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## WFBPA to host 10th annual Festival at the Falls on June 13

**By Kristine Coulter**

Celebrate the 10th anniversary of the annual Village of Wappingers Falls Festival at the Falls event, from noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 13 (rain date is Sunday, June 14). The Festival is sponsored by the Wappingers Falls Business & Professional Association.

"It's a magical day. It brings everyone in the village together. It brings [people] to businesses that don't have a brick-and-mortar shops," explained Carolyn Jandrew, a Thryv Marketing Consultant and vice president of the WFBPA.

The Festival at the Falls has a great family atmosphere that attracts people from all areas of the Hudson Valley, according to organizers. The event showcases "all of the local businesses that the Village of Wappingers Falls has to offer."

"All of the board members are there. Many of our members are vendors," remarked WFBPA President Jackie Muller, with Dynamic Intervention Wellness Solutions. Muller said there is more engagement with membership this year.

There are more than 150 members in the WFBPA now.

"It's nice to see [membership] growing," said Jandrew.

Here are some of the attractions one can experience at the festival:

- Entertainment & Vendors in Mesier Park
- Tours of the Mesier Homestead
- Children's Activities & Games
- Sidewalk Sales
- Restaurant Specials on Main, Market, and Mill Streets



*The annual Festival at the Falls will be held on Saturday, June 13 at Mesier Park in Wappingers Falls. Pictured are the Wappingers Falls Business & Professional Association board members at last year's event.*

*-Courtesy photo*

- Local Artists & Musicians performing at various spots

- Variety of food trucks from around the Hudson Valley

"People can bring their families," encouraged Muller. Jandrew seconded by stating that there are kid-friendly activities, "so people don't have to decide between networking and family."

Brittany Gregorio, with Quetzal Home Construction LLC, said "It's

important for us to meet the community, since we're working from home." Asked why she joined the WFBPA, she replied, "Just really to get more involved with the community."

April VanTassel, with Infinite Web Co. said about joining WFBPA, "I think as a

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## Flag retirement ceremony set for June 14



*Rotarian Eddie Colon opens the Flag Retirement receptacle last week to remove the worn and torn flags that were dropped off.*

*-Photo by Kristine Coulter*

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The inaugural Flag Retirement Ceremony will take place at noon on Flag Day, Sunday, June 14, at the Fishkill Rural Cemetery. Worn American flags will be honored in accordance with proper protocol.

On Veterans Day in 2025, a receptacle for worn flags was dedicated outside of McHoul Funeral Home, 1089 Main St., in the village of Fishkill.

"So far, we've collected close to 1,600 flags," said Eddie Colon, a Fishkill Rotarian who worked on getting the receptacle.

Colon said Fishkill Rural Cemetery has given the Fishkill Rotary a spot to dispose of the flags properly. Elected officials have been invited to the ceremony, he said.

Regarding the number of flags that have been placed in the box, Colon, said it is "fantastic." He remarked before the box was placed in Fishkill, that the municipality needed a location for worn flags to be dropped off.

Sterling Gaston, president of the cemetery board, said the board is very fortunate to have "very efficient" people who work in the office and take care of the property grounds.

Gaston noted Corporal Elijah A. Briggs, a Medal of Honor recipient, is buried in the cemetery. Briggs was awarded the Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism on 3 April 1865, while serving with Company B, 2d Connecticut Heavy Artillery, in action at Petersburg, Virginia, for capture of battle flag during the Civil War. He died in March of 1922 in Beacon.

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## Exceeding expectations!

### Agriculture education hits new levels with Adopt A Calf program

**By Curtis Schmidt**

Ready or not—here comes success! And regardless of the time and work involved, surprise success is always a good problem to have.

Such is the case with the overwhelming response to the Adopt A Calf program – the newest component of the educational efforts of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society (DCAS).

The program had its birth soon after the birth of its' first "star performer" – a calf named "Sweet Treat" – at the Stormfield Swiss Dairy Farm in the Town of Wappinger.

