriped fans, and old school maroon and green, new concessions and between-inning competitions, fun could be found at every corner of Heritage Financial Park on the 31st Opening Weekend.

While the season's first game brought little action and a 3-1 Renegades loss, the opening day vibes were great. Over 3,700 fans showed up for the first day of Renegades baseball, and closed it out with fireworks backed by a soundtrack of pop hits and boy bands. Hudson Valley made up for the opening loss in the latter two-thirds of the weekend, with 12 of 13 series runs coming on Saturday and Sunday. While the bullpen had some missteps, the reigning SAL North season champions showed late-inning offensive grit on Opening Weekend.

The Kids are O.K.

Bryce Cunningham's pro debut was a special one. On Sunday, the Renegades improved to 2-1 behind five strong from Cunningham. He fanned seven BlueClaws and helped his team salvage the series with a 6-2 victory. Opening Day starter Kyle Carr gave up one run in 4.2 innings, but only gave up two hits. Geoffrey Gilbert and Matt Keating kept the Renegades in the game, holding Jersey Shore to one hit over a combined 2.1 relief innings.

Brendan Jones

Clutches Up in Game 2

OF Brendan Jones became the season's first hero in the Renegades' 8-7 walkoff comeback win. Fresh of a stint in major league spring training, Jones debuted 0-5 on Friday. But Saturday was his day. He went 2-4 in the leadoff spot, reaching base three times and batting in three runs.

In the bottom of the ninth, with nowhere for the Renegades' leadoff man to go, Jones smashed a bases loaded hit to right, scoring two and sealing the Renegades' first win of the season. It was a come-from-behind beauty that saw three ties and a late-inning lead change before Brenny Escanio, Coby Morales, and Tomas Frick loaded the bases for Jones.

Leaving them stranded

It was like Tom Hanks' Castaway out there. The Renegades left 33 runners on base over the weekend, nearly doubling the BlueClaws' total of 19. While Hudson Valley managed a series win, it's going to take more offensive sequences and productive at-bats to support the young hurlers on each side of the nine frames.

This week the Renegades head to Brooklyn for their first full series, so we'll be seeing a lot more from this group. Where Hudson Valley struggled on the road last season, the Renegades' offense needs to stop the momentum of the Cyclones, who swept their opening series.



Fans arrive at Heritage Financial Park for opening night of the Renegades' 2025 season.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

Renegades announce new staff hires and promotions

The Hudson Valley Renegades, the High-A affiliate of the New York Yankees, have announced today a series of front office staff promotions and new hires ahead of the 2025 season.

Will Young - Assistant General Manager - Will initially joined the Renegades in May of 2021 after spending two seasons as an intern with the St. Paul Saints Baseball Club, the Triple-A affiliate of the Minnesota Twins, in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was elevated to Assistant General Manager in March 2025 after serving as the Senior Director, Corporate Partnerships & Ticket Sales.

Jessica Levinson - Manager, Community Relation & Ticket Operations - Jess joined the Renegades in November 2023 as the Manager, Ticket Operations and was elevated to Manager, Community Relations & Ticket Operations in March 2025. Prior to this role, Jess worked with the Renegades during the 2023 season as the Community Relations Intern.

Zack Soffer - Manager, Corporate Partnerships - Zack joined the Renegades in September 2023 as an Account Executive, Ticket Sales and was promoted to Manager,

Corporate Partnerships in January 2025. Before this role, he previously served as a financial representative at Northwestern Mutual, and before that, as the Head of Solid Dosage Tablet Manufacturing at FreeThink Technologies.

Greg Jones - Director, Marketing - Greg joined the Renegades staff in March 2025 after previously serving as Associate Director of Marketing at Sacred Heart University. Before that, he was the Assistant Director of Club Sports, overseeing more than 33 teams, and was Head Coach of the Club Football team that won the NCFB National Championship in 2017.

Kevin Ackerman - Account Executive, Ticket Sales - Kevin joined the Renegades in January 2025 as an Account Executive, Ticket Sales. Prior to this role, Kevin was a Group Sales Account Representative for the Trenton Thunder. Kevin was also a Ticket Sales Intern for the Renegades during the 2022 season. Kevin is from Bedford Hills, NY and earned a bachelor's degree in Business Management from Rowan University.

Tara Sudol - Corporate Partnerships Intern - Tara is beginning her third season working with the Renegades, serving as a

promotions and accounting intern in 2022 and special events intern in 2024. She graduated from Springfield College with a degree in sports management in 2024.

Jesus Cabrera - Merchandise Intern - Jesus is from the Bronx, and takes Metro-North to the ballpark every day. He's been working in baseball since he was 19, teaching the sport to kids at local summer camps.

Xavier Quinn - Video Production Intern - Xavier is from Virginia Beach, VA. This is his third year working in baseball, and he comes to the Renegades after working for the Fredericksburg Nationals as a Video Production Assistant last year.

Abbie Mars - Promotions Intern - This is Abbie's second year with the Renegades. She spent last season as a member of Pinstripe Posse, after graduating from Siena College in May 2024, where she was a cheerleader for the Saints.

Tommy Villafana - Special Events Intern - Tommy is from Plymouth, Minnesota. In the past, Tommy has worked for the Minnesota Timberwolves, the Minnesota Vikings and as a gameday intern for the St. Paul Saints.

Brady Wade - Ticket Sales Intern - Brady

is from Red Hook, NY and is currently a junior at SUNY Cortland. He currently works at Gutchess Lumberyard Sports Complex, where he helps out at PBR tournaments, including working in the ticket booth, selling merchandise, and even getting to scout some youth players.

Hannah Greer - Creative Content Intern - Hannah Greer is a Creative Content Intern from Hopewell Junction, NY. She is currently a softball player at Michigan State University, and previously worked as a video content creator for EPC Sports in Hopewell Junction.

Owen Connelly - Creative Content Intern - Owen Connelly is a junior at Maryland's Robert H. Smith School of Business. He is also the president and founder of Finznetwork, a Miami Dolphins social media fan page.

Jordy Fee-Platt - Broadcasting and PR Associate - This is Jordy's second year as the Broadcasting and PR Associate for the Renegades, after spending the offseason calling college sports and working as a writer/editor for college basketball website Hoops HQ.

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Congressman Ryan releases results of Optum inquiry, submits data report to FTC, Department of Justice

Last week, Congressman Pat Ryan released the results of his community inquiry regarding the quality and accessibility of care at Optum-owned Hudson Valley medical practices. Over 1,800 responses from Optum patients illuminated a pattern surrounding Optum's care quality, accessibility, and billing practices.

Several providers also responded to the inquiry, citing how treatment of staff has suffered from the switch to Optum, further contributing to a general decline in the quality of care administered. Ryan is now submitting the full dataset to the Department of Justice, Department of Health and Human Services, and Federal Trade Commission for further investigation and imminent action.

"The volume of responses, the specificity of issues, and the frankly heartbreaking stories involved are unlike anything I've seen in my time in Congress. I've heard from disabled children unable to get treatment. Mothers waiting almost a year for a cancer diagnosis. Families sent into debt because of overcharges for treatments never even received. All so the largest health care company in the world can continue to make record breaking profits," said Congressman Pat Ryan. "I've already been in touch with Optum to get folks help on an individual basis in the short term,

but that's just a band-aid. Today I'm formally submitting every single piece of data to the Department of Justice, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Federal Trade Commission for further investigation. And I will be pushing around the clock for further action. For anyone not convinced urgent change is needed, read every damn story below. When our Hudson Valley community stands up with one voice, anything is possible."

Over 36% of Optum patients who responded to the inquiry said they've experienced serious customer service issues that have interfered with their care, which many say has only worsened since Optum took over. Most commonly, they cited intense difficulty with Optum's phone system, which no longer allows patients to call their doctor's office directly – meaning, for example, that someone can't ask a nurse a question about their medication or a receptionist about sending medical documents to their employer or kid's school. Instead, patients are sent to a call center with wait times that can extend up to several hours, with no guarantee that their message will be read or responded to. In addition to causing significant frustration for patients, this has led some to miss out on critical medications.

Judge hands down decision in Wappingers Falls mayoral race

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the challenges we faced and understand that our election system has been challenged at a hefty cost to the hard-working residents of our community. Thank you so much for your vote of confidence."

The post continued, "For the last 3 weeks our Village's government has been left in limbo. It has been a stressful time for many of us ... all of your positive thoughts and prayers have come through." The election results have given Huber another two years as mayor.

Acker, in her decision, stated that "...the Court need not reach the issue of whether [Niznik] failed to name a necessary party. Nevertheless, as the 'error' that [Niznik] seeks to rectify, is that of the Village Election Inspectors' alleged failure to verify the signatures of prospective voters, the Election Inspectors are clearly necessary parties and [Niznik's] failure to join them was jurisdictionally fatal."

"On March 19, 2025, Village Clerk Karge requested that the Board of Elections canvass the votes cast. The Board of Elections sent a team to collect records from the clerk.

