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The one-mile "Eat Drink Beacon" will take place on Main St. on June 6 in Beacon.

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One-mile 'Eat Drink Beacon' set for June 6

By Kristine Coulter

Sip, sample, and stroll along Main St. in Beacon for the one-mile "Eat Drink Beacon" food crawl. This will be the fifth year of the annual culinary crawl, which will feature 20+ restaurants, businesses and specialty shops from 3-7 p.m. on Saturday, June 6.

"We have a great new lineup. We have six new stops," said Sheila Carnahan, founder Eat Drink Beacon.

According to organizers, this is how the event will work. Attendees will check in at a designated check-in location and will receive a wristband and official "Eat Drink Beacon" map. Then attendees have the opportunity for a self-guided tasting

adventure. Along the way there will be savory bites, sweet treats and refreshing drinks, said organizers.

Follow one of the event maps to local shops that are taking part in the event and stop by for samples of the latest food trends and what is new on Main St. Highlights of some of the food in the past, it was stated, have included: mac 'n cheese, pretzel bites with cheese, spring rolls, charcuterie cups and some of the sweet delights were panna cotta and ice cream. It was noted for those 21 and older, guests were able to enjoy frozen cocktails and slushies and boozy sips of Hudson Valley wine and beer.

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Rhinebeck Crafts Festival set June 6-7 at Fairgrounds



The Rhinebeck Crafts Festival is a celebration of all things handmade. The annual event will be held at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds on June 6-7.

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Are you looking for a unique art and shopping experience in the Hudson Valley? Then don't miss one of the region's most anticipated event - The Rhinebeck Crafts Festival on June 6-7 at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds.

Show hours are Saturday, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. General admission is \$12, seniors are \$10 (62+), children 6-16 are \$4 and children under 6 are free. Group rates are available and tour buses are welcome. Parking is free and the show is held indoors and outdoors, rain or shine. While we love our furry

friends, no pets are allowed within the fairgrounds.

This experience is a celebration of all things handmade, which includes unique contemporary craft and art, gourmet specialty foods, tastings from Hudson Valley distilleries and wineries, craft demonstrations and family activities.

This is your opportunity to find thousands of unique handmade items from 165 makers you can't find anywhere else upstate.

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DC Legislature votes unanimously on local law to reduce plastic waste

At the May meeting of the Dutchess County Legislature, Legislator Lisa Kaul (D-Town of Poughkeepsie) successfully passed a resolution to enact a local law allowing local food businesses to save money and reduce waste by providing utensils, condiment packets, and other single-use items to customers only upon request.

Kaul said "I am committed to reducing plastic waste, and introduced this legislation after learning that many customers don't want extra utensils and condiments. That means mom & pop businesses can save up to \$300 a month by "skipping the stuff" that often gets thrown away by consumers.

"At the same time, I wanted to be sure we don't unnecessarily burden small businesses. After speaking with the Dutchess County Chamber of Commerce, officials in counties that have passed similar laws, and our county staff, I added an 18-month phase-in period before the law takes full effect. This allows time to educate both restaurants and the public and to develop a compliance protocol.

I'm proud to have earned the support of business groups, environmental groups, and my colleagues across the aisle. This is a win-win for everyone—and our environment."

"This new Local Law will benefit Dutchess County businesses and our environment," said Legislator Chair Yvette Valdés Smith. "Not only will this new provision reduce the plastic waste that litters our roads, pollutes our streams, and adds to our landfills, but food service businesses will also save money by reducing their purchases of single-use plastic utensils and condiment packets. I thank Legislator Kaul for her tireless dedication to Dutchess County and her leadership in introducing this legislation."

Legislator Anna Shah (D-Town of Poughkeepsie) said, "This is a simple, common-sense measure to protect the environment without burdening businesses. By moving to an 'upon request' model, we ensure customers receive what they want while reducing waste."

"Skip-the-Stuff is a long overdue, practical approach to curbing waste and addressing the damage single-use plastics have on our environment," said Legislator Eric Alexander (D-Amenia).

Minority leader Mike Polasek (R-LaGrange) commented on behalf of the Republican caucus saying "Our caucus supported this legislation because we believe the final version struck a thoughtful balance between reducing unnecessary waste and recognizing the practical realities faced by local businesses and consumers. Reduction is a smart and effective waste-management strategy, and encouraging people to only take what they need is a commonsense approach. We also appreciated the inclusion of a lengthy education and phase-in period before enforcement begins."

After passing both the Legislature's Environment Committee and the full Board unanimously, the resolution to enact the new local law currently awaits the County Executive's signature.

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America's best modern makers will be traveling from all over the country to exhibit and sell their one-of-a-kind creations. Shoppers can find items they can't find anywhere else upstate like original fashions, accessories, jewelry, home decor, furniture, photography and fine art; as well as functional and sculptural works in ceramics, glass, metal, wood, mixed media and more - all handmade and all uncommon!

It's a fun day for the whole family. Visitors can taste small batch gourmet specialties, enjoy Hudson Valley distillery and winery tastings and watch craft

demonstrations and can experience fun family activities like face painting and balloon-animal-making stilt walkers. They can also choose from a multitude of lunch options like crepes, Greek, Mexican and more, plus favorites like hamburgers, sausages and ice cream.

After visitors shop-til-they-drop they can stay to dine on award winning farm-to-table foods in Rhinebeck's delicious restaurants; visit the historic Hyde Park and Vanderbilt estates; and take in some fresh air and spectacular views on the Walkway Over the Hudson or a nature hike. It's a destination event not to miss! Visit dutchesstourism.com for more information.

Concert to benefit Taking It to the Streets set June 6

Taking It to the Streets, a local charity helping to feed and clothe the homeless and those in need, will be hosting a benefit music concert at Salem Tabernacle in Beacon, at 6 p.m. (doors open at 5:30 p.m.) on Saturday,

June 6. Many great acts are set to perform including the renowned artist Reginald Bennett Jr. The concert is hosted by Ruth Anderson, founder of Taking It to the Streets. Suggested donation is \$20 per person.



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Rising gas prices put financial strain on Regional Food Bank

The Regional Food Bank, already dealing with budget cuts, inflation and rising food insecurity, is now also feeling the pressure of high fuel prices. Fuel prices have increased costs of operating the Food Bank's fleet of trucks by more than 54% from 2025.

The Food Bank's team of drivers delivers fruits, vegetables and other essential food from the Capital Region Distribution Center in Albany County and the Hudson Valley Distribution Center in Montgomery, Orange County every day to ensure more than 1,000 agency partners receive foods to feed and nourish their communities.

Each month, the Regional Food Bank travels 28,514 miles to distribute food throughout its vast 23 county region. The Regional Food Bank is the largest in New York State, serving 41 percent of the landmass from the lower Hudson Valley to the North County and Adirondack Region. In May alone, the Regional Food Bank anticipated spending \$10,000 more on fuel compared to this month last year. These dollars are maintaining operational funds that would have otherwise provided 30,000 meals to neighbors in need.

"Rising fuel costs are placing tremendous pressure on the Food Bank's operations and budget, but the greatest impact is being felt by the people who depend on us every day," said Tom Nardacci, CEO of the Regional Food Bank. "Families in rural communities without reliable transportation, parents skipping meals so their children can eat, and seniors forced to choose between food and medication are bearing the heaviest burden right now as they try to stretch their weekly budget. Every dollar diverted to fuel costs is a dollar we cannot invest in providing fresh, nutritious food to the 355,000 neighbors who rely on us each month."

According to Feeding America, 1 in 7 New York residents suffer from food insecurity and rely on charitable food programs like local pantries and soup kitchens. Due to rising gas prices and cuts to essential emergency food assistance benefits like SNAP, individuals have less money to spend on groceries. Without reliable delivery of food from Food Banks, approximately 1.8 million New Yorkers utilizing food pantries will see a decrease in the availability, variety, and quality of food.



Taj Plante, Vice President of Operations for the Regional Food Bank, fills a truck with gas. The Food Bank's team of drivers delivers fruits, vegetables and other essential food from the Capital Region Distribution Center in Albany County and the Hudson Valley Distribution Center in Montgomery, Orange County every day to ensure more than 1,000 agency partners receive foods to feed and nourish their communities. Courtesy photo

Gov. Hochul underlines economic growth, innovation, jobs with FY27 Budget

From state reports

Last week, Governor Kathy Hochul announced steps to build a new future for New York by fueling innovation and creating good-paying jobs as part of her FY27 Budget.

"I have been laser focused on expanding opportunities for all New Yorkers and with this Budget we are cementing New York as the center for innovation," Governor Hochul said. "We are strengthening New York's vibrant economy by investing in emerging technologies, revitalizing our communities, modernizing our agricultural industry and creating new jobs that will fuel growth for future generations."

New York is a leader in semiconductor manufacturing — one of the most cutting-edge and critical industries for the 21st century economy. Semiconductors power everything from smartphones to satellites, and the sector is poised to generate revenues of \$1 trillion globally by the end of the decade. As New York builds a thriving domestic semiconductor ecosystem, supporting world-class research and development (R&D) for larger established firms, there is room for expansion in early stage semiconductor chip R&D by tapping into aspiring startups who may lack access to early-stage chip design tools.

To both attract semiconductor manu-

facturers that are looking to invest in states with a robust chip innovation pipeline and support startups looking to be competitive in the space, Governor Hochul is investing \$25 million to establish a downstate-based Semiconductor Chip Design Center. This initiative will focus on leveraging downstate's deep knowledge economy ecosystem to complement the already-robust chip manufacturing infrastructure upstate. The Center will be a world-class chip design facility, serving as an incubator to startup firms, training chip designers, and connecting startups to the larger semiconductor sector throughout New York State. By fostering the earliest stages of development, New York will establish itself as a leader in this essential technology and support further growth of downstream manufacturing.

Modernizing Manufacturing and Reshoring Jobs - New York's manufacturing sector is essential to the State's economic vitality, contributing more than \$100 billion to the State's gross domestic product and employing approximately 400,000 New Yorkers.

Governor Hochul is directing Empire State Development to launch the \$10 million Governor's Manufacturing Modernization Program to support the State's small and mid-size manufacturers. The program will establish a network of centers across the state focused on assisting small and mid-size manufacturers in adopting new technologies. These centers will provide technical assistance to small manufacturers as they incorporate AI into their operations, supply chain consultations to help businesses adapt to geopolitical and tariff impacts, and capital grants to modernize equipment or pivot to priority sectors, such as clean energy.

Building the Quantum Edge - Quantum technology provides everyone with the ability to solve some of the world's most complex challenges faster than ever before. Establishing New York's leadership in this emerging field also opens the door to significant economic growth. Globally, quantum technologies are projected to generate \$97 billion in revenue by 2035.

Access to quantum infrastructure,

however, remains highly restricted: systems are prohibitively expensive, testing environments are limited, and most companies lack the technical capacity to build or deploy quantum capabilities independently. Building on the momentum of the State's Quantum Research & Innovation Hub at SUNY Stony Brook, Governor Hochul is investing \$60 million to establish up to four additional quantum hubs across New York that will serve as incubators and foster the development and commercialization of quantum technologies. These hubs will be regional anchors for quantum innovation, prioritizing commercialization of new inventions and real-world use cases. Each hub will host an incubator for quantum-focused startups, providing early-stage companies with critical resources, including mentorship and access to local quantum networks and quantum computing.

Bolstering Biotechnology - New York's biotechnology and life sciences industry is an engine of economic growth. Research and development in biotech not only advances the public good, measured in groundbreaking advancements to cure disease, but also generates new high-paying jobs while opening pathways for entrepreneurs and startups.

The Governor's \$65 million Bolstering Biotech Initiative will support all phases of the life science sector pipeline, from discovery to commercialization, cementing New York's position at the forefront of biotech innovation.

These investments will accelerate the commercialization of life-changing

therapeutics — with a focus on neurodegenerative disease — and catalyze private investment in biotechnology research and development through the following programs:

- **Venture Capital Investments:** Leveraging public and private venture investment to support promising startups with the potential to mature into the next generation of industry leaders.

- **Fellowships and Workforce Development:** Seeding new skills-training programs designed to equip New Yorkers with the necessary skills to fill high-demand roles from production to c-suite in the biotech field, opening pathways to high-paying jobs for New Yorkers.

- **Commercialization Grant Program:** Creating a new, performance-based grant program modeled on the State's successful Biodefense Commercialization Program to support companies in bringing biotech innovations to market in targeted areas such as neurodegenerative diseases.

- **Statewide Clinical Trial Consortium:** Establishing a statewide clinical trial consortium to leverage the combined strengths of New York's research institutions to expand access to cutting-edge therapies and position the state as a premier destination for medical innovation

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Constituents deserve to hear their representative, not hecklers

To the Editor:

I was at Congressman Mike Lawler's town hall at Van Wyck Junior High on Sunday, May 17th, and I left disappointed. Not in him, but in the handful of people who showed up determined to make sure none of the rest of us could be heard.

I'm a lifelong Dutchess County resident. I came with real questions — about the SALT cap, about housing costs, about what's happening at the southern edge of our county where so many of my neighbors are commuting hours to work because they can't afford to live closer to the city.

What I got, for stretches of the evening, was shouting, chanting and people who clearly came not to listen but to disrupt.

Here's the thing — disagree with Mike Lawler all you want. That's democracy. Show up, ask a hard question, hold him to his record. He answers them. I've watched him do it.

But trying to shut down a town hall isn't protest. It's the opposite of it. It silences the rest of us — the grandparents, the seniors, the parents, the veterans, the working families from East Fishkill and the surrounding area who took a Sunday night to actually engage with their congressman.

Mike Lawler is one of the only Republicans in the country still holding open town halls. That deserves respect, not a heckler's veto.

If you've got a question for him, ask it and actually listen to his answer. The rest of us would like ours answered too.