The calf was born last December and the following January, DCAS Agricultural Educator Cassie Messina launched the Adopt A Calf endeavor. What began as an emailing and social media communication with about 20 classrooms has exploded to over 90 classrooms and 1,500-plus students in school

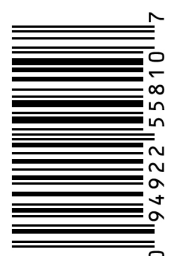


*Jim Lawrence holds "Sweet Treat" while children from South Avenue Elementary School in Beacon visit the Stormfield Swiss Farm on June 5 as part of the Adopt A Calf program of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society.*

*-Photo by Curtis Schmidt*

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marketing agency, we're kind of left out of some places. Some places weren't really there to help you." She found the opposite with WFBPA. "They wanted to help me. They're there to help you," she said.  
Muller noted the WFBPA's "starting to have a really good online presence."

There are also the in-person networking opportunities, such as on June 17th at noon at the Knights of Columbus in Wappinger Falls for a luncheon sponsored by VanTassel's business. Then there is a Networking Mingle scheduled from 4-7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus on June 25.



Festival at the Falls will take place at Mesier Park on Saturday, June 13 in Wappingers Falls.

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Gregorio admitted she is not a networker – but she does like meeting new people. She found other networking groups to be awful. Being a member of WFBPA, Gregorio found “everyone’s referring everyone. We have such a beautiful sense of community together. They’re really kind, genuine people that are there

for you.”  
“We don’t see each other as competition,” said VanTassel.  
As far as attending the Festival, VanTassel said, one will “meet a lot of business owners that are your neighbors.”  
For more information, visit <https://www.wfbpa.org>.

## ‘Spirit of Mesier’ tickets now available

The Wappingers Historical Society members will host their premier event of the year, the Spirit of Mesier Cocktail Gala on Friday, June 19th from 6-9 p.m. at the historic Wappinger Boathouse, 105 Market St., in the village of Wappingers Falls.  
This year’s theme, “Celebrate Magic,” shines through honorees Rosemary and Robert “Denny” Evalul and Dani Masterson, extraordinary individuals who have made lasting contributions to our community. The public is invited to join in celebrating these honorees, while helping to raise funds for the Society’s ongoing preservation and educational efforts. Every ticket purchased helps ensure that local history remains accessible, meaningful, and for future generations. This year in particular, the event supports the Society’s Rev250 program Wappinger Revolutionary Roots: History, Heroes, and Hidden Places and the continued restoration of the 1741 Mesier Homestead, ensuring its historic interior is accurate and open to the public.  
Rosemary and Denny Evalul have devoted decades to enriching the cultural and educational life of the Hudson Valley through theater, arts advocacy, historic preservation, and community service. Their extraordinary impact is undoubtedly most closely associated with the Masque and Mime Society at Roy C. Ketcham High School in Wappingers Falls, but their legacy can also

be felt at numerous theaters throughout the area; the Grinnell Library; the Hudson Valley Railroad Society and other non-profit organizations.  
Dani Masterson has spent her life fostering creativity, civic spirit, and meaningful connections. Her remarkable dedication to commemorating and honoring veterans and their sacrifices; her artistic involvement in the performing arts; her skills in moulage special effects for military and first responder training; and her love of history are testaments to her dedication to our community.  
The Spirit of Mesier Cocktail Gala will feature abundant food and drink by Simply Gourmet, live music perfect for dancing and socializing by Bryan Lammers and The Blend, and small-group magical illusions performed by Illusionist Ryan Dutcher. There is also a Silent Auction featuring local prizes such as private tours of places not normally accessible to the public such as a hydroelectric plant; private collection of historic carriages & sleighs; and a WWII aircraft; historic site memberships and tours; theater season tickets; professional family photo session; dining, brewery, and winery experiences; one-of-a-kind artwork; Heritage dahlia bouquets and more.  
For more information about the Spirit of Mesier Cocktail Gala, the silent auction prizes, and to purchase tickets, please go to [www.wappingershistoricalsociety.org](http://www.wappingershistoricalsociety.org) or call 845-632-1281.