The team twice visited the village hall to collect records and Village Clerk Karge hand-delivered voter registration books. The canvass was completed on March 24, 2025," according to court documents. Acker noted that hearings were held before the Court on March 31 and April 1 and "[f]our witnesses testified and various documents were introduced into evidence, including voter lists, registration cards and poll logs."

"Consistent with Election Law § 15-126(3), the Dutchess County Board of Elections completed a canvass of the Village Election on March 24, 2025. While the Canvass was pending, any further action by, or on behalf of, the village clerk [John Karge] was stayed "with regard to further election procedures required by this section." ... Similarly, although the Board of Elections was permitted to advise the Village Clerk of the result of the canvass, the village Clerk was statutorily stayed from notifying the persons elected as a result of the canvass," reads the Decision.

The Dutchess County Board of Elections took possession of the ballots on March 20.

DC Comptroller's office launches online tool for reporting loss of federal funds or jobs

The Dutchess County Comptroller's Office has released a survey form for Dutchess County residents and organizations who have lost federal jobs or funding, directly or indirectly. This information will be collected, verified, and ultimately provided to all local, state, and federal leadership as a means of better supporting the needs of the community and to help focus economic planning.

This tool follows the release of the Comptroller's Office special report on the County's 2021-2023 receipt of federal funds and the interest it generated.

"The national conversation around federal funding can be confusing and alarming," said Comptroller Dan Aymar-Blair. "Being well-informed is the antidote to anxiety, and the Comptroller's Office is happy to collect any data that better informs policy makers and the public."

Congressman Pat Ryan's (NY-18) office has been trying to navigate the new presidential administration's priorities and policy changes since January, working to keep the district informed as to whether these might have a tangible impact on the community. Congressman Ryan's office has encouraged local municipalities to alert them to any cuts affecting their day-to-day operations.

The Comptroller's Office has identified

nearly \$35 million in lost federal investment in Dutchess County, including a loss of \$2.4 million in earmarks for Dutchess County's real time crime center and public safety radio system, but which is primarily for renovations and improvements to fire stations and wastewater treatment facilities.

Said Town of North East Supervisor Christopher Kennan, "The Village of Millerton and the Town of North East have been working hard on plans for a wastewater system to serve both municipalities. These improvements are sorely needed to reduce our dependence on old, and in some cases, broken septic systems. A reliable wastewater system is crucial to improving our economy—more businesses, more jobs, and more housing! The \$3 million in federal funding allocated for this project by Senators Gillibrand and Schumer was just yanked—this will be devastating to jobs and housing critical for our future."

The information collected through the new "Loss of Federal Funds/Jobs Survey" will contribute to this growing data set. "Tracking how much federal investment in Dutchess County is being lost gives us perspective for future economic development, future sales tax revenue, and more," said Aymar-Blair. The newly created intake form can be accessed on the County's website.

A canvass of the votes was done, according to Dutchess County Republican Elections Commissioner Erik Haight and Democratic Commissioner Lisa Jessup.

According to Acker's Decision, "Village clerk Karge testified first. He is the chief election officer for the village of Wappingers Falls and has been involved in village elections for 23 years." He testified about proceedings for the election, a court document states.

"Unfortunately, this election was overshadowed by serious concerns regarding this administration. The actions of the Village Clerk have cast a cloud over the process, leading to confusion and distrust. Elections should be free, fair, and transparent—yet what we witnessed was a mishandled process that left our community questioning the results," Niznik said in her social media post. "To restore confidence in our elections, it is clear that future village elections must be conducted by the Dutchess County Board of Elections. The integrity of our democratic process depends on it. No candidate, voter, or public official should ever have

to question whether ballots were properly counted or whether election procedures were followed correctly."

Acker's Decision states: "The Court had the ability to observe Village Clerk Karge and finds that his testimony was credible. While his testimony may have been confusing on occasion, this was rare and he ultimately explained any nuances. Karge impresses as a long-time public servant who works hard to be knowledgeable and to run these village elections in a lawful manner."

Acker ordered "that the Board of Elections and Village Respondents shall proceed with their statutory duties in relation to the completed canvass."

Huber told Southern Dutchess News that he was just "glad it's over."

Karge told Southern Dutchess News it is the way democracy works and offered thanks to the Dutchess County Board of Elections for their work.

Niznik stated earlier this week: "I am not going anywhere, and I will continue to be present and push the administration to do what's right for the village of Wappingers Falls."

Obituaries

Ruth 'Ruthie' Aida Coppedge



With profound sadness, we share the passing of our beloved Ruth "Ruthie" Aida Coppedge, who left this world peacefully on March 7, 2025, with her granddaughter, Saadia Coppedge, by her side.

Born on April 17, 1937, in New York, NY, to Aida and Marcos Flores, Ruthie was a force of nature—unwavering in her determination, fiercely independent, and deeply devoted to those she loved. She navigated life with resilience and a steadfast commitment to standing by her family and friends, no matter the circumstance.

A cherished sister, mother, grandmother, godmother, auntie, cousin, and friend, Ruthie found joy in life's simple yet meaningful moments—watching movies

and shows with her children, celebrating her grandchildren's milestones, cheering on her godson at his athletic events, and gathering around the table for holiday dinners filled with love and laughter. Her sharp wit, boundless generosity, and enduring strength left an indelible mark on all who knew her.

Ruthie dedicated 20 years of her life to the New York State Department of Corrections, serving with integrity and unwavering commitment.

She is survived by her beloved grandchildren, Saadia and Damien; great-grandchildren, Erin, Duncan, and Addison; godson, Billy; and lifelong friends who became family. Though her physical presence is no longer with us, her spirit, love, and fiery soul will continue to shine in the hearts of those she touched.

A celebration of Ruthie's life was held on April 5, 2025 with a service at Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey.

Ruthie's life was a testament to strength, loyalty, and love. Though she has left this world, her legacy will never fade.

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

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

Margaret 'Peggy' T. Scannell



Margaret "Peggy" T. Scannell, a lifelong resident of Beacon, entered into rest on March 31, 2025. She was 98 years old.

Peggy was born on November 7, 1926 in Poughkeepsie, the daughter of the late John P. and Margaret Clear Scannell. She was a graduate of Beacon High School. After high school, she worked at IBM in Poughkeepsie and retired after 35 years in 1987. Peggy was a parishioner of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist Church.

Peggy is survived by her niece, Kathleen Nagro; her many great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers, Bart J. Scannell and John

W. Scannell.

A private service will be held with burial at St. Joachim Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps, PO Box 54, Beacon, NY 12508.

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

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

Judith Rosas

Judith Rosas passed away March 29, 2025 at the age of 93 years old. A memorial service was held on April 5, 2025 at Timothy P. Doyle Funeral Home. To read the Obituary in its entirety please visit www.Doylefuneralhome.com

Creative Living

Kindred Creeks Farm in Poughquag sets Spring Kick-Off for April 12



Kindred Creeks Farm, located at 8 Pleasant Ridge Road in Poughquag, will conduct their Spring Kick-off on Saturday, April 12 from noon – 4 p.m. to benefit Happy Life Animal Rescue.

They will be holding pet adoptions that day at the farm. The first 100 people to bring an item to donate will receive a free Kindred Creeks plant. Their wish list can be viewed at happylifeanimalrescue.org/ways-to-help/wishlist/.

There will be lots of fun activities for the kids, photos with Easter Bunny, Bounce House, craft stations and sow your own seeds stations. It will also be the Grand Opening of the Kindred Creeks Farm Store. Happy Life Animal Rescue will have dogs and kittens for adoption at

the event as well, plus food trucks and plenty of vendors. One of the sponsors is Lobster Hill Farm, which will provide goats at the Spring Kick-Off.

Jessica, Andrew, and their children run a first generation regenerative farm on 75 acres in Brewster. Lobster Hill Farm concentrates mainly on dairy goats, pigs and pastured poultry for meat and eggs with plans to expand that livestock to include meat goats, sheep and a dairy cow. They are committed to bringing you the very best products, straight from their farm to your home. Visit lobsterhillfarm.com for more information.

Tickets for the Spring Kick-Off are on sale now at Kindredcreekspringkickoff.eventbrite.com.



Left, goats from Lobster Hill Farm in Brewster, above, plus the Easter Bunny and lots of activities for the kids will be available at Kindred Creek Farm's Spring Kickoff on Saturday, April 12.

-Courtesy photos

Vassar College to honor legacy of Grace Hopper '28

Known as America's 'Queen of Code'

Grace Hopper, America's "Queen of Code," will be celebrated with an event at The Vassar Institute for the Liberal Arts on April 10, from 5-7 p.m., 165 College Avenue, Poughkeepsie. Hopper, Vassar Class of 1928, arrived at the college as a student a century ago. While much of pop culture assigns the origins of the modern tech era to the garages of men on the west coast, the centennial celebration honors the legacy of a woman whose early tech industry impact was made from a lab on the east coast during World War II. Also called the "Mother of Modern Computing," Hopper majored in mathematics and physics (before it was possible to major in computer science) and returned to Vassar to become a mathematics professor. In addition to her contributions to the nascent field of Computer Science, she rose to the rank of Rear Admiral in the U.S. Navy.