Bonnie Wiegard
East Fishkill

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County had duty to maintain roads in 'reasonably safe conditions, which includes dealing with hazards' like trees

To the Editor:

As summer approaches, we can expect fierce thunderstorms and heavy winds. With that in mind, I want to raise an issue that affects many of us who travel on our county, town, and state roads — especially here in the Town of Wappinger.

I recently read a case that the NY Attorney General referenced in a publication, *Lopes v. Rostad*, 45 N.Y.2d 617, 623 (1978). This case essentially underlined that the county has a non-delegable duty to maintain its roads in a reasonably safe condition, which includes dealing with hazards—even if those hazards are from trees on or near private property but affecting the roadway. Many of our roads, including Myers Corners Road between High View and Spook Hill Road (County Route 93), are in urgent need of maintenance. The overgrowth of trees — from low-hanging branches to heavy vines stretching across the roadway — creates a dangerous situation for drivers, pedestrians, and schoolchildren.

Legally, trees over public roads in New York must allow a minimum clearance of 14 to 15 feet. Yet in several spots along Myers Corners Road, including near 79 Myers Corners Road and the Animal Hospital of Wappingers, the clearance is noticeably less. Cars pass underneath without realizing what's hanging above them, and many drivers simply aren't paying attention to overhead hazards.

We frequently hear about trees falling onto the roadway, requiring the Department of Public Works to come out and remove them. We've been lucky so far that no one has been seriously injured or killed — but that luck will eventually run out. The area around 79 Myers Corners Road is especially concerning. Children walk there. Cars travel under low, overgrown branches daily. And this is not the only trouble spot; there are several others along the same stretch of road.

I urge everyone who travels county roads to contact the Dutchess County Department of Public Works and file complaints requesting that these trees be trimmed or removed where they fall within the county right-of-way. The county has the authority to address these hazards.

My question is: Why is Myers Corners Road always neglected? When County Route 28 (Old Hopewell Road) was redone, everything was cut back 10 to 15 feet from the center line — including areas within Central Hudson's right-of-way and even sections of privately owned property. If that could be done there, why is it a problem on Myers Corners Road?

I asked our retiring DPW head whether it takes someone being killed or a tree falling on a vehicle to get action. I hope that's not what it comes to.

Tom Masch
Wappinger Falls

Scenic Hudson: Some encouragement in a challenging NY State budget

To the Editor:

In the new state budget, the Governor and Legislature have recognized that forward-thinking land use policy can advance both housing and conservation goals.

Scenic Hudson strongly believes that community and environmental sustainability must work hand in hand, and that the state environmental review process can support this.

The budget's refinements to the current process can guide new housing towards previously disturbed sites and facilitate connections with existing communities — limiting costly sprawl that threatens the state's irreplaceable farmland, habitat, and open space resources.

At the same time, the changes preserve critical local land use and environmental protection laws, reflecting the need to align development with the needs of individual communities.

We will continue to assess the impact of these changes moving forward and work to ensure that land use policies at all levels of government create a blueprint for both sustainability and livability.

While we are encouraged by those provisions of the budget — and the Governor and the Legislature worked to keep core programs and funding intact — there are also cracks in the armor that are distressing.

In an incredibly short period of time, Washington has threatened to single-handedly dismantle decades of dedicated investment in public health and the environment.

We have hoped that New York State would serve as a bulwark against these headwinds. Unfortunately, some of the decisions made in this year's state budget fall short of countering those federal actions.

We are disheartened to see the Governor and the Legislature's amendments to New York's trailblazing climate law, including a delayed timeline for emission reduction goals.

However, we are grateful for the strengthened commitment to historically disadvantaged communities that face disproportionate burdens from climate change, as well as a feasibility study for a cap-and-invest program to limit emissions.

We urge the Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, pending bills that would strengthen New York's commitment to renewable energy as the most affordable alternative to fossil fuels and their skyrocketing costs.

In New York, it is imperative that policymakers stand strong to ensure the state does not move backwards.

We will continue to work closely with New York's leaders and encourage them to prioritize ways to be environmentally and economically sustainable at the same time.

Ned Sullivan
Scenic Hudson President

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Scenic Hudson Executive Director of Policy, Advocacy & Science

BHS Class 1976 to hold reunion Sept. 25-27

Attention Class of 1976 Alumni of Beacon High School in Beacon. The 50th/Golden Reunion is being planned and will take place the weekend of September 25-27.

The weekend will begin by attending the Beacon High School Varsity Homecoming Football game versus opponent Marlborough at 7:30 p.m. As per Beacon High School Athletic Director Mike Carofano, the game will be played on the football field located next to Beacon High, 101 Matteawan Rd.

As more plans and venues become finalized, organizers will issue updates. They will also attend school board meetings with regular updates. Organizers are also opening events to both former faculty as well as Alumni from the four years surrounding 1976.

For further information contact me, Susan E. MacDonald at 1 845-831-3320, email macdonaldsusane@gmail.com or Vicky Barrett-Gregory. Organizers hope to see everyone there as "the Spirit of '76" has not had a Reunion since year#10 in 1986!



The Underground Railroad we can 'see and touch'



Above top left to right: The AME Zion Church that stands on Smith Street at Cottage Street was built in 1910. The group stopped to reflect at the earlier Church (1840 to 1910) site at the back of an empty lot on the banks for the rushing Fall Kill. Bottom left to right: An image of the Orthodox Quaker meeting House built in 1827 in the back of a lot at Mill Street. Pending further research and confirmation, the likely former meeting house today used as a residence.

-Photos by Bill Jeffway

By Bill Jeffway

The Underground Railroad (UGRR) refers to the support network that helped enslaved men, women, and children escape from the U.S. South to freedom before slavery was abolished nationally at the end of the Civil War in 1865. Some freedom seekers ultimately settled permanently in New York State after slavery was abolished there in 1827.

Poughkeepsie was, and remains, a strategically important location halfway between New York City and Albany along the 300-mile transportation corridor that is the Hudson River. The river saw the first successful steamboats in 1807. The Erie Canal's opening in 1825 transformed transportation through the Mohawk River corridor connecting Albany to the U.S. West. The railroad reached Poughkeepsie in 1850. Dutchess County also had one of the largest Quaker populations outside Philadelphia at a time when Quakers were among the nation's most outspoken abolitionists.

To avoid detection, the Underground Railroad was necessarily flexible and decentralized. Mixed-race "conductors" provided covert shelter, food, clothing, money, transportation, and guidance depending on local conditions. Routes included roads, forests, rivers, boats, and eventually railroads.

Two recent guided walking tours in Poughkeepsie helped bring this largely hidden history to life. Historian Lewis Mumford once described local history at its best as involving "the things that we can see and touch [which] awaken the imagination in a way rarely found if taken only from history books." Yet the Underground Railroad was intentionally concealed. How can we see and touch something designed to leave few traces? These tours offer an answer.

One tour examined the role of Poughkeepsie churches in the Underground Railroad. The second explored activity along the riverfront, beginning at Waryas Park, moving through Upper Landing, across the Walkway Over the Hudson, and ending at the Sojourner Truth statue on the west side of the river.

The tours were sponsored by more than 26 organizations, including the Dutchess County Historical Society

(DCHS), Celebrating the African Spirit (CAS), and the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Poughkeepsie. They coincided with a visit by historian Anthony Michael Cohen, who is retracing a typical route that could have been taken by Harriet Tubman from Maryland to Canada. Traveling with Cohen is a 2,000-pound statue depicting Tubman helping her young niece escape enslavement. Tubman herself is credited with freeing at least 70 enslaved people through thirteen missions.

The church tour highlighted the important role Black churches played in anti-slavery efforts. The African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Zion Church, founded in New York City in 1796, became known as much for abolitionism as for religion. Poughkeepsie's AME Zion congregation formed in 1837, while a similar church established in Beacon in 1844. Both are active today.

Tour participants visited the former site of Poughkeepsie's AME Zion Church on Catherine Street, where the congregation worshiped from 1840 to 1910. Although the building no longer exists, visitors stood on a hot day at the shaded and cooling banks of the Fall Kill stream, creating a tangible connection to those who gathered there nearly two centuries ago.

In a 1950 publication preserved in DCHS collections, church historian Clarence T. Anderson described the Catherine Street church as a center of community life that hosted "important public meetings, revivals, festivals, fairs, concerts, baptisms, marriages, funerals, receptions to noted men and women of the race and all the events of human life." He added that the church "was freely used by the city's colored population."

The church also served as the assembly point for the welcoming parade that greeted Frederick Douglass when he arrived in Poughkeepsie in August 1858 to address 4,000 people at College Hill.

The tour also visited the current AME Zion Church on Smith Street, completed in 1910. The congregation's 20th-century history included advocacy for women's suffrage and navigating segregated military service during World Wars I and II. During the 1980s, local historian Walter Patrice secured the church's listing on the National Register of Historic Places.



Above left to right: An enormous statue of extraordinary Underground Railroad "conductor" Harriet Tubman is being transported along the 750-mile route of historian Anthony Cohen as he retraces a route from Maryland to Canada she might have taken. Celebrating the African Spirit founder Carmen McGill explains the stories of the local enslaved persons depicted on the "CAS" marker. Close up of a woman harvesting wheat, and a bricklayer. Soyal Smalls brings Sojourner Truth to life at the statue of Truth on the west side of the Walkway.

-Photos by Bill Jeffway.

Another stop explored the role of the First Congregational Church in abolitionism. When Frederick Douglass spoke in Poughkeepsie in 1858, he criticized the reluctance of many American churches to take visible anti-slavery positions. Evidence of this hesitancy appears a generation earlier in the records of the Dutchess County Anti-Slavery Society from 1840, preserved at the New York Public Library. The Society requested that local churches conduct monthly prayers for enslaved people. The Presbyterian, Dutch Reformed, Baptist, and Methodist Churches declined. The exception was the Congregational Church.

The First Congregational Church was organized on September 10, 1837, specifically because members wanted a more outspoken abolitionist church. That same year, the congregation purchased the church building that still stands at the corner of Mill and Vassar Streets. In 1859 they moved to the larger brick church that still stands on Mill Street today. Samuel Ringgold Ward – the Black abolitionist, newspaper editor, labor leader, and Congregational minister – served the congregation.

The second tour focused on the Hudson River waterfront and Poughkeepsie's role as a transportation gateway. Participants began at CAS's memorial marker recognizing the lives and contributions of enslaved people in the region, then traveled through Upper Landing, across the Walkway, and concluded at the Sojourner Truth statue.

Along the way, the group learned of individuals likely connected to the Underground Railroad. Uriah Boston was a local barber whose financial success enabled him to meet the property requirements that were required of Black men only. In 1835, Poughkeepsie had 1,035 voters; only one was Black (Uriah Boston). Boston frequently wrote open letters in national newspapers.

Both Jeremiah Hamilton, known as the first Black millionaire, and the well-known Black abolitionist Benjamin Lattimore owned land at the Hudson River landing at Union Street. Lattimore's father operated a ferry between Poughkeepsie and Ulster

County. Abraham Williams was a respected Hudson River boatman whose son, Clint Williams, later became a highly regarded boat captain.

David Arnold was a Quaker leader who, according to testimony at the time, used his home at 71 North Water Street to conceal freedom seekers. Samuel Thompson was an outspoken abolitionist whose testimony describing a freedom seeker sent to him by someone he did not know reflects the fragile and flexible nature of the Underground Railroad.

Further evidence of the unpredictable dimensions of those seeking freedom appeared in the Liberator newspaper in 1840. Thirty girls playing outside encountered a young Black boy traveling through Poughkeepsie. They provided him with provisions.

At the Harriet Tubman statue, performer Nicole "Su the Producer" McArthur vividly brought Tubman's words and experiences to life. Participants walked with "Tubman" in a way that communicated the uncertainty, danger, and physical hardship of traveling hundreds of miles toward freedom.

At the Sojourner Truth statue created by Hudson Valley artist Vinnie Bagwell, performer Soyal Smalls brought Truth's words and spirit alive for the audience. Smalls first explained the difference between the words attributed to Truth, and her actual words. The portrayal captured both Truth's gentleness and extraordinary strength.

These walks demonstrate how local history can transform abstract historical concepts into lived human experience by literally walking in the shoes of the named people we want to come to know. By pausing to listen and reflect, participants gained not only historical knowledge, but also inspiration relevant to anyone on their own journey to a destination not easily reached.



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Women in sports – it's a great journey on the road to recognition

By Morgan E. Maier

Some individuals see a Morgan writing about sports and assume that Morgan is a man.

This has happened to me a few times, but it's events like the Hudson Valley Renegades' Women in Sports Panel that remind me why I continue. I was on a sideline elsewhere in high school sports while the Renegades honored women across the sports industry on May 26. What better way to celebrate, right?

I've been warned ad nauseum about the boys' club of sports: Women working twice as hard for half the recognition. Their struggles to even grip the doorknob of rooms women have been locked out of for years.

I have never (yet) felt that I don't belong in sports. Encouragement envelops me. And at every turn, women are continuing to elevate the sports world - setting record-highs in spectatorship in college and bringing new standards for front offices and brand partnerships.

It hasn't always been. But those finding their way to a seat at the table are the ones to thank for the belief that myself and other young women in sports have in our abilities.

The Low-A Yankees affiliate, the Tampa Tarpons, had the first full-time female manager in professional baseball. Rachel Balkovec took the helm in the Sunshine State, years after Kim Ng made history in Miami as the first female general manager in North American pro sports.

Women taking more leadership roles in sports shows me the new ceiling. Flag football continues taking a country by storm, as women's professional baseball and fast-pitch softball snatch the summer headlines.

Representation stretches as far as California, where one-time Renegade umpire Jen Pawol was on duty for the Yankees' series against the Athletics. Before debuting in summer of 2025, Pawol was moving up the ranks in the minors, where her path crossed prospects with the same goal.