# FESTIVAL AT THE FALLS

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# Flag retirement ceremony set for June 14



Fishkill Rotarians Melinda Potter, Eddie Colon and Doug McHoul empty the Flag Retirement Site box outside of McHoul Funeral Home on Main St. in the village of Fishkill. There will be a flag retirement ceremony at Fishkill Rural Cemetery on Sunday, June 14, Flag Day.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter



Fishkill Rotarians, from left, Eddie Colon, Melinda Potter and Doug McHoul have organized a Flag Retirement ceremony for torn and worn flags. The inaugural ceremony is set for Flag Day, Sunday, June 14 at Fishkill Rural Cemetery, Route 9, in Fishkill.

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When asked about the Flag Day ceremony, Gaston, who is a veteran of the US Navy stated, "I think it's wonderful."

According to whitehouse.gov, "In the summer of 1777, more than 2 years into the Revolution and nearly 1 year after the American Colonies declared their Independence from Great Britain, the need for unity, strength, and national identity was essential. On June 14, the Congress convened to adopt a momentous resolution that galvanized the Colonies under a majestic and commanding insignia and proclaimed "the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation." In the midst of revolution, the emblem of

our freedom was born — and the mightiest symbol for sovereignty and justice ever conceived by human hands was sewn into existence."

"The box has been a hit. It's been the talk of the town. People from all over have been coming to drop off flags and take pictures of box," shared Colon. He added, "I feel great. I am 'the box keeper.'"

Doug McHoul, who is co-owner of McHoul Funeral Home with his relatives, said, "It is incredible. We originally thought we'd get about 100 flags between Veterans Day and Flag Day."

Melinda Potter, president of the Fishkill Rotary, said the receptacle "is available for anybody to use at any time."

McHoul said there have been numerous people who have attended a funeral at the funeral home who have noticed the box

and brought back worn flags so the flags would be disposed of with honor. Colon remarked the receptacle has to be emptied three times a week.

Potter and Colon noted there is a piece of paper located inside the drawer of the receptacle where one can dedicate flags to loved ones. Colon also noted he is "amazed" at how many people have filled out a card to honor someone when dropping a flag off.

Potter said this year being the 250th anniversary of America, the ceremony "could not be more appropriate."

McHoul said this year's ceremony will "establish a new tradition and the importance of Flag Day, which seems to have been forgotten lately."

Fishkill Rural Cemetery is at 801 Route 9 in Fishkill.

## Chelsea Yacht Club BBQ & Open House on June 20

There will be a BBQ and Open House at the Chelsea Yacht Club on Saturday, June 20, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the yacht club is at 22 Front St. for more information, visit [chelseayacht.org](http://chelseayacht.org).

## Beacon Elks Flag Day set June 14

Celebrate Flag Day at the Beacon Elks Lodge, 900 Wolcott Ave., on Sunday, June 14, from 1-3 p.m.

# Beephan's bill honoring East Fishkill veterans passes Assembly

Assemblyman Anil Beephan, Jr. announced his legislation, Assembly Bill A.10742, has passed through the New York State Assembly. The bill designates a portion of State Route 376 in the Town of East Fishkill to honor local veterans.

The bill dedicates the stretch of roadway surrounding the future Veterans Park in Hopewell Junction, located across from East Fishkill Town Hall, the East Fishkill Community Library and the Hopewell Hose Fire Company as a lasting tribute to the men and women from East Fishkill who served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

"I am incredibly proud to see this legislation pass the Assembly, and it represents an important step toward honoring the brave men and women who have served our country," said Beephan, Jr. "Our veterans have sacrificed so much in defense of our freedoms, and this designation ensures their service and legacy will be permanently recognized in the very community they helped protect."