Learn about Grace Hopper's story through a discussion by experts in tech. While Hopper's name has been lent to major tech products, her life's story has often been unexamined.

In a fireside chat tech entrepreneur Naomi Seligman, herself a mentee of and a strong remaining tie to Grace Hopper, will share never-before-heard anecdotes and personal accounts about the groundbreaking woman behind today's ubiquitous references—most recently seen in the tech and business media through the namesake of the NVIDIA chip. A leader in the tech industry, Seligman, Vassar class of 1955, brings a wealth of experience and insight, serving on the board of Oracle and spearheading initiatives that drive innovation and digital transformation. Alison Lindland, Chief Marketing Officer of Movable Ink and Vassar class of 2000 will moderate

the conversation.

Hear from Kurt Beyer, author of the most acclaimed biography of Grace Hopper, will offer insights into her enduring influence on technology and leadership.

In a panel conversation founding member of Vassar's Computer Science Department, Nancy Ide, Professor Emerita, will engage in a lively discussion with three accomplished alums about the impact Hopper's legacy has had on them and their careers in diverse areas of tech and new media. They include:

Peter Leonard – Director of Customer Engineering Excellence, Google Cloud, and Vassar Class of '97 Computer Science graduate.

Reena Mehta – Former Senior Vice President of Streaming and Digital Content at ABC News and Vassar Class of '01.

Matt Foster - Game designer at Insomniac Games and Vassar Class of '14.

Professor Marc L. Smith, Chair of the Computer Science Department, will serve as emcee for the event.

Explore the story of a trailblazer who not only revolutionized computing, but also understood the longstanding and critically important relationship between the liberal arts and technological innovation.

"Grace Hopper had a profound impact on the burgeoning field of Computer Science and her legacy lives on in innumerable ways today. Part of the reason she was so successful was because she brought a fundamentally liberal arts—and uniquely Vassar—perspective to her work," said Vassar President Elizabeth H. Bradley. "It is more important than ever to examine and celebrate the contributions Grace Hopper made to our world."

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Loving lemon

A sweet-tart treat that's perfect for spring

When it comes to flavors that exemplify spring, lemon always tops my list. True, lemons aren't exactly local produce in our part of the world, but their bright, zesty freshness has the ability to wake things up, and that's about as vernal as it gets. I use lemons all year long in lots of wonderful ways, which is why I've written about them many times; but in spring they really seem to shine. That's why they always have a place on my Easter table in dishes both savory and sweet, and also why I'm featuring them yet again.

This year they'll grace a light luscious dessert that's a perfect fit for a spring celebration. With just a few ingredients that you probably already have, it comes together quickly and separates magically into layers as it bakes: a custard-like pudding on the bottom and an airy cakey layer on top. Its sweetness is just right and the tartness is refreshing even after a big meal.

And now for a little breakdown of the magic. Eggs play an important role here. We're separating them with good reason. The yolks add a little richness and help keep it moist and firm, while the whites lighten it up and make it fluffier, helping it rise. Beaten egg whites also float to the top as the cake bakes, forming the spongy cake layer. The denser yolks take their place at the bottom for the pudding

layer and, presto! Pudding cake!

LEMON PUDDING CAKE

I must admit, I don't love the name. It just doesn't quite do it justice. Technically, though, it's correct in the baking world because it does, as previously stated, separate as it bakes to form a pudding-like bottom layer. I used a spring-form pan, which I recommend since it puffs up as it bakes in souffle-like fashion. It will fall a bit as it cools, but that's perfectly fine. A simple dusting of confectioner's sugar and a few fresh berries or spring flowers on top make a pretty presentation. Serve with a dollop of sweet whipped cream on the side and watch it magically disappear.

Helpful hints: Zesting the lemons before juicing them is much easier. Strain the juice before adding to the batter to eliminate pulp and any seeds.

For the fluffiest egg whites, start with a clean, dry bowl and clean beaters. Make sure there are no traces of yolk when you separate the eggs. Gently fold the whites into the batter to avoid over-mixing to keep it fluffy: Place whites on top and carefully use a spatula in a vertical swirling motion to roll them into the heavier batter just to combine.

INGREDIENTS

4 tablespoons butter, softened (I prefer salted, which brings out the flavor)



A Lemon Pudding Cake ready to serve.

-Photo by Vicki Frank Day

1/2c sugar (add a little more, 1-2 tablespoons, if you prefer a slightly sweeter cake)

4 eggs, room temperature, separated
1c flour (sifted)

1/3c fresh lemon juice (~ 2 lemons)
1 tablespoon lemon zest

A pinch of salt

2 1/2c (preferably whole) milk

Confectioner's sugar for dusting

Whipped cream for serving (optional)

METHOD

Lightly grease a spring-form pan. You can place the pan on foil and crimp it up the sides to seal the bottom edges to prevent leaking if you like. (Alternatively, place it on a baking sheet to bake.) Move oven rack to the center position. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

In a large bowl, cream together the butter and sugar until combined and smooth. Add egg yolks one at a time, then flour, mixing well after each addition. Mix in lemon juice and zest, salt and milk. Beat until smooth and almost doubled in volume.

In a separate clean bowl, beat egg whites until glossy and stiff, about 4 minutes. Gently fold whites into the yolk mixture until just combined. DO NOT over-mix.

Pour into spring-form pan and bake until lightly golden brown and cake jiggles only slightly when the pan is gently shaken, about 40 minutes (but no more

than 45). Transfer pan to a rack to cool.

When ready to serve, remove sides of the spring-form pan, place on a cake plate (with the pan bottom) and generously dust with confectioner's sugar. A sieve works well for this. Add some fresh berries or spring flowers if you like. Serve, warm or cool, with a dollop of whipped cream.

You can make this a day ahead; just don't top with the confectioner's sugar until serving since it will absorb into the cake.

Lemons, in all their sunny brightness, are the perfect homage to spring, and desserts like this one illustrate that deliciously. The simplicity of this pudding cake - in ingredients and presentation - make it an elegant recipe to enjoy anytime but, if you ask me, serving it this time of year is especially perfect. It will bring a little magic to your table while celebrating the miracle of spring. Enjoy!

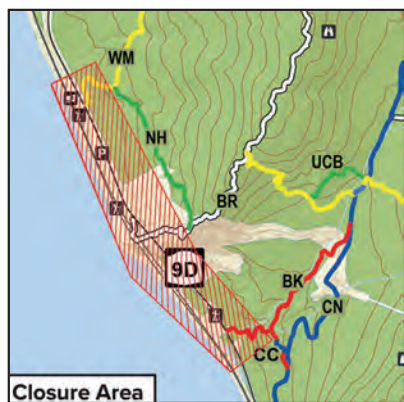
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DCC to present '21 Chump Street' by Lin-Manuel Miranda

Dutchess Community College will present Lin-Manuel Miranda's one-act musical "21 Chump Street" on April 10 and 11 in its Black Box Theatre.

Written by the creator of "Hamilton" and "Moana," the show is based on a true story and explores the cost of a youthful mistake. Performances are free and open to the public, with a suggested donation supporting student theatre.

Shows on April 10 are at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. (evening show includes a talk back). Performances on Friday, April 11 will be

held at 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. (evening show includes a talk back).

Tickets are free, with a suggested donation of \$5 at the door to support the Masquers' Guild Theatre Club. Performances will be held on DCC's main campus, 53 Pendell Road in Poughkeepsie, in Dutchess Hall, Room 202A.

Content advisory: The show contains adult language, drug use and depictions of violent police activity.

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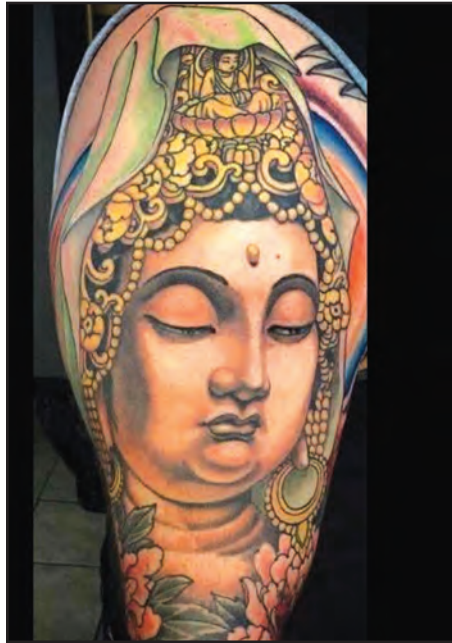
Wappingers Falls Easter Egg Hunt set for April 19

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 1 p.m. in Mesier Park on Saturday, April 19 in Wappingers Falls. Take photos with the Easter Bunny. Find the 'golden' egg

and win a surprise prize. There will be music, food, vendors and more.

No large shopping bags or pillow cases.

Acala Tattoo Collective sets grand opening for April 19



Acala Tattoo Collective is a new collective style tattoo studio made up of five independent tattoo artists.