Over a year ago I was at my very first credentialed event — the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference basketball tournaments in Atlantic City. I'm still here because of the encouragement, confidence built with each connection and word that cements my place in sport. Thanks for being a part of the journey.



Sportswriter Morgan E. Maier is a "true professional" covering the Hudson Valley Renegades.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

League Standings

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Greensboro PIT	33	18	.647	-	8-2	W3
Frederick BAL	31	17	.646	0.5	6-4	W2
Wilmington WSH	26	24	.520	6.5	5-5	L3
Hudson Valley NYY	23	27	.460	9.5	4-6	W1
Jersey Shore PHI	21	29	.420	11.5	4-6	L2
Brooklyn NYM	17	33	.340	15.5	6-4	W3
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Bowling Green TB	36	14	.720	-	8-2	L1
Winston-Salem CWS	30	21	.588	6.5	5-5	W2
Rome ATL	27	24	.529	9.5	4-6	L2
Hub City TEX	25	25	.500	11.0	3-7	L3
Greenville BOS	20	29	.408	15.5	5-5	W1
Asheville HOU	11	39	.220	25.0	2-8	L1



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06/10/26	vs. Jersey Shore	06:35 PM	Pride Night WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
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06/12/26	vs. Jersey Shore	07:05 PM	Superhero & Villains Night WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
06/13/26	vs. Jersey Shore	05:05 PM	Seinfeld Night: A Game About Nothing WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
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06/30/26	vs. Wilmington	06:35 PM	Celebration of Internet Culture WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
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07/02/26	vs. Wilmington	07:05 PM	America 250 Celebration WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/03/26	vs. Wilmington	07:05 PM	America 250 Celebration WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
Independence Day: Happy 250th Birthday, USA! presented by Central Hudson Gas & Electric WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets			
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07/05/26	vs. Wilmington	02:05 PM	Unicorn Day WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets





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RENEGADES ROUNDUP

Wild games and great comebacks as Renegades battle Hot Rods



Left: Josh Moylan had a solo homer in the Renegades' 10-6 loss to the Bowling Green Hot Rods on May 30. Right: Core Jackson had two homeruns and a double for the Renegades on May 29, but the Hot Rods came back for a crazy 13-10 victory.

-Photos by Dave Janosz

By Morgan E. Maier

The Hudson Valley Renegades sent the Bowling Green Hot Rods' recent streak to a screeching halt, while offering some offensive awakening to close a tough month of May. Though Bowling Green took four of six in Hudson Valley, the Renegades offense went yard in the final five games of the series, as some pitchers especially took the reins over the homestand. The Renegades now stand at 23-27 on the season.

Comeback Kids - Down, but never out and facing five first-inning Hot Rod runs on May 28, the Renegades battled back for a 9-7 win, snapping a four-game slide while breaking the Hot Rods' seven-game win streak. Two home runs by Core Jackson – more on him later – highlighted a season-high 16 hits for the Renegades. Allen Facundo bounced back from a forgettable first frame with five scoreless innings, as 8 of 9 Renegades batters notched a hit. Brandon Decker improved

to 3-0 with the win in his second successful outing against the Hot Rods.

Core Worlds - But the Force was strong with Bowling Green on Star Wars Night, as the Hudson Valley Galaxy's visitors championed their own comeback on May 29. This battle saw three ties, three lead changes, and a five-run top of the seventh, as the Renegades bullpen surrendered a seven-run Hot Rod swing.

Jackson pounced on the first pitch of his sixth-inning at bat on May 29, doubling the Renegades' lead with a two-run double, and later scoring on a wild pitch to extend the 'Gades' lead to five. Bowling Green came speeding back in the eighth and ninth, as Hudson Valley pitching dragged. They'd fall 13-10 in nine innings, the first of two tough finishes to start the weekend.

On May 30, Emmanuel Tejada added a three-run shot to a Roderick Arias RBI single for a Hudson Valley four-spot in the first inning. Bowling Green gained

momentum each inning, chipping away at the lead until the bases loaded for Caleb Bodine. An inside-the-park grand slam to center got four of Bodine's six runs batted in on the night, as the Hot Rods sped away for the win. Josh Moylan's ninth inning solo lap inched the home team closer, but they were left in the dust for a 10-6 loss.

May Days - This month was more frightening for the Renegades than the "Halloween in May" promotion at Heritage Financial Park. The team began the month on a four game losing streak, and ended it with a 7-20 record. Along the way, a swept series, two shutout losses, and one shutout win marked the ups and downs of the first full month of baseball. But Hudson Valley ended May on top, a walkoff win to leave another forgettable homestand on a positive note. Hudson Valley averaged 4.66 runs per game in May. The team scored more runs against Bowling Green (36) than in any other series this

month, and twice as many as they mustered while being swept by the Frederick Keys (18).

Go Go Genter - Eric Genter's burning hot bat caught fire once more, charring Bowling Green with a 3-4, 4 RBI night on May 29. After reaching base three times over the first two games, Genter scorched Bowling Green for a three-hit, 4 RBI night on May 29. In the series finale, Genter paired his game-tying solo shot in the ninth with a two-out walkoff walk, exhibiting exceptional plate patience to end May on a high. Jackson and Kyle West also left the park in the 4-3 Renegades win. Franyer Herrera went 5.2 innings for the win.

Up next for the Renegades is a series vs. the ferocious Frederick Keys in Maryland. As Hudson Valley looks to build off its most recent offensive surge, the Keys come off a series tie against the Jersey Shore BlueClaws after dropping three straight games in ShoreTown.

Nominations now open for Renegades Outstanding Student Athlete Awards

The Hudson Valley Renegades have announced today that nominations for the 2026 Outstanding Student-Athlete Award presented by Heritage Financial Credit Union are now open.

The Outstanding Student-Athlete Award recognizes student-athlete success in our local middle and high schools, Grades 7 through 12. This free,

incentive-based program celebrates the accomplishments of student-athletes and recognizes the achievement of each student.

Each participating school is asked to nominate at least one (1) male and one (1) female student-athlete. The following criteria should be taken into consideration: GPA, academic and athletic achieve-

ments, exemplary citizenship and other extracurricular activities

Outstanding Student-Athlete Award nominations will be accepted from through June 19.

Each Outstanding Student-Athlete receives four (4) complimentary tickets to the game on July 2, a personalized Outstanding Student-Athlete Award and

special in-game recognition honoring their achievements

For more information or questions regarding the program, please contact the Hudson Valley Renegades at info@hvrenegades.com or by phone at 845-838-0094.

Volunteer firefighters host annual Dutchess Day event in Hudson



Members of the Dutchess County Volunteer Firefighter's Association gathered at the Firefighter's Home in Hudson to share a meal with members residing at the facility in Hudson.

-Photo by Vinny Galvin

The Dutchess County Volunteer Firefighter's Association hosted their annual Dutchess Day at the Firefighter's Home in Hudson on Sunday, May 17. This special day is dedicated to bringing together all firefighters from Dutchess County for a barbecue, fostering camaraderie and offering an opportunity to share a meal with the members residing at the home.

In addition to the barbecue, the association organized a parade for the residents, adding excitement and celebration to the day. A monetary donation was also presented to the home, with a total of \$7,600 contributed to the members' small change fund. This fund

enables the residents to enjoy various activities and road trips, enhancing their quality of life.

The Dutchess County Volunteer Firefighters extend their gratitude to the staff at the Firefighter's Home for their excellent work in making the day memorable. Special thanks are also given to the participating fire departments, including East Fishkill Fire District, Hughsonville Fire Department, New Hamburg Fire Department, J. H. Ketcham Hose Company, New Hackensack Fire Department, Pleasant Valley Fire Department, Pawling Fire Department, Millbrook Fire Department and The Red Knights.

Roy C. Ketcham 5K Color Run/Walk benefits DAV Chapter 144



Roy C. Ketcham 5K Color Run/Walk to benefit Chapter 144 Disabled American Veterans was recently held. Pictured are some of the veterans who were in attendance.

-Courtesy photo

Central Hudson honors Library System with Community Engagement award



Rebekkah Smith Aldrich (center), Director of the Mid-Hudson Library System receives the Excellence in Community Engagement Award from Central Hudson staff.

-Courtesy photo

Central Hudson recently presented the Mid-Hudson Library System (MHLS) with its "Excellence in Community Engagement" recognition award at the Energy Efficiency & Electrification Summit, an annual event connecting Central Hudson experts and community partners.

In 2025, MHLS played a vital role in extending the reach of Central Hudson's weatherization efforts - collaborating with Central Hudson to launch the first in the nation DIY Home Energy Assessment Program via their non-traditional lending library - also known as the "Library of Things." The organizations partnered to provide libraries with "HomeBoost Kits," thermal imaging cameras that help patrons conduct their own energy assessment at home and obtain a free home energy assessment report.

"Their steadfast support and deep-root-

ed commitment to promoting sustainability and providing the community with resources to live a more sustainable life ensured that the program was launched and has grown sevenfold since then," said Cory Scofield, Manager of Demand Side Management for Central Hudson, "The Mid-Hudson Library System exemplifies what it means to empower and uplift the Hudson Valley through meaningful, community-centered engagement."

"We are grateful to the staff of Central Hudson for their hard work and true devotion to helping the residents of the Hudson Valley find ways to lower their costs," said Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Executive Director of the Mid-Hudson Library System, "When they pitched the idea of libraries helping them create access to this free resource for residents we jumped at the chance to partner with them, it is a win-win-win."

One-mile 'Eat Drink Beacon' set for June 6

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"Beacon is a great destination for tourists and locals. It's a great day out to explore and it spotlights local businesses," said Carnahan. She added this event typically sells out.

Sheila noted - "the restaurants, the shops, the stores - every place is a great experience.

Restaurants and shops set to participate

The following were announced as some of the restaurants and shops that will be participating in this year's crawl: Melzingah Tap House, The Vinyl Room, HAKAN Chocolatier, Liquid Fables and The Roosevelt Bar. Restaurants that will be taking part in their inaugural year in the event are Retro Froyo, Oui Oui, Pat's Yard Vibes and Chakra Bowls

Some of the shops and restaurants that have signed up to participate are: Another

Door, Bagelish, Beacon Bath & Bubble, Beacon Cheese Shop, Beacon Creamery, Estilo Y Vino Wine Bar, Five Pennies Creamery, Lily & Marigold Home & Design, Long Cha Thai Café, Noble Pies, Old Dhaka Coffee House, Sukhothai Thai Cuisine, Sybil and many more.

If one plans on attending, Carnahan offered this advice:

- Wear comfortable shoes
- Make sure to check in
- Go hungry to the event

"There are so many restaurants and shops this year, it gives people a chance to sample everything," remarked Carnahan.

Tickets are available on Eventbrite and can be purchased at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/eat-drink-beacon-food-crawl-tickets-197935483960>.

For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/eatdrinkbeacon> or on Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/eatdrinkbeacon/>, or call 845-768-0008.

Hydrant flushing through June 5 in Village of Fishkill

The Village of Fishkill Water Department will be flushing hydrants throughout the Village System through Friday, June 5, according to Village Clerk Pam Ruyack in a notice to

the community.

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Miles of Hope awards \$54,000 in scholarships

The Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation recently announced \$54,000 in scholarship awards to Hudson Valley students.

“Each year, a scholarship committee, made up of members of our Board, former and current teachers, and the two co-founders of the foundation, reviews applications and reads heartwarming essays from students whose lives have been impacted by breast cancer. This is one of the most rewarding things we do,” explained Executive Director Pari Forood.

The Miles of Hope mission is to fund support services, education and outreach for people affected by breast cancer within the nine counties of the Hudson Valley. In 2026, the foundation received 60 scholarship applications from seven counties; 21 students were awarded between \$2,500 and \$5000 for their college/university expenses.

“We work with Guidance Counselors in 24 school districts to make sure that any student whose life has been affected by breast cancer has the opportunity to apply for this scholarship. The process is relatively easy: students submit their grades, class rank, and volunteer activities as they relate to breast cancer, as well as an essay telling us how breast cancer has impacted their lives,” Ms. Forood said.

In 22 years, Miles of Hope has given away over \$4 million dollars to programs such as scholarships and helping breast cancer patients with their bills and finances.

“Oftentimes, a breast cancer diagnosis comes with ancillary costs and patients will delay or forgo treatment. Miles of Hope steps in and pays for food, gas, transportation to and from treatment, housing, utilities, car payments, cell phone bills, etc.,” Forood added.

“When a family member is diagnosed with breast cancer, the entire family is affected. We are honored to award scholarships to these high school and college students whose lives were turned upside down sometimes when they were quite young.”

The scholarship recipients are listed with their current educational institution:

- Quinn P. Boyd - Red Hook Senior High School
- Grace, O. Cornelius- Warwick Valley High School
- Leonardo Crisostomo Garcia - Fox Lane High School
- Brady P. Doherty- Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior High School
- Anna M. Gatta - Arlington High School
- Celeste E. Gorres - Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior High School
- Caitlin M. Hammond- Millbrook High School; Dutchess County BOCES for Plant & Animal Sciences (half time Millbrook, half time BOCES)
- Dylan W. Hetrick- Beacon High School
- Annika P. Hietanen,- Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior High School
- Emma O. Holmberg- Ichabod Crane Senior High School
- Madison J. Kaminski- Saugerties



Pictured are The Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation scholarship award recipients. The students come from the Hudson Valley.

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- Senior High School
- Isabella R. LeClair- North Salem High School
- Olivia K. Lewis- Cornwall Central High School
- Meghan Ostine - Arlington High School
- Connor Peyton - Arlington High School
- Tristan Postt - Rondout Valley High School
- Samantha Sleight - Arlington High School
- Oriana Tsfasman - Roy C. Ketcham Senior High School
- Olivia Valencia- Our Lady of Lourdes High School
- Landon Zehr - Highland High School
- Addison Zittel - Arlington High School.