Beephan, Jr. introduced the legislation to create a meaningful and lasting recognition for East Fishkill veterans, particularly in an area that will soon

serve as a central gathering place for remembrance and reflection through the future Veterans Park.

"I remain committed to ensuring our veterans receive the recognition and respect they deserve," Beephan, Jr. said. "I look forward to working to see this tribute become a reality for the families and residents of East Fishkill."

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### Conley will provide 'integrity and a deep commitment to public service'

#### To the Editor:

As Democrats prepare to choose a nominee in CD17, I urge my fellow voters to support Cait Conley — the candidate with the strongest chance of defeating Congressman Mike Lawler in November.

We live in a true swing district, one made up of Democrats, independents, moderate Republicans, veterans, teachers, nurses, small business owners, and seniors on fixed incomes. Winning here requires more than partisan slogans. It requires a candidate who can appeal to the broad coalition of voters who will decide the general election.

Cait Conley understands that reality.

Raised in a Hudson Valley family of blue-collar workers and small business owners, Conley graduated near the top of her class at West Point and served 16 years in the Army, including six tours in the Middle East. She later worked on national security and cybersecurity issues as a director of counter terrorism, as well as the National Security Council and CISA.

What sets Conley apart is not ideology, but pragmatism, integrity, and a deep commitment to public service. She speaks directly to the concerns people in CD17 face every day: lowering healthcare housing and energy costs, protecting Medicare and Medicaid, strengthening small businesses, investing in clean energy and infrastructure, and restoring trust in government, offering specific programs for each.

Conley also brings rare expertise on cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and infrastructure protection to CD17 communities— issues that will increasingly affect our economy, privacy, and national security. She supports responsible AI regulation, stronger consumer protections, and safeguards against corporate abuse and political corruption.

Most importantly, Cait Conley understands that public office is about service, not personal ambition. In a time of growing cynicism and division, she offers seriousness, competence, and the ability to bring people together.

Any Democratic nominee would be preferable to Mike Lawler. But Cait Conley is the Democrat best positioned to win — and to serve CD17 with honor and effectiveness. Your vote from June 13th to election day on the 23rd, will be the best way of thanking her for her service and replacing Lawler with a caring patriot.

Jay Forbes  
Peekskill

### Democrats have 'opportunity' to vote for Kaul in Democratic primary for NYS Senate District 39

#### To the Editor:

Starting June 13th, Democrats in NY Senate District 39 will have the opportunity to choose our candidate for November's general election. I'm eager for my opportunity to vote for Lisa Kaul.

Even if you don't know Lisa, you have been touched by something she's accomplished. In 2017, Lisa organized a Women's March in Poughkeepsie for those without the means or ability to travel further. Lisa served on the school board and launched the Poughkeepsie Repair Café. After flipping a Republican seat to join the then-Democratic minority in the Dutchess County legislature, Lisa also stepped up to serve on the board of the Planned Parenthood of Greater New York Action Fund.

A stalwart environmental champion, Lisa secured funding from Republican leadership to reduce waste going to the County incinerator. More recently, in a boon to the environment and struggling small businesses, Lisa won bipartisan support for her local law making plastic utensils and other single-use items available to customers only by request.

Because she's marched alongside members to fight for workers' rights and to pass the NY Health Act, Lisa is endorsed by major unions, including CWA, 1199SEIU, and the NYS Nurses Association. She's a Moms Demand Action Gun Sense candidate, and Rep. Pat Ryan and his Patriot PAC endorsed Lisa because he knows she's the voice we need in Albany.

Democratic primaries are scarce in our purple counties, so don't miss your opportunity to help elect a dedicated public servant, a true progressive voice, and a woman who does the work.

Julie Shiroishi  
2022 Democratic Candidate, SD-39  
Former Executive Director, Eleanor's Legacy  
Former Dutchess County Democratic Chair

### Vote for Didi Barrett: Working hard for all residents

#### To the Editor:

Democratic voters have a choice in the upcoming primary for NY Assembly District 106. Didi Barrett has been a leader on issues crucial to district residents, from affordable housing to climate-change protection.