-Courtesy photos

Acala Tattoo Collective, a new collective style tattoo studio made up of five independent tattoo artists, has set its grand opening event for Friday, April 19 from 2-8 p.m.

Located at 2 Chelsea Ridge Mall off Rt. 9D, they will have Mosaic Vision Productions photographing tattoos in their studio all day. The event will also include catering by Lola's Café, Astro Coffee Cart, Endless Charm bar, Lotus Oracle, baked treats by Pichona and chocolate by Håkan Chocolatier.

"We're dedicated to creating a community where tattoo artists can collaborate in an environment that fosters growth, creativity, and sustainability, free from exploitation," said owner and resident artist Brian Faulk. "By prioritizing the well-being of both artists and clients, we ensure that every person who walks through our doors receives an exceptional tattoo experience."

Founded in November 2024, Acala

emerged after six months of navigating legal hurdles to establish its space just off Route 9 in Wappingers Falls. "Our mission is to build an inclusive and supportive atmosphere where artists can thrive and clients can feel confident in the work they receive," said Faulk.

At the heart of Acala is a team of talented resident artists, each offering unique and diverse styles. Their expertise spans a wide range of techniques, ensuring that every tattoo is a work of art tailored to the client's vision. The shop itself is strategically located between New Hamburg and Beacon Train stations and located just off I-84.

"A good amount of our clientele travels three hours plus, with many flying in just to get tattooed. Having this location is the perfect place where whether you're coming from Boston, DC, Pennsylvania or NYC, we're easy to get to, even if you're unfamil-

iar with the area," said Faulk.

With over 20 years of experience in the tattoo industry, Faulk leads the team. He specializes in Japanese-inspired imagery, with a particular focus on large-scale work. His mastery of tailoring large work to the body and commitment to his craft set the tone for the collective's artistic vision.

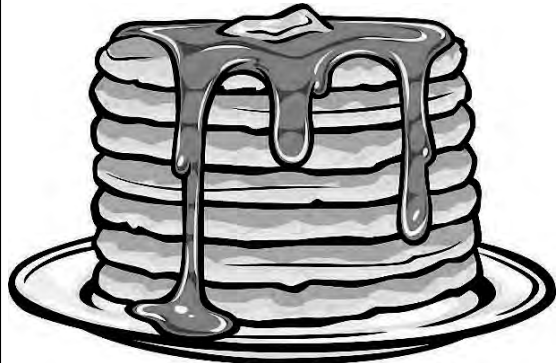
Carolina Villalon, the Hudson Valley's longest-running permanent makeup specialist, brings over a decade of experience to the team. In addition to her expertise in permanent makeup, Carolina has a passion for restorative tattooing helping post-op patients find confidence in their bodies. She also crushes American Traditional Tattooing, blending her knowledge of bold lines and vibrant colors with her unique style to create timeless works of art.

Max Shoberg is a classically trained illustrator with over 16 years of experience in the

tattoo industry. He specializes in large-scale work, with a particular focus on black and grey tattoos. His fine art background gives his tattoos a distinctive depth and precision, making each piece a true work of art.

Jason Carpino, with over 25 years of experience, brings a unique style to the collective. Specializing in geometric designs, pattern work and dot work, Jason's attention to detail and ability to create intricate, dynamic tattoos have earned him a reputation for turning complex concepts into striking visual compositions built to fit the body with utter perfection.

Acala is also proud to host Geddes Jones as a regular guest artist. With 15 years of experience, Geddes specializes in Traditional and Illustrative tattooing. Geddes's dynamic style brings a bold perspective which extends the range of creativity to the shop.



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Notice of formation of L & MG74, LLC filed with SSNY on 2/18/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as the LLC's agent upon whom the process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to L & MG74, 21 Morris Drive, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

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

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

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

Notice of Qualification of 3302 FRANKLIN AVENUE LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/25/25. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 02/17/25. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Bangall Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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

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

C O R C O L I REFERRAL GROUP LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/27/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to:

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Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Suite 1, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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

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

Darlene Carole Klosen P.T. PLLC, filed w/ NYDOS 2/11/25 NYDOS is designated registered agent In Dutchess Co., 80 Watch Hill Dr, Fishkill NY 12524 Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Streamline Services LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/17/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 187 Wolf Rd, Ste 101, Albany, NY 12205. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Business Filings Incorporated, 187 Wolf Rd, Ste 101, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of KIE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/27/25. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 886 Noxon Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Kimberly Tanami at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: Any

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lawful activity. LOCUST GROVE APARTMENTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/13/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & luele, LLP, 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

GOOSABALLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/18/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2403 Fox Ln, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

New York 82 Realty LLC. Filed with SSNY on March 4, 2025. Office: Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 37 Last Road, Middletown, New York 10941. Purpose: any lawful

65 DIDDELL ROAD LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/5/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6 Corbin Ln., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 65 Diddell Rd., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590.

ALIEL GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/04/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 119 Stringham Road, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of AJ EMERGENCY MEDICINE PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/21/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to P.O. BOX 34, LAGRANGEVILLE, NY 12540. Any lawful purpose.

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Notice of Form. of KEVIN LEE ANESTHESIA, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/26/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 103 SANDY PINES BOULEVARD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of SAM AND THE CONTRACTOR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/20/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 77 HOAG CORNERS RD, WINGDALE, NY 12594. Any lawful purpose.

RUSS YORK & ASSOCIATES LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/06/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 34 Nathan Pierce Ct, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of FloraMore Horticulture LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/23/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Cassandra Barr, 154 Bog Hollow Rd, Wasaic, NY 12592. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO SECTION 206 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW Name: J IVAN & SON LLC, filed articles of organization with the NY Secretary of State on 2/8/2024. Office: Dutchess County. Secretary of State of New York is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. New York Secretary of State shall mail copy of process to J Ivan & Son LLC at 15 Bobrick Road, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW Name: POK LANDLORD LLC, filed articles of organization with the NY Secretary of State on 5/24/2023. Office: Dutchess County. Secretary of State of New York is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. New York Secretary of State shall mail copy of process to POK Landlord LLC at, 70 Whittier Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Secure Foundation III, LLC filed with the SSNY on 2/6/2025. Office location in Dutchess County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: Secure Foundation III, LLC, 418 Broadway Ste R, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

ELLERSLIE FARM HOUSE LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 38 Ellerslie Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The Articles of Organization of BSAE CENTER LLC were filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 11, 2025. Office location: Poughkeepsie Galleria Mall, Bounce Sports and Entertainment Center 2001 South Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Dutchess County, New York. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to Poughkeepsie Galleria Mall 2001 South Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose is: all lawful acts or activities.

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LT & ST Transportation LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/11/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 132 Franklin St, Apt 2, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful act.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Pspops LLC was filed with the SSNY on 3/11/25. Office Location: Dutchess County. The Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 25 Creek Drive Unit 303, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of PTCR PROPERTIES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/06/25. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 274 Hooker Ave., Unit H3, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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

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purpose.

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: 141 DAVIS RD LLC, hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was July 28, 2023. Principal office location is Dutchess County, New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it or served upon it on behalf of the LLC to the registered agent, Cristian G. Sanchez, 141 Davis Road, Salt Point, New York 12578. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

MILLS SOCIAL LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/24/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 88 Stowe Dr Poughquag NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of a New York Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: A d d o r - a t i o n Innovation Services LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 11, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County, NY. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity.

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BISON STRONG, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/13/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 21 Fairmont Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is Sagrah Holdings LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 14, 2025. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Orange County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 5266 Route 9W, NY 12550.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC The Busy Bee Cleaners LLC filed Articles of Organization with SSNY on 02-12-2025. Office location: Dutchess County, NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to 69 E Main Street Apt. B Beacon, NY 12508. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of MSF RE NY LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 3/12/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. The name and address of the Reg.

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Agent is CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of MSF RF NY LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 3/12/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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.

C A T S K I L L APARTMENTS LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/30/2020. 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, 789 Salisbury Tpke, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful act.

Liv Good Wellness Services LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/08/24. 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, 3979 Albany Post Road ste 2 Unit #2442 Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Car Color, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on March 4, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served to 429 Lauer Road, Poughkeepsie NY 12603. Purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

Notice of Formation of Silus North Realty LLC. Art of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/18/2025. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Silus North Realty LLC 291 Lime Ridge

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Road, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Any and all lawful business activities.

1475 WYTHE PLACE LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/15/25. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 98 Todd Hill Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

J A Y A D E V I HOSPITALITY LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on January 14, 2025. Office location: Care of Minesh Patel, 4171 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, New York 12538, Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any such process served to Care of Minesh Patel, 4171 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, New York 12538. Purpose: to engage in any actor activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

Notice of formation of 3GIFTS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/17/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to 3GIFTS LLC, 72 Brookside Ln., Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

SANTI SLADE STUDIO LLC. Filed 2/27/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Po Box 1388, Millbrook, NY 12545. Registered Agent: James Jeremiah Slade V, 494a Oak Summit Rd, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: General.

C I T Y W I D E AUTOMOTIVE NORTH LLC. Filed 12/2/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Toby Edward Kiernan, 3387 Ny-343, Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: General.