A.I. scam prevention tool ‘SilverShield’ workshops for seniors set for June

In today’s increasingly digital world, scams are becoming more sophisticated, with fraudsters using technology to make their schemes feel personal and urgent. To help older adults stay safe, Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino and the County’s Office for the Aging (OFA) invite seniors and caregivers to a free, inperson workshop introducing SilverShield, an innovative new tool designed to help protect users from scams in real time.

The OFA will host several “Introduction to SilverShield” sessions in June:

Monday, June 15 at 3 p.m.
Dutchess County Office for the Aging
114 Delafield Street, Poughkeepsie
Seating is limited, and advance registration is required by calling the OFA at 8454862555 during business hours.

Tuesday, June 16 at 12:30 p.m.
Town of LaGrange Senior Center
Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church
1168 Route 55, Lagrangeville
Open to Town of LaGrange residents only; call 845-452-1972 to register.

Thursday, June 18 at 1 p.m.
Howland Public Library
313 Main Street, Beacon
Call 845-831-1134 to register.

Serino said, “Scammers don’t just go after our information — they go after our trust, and that can leave people feeling shaken or embarrassed. I’ve heard from so many older adults who

say they secondguessed themselves or wished they had someone to turn to in the moment. SilverShield gives them exactly that: a calm, reassuring guide right when they need it. I’m grateful we can bring this tool to Dutchess County, and I hope our seniors and caregivers will join us to learn how to stay safe and confident in a world where scams are becoming harder to spot.”

SilverShield uses artificial intelligence (A.I.) to help users identify and respond safely to potential scams. Individuals can report suspicious text messages, calls, or emails directly through their phone or email. The system then provides step-by-step guidance on what to do — and what not to do — helping users avoid common pitfalls. Each reported scam is also shared with federal investigators, contributing to broader efforts to combat fraud nationwide.

The Dutchess County OFA has partnered with the New York State Office for the Aging to bring SilverShield to local older adults. Through State support, OFA has secured a limited number of free oneyear SilverShield subscriptions for Dutchess County seniors. There is no cost and no obligation to purchase anything.

Older adults and caregivers attending any of these workshops will learn how to recognize common scam tactics, see a live demonstration of SilverShield, and leave with practical tools they can use immediately to safeguard themselves and their loved ones.

OFA Director Todd Tancredi said, “We hear from older adults every week who have been targeted by increasingly

convincing scams. Education is one of the strongest defenses we can offer, and SilverShield adds an extra layer of protection by giving users realtime support

when they need it most. This workshop is a great opportunity for seniors and caregivers to build confidence and stay informed.”



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Dance Jam at Towne Crier on June 11

“Get On the Good Foot” Dining and Dancing at the Towne Crier Café, 379 Main St., on Thursday, June 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Beacon. Lose oneself to an exciting mix of R&B, Latin, Soul, Funk, Disco, Rock, Reggae, Hip-Hop and more, played by DJs Rhoda and Al. Fine dining and full bar are available all evening. These dances are informal and even if one comes alone, one can

always find a friendly partner on the dance floor.

Admission is \$20, which can be paid at the door, or for reservations (not required), please call the Towne Crier at 845-831-5500.

Please send Song Requests at least two days in advance. For more information, call Rhoda at 845-765-0667 or rhodaja@optonline.net.

Downtown Business Improvement District sets Return of First Friday in Poughkeepsie

Beginning with a soft launch on June 5, Downtown Poughkeepsie will once again come alive with food, drink, music, art, and culture on the first Friday of each month. For complete details, visit dtpk.org/firstfriday.

The Downtown Poughkeepsie Business Improvement District (BID) has announced the return of First Friday Poughkeepsie, a monthly, downtown-wide event that transforms the city's core into a vibrant, walkable destination. Filled with local flavor, live entertainment, and fun activations, First Friday reflects the daily energy found in the resurgent downtown corridor of the Queen City.

Held on the first Friday of every month (June-November) from 6-9 p.m., First Friday is free to attend and invites residents and visitors alike to experience everything downtown has to offer. The return event on June 5 will serve as a "welcome back" soft launch with live music and activities in Mural Square drawing people to walk the streets and discover specials and activations popping up at businesses throughout the district. The traditional First Friday community fair with vendors, performances, and more kicks off in earnest on July 3.

Designed as a coordinated "night out," First Friday brings together local restaurants, bars, shops, galleries, and cultural organizations to stay open late and offer special programming, promotions, and entertainment. Live music, street performers, and interactive experiences will animate the streets, creating a lively atmosphere that encourages exploration and connection.

"First Friday is about showcasing the best

of downtown Poughkeepsie in a way that feels exciting, welcoming, and easy to experience," said Jim Sullivan, President of the Downtown Poughkeepsie BID. "Bringing back this beloved tradition is the perfect way to create a consistent reason for people to come downtown, support local businesses, and discover all the new things to see and do."

Beginning July 3, Main Street will be closed to vehicular traffic between Market and Academy Streets during the event, allowing for expanded outdoor dining, performances, and a pedestrian-friendly environment. With four major municipal parking areas located just steps away - including the Financial Plaza Deck, Garden Street Lot, Liberty Street Lot, and Academy Street Lot - visitors will have convenient access to First Friday while enjoying a car-free experience in the heart of downtown.

"First Friday is about bringing people into the heart of the city and reminding them what makes downtown Poughkeepsie so special," said Laura Belfiore, Chair of the BID's First Friday Committee and owner of Curio Cabinet of the Hudson Valley. "When we fill the streets with music and conversations, businesses are naturally going to see more activity, plus there's the added benefits of building community pride and providing a venue for people to have real-life connections. These events inspire an energy that will promote the continued growth of our downtown, and they bring the community together to enjoy a shared experience." Connect with First Friday on social media at facebook.com/FirstFridayPoughkeepsie or Instagram at @FirstFridayPK

'Successful drill' held on Mountain Lane by fire department



The City of Beacon Fire Department held a drill on Mountain Lane on Thursday, May 28. According to fire officials, the department conducted a water shuttle and tanker operation drill that simulated a residential structure fire on Mountain Lane. The objective of this exercise was to practice utilizing mutual aid resources to transport and supply large amounts of water to a simulated house fire in an area with limited hydrant access.

"We would like to thank all of our mutual aid partners for a successful Mountain Lane tanker drill yesterday! Crews stretched multiple handlines, established a staging area, coordinated with numerous tankers to establish a positive water supply, allowing units to effectively run a continuous nurse operation, as well as run a [separate] fill site. Drills like this refresh on valuable interagency co-operability, communication and skills that may not be practiced often," it was stated on the Beacon Professional Firefighters Facebook page on May 29.

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Gov. Hochul underlines economic growth, innovation, jobs with FY27 Budget

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Hochul is now creating a first-of-its kind Office of Digital Innovation, Governance, Integrity, and Trust (DIGIT). DIGIT will serve as a central, authoritative body for digital safety and technological governance, devising new approaches and ensuring consistent enforcement to keep New Yorkers safe online; while protecting New York's position as a state that values and invests in cutting edge innovation. The DIGIT Office will first focus on regulating large frontier AI developers, enabling greater transparency into their safety measures and establishing a reporting mechanism for developers to report critical safety incidents.

Enhancing Local Economic Development Project Tracking - Industrial development agencies and authorities (IDAs) are crucial vehicles for advancing economic development, housing and other priorities statewide, reporting over \$900 million in net tax exemption in 2024 alone. However, monitoring those investments can be challenging due to inefficiencies in the State's legacy tracking system. Local authorities are also leaving money on the table by not appropriately monitoring sales tax exemptions.

This Budget includes \$6 million for overhauling the current system and replacing it with a well-developed, better-equipped analysis tool will enhance transparency, integrity, and efficiency, while also providing oversight data and allowing local authorities to better communicate project outcomes.

Downtown Revitalization -The State's

Downtown Revitalization Initiative provides funds to revitalize and enhance downtown neighborhoods across the state, supporting infrastructure development, public transportation, job creation, and economic activity. New York Forward similarly provides funds for downtown revitalization, but targets resources to smaller and rural communities such as villages and hamlets. The FY27 Budget includes a renewed \$200 million investment in these programs to continue to help communities develop downtown neighborhoods into vibrant centers that offer a high quality of life and are magnets for business, job creation, and economic and housing diversity.

Revitalizing Commercial and Residential Properties - The Restore New York Communities Initiative (Restore NY) supports efforts to reduce blight, spur new investments and encourage community revitalization. The FY27 Budget includes \$50 million to provide financial assistance for projects involving the demolition, deconstruction, rehabilitation and/or reconstruction of vacant, abandoned, condemned and surplus properties.

Redeveloping Underutilized Land into Housing - The FY27 Budget includes legislation to facilitate housing development at Conklin Street in the Town of Babylon on Long Island, Farmingdale State College's campus, Stony Brook University's Southampton campus and SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry's campus in Syracuse.

Investing in Equity Across the Cannabis Supply Chain - Across the

cannabis supply, the Governor is supporting programs to build business opportunities that move beyond issuing licenses and start up supports and instead focus on long term sustainability, continuing our success as the most equitable cannabis market in the country. The Governor is committing \$25 million for the Community Grants Reinvestment Fund, which seeks to address the harms of past drug policies by reinvesting adult-use cannabis tax revenue into communities that faced disproportionate enforcement of prior drug laws. The State will be increasing staffing resources to shut down the illicit market and enforce against trade practice violations, and providing \$10 million to businesses across the State to cover costs of implementing the seed to sale tracking program, which ensures products sold in New York are grown and manufactured here and meet the highest possible public health standards.

Supporting Dairy Farmers To Modernize the Industry - Since taking office, Governor Hochul has presided over an unprecedented expansion of the dairy manufacturing sector in New York. The State has celebrated investments across the state, including a \$650 million fairlife production plant in Webster, a nearly \$30 million expansion of the Agri-Mark cheese manufacturing facility in Chateaugay, a new \$1.2 billion Chobani yogurt manufacturing facility in Rome, Wells Enterprises' \$425 million ice cream manufacturing facility in Dunkirk, and more, reinforcing New York's

status as the leading milk producer in the Northeast. There are currently nearly 300 globally recognized dairy processing plants statewide.

Linking dairy farming and production with manufacturing and processing entities will create a virtuous economic cycle, benefiting farmers, dairy sector workers, and consumers alike. However, dairy farmers are facing a complex constellation of challenges, including tariffs on feed, aging infrastructure, rising operating costs, and ongoing supply chain challenges that make it harder for farms to plan and invest for the future.

Establishing New York as the Nation's Hard Cider Capital - New York is the country's leading hard cider producer, boasting more active cideries than any other state. Our cider industry has grown substantially over the last ten years, generating more than a billion dollars in total economic impact for New York, yet there still remains untapped agri-tourism potential to explore.

To support the industry and tap into the robust agri-tourism opportunity that cider presents, Governor Hochul is working with the New York Cider Association to establish New York as the State of Cider, marketing the orchards, tasting rooms, and food experiences that could become anchor destinations for visitors across the country. These actions will strengthen rural economies, uplift the exceptional work of local businesses, and establish New York as the foremost destination for American hard cider

Wappingers CSD to hold Code of Conduct, Attendance Policy public hearing June 8

The Board of Education of the Wappingers Central School District notifies the public of a public hearing set for Monday, June 8 at or about 7:30 p.m., to be held at Roy C. Ketcham High School, 99 Myers Corners Road, Wappingers Falls. The public hearing will be live streamed at WCSD MEDIA on YouTube. A recording will also be uploaded to the video library for viewing at a later date.

The purpose of this public hearing is to seek input/feedback on revisions to the

2026-2027 Code of Conduct and Attendance Policy.

Information about the Code of Conduct may be obtained by visiting the website: www.wappingersschools.org. The public may continue to provide comments/feedback via email to wcsd.comments@wcsdny.org prior to the anticipated adoption by the Board of Education on June 22.

The public hearing will be immediately followed by the Board of Education Meeting.

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Oakwood Friends School students partner with YSOP for a Day of Intergenerational Service with Westchester seniors

Oakwood Friends School recently partnered with the Youth Service Opportunities Project (YSOP), a non-profit organization that engages youth, college students and adults in meaningful community service experiences through programming that combines an orientation to the issues with hands-on volunteer work and reflection. The day of service for Oakwood sophomores reaffirmed the Quaker values that guide both communities: Simplicity, Peace, Integrity, Community, Equality, and Stewardship (S.P.I.C.E.S.).

The sophomore class and their teachers traveled from Poughkeepsie to Westchester to participate in the program. One group of students traveled to the Doles Center in Mount Vernon, for an afternoon of intergenerational bonding and community service. Another group volunteered with Meals on Main in Port Chester for a day of learning about food insecurity and hands-on service work. Executive Director Jon Haseltine reflected, "Meals on Main Street was so thankful to have the support of YSOP and the volunteer group from Oakwood who worked with Chef Ken and Kelly to produce 200 nutritious meals for our clients. While our neighbors face hunger and food insecurity each and every day, YSOP helped serve many in need."

Chef Ken shared, "We are striving to

give more nutritious meals to everyone. Meals have increased from 3,000 per week to 5,000. The vision, which is shared by many, is to give one million meals out of the kitchen alone."

Throughout the day, students engaged in group reflection sessions as well as small-group service projects organized by YSOP at partner sites across the county. These experiences allowed students to connect their service work to broader social issues while learning directly from the people and communities they were supporting.

Sharing about her experience at Meals on Main, Tristyn Medal Rivera reflected, "The service work with YSOP felt tangible and meaningful. It felt like an experience where we were actually giving back to real people and making a difference. It was a really nice environment and I felt like I could enjoy my time with my friends while also doing the work assigned to us."