A strong advocate for early childhood education, Didi sponsored major funding to expand onsite childcare at Dutchess Community College - a lifeline for parents furthering their education. She secured traffic equipment funds to help the Town of Poughkeepsie make our streets safer. And she helped the Town win a \$250,000 grant to re-envision the former landfill area around Dutchess Plaza (former K-Mart) on Route 44. With Didi's help, we will bring residents together, over the next year, to begin the long process of remediation and revitalizing that blighted space.

Didi is working hard on residents' behalf and the results have benefited us all. I'm proud to be working with her.

Rebecca Edwards  
Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor

### Fishkill GOP thanks all for 'memorable' Fishkill 250th celebration

#### To the Editor:

The Fishkill Republican Committee would like to thank the residents, organizations and businesses that have helped to make Fishkill's 250th celebration such a special and memorable occasion. Thank you to all our Town Officials, our Town Historian, The Parks & Ground Department, Fishkill Historical Society, The Verplanck Garden Club, RVW Sculpture Arrangement, Heritage Financial Park, Century Aggregate, Maya Café, Thalle Industries and Heritage Financial Park. Occasions like this one provide all of us an opportunity to come together as residents and neighbors to celebrate what we have in common as citizens...a shared history. This is such an excellent reminder that there is so much that unites us as Town residents and as Americans. Thank you again and God Bless America.

Brian T. McGuinness  
Chairman of the Fishkill Republican Committee

## FeedHV reaches milestone, seeks volunteers for summer

In April of 2026, FeedHV celebrated its greatest milestone in the program's history, surpassing one million pounds of food rescued. FeedHV is the Hudson Valley's community food rescue and harvesting network dedicated to meeting the needs of neighbors while mitigating the impacts of food waste. The program is administered by Hudson Valley Agribusiness Development Corporation (HVADC) and operates across Dutchess, Columbia, Greene, Orange, Putnam, Sullivan, and Ulster counties in New York State.

This summer, FeedHV is anticipating an increasing amount of donations and needs additional volunteer help. FeedHV volunteers are essential to reducing food waste and insecurity in the region. The volunteer crew transports food donations to recipient agencies on their own schedule, enabled through the ChowMatch app. Volunteers select their own geographic coverage, types of donations they transport (size and weight), and time spent. All individuals aged 18 and over with reliable transportation and auto insurance can volunteer with FeedHV. To learn more about FeedHV, visit [www.feedhv.org](http://www.feedhv.org). To sign up as a volunteer, visit [tinyurl.com/feedhvvolunteer](http://tinyurl.com/feedhvvolunteer)

Since 2017, FeedHV has been using the

ChowMatch app to match food donors with food assistance programs and direct food to those who need it most. Thanks to FeedHV's network of donors, feeding agencies and volunteers, the program has grown exponentially and has moved more food each year since its inception. The program is looking to build upon its one-million-pound success this summer by recruiting twenty-five new volunteers.

From January through April of this year, FeedHV has saved over 90,000 pounds of food that would have otherwise gone to waste. The FeedHV network currently includes 490 volunteers, 260 donor organizations and more than 185 receiving agencies with food assistance programs. Donors range from restaurants, farms, markets and food makers to caterers, event venues and educational institutions.

"Reaching one million pounds of rescued food is an incredible milestone for our region—it represents meals delivered to neighbors, resources kept out of landfills, and a community that shows up for one another," said HVADC Deputy Director Mary Ann Johnson. "With demand growing, we're inviting more volunteers to join us this summer and help ensure good food reaches the people who need it most."

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# Leaders: No place for hate in Fishkill

By Kristine Coulter

Village of Fishkill Mayor Kathy Martin made a statement regarding a video of a man performing a Nazi salute behind two young girls who were filming a dance video for social media during the Village of Fishkill's annual Block Party, which was held on May 30.