B O U N D L E S S HORIZONS LLC. Filed 12/30/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for

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process & shall mail to: Ana Britten, 1307 Glastonbury Ln, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: General.

Maloha LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/10/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 7773 S Main St, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Purpose: any lawful act.

KJ Accounting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/31/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 30 Roundtree CT, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of ABODE & BEYOND GIFTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/30/25. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 33 Woodland Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of BOBBIE SCHLEIN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY LMFT, PLLC. Articles of Organization Filed With: New York State Department of State (NYSDOS) on 01/23/2025. Entity Type: Domestic Professional Service Limited Liability Company County: Dutchess. The Secretary of State of New York has been designated as the agent for service of process against the PLLC. A copy of any process served against the PLLC shall be mailed to: BOBBIE SCHLEIN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY LMFT, PLLC 774 S. Main St. Pine Plains, NY 12567, USA. The purpose of the PLLC is to engage in the practice of Marriage and Family Therapy and any lawful activity for which a Professional Limited Liability Company may be organized under New York law.

Patterson 2155 LLC. Filed with SSNY on January 7, 2025. Office: Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 546 N Quaker Hill Rd., Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: any

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lawful

BTA Builders LLC Filed with SSNY on 3/21/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Treyblich Law, P.C., 272 Mill Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

E m b e l l i s h M e Designs LLC. Filed with SSNY on 3/13/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to 163 Rombout Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Dogood Ventures LLC filed w/ SSNY 3/28/19 Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to Saugata Banerjee, 26 Gellatly Dr, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. The reg. agt. is Saugata Banerjee at same address. Any lawful purpose.

HEALTH PATH SHOP, LLC, a foreign Limited Liability Company (LLC), was originally formed in Delaware on 5/6/2006 under the name MEEDIAMON LLC and was authorized to do business in New York State in 2025. The LLC has amended its name to HEALTH PATH SHOP LLC and is now conducting business in Dutchess County, NY. Filed with the SSNY on 1/22/25. The Secretary Of State of New York (SSNY) is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: Health Path Shop LLC 18 Town Centre Rd. Pine Plains, NY 12567-5510. The LLC is organized for any lawful activity.

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East Fishkill Recreation

By Bill Green
Recreation Director

A NY Mets trip for Town residents has been scheduled for July. Details will follow.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt, which was rained out April 6, will now be held this Sunday, April 13 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Community Center. There will be refreshments, music with Bob Martinson, great prizes for all egg hunters, balloon making, sand art and visits from the Easter Bunny and Chase from PAW Patrol.

Unfortunately, the Petting Zoo is unavailable this week but the East Fishkill Police and PBA will have another surprise at the event. You do not have to pre-register to attend.

If you are going on our Casino Trip next Thursday, April 17, please be at the Community Center by 8:30 a.m. This trip is filled. If attending, make sure one has a picture ID with you.

Our Youth Golf Instruction registration starts May 5. The first session is July 7-11.

Our fun East Fishkill Co-Ed Sand Volleyball League begins in June. The fee is \$50 for a team or \$5 for an individual sign-up. Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

We will be signing up golfers on May 5 for our July and August Adult Golf Lessons with Lisa Monaco. May and June sessions are filled. The fee is \$100 for residents and \$125 for non-residents. Checks should be made out to Lisa Monaco.

Season passes for Red Wing Park go on sale Monday, May 5. Canadian Geese will NOT be issued passes. Red Wing opens Memorial Day weekend May 24-26. Our first Fishing Night will be Wednesday, May 28 from 7 p.m. to dark.

Summer Camp registration is under way for youngsters 6-14 years of age. The child must be SIX by June 30 to attend. You may apply online.

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

Virtual program set April 10 on 'Making a Career in the Arts'

Arts Mid-Hudson, in partnership with The Mid-Hudson Career Consortium, will present "THRIVE: Making a Career in the Arts," a free virtual event designed to equip college students with essential career insights and resources for success in the arts industry. The event will be held on Thursday, April 10, from 4 to 5 p.m., on Zoom.

In today's competitive job market, it is more important than ever for students to be well-prepared for careers in the arts. THRIVE offers attendees an opportunity to network with arts employers, explore career pathways, and discover upcoming internship opportunities. By engaging with arts professionals, participants will gain valuable knowledge to help them transition from college to a successful career in the arts.

Participating Organizations:
- The Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art (SUNY New Paltz) - A dynamic hub for the arts and artists of the Hudson Valley, dedicated to inspiring curiosity and critical thinking.

- Tangent Theatre Company - A professional theater company producing powerful, character-driven stories that resonate with audiences.

- Shadowland Stages - A nonprofit theater in Ellenville, known for its diverse productions, educational programs, and contributions to the local arts community.

- The Art Effect - A youth-focused arts organization empowering young artists through media, arts education, and professional development.

RSVP is required to attend. Secure a spot by registering at: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E231621&id=494>

One of the key goals of THRIVE is to provide students with the knowledge and resources needed to navigate career opportunities in the arts. By connecting with local organizations and industry professionals, attendees will gain practical insights and confidence to pursue careers in creative fields.

For more information, visit <https://www.artsmidhudson.org/thrive>.

this week's puzzle solutions

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This week's answer
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Sudoku solution

Dance Night set for April 12 in Beacon

Get On Down at the Elks Lounge Dance Night on Saturday, April 12 at 7 p.m., at 900 Wolcott Avenue (Rt. 9D), Beacon. Song requests welcome. The lights are low, the sound is full and the ambiance is warm and intimate. Attire is whatever suits one's mood - from blue jeans to dazzling sparkles. These dances are informal and even if one comes alone, one can always find a friendly partner on the dance floor.

Admission is \$15 and includes a variety of delicious complimentary snacks, and a full cash bar is available.

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

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: P R O P E R T Y TWENTY TWO LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on FEBRUARY 22, 2025. Office location: DUTCHESS. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 16 ALLEN PLACE, POUGHKEEPSIE NY 12601. PURPOSE: For any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Valpone Travel, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on March 15, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 242 Main St., Suite #176, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

TOP BRASS CONSULTING LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with the SSNY on December 1, 2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY Designated as

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agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of the process to the LLC, 105 Waterbury Hill Road, LaGrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

M&T DESIGN WORLD LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/26/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Qualification of 30 BANGALL ROAD LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/24/25. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/02/25. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Bangall Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany,

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NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Sean Hemmerle Studio LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/03/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated Sean Hemmerle as agent of the LLC. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 20 Crescent Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

NOTICE OF SUBSTANCE OF BEACON DREAM TEAM LLC The Articles of Organization of BEACON DREAM TEAM LLC were filed on March 12, 2025 with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY). This Limited Liability Company (LLC) has an office in Dutchess County, New York. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to 473 Main

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Street, Beacon, New York 12508. In addition to the events of dissolution set forth in Section 701 of the Limited Liability Company Law (LLCL), the company does not have a specific date of dissolution. The purpose of the company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which an LLC may be organized under the LLCL. The Articles of Organization were subscribed to by Aaron C. Fitch, Esq., Organizer, Drake Loeb PLLC, 555 Hudson Valley Avenue, Suite 100, New Windsor, New York 12553.

Notice of Formation of Simon's Shack LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/28/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 3 Hankin Loop, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12601. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

C B C O MANAGEMENT, LLC. Filed 12/13/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall

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mail to: 127 Knollwood Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: General.

Vin's Lawn Care LLC. Filed 3/14/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 26 Inwood Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General.

B A R R I E WELLNESS NP IN FAMILY HEALTH PLLC. Filed 2/28/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 Wall St Ste 2244, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: NP in Family Health.

Notice of Formation Birds on Psychotherapy LCSW PLLC filed with SSNY on 02/05/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to P.O. Box 1258 Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Notice of Form. of HELEN AND EVERETT COOK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/17/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 420 LEXINGTON AVE, STE 2803, NEW YORK, NY 10170. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Natural Landscapes LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/24/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to P.O. Box 1258 Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

3088 CHURCH STREET LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/5/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 2290 Rte 199, Pine Plains, NY 12567.

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Purpose: any lawful act.

THIRD FACE LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/03/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 4 Eleanor Dr, Holmes, NY 12564. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of Rooted Yoga Poughkeepsie LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the state of NY on March 22, 2025 Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 126 Ivy Hill Road, Fishkill NY 12524. Purpose: Yoga Studio.

Premortem LLC. Filed 1/17/25. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for process and shall mail to: 45 Wennington Dr Poughkeepsie NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act

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The Annual Meeting of the Clove Cemetery Assn. will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2025 at 9:00 AM at the Valley Bible Fellowship Church, 1875 Clove Valley Rd, La-Grangeville, NY. All plot owners are invited to attend. For further information, contact Elfriede Tillman 845-724-5840

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. H OF THE YEAR 2025 TITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 72 ENTITLED 'RESIDENTIAL RENTALS'"

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Pleasant Valley will hold a Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, New York on April 21, 2025 at 7:00 o'clock, p.m., on Local Law H of the Year 2025, to amend the Town Code of the Town of Pleasant Valley by Enacting a New Chapter 72 Entitled 'Residential Rentals'.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law will be available for examination at the office of the Clerk of the Town of Pleasant Valley, at the Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, New York between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Friday between the date of this notice and the date of the public hearing.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that all persons interested and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard on said proposal at the time and place aforesaid. Time limitations may be imposed for each oral statement, if necessary.