Using orientation and reflection to frame their service experiences, YSOP inspires participants to broaden their perspectives and become engaged citizens. "We were thrilled to have hosted volunteer programming with Oakwood this year for the first time since 2020" said Elizabeth Estony, lead New York Facilitator for YSOP and Oakwood alum-



Oakwood students making blankets with Youth Service Opportunities Project (YSOP) staff.

-Photo courtesy Oakwood Friends School

Memorial Day ceremonies held at Wappingers CSD high schools



Memorial Day ceremonies were held at Roy C. Ketcham High School (RCK) and John Jay High School. Students were reminded that this holiday is meant to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Speakers at RCK included George Hemroth of VFW Post 5913, and RCK valedictorian Jack McCarthy, who has been accepted into the US Naval Academy. Wappingers Central School District Superintendent Dr. Dwight Bonk and Wappinger Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini also spoke at the event, thanking our veterans and honoring those who gave their lives for our freedom.

-Courtesy photos

na from the Class of 2021. "One group successfully packed over 500 meals of soup and tacos to be distributed to communities in need by Meals on Main, and another group engaged in intergenera-

tional work and connection with the Doles Community Center in Mt. Vernon. It was wonderful to see the students engaging in such meaningful community service during this time of great need."

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Obituaries

Christa I. Tomaine



Christa I. Tomaine, a life-long Poughkeepsie resident, passed away peacefully at her home on May 23, 2026; at the age of 89. She was born in the Town of Poughkeepsie, NY on December 19, 1936, daughter of the late Frederick and Sadie I. (Nash) Plog. Christa attended Poughkeepsie City Schools and graduated from Poughkeepsie High School with high honors.

Later in life she achieved her Realtor's license, and worked as a real estate agent for Coldwell Banker Realty in Fishkill, until she retired.

On August 2, 1992, at the Pirate Canoe Club in Poughkeepsie, NY, she married the late Louis Tomaine, who predeceased her after 22-years of marriage on March 15, 2014.

Christa enjoyed many things such as

arts & crafts, especially painting. She loved attending the Poughkeepsie Senior Club, and going on trips, especially to Wildwood and Atlantic City, she loved the casinos. Christa loved being social, often referred to as a 'social-butterfly'; she also enjoyed baking, especially cakes; often for family events and weddings, she was the cake-maker.

Christa is survived by her two daughters and two sons: Shari Desser, Tricia Pynne, Kevin Tomaine and David Tomaine. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Holly (Tony) Simmons, Emily Tomaine, Beth Tomaine, Tommy Tomaine, Syndney Tomaine and John Tomaine; and her four great-grandchildren Tony Jr., Frances, James and Anges. She is also survived by her nephews, Gerry Tomaine, and Kevin (Maura) Kennedy and their family.

Along with her parents and husband, Christa was recently predeceased by her son John S. Fimbel on March 11, 2026. She was also predeceased by her sister Vera Kennedy and a nephew Raymond Tomaine.

Her Family will gather with Friends to honor and celebrate her Life at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church; date to be announced later at the family's convenience. Interment will be private at the family's discretion. Arrangements were entrusted to the care of DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York.

To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.DelehantyFuneral.com.

Sr. Patricia Considine, OCD



Sr. Patricia Considine, OCD, a long-time resident of Beacon, entered into eternal rest on Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2026. She was 86 years old.

Born on July 22, 1939 in Yonkers, she was the daughter of the late Cornelius J. and Alice Crosson Considine. She entered the Carmelite Monastery at Saranac Lake on September 25, 1958 and made her profession of vows on the Feast of St. Thérèse, October 1, 1960 as Sr. John of the Cross.

Sr. Pat is survived by her many nieces and nephews, her Carmelite Community, and many friends.

Family and friends will gather on Wednesday, June 3 at beginning at 10 a.m. at St. Joachim Church, 51 Leonard Street, Beacon. A Mass of Christian Burial will be

held at 10:30 a.m. followed by burial in the Carmelite plot at Ascension Cemetery, 650 Saddle River Road, Airmont.

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

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

Josephine Kellerman



Josephine Kellerman, 95, a resident of Hopewell Junction since 1968 and formerly of the Bronx, died peacefully at her home on May 25, 2026.

Born in the Bronx on April 2, 1931, she was the daughter of the late Alessio and Josephine (Lanzano) Economico. Josephine had been employed as a Teacher's Aide for the Wappingers Central School District from 1969-1977, and then as a Manufacturing Test/Inspection Technician at IBM in East Fishkill from 1978-1993. She was a parishioner of St. Columba Church and enjoyed bowling and visiting casinos.

On May 19, 1951 in the Bronx, Josephine married Henry Kellerman who predeceased her on March 22, 1998. She

is survived by her sons and their wives, Paul and Donna Kellerman, Robert Kellerman, and Richard and Yadira Kellerman; her grandchildren, Lindsey Kellerman, Zachary Kellerman and Megann, Craig Kellerman, Lauren Kellerman Ferrara and Patrick, and Austin Kellerman; her great-grandchildren, Hailey, Arianna and Emilia; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. In addition to her parents and husband, she was also predeceased by her brothers, Tony, Jimmy, Tommy, Leo, Johnny and Frankie; and her sisters, Mary, Anna, Camilla, Angie and Netty.

Calling hours were held on Monday, June 1 at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Tuesday, June 2 at St. Columba Church, 835 Route 82, Hopewell Junction followed by interment in St. Denis Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made in Josephine's name to a charity of your choice.

Cara Haley



Cara Haley, a longtime resident of Poughkeepsie and formerly of Beacon, passed away on May 15, 2026. She was 58 years old.

Born on July 14, 1967, Cara was the daughter of the late Herbert "Ted" F. Haley, Jr. and Mary Ann Cahill Haley. Aside from being a homemaker, she loved going to the beach. She enjoyed softball and playing chess with others. She also loved to ride her bike around the area. She loved animals- especially cats, and loved to spend time with her friends and was noted to have an exceptional sense of humor.

She is survived by her siblings: Timothy Haley and his partner, Linda; Ann Kacur and her husband, Bob; Kathleen Pucher and her husband, Bob; Meg Massing and her husband, Bob;

Brian Haley and his partner, Ann; Bernadette Osgerchian and her husband, Bruce; Patrick Haley; Maureen Haley and her partner, George. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins. In addition, she is survived by her three aunts, Helen Nuccitelli, Jane Rose, and Nina Cahill.

In addition to her parents, Cara was predeceased by her brother, Christopher Haley.

Funeral arrangements are private and a family service will be held in the summer.

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

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

Life Skills curriculum highlighted during Wappingers BOE meeting

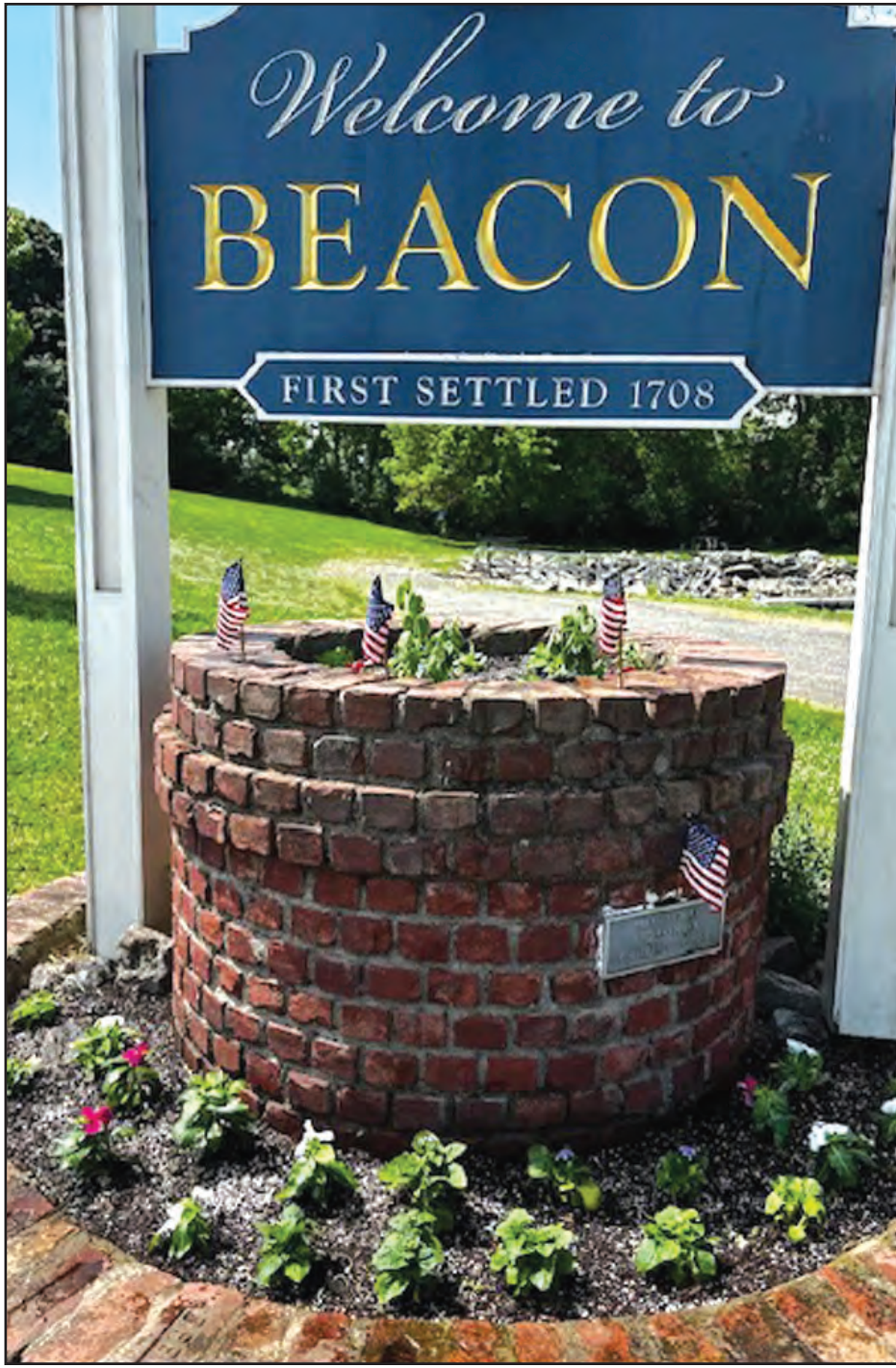


At the recent Wappingers Central School District Board of Education meeting, the Superintendent Spotlight featured the Griffin Cafe at Van Wyck Junior High School and the Coffee Cart at Wappingers Junior High School. As part of the Life Skills curriculum, these programs operate as mobile cafés, where students prepare, sell, and deliver beverages and baked goods to faculty and staff. These student-run businesses provide a bridge between classroom learning and real-world application: students count supplies, take orders, prepare the food, make deliveries, count money, and develop professional interpersonal skills needed for career development. Everyone looks forward to these Friday deliveries!



-Photos courtesy Wappingers CSD

Tioronda Garden Club spruces up Beacon with flowers



The Tioronda Garden Club beautified the community by planting and hanging flowers throughout the City of Beacon.

-Courtesy photos

The flower baskets on Main Street in Beacon, presented by the Tioronda Garden Club, were hung in time for Memorial Day and the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Thanks to City of Beacon Highway Superintendent Michael Manzi and his staff for their dedication and support of the Tioronda Garden Club and the beautification of the City of Beacon.

The flowers planted by First Responders clock tower were also

planted by the Tioronda Garden Club. The Tower is a gift of Dennis Meyer in honor of all Beacon emergency responders in loving memory of his mother, Lucy. It was dedicated in May 2015 and has become a Beacon landmark in the East End.

The "Welcome to Beacon" sign at the MetroNorth Train Station welcomes visitors this year with the planting of floral designs in a patriotic-color theme, also presented by the Tioronda Garden Club.

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Creative Living

ARF celebrates 4 decades of finding forever homes for animals

By Kristine Coulter

The Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF) in Beacon is celebrating its 40th year this year. The Board of Directors President is David "Dave" Rocha.

Rocha has been with ARF for two years. He stepped into the role of board president in September 2025.

"The biggest focus at the moment is planning out physical changes we need to make to the plant to meet new standards set by the NY State Department of Agriculture. I'm also looking to grow our volunteer base and to enhance the experience for them with additional training opportunities, and standardizing and streamlining some of our tasks to make it easier for the volunteers to have more time to directly interact with the animals," he explained. "Everyone who volunteers is there to spend time with the animals and if they can have more time to do that, they'll find the experience more satisfying and fulfilling. Every volunteer wants to feel like they are making a difference, and we need to make sure they do."

ARF was founded by local resident Barbara Shea in 1986. Her husband, Dick Shea – who worked for Beacon Free Press – suggested Shea start a shelter for animals. The property for ARF, where it still is located on Simmons Lane, was donated by the City of Beacon.

On ARF's website, after her passing in 2016, it was stated, "Barbara was a tireless advocate who helped countless animals find forever homes, helped them to heal and receive medical treatment, and allowed many to call ARF their forever home when adoption was not an option."

According to the no kill shelter's website, "[W]e've rescued, rehabilitated, sheltered, and found loving homes for thousands of cats and dogs. Every step is taken to assure that animals go to good and appropriate adoptive homes. Even those who aren't chosen by a family experience unwavering love and care from our devoted volunteers, creating a forever home right here at ARF."

Kristin T. adopted puppy "Pumpkin" in February 2026.

"We scheduled a meet and greet just to get a feel for ARF and build a relationship, knowing how unlikely it was to find our perfect match on the first visit," Kristin recalled in an email. "ARF took time to understand our needs and household dynamic with our cat, and recommended we come see Pumpkin. From the moment we laid eyes on her we fell in love. She has so much personality and is so playful, but also so obedient. ARF did a great job of teaching her basic com-



Local resident Kristin T. recently adopted "Pumpkin" from ARF.

-Courtesy photo

mands, so we already had a head start with training."