Dated: Pleasant Valley, New York March 17, 2025

Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk

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 expendi-

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tures 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 May 1, 2025, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m.:

Proposition #1 "Shall the sum of **\$1,484,190.24** be appropriated for the annual support of the Howland Public Library for the fiscal year **2025-2026** 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 three (3) 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, April 1, 2025.

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 of Registration will meet on April 16, 2025, 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. Anyone 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 May 1, 2025, budget vote and election without further registration.

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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 2024 are eligible to vote at the May 1, 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 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) days before the annual district vote and election.

By order of the Board of Trustees of the Howland Public Library
Julie Beyer
Library Election Clerk

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY PROPOSED LOCAL LAW H OF THE YEAR 2025 A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 72 ENTITLED "RESIDENTIAL RENTALS"

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Local Law is to promote the public health, safety and welfare by opting in to the

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New York State Good Cause Eviction Law (RPL Article 6-a), as permitted by Real Property Law § 213, and amending the Town Code of the Town of Pleasant Valley to enact a new Chapter 72 entitled "Residential Rentals," with Article I entitled "Prohibition on Eviction Without Good Cause," to implement the provisions of the New York State Good Cause Eviction Law in the Town of Pleasant Valley.

SECTION 2. AUTHORITY AND SUPERSESION

This law is adopted pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law 10(1)(ii)(a)(12) which grants local governments the authority to enact local laws regarding the public health, safety and welfare, and pursuant to the provisions of Real Property Law Article 6-a. To the extent the provisions of this Local Law conflict State law, the Town Board hereby asserts its intention to supersede same pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF TOWN CODE

The Town Code of the Town of Pleasant Valley is hereby amended to add a new Chapter 72 entitled "Residential Rentals," which shall read as follows:

CHAPTER 72 Residential Rentals
Article I: Prohibition on Eviction Without Good Cause § 162-1 Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to make the provisions of Article 6-a of the New York State Real Property Law regarding rental property and prohibiting certain evictions without good cause effective and binding law in the Town of Pleasant Valley. § 162-2 Opt-into New York State Real Property Law Article 6-a. As authorized by New York State Real Property Law Section 213, the Town of Pleasant Valley does hereby opt-in to the provisions of New York State Real Property Law Article 6-a. § 162-3 Prohibition of evictions without good cause.

A. All applicable provisions set forth in Article 6-a of the New York State Real Property Law, and any amendments thereto, are hereby adopted by the Town of Pleasant Valley and incorporated herein by reference.

B. Pursuant to § 213(2)(a) of Article 6-a of the New York State Real Property Law, for the purposes of this

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chapter, any unit within a housing accommodation shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter if such unit has a monthly rent above three hundred forty-five percent (345%) of fair market rent, as published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and as shall be published for the County of Dutchess by the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal. C. Pursuant to § 213(2)(b) of Article 6-a of the New York State Real Property Law, for the purposes of this chapter, a "small landlord" is defined as a landlord of no more than one (1) housing accommodation anywhere in the State of New York, provided that owner-occupied housing accommodations or otherwise exempt housing accommodations shall not be considered in calculating the number of housing accommodations owned by a landlord.

§ 162-4 Automatic Sunset of this Chapter.

Pursuant to § 7(b) of Chapter 56, Part HH, of the Laws of the State of New York of 2024, this chapter shall automatically expire and be repealed on June 15, 2034, unless Article 6-a of the New York State Real Property Law is extended or otherwise amended to remain in force and effect by the State of New York prior to such automatic repeal date.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, word, section or part of this local law shall be judged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, word, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law will take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State in Albany.

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF FISHKILL Local Law No. [Introductory] of 2025 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Fishkill Town Hall,

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807 Route 52 Fishkill, New York 12524, on April 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. or as soon after as the matter may be heard to consider Local Law No. (Introductory) of 2025, Introducing a Local Law To Amend Town Of Fishkill Town Code Chapter 143, Vehicles & Traffic to Revise sect. 143-10 Entitled "Parking Prohibited in Certain Areas"

The Town of Fishkill will make every effort to ensure that the public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Fishkill
Becki Tompkins – Town Clerk

Public Notice Notice to Bidders
Notice is hereby given that the **Town of East Fishkill** will receive and publicly open and read sealed bids for:

Town of East Fishkill Town Wide Paving Contract ED2025.10 at the Town Clerk's Office (845-221-9191) located at Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533, at: **12:00 pm (prevailing time), May 1, 2025**

The Contract Documents may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office noted above on April 10, 2025 during regular business hours. A Bid Deposit of fifty dollars (\$50.00) is required for each contract. Checks should be made payable to the "Town of East Fishkill". This deposit will be returned to all **bona fide Bidders**.

Bids must be submitted in the form prescribed by the Contract Documents within a sealed envelope showing the Bidder's name and clearly marked: **"Town of East Fishkill Town Wide Paving for 2025"**

Contract ED2025.10 Each Bidder must furnish, with his Bid, Bid Security in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid. This security may be in the form of a certified check payable to the "Town of East Fishkill", a bid bond,

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or cash. In addition, each Bid must be accompanied by a properly executed non-collusion affidavit.

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within forty-five (45) days of the bid opening.

This Contract is subject to the prevailing wage determination made by the New York State Department of Labor.

The Town of East Fishkill reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities therein, or to award the Contract to any Bidder if deemed to be in the best interest of the Town to do so.

Peter Cassidy
Town Clerk
Town of East Fishkill

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-16-25

Waste Reduction and Diversion Study

Proposals must be submitted electronically through the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System (BidNet Direct) Portal on or before 2:00 p.m., May 14, 2025. Specifications, proposal forms and submittal instructions may be obtained by visiting our website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Please be advised that on February 13, 2025 the Town Board Of the Town of East Fishkill adopted Local Law No 1 of 2025 Entitled, "A LOCAL LAW FOR OMNIBUS ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS"

Full copies of the Local Laws are available at the Town Clerk's Office or on the website.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL
PETER J CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK

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

St. Stan's altar servers invited to St. Patrick's Cathedral

By Jim Donick

New York's Cardinal Timothy Dolan visited St. Stanislaus Kostka parish in Pleasant Valley in November and was so impressed by the parish altar servers that he invited them to come to St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City and serve a Mass for him there.

Last month, all of the parish servers and their families boarded a bus for what was to be a major memorable event in their young lives. The idea was so exciting for them that every server, without exception, made the trip.

The Saint Stan's kids all but filled the sanctuary at St. Patrick's Cathedral. As it was the day before St. Patrick's Day, the church was filled to capacity and there were a number of visiting dignitaries present. Along with Cardinal Dolan and his staff, there was a visiting cardinal from Africa and the Archbishop of Armagh in Ireland, which was the original diocese of St. Patrick, himself, in that land.



The 18 altar servers of St. Stanislaus Kostka parish in Pleasant Valley had the opportunity to serve a Mass for Cardinal Timothy Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on March 16. -Courtesy photo

The Mass began with a procession to the altar led by Saint Stan's servers with incense, cross and candles. For the Mass itself, they provided each of the services that were needed for this Solemn High Mass normally handled by the senior

servers of the Cathedral.

At the end of the Mass, the Cardinal spent some time with the 18 youths and took a photo with them. He has noted, "It was a joy to be with them and to point out to the standing-room only crowd what a magnificent group of young men and women St. Stanislaus Kostka parish had produced."

Leaving the Cathedral, the group departed by bus to the Circle Line for a two-and-a-half-hour adventure circumnavigating the island of Manhattan.

The pastor, Father Karl Lindblad, expressed his pride when the group returned to Pleasant Valley.

"Our servers performed as if they had been serving at the Cathedral for their entire lives," he said. Father Lindblad also noted that the Mass was available on YouTube for anyone interested in seeing it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AVQL0ZteX00>.

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Please be advised that on March 27, 2025 the Town Board of the Town of East Fishkill adopted Local Law No 2 of 2025 Entitled, "A LOCAL LAW AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 63 ("ANIMALS") OF THE TOWN CODE"

Full copies of the Local Laws are available at the Town Clerk's Office or on the website. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL PETER J CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK

NOTICE TO BIDDERS - RFB - DCB-04-25

Hudson Valley Regional Airport Terminal Exterior Painting. Single Prime Bids shall be received for the following class of work: General Construction. Project Description: Repaint the exterior of the two story 19,000 sf mixed use terminal building. The County of Dutchess official bid documents for this project are obtained from the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System at www.bidnetdirect.com/new-york/county-of-dutchess. Copies of bidding documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies. It is incumbent upon all potential bidders to view all posted addenda prior to the bid close date. You may obtain an official copy by registering on the Empire State Regional Bid Notification System at www.bidnetdirect.com/new-york/county-of-dutchess or by using the link provided at www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government" then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities." For those without Internet ac-

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cess, you may obtain an electronic copy of bidding documents by contacting dpwcontracts@dutchessny.gov, or in person, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm: Dutchess County DPW, Business Office, 626 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Upon request, all interested parties may review the hard copy of the Bid Specifications and Drawings by visiting the above referenced address. All Addenda will be posted on BidNet Direct (aka Empire State Purchasing Group) site. Bids for the above project will be received by: Diane McKenna, Contract Specialist, Dutchess County Department of Public Works, 626 Dutchess Turnpike-1st Floor, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Bids due on or before 11:00am April 28, 2025, and at that time opened and read aloud. Bids received after that time will not be accepted. All interested parties are invited to attend. The bid opening for this solicitation may also be attended through Microsoft Teams Audio Conferencing. Anyone who wishes to hear bids read aloud will need to call into the phone number listed below. We ask that you call in at least three minutes prior to bid due/time to ensure you are connected properly. All call-ins will be asked to identify themselves by name and organization. Join Microsoft Teams Meeting +1 516-268-4602 United States, Hempstead (Toll) Conference ID: 838 788 743#. Each bid shall be submitted as one paper original and one electronic flash drive copy and be accompanied by Bid Security (bid bond, certified check, official bank check) or a Letter of Credit (in a

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form agreeable to Dutchess County) in the amount of 10% of the bid amount. Bidders' security will be retained until the successful bidder has signed the Owner-Contractor Agreement and the County has finalized the Agreement. Each bid with Bid Security shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name of the Project, Name of the Bidder, and the date and hour of the bid opening, which must be visible upon delivery. A Walk-through is scheduled for 11:00am Tuesday April 15, 2025 at The Airport Terminal Main Entrance, 263 New Hackensack Rd., Wappingers Falls. All parties interested in bidding must apprise themselves of the site conditions immediately prior to bidding. Questions will be accepted by the close of business April 21, 2025 and emailed to Diane McKenna at dpwcontracts@dutchessny.gov and cc'd_dmckenna@dutchessny.gov with the County's response published in Addenda prior to 48 hours before the bid opening date. This project may be subject to NYS Department of Labor Prevailing Wage Rates PRC #: 2025003794. **Starting December 30, 2024: NYS DOL Contractor and Subcontractor registry requirements.** View Bid Specifications regarding APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, if applicable. The County reserves the right to waive irregularities in bids and in bidding and to reject any or all proposals.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York,

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hereby invites the submission of proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-17-25 On-Call Services for Asbestos, Lead, and Microbiological Abatement/Remediation Proposals must be submitted electronically through the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System (BidNet Direct) Portal on or before 2:00p.m., April 28, 2025. Specifications, proposal forms and submittal instructions may be obtained by visiting our website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

The Fishkill Rural Cemetery is attempting to contact any descendant of William A. or Ida A. Sexton. Please call the cemetery at 845-896-6227

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-18-25 Dutchess County Surplus Food Collection and Distribution Project Proposals must be submitted electronically through the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System (BidNet Direct) Portal on or before 2:00p.m., May 1, 2025. Specifications, proposal forms and submittal instructions may be obtained by visiting our website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Please take notice that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Wappingers Falls will hold a public hearing on May 6, 2025, at 7:00pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the American Legion Hall, 7 Spring Street, Wappingers Falls, NY, on the application submitted by Ralph Marinaccio, owner/applicant, for property having an address of 59 South Remsen Avenue, Wappingers Falls, NY (Grid #6158-18-380062), located in the Residential (R) Zoning District, in connection with a subdivi-

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TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 323/2025 RESOLUTION COMMENCING THE LOCAL LAW ADOPTION PROCESS FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW H OF 2025, "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 72 ENTITLED 'RESIDENTIAL RENTALS'"

WHEREAS, the New York State Good Cause Eviction Law (RPL Article 6-a) authorized municipalities to opt in to certain regulations regarding eviction from residential rentals; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that it is in the best interest of the community to adopt such provisions prohibiting certain evictions without good cause in the Town of Pleasant Valley;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby accepts Proposed Local Law H of the Year 2025, "A Local Law Amending the Town Code of the Town of Pleasant Valley by Enacting a New Chapter 72 Entitled 'Residential Rentals'" for the purposes of commencing the local law adoption process; and be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of SEQRA the Town Board hereby determines that the adoption of Proposed Local Law H is an unlisted action, and the Town Board accepts the attached SEQRA EAF Part 1 for the proposed action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board determines that it will be the only agency with approval authority over the proposed action and the refore declares itself to be the Lead Agency for conduct of the environmental review under SEQRA; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing on said Local Law will be held on April 21, 2025 at the Town of Pleasant Valley Town Hall, located at 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, New York at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to give, publish and post notice of said public hearing, as required by law. Dated: March 17, 2025

MOTION BY: Councilman Rifenburgh
SECONDED BY: Councilman Degan

ROLL CALL:	AYE	*ABSENT	NAY
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Councilman Cookinham	X_____	_____	_____
Councilman Degan	X_____	_____	_____
Councilman Rifenburgh	X_____	_____	_____
Supervisor Albrecht	X_____	_____	_____
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5. Major news network, acr.
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14. Mosaic artist
15. Cracked open
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39. And others, for short
40. Shred of clothing
42. Aptitude test, acr.
43. a.k.a. sodium carbonate
45. In ignoble manner
47. One behind plate, for short
48. Patrick Swayze/Demi Moore movie
50. George Lucas' warrior-monk
52. *Egypt's famous queen
56. Capital of Tunisia
57. Military status
58. "High" time
59. River in India
60. Rainbows, e.g.
61. Al Capone, e.g.
62. Difficult situation
63. Striped stinger
64. Biblical paradise

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1. Ho-hum
2. Indian royal
3. Mosque V.I.P.
4. Plane road
5. "Sometimes a cigar is just a _____"
6. She turned to stone
7. Not yet final, legally speaking
8. *Second-longest reigning British monarch
9. Spaghetti aglio and _____
10. Do like bees?
11. Go wrong
13. Top of a mountain, e.g.
14. #8 Down's headdress, e.g.
19. Untwist a rope
22. Third degree
23. Lawyers' loads
24. Informed of latest trends (2 words)
25. Homeric epic
26. Exterminator's target
27. Liquorice flavor
28. Based on number 8
29. Rash
32. *Mohammad Reza _____ Pahlavi
33. Get calories
36. *Robert Graves' "I, _____"
38. Comprehend
40. Medicinal amt.
41. Kindle editions
44. Not quite right
46. Posture
48. Unfriendly stare
49. From this time
50. Equinox month
51. Concludes
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54. Tug-of-War equipment
55. Soon, to a bard
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get growing!

by mark adams

My bees died

The culprit seems to be a colder-than-usual winter.



My bees died. Last November 16, I wrote in my garden journal "Another beautiful day. Bees still active at beehive. What are they feeding on?" Then on March 10, "Nice day. Heard first peepers tonight." The bees should have been out, searching for blossoms on the maple trees. But they weren't.

Meanwhile, lots of chatter about honeybees has been popping up on my internet home page, because I always click on "accept all cookies." Evidently, it's been an unusually perilous season for bees, even considering the perennial challenge from colony collapse syndrome. So maybe I'm not alone.

I've always kept one beehive, to help pollinate the flower and vegetable garden, and not intentionally, to pollinate the invasive porcelain vine obscuring my back fence. I'm no expert, and I have lost beehives over the years. I've also witnessed a few swarms, when a new queen takes off with her entourage. I once ran directly into a big swarm while I was mowing under a weeping cherry tree, which is how I found out that swarming bees have no interest in stinging anybody.

Honeybees are not native to North America. Before the advent of colony collapse syndrome (20 years ago), some people worried that honeybees would pose a threat to the 450 species of native bees in New York state. But nowadays the focus seems to be keeping honeybees alive, period. Fungus, diseases, pesticides and mites are all conspiring to kill bees. (Just this year, New York

banned the use of systemic neonicotinoid pesticides for outdoor use).

Instead of relying on the internet to find out what happened to my bees, I decided to visit our local beekeeper (or "honeybee steward") extraordinaire Dennis Remsburger. Dennis manages 450 honeybee colonies, home to upwards of 20 million bees, creating products ranging from honey and glycerin soap, beeswax lip balm, candles, pollen, up to jars and bottles of pure Hudson Valley honey. A specialty is a garlic infused honey, made from homegrown garlic, available at the farmers market in Brooklyn's Grand Army Plaza, where Dennis spends his Saturdays. You can also find Remsburger honey products at local farm stands like Meadowbrook Farm, Quattro's, and Barton Orchards. The hives provide pollination services to nine commercial orchards, where the bees spend a few weeks among local apple, peach and apricot blossoms.

Looking over his dominion, Dennis points out a couple of hives that didn't make it through the winter. I asked why.

"We had a real winter," Dennis replied, referring to the prolonged cold spell last January. I told him my bees were doing great right up until the end of November, flying out of the hive.