Kristin shared a DNA test that was later done on Pumpkin found out she is an Australian Cattle Dog/German Shepherd mix.

"We got her when she was about 9 months old and she turns a year old later this month!" said Kristin.

Rocha shared, "ARF has existed for 40 years because the mission has stayed the same: provide a safe, loving home for animals until they can find their forever homes. This would not have been possible without the commitment of our volunteers, many of whom have been with us for many, many years."

The volunteers' commitment to making sure every animal "gets the love, attention and enrichment they need to be adoptable, is unmatched," said Rocha. "Sometimes we have animals who take more time and effort, and some may never reach that point, but they will always have a home at ARF, even if it's for the rest of their lives."

Kristin said, "One thing that is such a blessing about ARF is that they took [Pumpkin] in when she was just a baby puppy. They went out of their way to share her baby pictures and videos of her growing up, so we feel that much more

connected to her."

Although ARF's mission has stayed the same throughout the years and decades, Rocha noted, "We continue to enhance how we achieve that."

"Over the years, we've added onto the facility, we've enhanced our training efforts, working with professional resources and we're always working on new ways of enriching the lives of the animals in our care. Whether that's new and different activities, play time together when appropriate, field trips for our dogs or lots of love and attention that helps every animal in our care adjust better to the shelter environment," he said.

ARF has never had paid staff and has never received financial support from local, state or federal agencies, according to Rocha. "We also have never given up on an animal. Each and every one of our volunteers is committed to doing their part," he emphasized.

"Anytime an animal is in a shelter, it's stressful for them. Without appropriate attention, they can quickly decline and become harder to adopt out. All of us work to provide the best care to our animals so they grow and thrive until their "people" walk through the door," said Rocha.

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Learn about framing on June 10

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HUDSON VALLEY NATURALIST

by Francine Wizner

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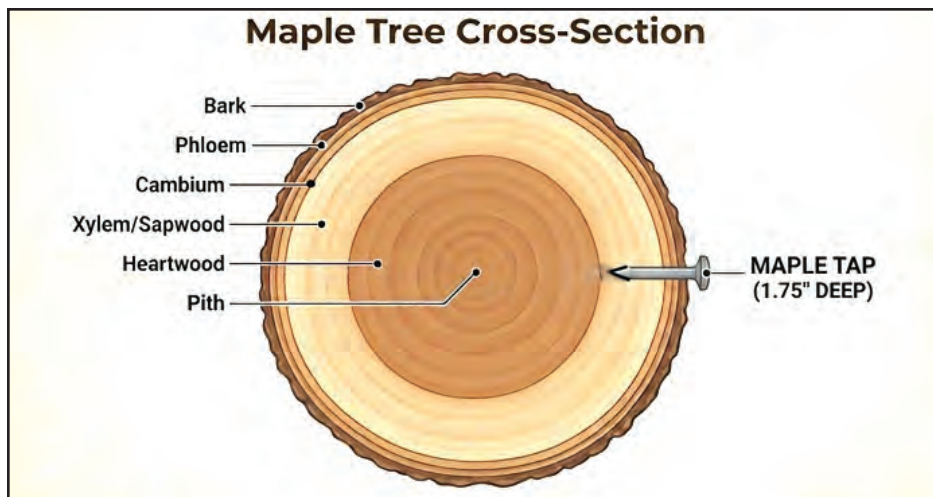


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Functional Waters found in a Dutchess County convenience store.

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Same Day Sap label and nutrition information.

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In the warmth of June, berries, stone fruit, zucchini, and corn are in the markets. They are a colorful contrast to root vegetables and citrus available in colder months. Seasons have flavors and hues.

In autumn, the taste and aroma of maple is paired with pumpkin, squash, or cinnamon in brews and yummys from the donut shop or deli. That's the same time of year that leaves change color so beautifully. But "leaf-peeping" season in the fall is opposite the equinox for maple sap harvesting. Maple "sugaring" occurs in late winter and early spring.

Timing the tap: Weather- and location-dependent

Late winter to early spring is the "sweet spot" for maple sap. Harvesting is dependent upon a specific freeze-thaw cycle. Without the pressure created by that series, you won't get much good-tasting sap. Once it gets too warm, chemical changes make the sap unpleasant and the diminished pressure limits the volume. Fall sap runs are possible, with the right temperature fluctuation, but the liquid is not as sweet, because the tree hasn't yet converted its stored starches into sugar. In the cold of winter, the xylem is frozen. The Goldilocks Zone for fresh maple sap is narrowed further by the variability of the latitude where sap may be collected and weather patterns during the year.

Syrup is processed from maple sap

The majority of collected sap is used to make 100% pure maple syrup for consumer sale or for industrial use as ingredients in other foods. A small amount is used to make maple sugar or other confections. All of those are made by concentrating sap through osmosis, boiling and evaporation, to varying degrees.

But, the unprocessed sap is the pure source material. It is naturally filtered by maple trees. It contains electrolytes and minerals like calcium and zinc. Maple sap water is a pure hydration alternative; it is a health-conscious, nutrient-rich "aquaceutical."

Functional water

Aquaceuticals are also called Functional Water. Enhancing ingredients such as vitamins, minerals, herbs, electrolytes or antioxidants are added to water and are promoted for providing health benefits beyond basic hydration. Marketing claims of such beverages include supporting immune health or providing stress relief or increased energy. Examples of functional water brands you may have seen in the store include Propel Electrolyte Water, LIFEWTR, and Glacéau smartwater.

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While all plants pull water from their soil, ours, in particular, are rooted in juxtaposed eras. Here, maple trees absorb nutrients from deep billion-year-old Precambrian bedrock and limestone left by retreating glaciers. The rocks release minerals into the soil, which rise up and are absorbed by root systems and symbiotic fungal networks.

As the trees act as biological pumps, they filter the groundwater through their vascular systems, enriching it with potassium, magnesium, and manganese. The resultant sap is a complex, nutrient-dense fluid shaped by the region's specific chemistry. These provide all the bona fides it needs to be a "legacy liquid." And now, it's not just a seasonal treat.

Maple sap, conveniently, year-round

Reggie Akpata, co-founder of New England Fancy Food Co., is on a mission to encourage people to turn to maple sap for their drinking water and functional water. He notes that, "It is the only known functional beverage that comes from the trunk of a tree that's naturally sweet!" Mr. Akpata enumerates the benefits, including antioxidants, anti-inflammatories, and electrolytes. Those all provide protection against respiratory infections, muscle aches from exercise, and dehydration from summer sporting activities.

Says Akpata, "Look for our four new natural flavors: Oatmeal Spice, Vanilla, Concord Grape, and Mango. Our beverages, called SameDaySap, are so-named because they are frozen on the day of collection." You can find them at the TasteNY stores, including Todd Hill, close to home. They are also available at TasteNY Online, as well as from <https://nefancy.com/>.

Despite some challenging weather and pests, Mr. Akpata explains that there have been "bumper harvests these past five years." This season, they've partnered with another Hudson Valley farm to tap additional trees. Daily collections involved journeys along snow-covered carriage trails, with the air still crisp. I think it sounds reminiscent of long-ago traditions, with buckets clanging on a horse-drawn sled. Romantic, yes ... but also a lot of work ... which makes me thirsty! SameDaySap, anyone?

Francine Wizner is a native of the Hudson Valley. She grew up in the Catskills of Greene County and spent over 3 decades teaching in Ulster County. She creates sci-

ence-themed instructional materials and books, as well as being a Citizen Scientist in the management of her current home in an enchanted woodland of Dutchess County.

Find her at <https://medium.com/@wiznerf>, <https://substack.com/@gkatzchronicle>, and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com>.

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The setting is a parlor. The hour is afternoon. A professor and a student. A lesson that begins in politeness and ends somewhere else entirely. Ionesco wrote The Lesson in 1951. It has not aged. What it describes is present in every institution

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The evening begins at 6 p.m. with curated provisions — assembled, not plated — each component chosen to echo something in the lesson ahead. Coffee will be served. The coffee will be good. The coffee is not optional. Tickets are all-inclusive. Seating is limited and arranged as part of the performance environment. Doors open on time. The lesson begins on time.

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Notice of Formation of 43 Oakwood Lane LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/20/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, P.O. Box 347, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful activity.

THE ANNO BUILDING COMPANY LLC. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/09/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Anthony Margilaj 792 Beekman Road, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful.

Notice of Formation of DUTCHESS DONUTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on April 17, 2026. The office location is in Dutchess County, SSNY is designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 2265 South Road, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose for all lawful activities.

Notice of formation of Lorenz and Associates, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/24/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 130 Sleight Pass Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY, 12603. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Oakline Ventures LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process

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FAIRVIEW 1 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/28/26. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to PO Box 2812, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 21 Fairview Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

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Notice of Formation of CKCH Advisors and Accountants, PLLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 1, 2025. Office location: Dutchess, New York. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 2522 South Road, #1083, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Mir Property Group LLC. Filed 3/4/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to MPG, 30 Thornwood Drive, Poughkeepsie NY 12603. Purpose: General.

FRX BROOKFIELD LLC App. for Auth. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/30/26. LLC was organized in CT on 11/15/21. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to 43 Sabrina Ct., Holmes NY 12531. Required off: 540 Federal RD., Brookfield, CT 06804. Cert. Of Org. filed with SSCT, 165 Capitol Ave., Ste. 1000, Hartford, CT 06115. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 730 South Dr., Hopewell Junction, NY 12533.

Notice of Formation of Stef Books LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/19/26. Office: Dutchess Cty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served & shall mail to: Northwest Registered Agent, 418 Broadway, Ste N, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Obercreek Food Service LLC. Filed with SSNY on 4/21/2026. Office: Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 230, Hughsonville, New York 12537. Purpose: any lawful

AQUARIUS BAND, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/29/26. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 362 Rhinecliff Rd., Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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LIABILITY COMPANY The Articles of Organization of Pauliekidd Enterprises LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/29/2026. Office location: 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 Pauliekidd Enterprises LLC, 7 Lucas Ln, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose is: all lawful acts or activities.

Notice of formation of JCDC Associates LLC. Art. Of Orig. filed with SSNY on 4/20/2026. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 22 Terwilliger Rd, Hyde Park, New York 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

6 Colonial 44, LLC Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on April 29, 2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 49 Lamplight Street, Beacon, New York 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of UPSTATE POOL SERVICES LLC The name of the limited liability company ("LLC") is UPSTATE POOL SERVICES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NYS Dept. of State on 4/17/26. The office of the LLC is in Dutchess County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it is c/o the Company, 98 South Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

HOME PRIDE LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/31/2026. 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, 94 Bangall Rd, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful act.

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SIX DEVELOPMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/08/25. 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, P.O. Box 8273, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

45 MILLBROOK LANE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/20/25. 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, PO Box 1027, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

464 MILL HOOK LANE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/02/26. 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, P.O. Box 1027, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

2044 GLASCO TURNPIKE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/28/26. 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 Joseph DeAngelis, 7 Brescia Boulevard, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of RED RUBY DIGITALS LLC. Arts. of Org. Filed with SSNY on 04/06/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 55 MANSION ST #27, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of THE ODOBO HOME CARE AGENCY LLC filed with SSNY on 04/10/26 Office location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served SSNY shall mail process to: 53 Forbus St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

M A V E R C A L CONSULTING LLC,

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Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/2026. 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, 3 Hemlock Circle, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

CRUMB & CASK, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/26. 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, 249 Cream Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF OPERADORA INTRADING NY, LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York on 04/26/26 Office location: Dutchess County, New York. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it is: 1322 ROUTE 44, PLEASANT VALLEY, FL, UNITED STATES, 12569-7810 The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act. The LLC is to exist perpetually unless dissolved in accordance with the operating agreement or applicable law.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 88 Market Street Holding LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/7/2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him is 845 Properties LLC, 406 Main Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

Notice of Formation of Domestic Limited Liability Company — Name: FAIR PLAY HOSPITALITY, LLC. Date of Formation: 04/22/2026. County: DUTCHESS. Secretary of State of New York designated as

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agent of LLC upon whom process against LLC may be served with copies then mailed to: FAIR PLAY HOSPITALITY, LLC 67 KENT RD, WASSAIC, NY 12592. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Alliance Exteriors, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/14/26. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 620 Eder Rd. Stormville, New York 12582. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Qualification of Make Night Moves LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/19/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 04/16/2025. Principal business address: 1420 Route 83, Pine Plains, NY 12567. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1420 Route 83, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Address required to be maintained in DE: 8 The Green, Ste B, Dover, DE 19901. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

B I R C H E R HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/26. 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.

WALTER PARKER MD PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 123 Daisy Lane, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Medicine.

Notice of Formation of Continuity Dance LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/6/2026 . Office Location: Dutchess

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County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 18 Robin Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

A N A G N O S R E S I D E N T I A L HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/17/26. 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, 4 Albie Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

1604 ROUTE 9, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/14/26. 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, 1604 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Business name: Bejazaly LLC Date of formation: 11/7/25 did not operate until 5/1/26 County: Dutchess The Secretary of State has been designated as the agent of Bejazaly LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Address: 54 E Market St, Rhinebeck NY 12572 Business purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity.

WILD ROSE SIMMER CO. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/05/26. 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, #149, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of C-Legacy LLC. Arts of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/16/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Justin Clark, 2 Barnes Drive Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

450 Route 9 Land LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/17/2026. Office: Dutchess County.

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SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 448 Rte 9, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: any lawful act.

Studios Services LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Dept of State on 04/17/2026. Location: Dutchess County. Inc Authority RA has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Address is 2822 NY-82 Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: Mold Assessments/ Inspections.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: JRZ Security Integration, LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 29, 2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC at: 54 Mill Street Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: to engage in any and all business for which LLCs may be formed under the New York LLC law.

ONE EAST 6400, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/18/26. 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, 402 Gardenia Drive, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Hudson Valley Skyview Imaging & Inspection LLC filed w/SSNY 5/12/26. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 6 Cross Rd, Beacon, NY 12508. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Qualification of LOWELL APARTMENTS, LLC. Appl/Auth filed 5/19/26. Office loc: Dutchess Cty. LLC formed in AR 4/24/07. SSNY desig. agent for svc/proc at PO BOX 643, RHINEBECK, NY 12572. AR address: 413 COLUMBIA PLACE LOWELL, AR 72745. Art/Org filed w/AR SOS, 500 Woodlane Street, Suite 256, Little Rock, AR 72201. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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HOMES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/20/26. 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, 1888 New Hackensack Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Mommo Fishkill LLC., DBA: Mommo Pizza Shop. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on May 6, 2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 19 Robinson Street, Fishkill NY, 12524. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: DiMarco Digital, LLC. Articles of Org. filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/23/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 1639 Route 9G, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of MARIA'S TEAM CLEANING SERVICE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 03/11/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Maria's Team Cleaning Service LLC, 13 North Street, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF COOPER HALL ARCHITECTURE, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 11, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the professional service limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1420 Route 83, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Purpose: to engage in the profession of architecture.

Bentley Lane LLC

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filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/27/2026. 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, 6030 Rte 82, Ste D, Stanfordsville, NY 12581. Purpose: any lawful act.

42 ROKEBY ROAD LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 05/12/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 16 Eastview Lane, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful.

540 Bainbridge Street LLC, a domestic LLC filed with the SSNY on 5/26/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Treybich Law, P.C., 272 Mill Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose for LLC: any lawful.

PEAR FARM, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/22/2026. 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, 52 Broadway, Tivoli, NY 12583. Reg Agent: Susan G Baer, 1475 County Route 21, Ghent, NY 12075. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

ROMBOUT RD LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/27/26. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 12561 SW Sunrise Lake Terr., Port St. Lucie, FL 34987. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 167 Rombout Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

S T E P H E N G R U N B O K P H Y S I C A L THERAPY PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 1 Molly's Way, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Physical Therapy.

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Notice of Non-Discrimination for these NYSHFA Hudson Valley Region Skilled Nursing Facilities, Assisted Living Centers and Adult Home Members: It is the policy of the facilities listed below to admit and treat without regard to race, creed, color, place of birth, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, political belief, marital status, disability, or sponsorship of payment source.

- Achieve Rehab & Nursing Facility, 170 Lake St, Liberty, NY, 12754
Adira at Riverside Rehab & Nsg, 120 Odell Ave, Yonkers, NY, 10701
Bayberry Care Center, 40 Keogh Ln, New Rochelle, NY, 10805
Blythedale Children's Hospital, 95 Bradhurst Avenue, Valhalla, NY, 10595
Campbell Hall Rehab Center, Inc., 23 Kiernan Rd, Campbell Hall, NY 10916
Carlucci Home, 516 Mullock Rd, Port Jervis, NY 12771
Cedar Manor Nursing & Rehab. Center, 32 Cedar Lane, Ossining, NY, 10562
Ciel on the Hudson, 537 Riverdale Ave, Yonkers, NY, 10705
Cortlandt Healthcare, 110 Oregon Rd, Cortlandt Manor, NY, 10567
EPIC Rehabilitation and Nursing at White Plains, 120 Church Street, White Plains, NY, 10601
Friedwald Center for Rehab & Nursing, 475 New Hempstead Rd, New City, NY, 10956
Golden Hill Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 99 Golden Hill Dr, Kingston, NY, 12401
Hedgewood Home for Adults, 355 Fishkill Ave, Beacon, NY, 12508
Highland Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, 120 Highland Ave, Middletown, NY, 10940
Hudson Hill Center for Rehab & Nursing, 65 Ashburton Ave, Yonkers, NY 10701
Hudson Valley Rehab. & Extended Care Center, 260 Vineyard Ave, Highland, NY, 12528
King Street Rehab, 787 King St, Rye Brook, NY, 10573
L'Dor Adult Home, 156 W Clarkstown Rd, New City, NY, 10956
Lutheran Care Center at Poughkeepsie, 965 Dutchess Tpke, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12603
Martine Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing, 12 Tibbits Ave, White Plains, NY, 10606
Middletown Park Rehab & Health Care Center, 121 Dunning Rd, Middletown, NY, 10940
Montgomery Nursing and Rehab Center, 2817 Albany Post Rd, Montgomery, NY, 12549
New Paltz Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing, 1 Jansen Rd PO Box 909, New Paltz, NY, 12561
Northeast Center for Rehabilitation and Brain Injury, 300 Grant Ave, Lake Katrine, NY, 12449
Northern Manor Multicare Center, 199 N Middletown Rd, Nanuet, NY, 10954
Northern Metropolitan RHC Inc., 225 Maple Ave, Monsey, NY, 10952
Northern Riverview Health Care Center Inc., 87 S Route 9W, Haverstraw, NY, 10927
North Westchester Restorative Therapy & NC, 3550 Lexington Ave, Mohegan Lake, NY 10547
Nyack Ridge Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, 476 Christian Herald Rd, Valley Cottage, NY, 10989
Pine Valley Center for Rehab and Nursing, 661 North Main Street, Spring Valley, NY
Putnam Nursing & Rehab Center, 404 Ludingtonville Rd, Holmes, NY, 12531
Putnam Ridge, 46 Mt. Ebo Rd North, Brewster, NY, 10509
Renaissance Rehab & NCC DBA Hyde Park NH, 4975 Albany Post Rd, Staatsburg, NY, 12580
Roscoe Regional Rehab & RHC, 420 Rockland Rd, Roscoe, NY, 12776
Salem Hills Rehab & Nursing Center, 539 Rte 22, Purdys, NY, 10578
Sans Souci Rehab & Nursing Center, 115 Park Ave, Yonkers, NY, 10703
Sky View Rehabilitation & Health Care, 1280 Albany Post Rd, Croton-on-Hudson, NY, 10520
Sprain Brook Manor, 77 Jackson Ave, Scarsdale, NY, 10583
Sunshine Children's Home and Rehab Center, 15 Spring Valley Rd, Ossining, NY, 10562
Taconic Rehabilitation and Nursing at Hopewell, 3 Summit Ct, Fishkill, NY, 12524
Tarrytown Hall Care Center, 20 Wood Ct, Tarrytown, NY 10591
Ten Broeck Center for rehabilitation & Nursing, Lake Katrine, NY 12449
The Chelsea at Greenburgh, 715 Dobbs Ferry Rd, Greenburgh, NY 10607
The Chelsea at New City, 269 North Main Street, New City, NY 10956
The Eleanor Nursing Care Center, 419 North Quaker Lane, Hyde Park, NY 12538
The Emerald Peek Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 2000 East Main St, Peekskill, NY 12566
The Enclave at Rye Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, 1000 High St, Port Chester, NY, 10573
The Grove at Valhalla Rehab & Nursing Center, 61 Grasslands Rd, Valhalla, NY 10595
The Paramount at Somers Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 189 Route 100, P.O. Box 445, Somers, NY, 10589
The Pavilion at Pine Valley, 661 N Main St, Spring Valley, NY 10977
The Pines at Poughkeepsie Center for Nursing and Rehab The, 100 Franklin St, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12601
The Willows at Ramapo Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 30 Cragmere Rd, Suffern, NY, 10901
Waterview Hills Rehab & Nursing Center, 537 Route 22 # 257, Purdys, NY, 10578
Westchester Center for Rehab & Nursing, 10 Claremont Ave, Mount Vernon, NY, 10550
Willow Gardens, 60 Willow Drive, New Rochelle, NY, 10805
Willow Towers Assisted Living, 355 Pelham Rd, New Rochelle, NY, 10805
Yorktown Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, 2300 Catherine St, Cortlandt Manor, NY, 10567

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE OF WAPPINGERS FALLS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wappingers Falls will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the 24th day of June, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. at Village Hall, 2582 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls, New York, at which time all parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wappingers Falls shall adopt a proposed Local Law entitled "Local Law No. ___ of the Year 2026, Amending Chapter 148, Water". PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of the proposed Local Law is to amend various sections and subsections

of Chapter 148, Water including abolishing the Board of Water Commissioners as it is currently constituted and redefine the Board of Water Commissioners to be the Village Board of Trustees; amending procedure for sending water bills and notices; and the process and penalties for annual inspections of backflow protection devices. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the enactment of the aforesaid Local Law is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and is otherwise exempt from environmental review pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) or pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER

NOTICE that copies of the proposed Local Law are available for review and inspection at the Office of the Village Clerk on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at Village Hall, 2582 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls, New York. Dated: 5/28, 2026 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WAPPINGERS FALLS JOHN KARGE, VILLAGE CLERK

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF FISHKILL ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS DUTCHESS MANOR RESTORATION & SITE RE-DESIGN PROJECT REQUEST FOR ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO TOWN OF FISHKILL

TOWN CODE CHAPTER 150-11 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Fishkill will continue the Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, commencing at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible in the Francois R. Cross Meeting room located in the lobby of the Town of Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY to consider the Applicant's request for a determination pursuant to Town Code Section 150-11 which allows the Zoning Board of Appeals to extend the zoning regulations of the Restricted Business (RB) Zoning District into such portion of the lot which lies in the adjoining R-2A Zoning District within 50 feet of the district boundary. The lands affected by this determination, prior to the

LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The following entitled bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on May 11, 2026, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Dutchess, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is each available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice. Dated: Poughkeepsie, New York, May 12, 2026

/s/Julie Shiroishi Clerk, County Legislature

RESOLUTION NO. 2026064

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,460,765 SERIAL BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, NEW YORK, TO PAY A PORTION OF THE COST OF BRIDGE, CULVERT AND HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR SAID COUNTY.

Class of objects or purposes: Highway, culvert and bridge improvements, including incidental improvements and expenses
Period of probable usefulness: 15 years
Maximum estimated cost: \$16,978,572
Maximum amount of bonds to be issued: \$10,460,765 bonds
Other monies: \$6,517,807 CHIPS, PaveNY, Extreme Winter Recovery and Pave our Potholes monies from State
Will be on a project-by-project basis. SEQRA compliance materials on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Legislature where same may be inspected during regular office hours.

SEQRA status:

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A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is each available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice. Dated: Poughkeepsie, New York, May 12, 2026.

/s/Julie Shiroishi Clerk, County Legislature

RESOLUTION NO. 2026054 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,016,060 SERIAL BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE PURCHASE OF SHERIFF VEHICLES, FOR SAID COUNTY.

Class of objects or purposes: Purchase of Sheriff vehicles
Period of probable usefulness: 5 years
Maximum estimated cost: \$1,016,060
Amount of bonds to be issued: \$1,016,060 bonds
SEQRA status: Type II Action

Subdivision Abandonment process filed by the Applicant with the Dutchess County Clerk's office on April 17, 2026, are identified as Tax Map Parcel No. 5953-00-620222, located at 263 Route 9D, consisting of 6.632 acres in the RB Zoning District and Tax Map Parcel No. 5953-00-603192, located at 14 Coris Lane, consisting of 5.632 acres in the R-2 A Zoning District. A new Tax Map Parcel No. is to be assigned by the Dutchess County Clerk's Office for both Tax Map Parcels.

The Dutchess Manor Restoration & Site Redesign Project is the subject of a Site Development Plan & Special Use Permit Approval by the Town of Fishkill Planning Board, identified as Planning Board Appli-

cation No.: PB24-010. The Town of Fishkill Planning Board adopted a Negative Declaration and issued a Certificate of Appropriateness for the project on April 9, 2026. All interested persons will be heard by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Fishkill at the public hearing as stated above.

By Order Of The Zoning Board of Appeals Of the Town of Fishkill, New York Debbie Colonna, Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the General Village Election of and for the Village of Fishkill will be held on the 16th day of June, 2026, and the polls will be open for

voting between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 9:00 PM. The Village of Fishkill constitutes an election district and the polling place for such district shall be Van Wyck Hall, 1095 Main Street Fishkill, New York. The names and addresses of all those who have been duly nominated in accordance with the provisions of the Election Law for the Village Office, whose certificate or petition of nomination have been duly filed with the Village Clerk and the office and term on such office for which they have been nominated are as follows: Anthony Ruggiero, 33 Weston Avenue, Fishkill, NY Trustee, Unexpired 3 year term, Fight For Your Right

East Fishkill Recreation

By Bill Green
Recreation Director

Our first concert for this summer will be on Friday night, June 12, when the Hudson Valley Council Band gets things rolling with their great Big Band, Marching and Military music. This concert will be at the stage area by the pavilion and if we have inclement weather we will move inside to the East Fishkill Community Center, 890 Route 82. All remaining Friday concerts will be at the field by the Davis House.

We are now signing up residents and non-residents online or in the Rec Office for our Mets, Yankees and Saratoga trips. Fees for the Mets and Yankee trip will be \$100 residents and \$115 for nonresidents. Saratoga will be \$60 residents and \$75 nonresidents.

Red Wing Park is now open weekends until Saturday, June 20 when the lake opens daily through September 7. Season passes are on sale weekdays at the Rec Office on 4 Anne Avenue.

All of our June and July 2026 Adult Golf classes are filled.

You may still sign up at the Rec Office for our Youth Golf Program (4 sessions in July starting on July 6th, for 4- & 5-year-olds, 6-10-year-olds and 11 and older.

You can now sign up for our Summer Youth Basketball Camp which will be the week of July 20-24 at Fishkill Plains Elementary School.

Our Wednesday June 17 trip to Resorts Catskill Casino and Summer Nights show is filled.

There are still some openings for our two Fishing Camps (August 3-7 and 10-14.) The fee is \$95 for residents and \$125 for nonresidents.

Red Wing Park fishing takes place on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings.