"Those bees were going to die," he said. At Dennis' urging, I had opened the hive just before I went to see him. It was almost empty, except for a handful of dead bees at the bottom. It seemed to be a case of Nosema fungus, the most widespread of the plethora



Dennis Remsburger with his ladies.

-Photos by Mark Adams



A sad sight.

of bee diseases. The other all too common honeybee plague is varroa mite, which I had anticipated and tried to prevent by applying formic acid strips.

Cornell University's pollinator network advises beekeepers to monitor their hives every two weeks, or at least several times per season, since most problems can be resolved if they're discovered early. Dennis is vigilant. Amidst all these challenges, he stays upbeat about his honey empire, and he loves his "ladies," the female worker bees, each one producing a twelfth of a teaspoon of honey during its six week lifespan. (That statistic alone makes me want to stop eating honey).

Fifteen years ago, my little granddaughter Priya started drinking out of a jar of honey we'd bought at the Rhinebeck Farmers Market.

"You're not supposed to drink that!" I yelled at her.

"Then what are you supposed to do with it?" she shot back.

Good question.

I haven't decided whether I'll get a new hive this year.

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

Fishkill Recreation

By Lauren McMenamin
Assistant Recreation Director

Easter Egg Hunt: Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Maurer Geering Park, 1 Geering Way, on Saturday, April 19 from noon-3 p.m. We will have face painting, bouncy castles, Two by Two Petting Zoo, the Tumble Bus, games and pictures with the Easter Bunny! Don't forget to bring your Easter basket for the egg hunt.

Cheerleading: Children in these high energy classes learn far more than just core cheer concepts and techniques; they also explore their personal expression, agility, rhythm, and teamwork. It is a great way to build self-confidence and nurture the desire to share happiness with others! The spring cheerleading session will be held at Maurer Geering Park on Mondays for girls ages 4-9.

Flag Football: Experience the excitement of football with Skyhawks Flag Football Fueled by USA Football. Using a curriculum developed by the experts from USA Football, coaches will teach skills like passing, receiving, kicking and flag pulling. Participants will gain confidence and learn important life lessons in a fun, positive environment. The spring flag football session will be held at Maurer Geering Park on Mondays for boys ages 6-12.

Multi-Sport Tots: Introduce your little superstar to sports in our most popular program! (Parent participation required for ages 2-3.5 years)

The spring multi-sport tot session will be held at Maurer-Geering Park on Mondays for ages 2-4.

Tennis: Grab your tennis racquet and get ready to play! Whether you're a beginner, an intermediate or an advanced player, this program will improve your

game and help you get more enjoyment from tennis. Our tennis programs focus on skill refinement as well as practice and match play to develop consistent, well-rounded tennis players. The spring tennis session will be held at Maurer Geering Park on Tuesdays for ages 6-12.

Track & Field: Skyhawks Track & Field was developed to introduce young athletes to this sport rich in tradition and history. These programs combine technical development and fundamental techniques with safety and a major focus on fun! Using special equipment, our exercises and drills will prepare athletes for a future in cross-country, track and field events, distance running, while inspiring a love for running and being active. The spring track and field session will be held at Maurer Geering Park on Thursdays for ages 5-10.

Volleyball: Skyhawks Volleyball takes the energy and excitement of this great team sport and puts it all together into one fun-filled program. All aspects of the game are taught through drills and exercises that focus on bumping, setting, spiking, hitting and serving. This program is designed for the beginning to intermediate player. The spring volleyball session will be held at Maurer Geering Park on Wednesdays for ages 8-14.

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

Fishkill Seniors

The Fishkill Seniors are going on a bus trip to Hanover Manor to see the Jersey Dreamers on July 16. The cost is \$78 and includes Round Trip Coach Transportation, luncheon and entertainment.

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Author to discuss book on Benedict Arnold on April 17 in Beacon

The Beacon Sloop Club's 2024 Lecture Series presents "God Save Benedict Arnold: The True Story of America's Most Hated Man" with Jack Kelly at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Apr. 17.

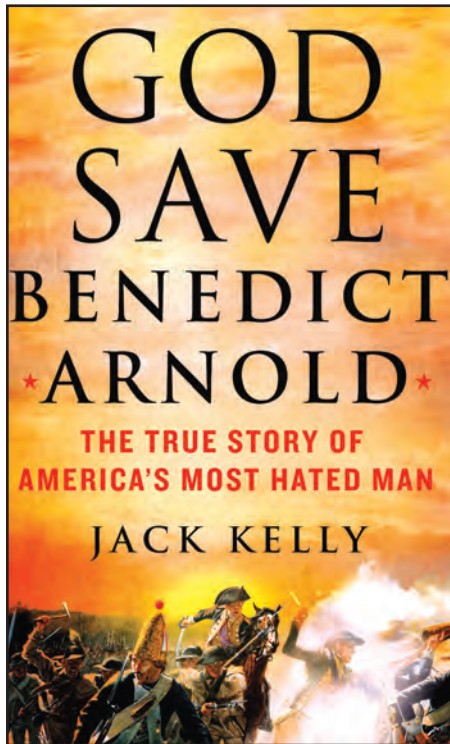
The Hudson River and Champlain Valley were the scene of critical events in that conflict. That corridor played an even bigger role in the career of Benedict Arnold.

Author Jack Kelly will be discussing the life of America's most notorious traitor. Kelly's book gives an eye-opening account of both the undeniable heroism of Arnold's early efforts for the patriot cause and his precipitous fall from grace. The combination has made him one of the most interesting figures of the Revolution.

Kelly is an award-winning historian and novelist. His books about the Revolution include "Band of Giants" and "Valcour." Kelly has received the Daughters of the American Revolution History Medal and is a New York Foundation for the Arts fellow in Nonfiction Literature. He lives and works in New York's Hudson Valley.

The lecture is free and will take place at the Beacon Sloop Club, 2 Red Flynn Dr., in Beacon.

For more information: www.beacon-sloopclub.org, 845-463-4660, or 914-879-1082.



Jack Kelly, author of "God Save Benedict Arnold: The True Story of America's Most Hated Man," will discuss his book at the Beacon Sloop Club on April 17 in Beacon.

-Courtesy image

'From Haverstraw to Beacon' new exhibit highlights city's brickyards



The introduction of an electric train and shovel dramatically improved the efficiency of the Dennings Point Brickyard in 1926.

-Courtesy photo Beacon Historical Society

The public is encouraged to attend the Beacon Historical Society's newest exhibit on at its headquarters, 61 Leonard Street. "From Haverstraw to Beacon: Inside the Brickyards that Built New York City" focuses on the rich history of the numerous brickyards that once lined the Hudson River. The exhibition, which is presented through a partnership with the Haverstraw Brick Museum, will remain on display through July 19 and will be open to the public free of charge (with plenty of parking) on Thursdays 10-noon and Saturdays 1-3 p.m.

"While many recognize names such as the Dennings Point or Brockway yards, in 1900 there were 38 brickyards lining the six-mile span between Chelsea and Dutchess Junction. Over the course of decades, the Budd, Aldridge, Van Buren, Hammond and all these other yards used the river's rich clay to produce millions of bricks," said Diane Lapis, the Society's Director of Special Projects.

For one example, brickmaking started at Denning's Point in 1881, but its heyday was in the late 1920s, when 145 men were

employed, and 300,000 bricks were produced daily. The 1925-1926 modernization of the Denning's plant introduced an electric train and shovel that made the yard one of the most productive along the Hudson River. In 1926, 60 million bricks were produced, and because of the ever-burgeoning demand of the New York City market for brick, the 1927 forecast was for 100 million bricks.

The exhibition was curated by Rachel Whitlow, Executive Director of the Haverstraw Brick Museum.

The all-volunteer Beacon Historical Society was founded in 1976 to collect and promote the history of Beacon. With approximately 400 members, it is one of the largest in the Hudson River Valley. For the latest news on events and programs, visit the society online at www.BeaconHistorical.org and follow on social media. One may join online using PayPal; click on the support tab. For \$25 annually, members receive a monthly newsletter, invitations to programs/special events and the satisfaction of helping to preserve and promote Beacon's history.

Mid Hudson Trout Unlimited to award \$500 scholarship

The Mid Hudson Chapter of Trout Unlimited (MHTU), a local conservation organization whose members enjoy fishing, is looking for a way to get people interested in "caring for rivers and streams so future generations could experience the joy of wild and native trout."

One way is to help a Dutchess County high school senior, who is passionate about the outdoors and pursuing an environmental or ecology-based field of study, with a \$500 scholarship. This year marks the first year this scholarship is available.

Applicants can highlight their outdoor

hobbies and passions, what they plan to study and why, and other information.

"MHTU's goal is to provide monetary support to a future conservationist," said Mike Matts, head of MHTU's Conservation Committee.

Dutchess County is the region covered by Mid Hudson Trout Unlimited.

The application period for 2025 ends on April 11. MHTU's Conservation Committee will review the applications and pick a winner in early May. To learn more, visit midhudsontroutunlimited.org.

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