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

Shop for a Cause June 12-13 and June 19-20

Dress for Success Dutchess County, a program of Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County, has announced its upcoming Shopping for a Cause Sale to support Hudson Valley Women. The sale will be held on Fridays and Saturdays June 12th-13th and June 19th-20th from Noon until 5 p.m. at 2536 South Rd. (Rte. 9) Post Road Plaza, Poughkeepsie, in the former Dress Barn site.

Hudson Valley fashion enthusiasts and bargain hunters alike are encouraged to take advantage of this signature sale featuring clothing and accessories at unbeatable prices. Recognizable brand-name apparel will be available for \$5 and up, while dresses, suits, and outerwear will start at just \$10.

“Our Shopping for a Cause Sale helps keep our inventory current, ensuring women continue to have access to stylish professional attire during confidence-building career styling sessions in our Boutique,” said Robin Blue-Brown, Program Director at Dress for Success Dutchess County. “These events also give the entire community an opportunity to enjoy amazing deals while supporting our mission.”

“While the sale primarily features gently used and new professional attire and accessories, great deals can be found on designer, formal and casual clothing as well. All proceeds from the sale will help Dress for Success Dutchess County continue empowering unemployed and underemployed women with skills, support and the resources needed to obtain career success on their path towards self-sufficiency through our Boutique, Styling on the Go Events, Career Center, Stepping into Success Lunch and Learn Workshops and our BOSS Brunch Meetups.” said Blue-Brown.

Dress for Success Dutchess County was established in 2011. Its mission is to empower Hudson Valley women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire, and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. Women may receive additional services available through Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County.

For more information, call 845-452-5104 Ext 144 or email: dutchesscounty@dressforsuccess.org and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE OF WAPPINGERS FALLS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wappingers Falls will conduct a **PUBLIC HEARING** on the 24th day of June 2026, at 6:00 P.M. at Village Hall, 2582 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls, New York. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to discuss the elimination of the senior rate for water, sewer and garbage as recommended by the Village of Wappingers Falls Water Board of Commissioners. Dated: May 28, 2026
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WAPPINGERS FALLS
JOHN KARGE, VILLAGE CLERK

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on May 11, 2026, adopted a local law entitled: **LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2026 AMENDING LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2024 REGULATING HAZARDOUS POLLUTION SOURCES IN PROXIMITY TO PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SOURCES, AQUIFERS AND WETLANDS**. The intent of this Local Law is to amend Local Law No. 2 of 2024 to clarify the lawful disposal of commercial car wash waste waters. A copy of the local law is available at the Office of the Clerk

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of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours.

JULIE SHIROISHI
Clerk
Dutchess County Legislature
Dated: May 29, 2026

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on May 11, 2026, adopted a local law entitled: **LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2026, A LOCAL LAW REQUIRING FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS TO PROVIDE SINGLE-USE FOODWARE AND CONDIMENT PACKETS ONLY UPON REQUEST**. The intent of this Local Law is to reduce unnecessary waste and to help local businesses reduce costs associated with providing single-use items. A copy of the local law is available at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours.

JULIE SHIROISHI
Clerk
Dutchess County Legislature
Dated: May 29, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of East Fishkill is soliciting bids for the restoration of Pickleball Courts located at Lime Kiln Recreation Park. Restoration includes milling, repairing, new posts, resurfacing, and stripping the pickleball courts. The awarded contractor will be paid based on the unit price in each category. Contractors must com-

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plete all sections of the bid or they will be disqualified. Please review carefully.

Full bid specifications and requirements are available for viewing at the Town Clerk's office Monday - Friday 9am to 3:45 pm. (845) 221-9191 and available for download at BIDNET. All questions **All bids must be submitted by noon of JULY 2, 2026.** The Town Clerk and such other officials of the Town will open bids on July 2, 2026 at Noon at the Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, NY. All questions are to be emailed to Town Clerk, casidy@eastfishkillny.gov, by June 18, 2026. **All bids must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked with "TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL PICKLEBALL COURT CONTRACT RD2026.04"**

The Town of East Fishkill reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL
PETER CASSIDY
TOWN CLERK
June 3, 2026

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST,

-against-
RONALD J. LABARGE A/K/A RONALD LABARGE, ETAL.

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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Dutchess on April 28, 2026, wherein U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST is the Plaintiff and RONALD J. LABARGE A/K/A RONALD LABARGE, ETAL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction in the REAR LOBBY OF THE DUTCHESS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 10 MARKET STREET, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12601, on June 25, 2026 at 2:30PM, premises known as 77 RIVERVIEW DRIVE, FISHKILL, NY 12524; and the following tax map identification: 6256-11-728578.

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWN OF FISHKILL, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS AND STATE OF NEW YORK

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No.: 2024-51336. April Lorraine Forbes, Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. **All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social distancing**

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and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIVES.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION HUGHSONVILLE FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF WAPPINGER, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK
JULY 7, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the resolution duly adopted on May 13, 2026 by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Hughsonville Fire District, in the Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, New York, a Special Election of the qualified voters of said Fire District, will be held on July 7, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. (Prevailing Time) and the polls shall remain open until 9:00 P.M. (Prevailing Time) or as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters then present to cast their votes. The voting shall be at the fire house located at 88 Old Hopewell Road, Wappingers Falls, New York. The voting shall be upon the following Proposition:

PROPOSITION
SHALL the bond resolution of Hughsonville Fire District, in the Town of Wappinger, New York, entitled: "BOND RESOLUTION OF THE HUGHSONVILLE FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF WAPPINGER, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, ADOPTED

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MAY 13, 2026, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$18,995,000 TO FINANCE A PART OF THE COST OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TWO-STORY FIRE HOUSE ON LAND LOCATED AT 88 OLD HOPEWELL ROAD, WAPPINGER FALLS; STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$19,495,000 APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSE, INCLUDING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$500,000 FROM THE FIRE DISTRICT'S CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TO PAY THE BALANCE OF SAID APPROPRIATION; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF SAID BONDS AND THE INTEREST THEREON AS THE SAME BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE," be approved?

All residents of the Fire District who were duly registered with the Dutchess County Board of Elections, or who have otherwise registered as eligible registered Fire District voters, and who have resided in the Fire District for a period of at least twenty-three (23) days immediately preceding the date of the Special Election, shall be eligible to vote at said Special Election.
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DATED: MAY 13, 2026
KIM FLOWER
FIRE DISTRICT

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF WAPPINGER DUTCHESS COUNTY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the **9th day of June, 2026** at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Section 240-37 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Wappinger to consider the following area variance:

Appeal No.: 26-7871 (Area Variance)
Joseph & Kelly Milano: Seeking an area variance Section 240-37 of District Regulations in an R20 Zoning District.

-Where **20 feet** to the side yard (right) property line is required, the applicant can provide **12 feet** for the legalization of a deck, thus requesting a variance of 8 feet.

The property is located at **60 Degarmo Hills Road** on 0.60 acres and is identified as **Tax Grid No.: 6258-02-775899** in the Town of Wappinger.

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

Signed:
John Lorenzini,
Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals
Town of Wappinger
May 19, 2026

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THEME: MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES

ACROSS

1. Throat-clearing sound
5. Like a fiddle?
8. Chicago baseballer
11. Cyberattack target
12. Opposite of pizzicato, in music
13. Bullying, e.g.
15. Pharmacy ware
16. Wedding cake layer
17. *Mythological part woman, part bird
18. *Part man, part bull
20. Means justifiers
21. Seize the throne
22. Found at the pump
23. *Part man, part fish
26. Julianne Moore or Lucille Ball, e.g.
30. Schiller's address to joy
31. Popular pet rodent
34. Bono's bandmate, with The
35. Chunk of iceberg
37. *Pointy-eared humanoid
38. Knight's breastplate
39. Independent chieftan
40. Pay, in casino (2 words)
42. Bugling ungulate
43. Like sun
45. Mother-of-pearl, pl.
47. Public health org.
48. Manila hemp
50. Vegan's protein choice
52. *Three-headed dog
55. African antelope, pl.
56. Not written
57. Arch above eye
59. Actor's rep
60. Sommelier's domain
61. *Large and hideous humanoid
62. *Giant bird of prey
63. Bulb type
64. *Abominable humanoid

DOWN

1. Tally
2. Stay out of its way!
3. Small ladies' handbag
4. Extra large wine bottle
5. Robin Hood's companion Tuck
6. Frost over (2 words)
7. Millimeter of mercury
8. Little Miss Muffet's morsel
9. Mail carrier, acr.
10. Beyonc , a.k.a. Queen _____
12. Adjust
13. Beforehand
14. *Wailing spirit
19. "Killers of the Flower Moon" Oklahoma location
22. Hair-raising product
23. Lawn trimmer
24. Organ swelling
25. Made over
26. Abundant
27. Landscaper's tool
28. Like an athlete
29. Office stations
32. Landlord's due
33. Acronym-named sandwich
36. *Part lion, part eagle
38. Lickety-split
40. Nurses' org.
41. Incapable
44. Sunbaked, archaically speaking
46. Demijohn
48. Eagle's home
49. Gwyneth Paltrow's Goop
50. Not for here (2 words)
51. Barrel-counting org.
52. Type of hood
53. Restless desire
54. Database command
55. Roofing sealant
58. Yellow river tributary

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by mark adams



The most boring place in the world

What Antarctica lacks in excitement, it makes up for in penguins.



A mother and baby penguin on Antarctica.

Sue enjoys the scenery.

-Photos by Mark Adams

Penguins. Icebergs. Penguins. Penguins. Icebergs. A whale. Penguins.

One hundred twenty thousand tourists will visit Antarctica this year (October 2026 through March 2027, their summer).

Since Sue and I are rumored to be well traveled, friends ask if they should cross Antarctica off their bucket list. In my opinion, don't bother. If it's icebergs you want, take a cruise to Alaska's inside passage. For whales, Martha's Vineyard is much closer. Penguins? Puerto Madryn, Argentina – the Punta Tombo Natural Preserve is home to a million of them. Or the Bronx Zoo.

In the fall of 2007, a friend called to say the iconic cruise ship Marco Polo would be making its final voyage to Antarctica. She had taken the cruise the year before. It hadn't occurred to me to visit Antarctica, much less on a cruise (just about the only way to get there), but I figured "What the heck," and talked Sue into it.

The nine-day voyage would leave from Ushuaia, on the southern tip of Argentina, on January 5, 2008. We decided to spend New Year's Eve in Buenos Aires, and then fly down. Since the Argentine Capital was experiencing a heat wave, it was hard to figure out what clothes we should pack. Sue said we needed some formal wear for

the cruise, but of course I objected.

No sooner had we boarded the ship than we we found out we'd be joining the captain for dinner. Sue had to buy a dress in the ship's boutique, which luckily wasn't as much of a rip off as we'd expected. It was actually a nice gown which she's worn a few times since. As for me, all I had was a pair of jeans and a plaid shirt. I asked my "cabin boy" (I swear that's what they were called) Alvin for some help. He found me a navy-blue blazer with a double row of brass buttons, and a string tie. When we greeted the captain, he took one look at me and said, "I'm sorry. Did you lose your luggage?"

We set sail, churning through the Drake Passage, which was unusually calm on our first day. Quite a few of the 800 passengers got seasick, including Sue, but not too bad. There wasn't much to do on board, except attend lectures, play Scrabble, eat, and drink overpriced cocktails (the "Marco Polo"-- rum, curacao and pineapple juice).

Once we got in sight of Antarctica, which is just a big pile of ice, we were divided into groups of 20 people, and assigned a time slot to go ashore. An hour before the appointed time, our group assembled in a sort of locker room to change into red suits, boots, mittens and

big wool hats. The red suits were to make you stand out so you couldn't get lost.

Then we clambered into a "zodiac," a big rubber motorboat that took us about a hundred yards from the ship to the rocky shore. Here we were guided on a well-marked path to walk among the penguins. The ship's crew monitored our every move, to make sure we didn't touch anything, drop anything or pick anything up.

Penguins are strange birds. They didn't seem to notice us at all. Some were sitting on nests, others were waddling around, very penguin-like. After about an hour, we were herded back into the zodiacs, spent another hour getting out of our snowsuits, and then went back to eating, playing Scrabble, attending lectures and drinking cocktails. The weather wasn't bad for Antarctica, so once in a while we'd venture onto the deck to look for whales. If one was spotted, the ship would almost capsize as all 800 of us ran to that side.

Every day we'd get suited up and sent for a one-hour penguin tour. There's supposed to be different breeds of penguins – "Chinstrap," "Adelie," "Gentoo" – but they all looked the same to me. I have to admit that it got a little exciting when a giant skua bird robbed a baby penguin from a nest, chewed its head off and dropped it onto a group of tourists. We saw skua birds robbing nestlings, and the

mother penguins seemed to show no reaction. They certainly didn't act like the penguins in the movie "Happy Feet."

Sue had a tough time at the yoga class, holding the poses while the ship rocked from side to side. On the last night the waitstaff dressed up in grass skirts for the "Filipino Folkloric Show." Sue wrote in her journal: "Our waiter Noel, who is quite talented, was in the show. He was good, but the show sucked."

I'm being harsh. The cruise was well run by Orient Lines, everyone was friendly and helpful, the food was good, the evening entertainment was professional, and the lectures were informative. We learned all there is to know about penguins. The trip was everything we expected. (we didn't expect much).

I can name hundreds of exotic places that are much more interesting to visit than Antarctica. For example, Istanbul, Easter Island, Tasmania, even New York City.

For that matter, how about Dutchess County? We might not have penguins, but we have turkeys, geese, robins, and crows. And it's right out the front door.

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

Celebrate 10 years of Festival at the Falls on June 13

The Wappingers Falls Business & Professional Association will host its annual "Festival at the Falls" on Saturday, June 13 at Mesier Park in Wappingers Falls. Hours are noon to 6 p.m.

Celebrate 10 years of Festival at the Falls. Enjoy food trucks, vendors, live music, kids' games, and more.

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