"We had our Block Party, and it was really, really a great night," began Martin during the Village Board of Trustee meeting on June 1. "However, it's been brought to my attention that there was a posting on social media that was completely unacceptable. I want to state very clearly that the Village of Fishkill and I as mayor, do not condone acts of hate, prejudice, antisemitism, or racism. I apologize to all of the people that were upset by this but please know that we are upset as well."

Martin continued, "There is no place for hate here in Fishkill and I also wanted to read a full statement of this."

Martin, in the statement she read about where the Village stands, stated: "The Village of Fishkill stands firmly against antisemitism hatred and discrimination is all of their forms. Acts of prejudice and intolerance have no place in our community. Our strength diversity of our residents and from the shared values and respect, dignity, and inclusion that unite us. We condemn acts or actions or rhetoric that target individuals because of their faith race, national origin, identity of background. Antisemitism and all forms of hate undermines the very principles of community and democracy we hold dear. As mayor, I remain committed to fostering a village where every person safe, valued, and well. We must continue to stand together and speak out against hatred and support one another in building a community rooted in understanding, compassion and mutual respect."

Martin added, she is "saddened that this person took it upon himself to do this. We don't accept this kind of hate."

The following was posted, in part, by Town of Fishkill officials, in part, on June 1: "Out of respect for Mayor Martin and the Village of Fishkill Board of Trustees, the Town of Fishkill chose to refrain from immediate public comment so that the Village could address the matter first. We fully support and endorse the remarks made by Mayor Martin during the June 1, 2026, Village Board meeting and share her condemnation of the conduct in question."

"While this isolated act did not define the event or diminish the overwhelming spirit of community, friendship, and celebration that characterized the evening, its appearance on social media understandably generated concern and prompted widespread condemnation from members of the public. We appreciate the prompt action taken to remove the posting, but the incident nevertheless serves as a reminder that symbols and gestures associated with hatred have no place in our community."

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino posted, in part, on June 3 about the incident, "These actions do not reflect our shared val-

ues as a community and I am proud to see so many members of our community speaking out against this hateful act. It is a shame that an event that brings people together was overshadowed by the actions of this person. I roundly condemn this conduct and it has no place in Dutchess County."

Numerous legislators, as well as Dutchess County Sheriff Kirk Imperati, posted their condemnation of the act.

Imperati, in part, stated on social media, "This incident was especially troubling, considering all the work we do with the Jewish community and providing safety and security training for all places of worship. As your Sheriff I uphold the Constitution of the State of New York and the United States of America. I will protect everyone's rights and way of life and that will never, ever change."

Dutchess County Legislator Doug McHoul, who represents Fishkill in the Dutchess County Legislature, stated, partially, in a post, "Here are my thoughts: 1) He's a dope. 2) I support free speech, but not when it's symbolic of genocide. 3) Obviously, this sort of behavior has no place in our town."

Dutchess County Chair Yvette Valdez Smith, who represents Fishkill in the legislature, posted to social media, in part, "I condemn this person's behavior in the strongest way and applaud everyone who has spoken out against it. I am proud to stand with my Fishkill neighbors in unity against hate. As Americans, it is our privilege and our responsibility to call out hate and injustice. I am proud to represent our diverse, welcoming, and inclusive community."

Town of Fishkill Councilmen Greg Totino and Donald Przytula also posted to social media statements.

Totino stated in part, "Let me be perfectly clear: *Hate has no home in Fishkill*"

Przytula posted: "Can you imagine the grief and fear that would lead a German couple in the 1930s to place their thirteen-year-old son alone on a ship bound for America?"

That thirteen-year-old was my father-in-law. Upon arriving at Ellis Island, he was instructed to make his way to Philadelphia and find his uncle, Jack. Not all of his family was able to escape Nazi persecution, and some perished at the hands of the Nazi regime.

A few years later, after becoming a United States citizen, my father-in-law returned to Germany wearing a U.S. Army uniform fighting for his newly adopted country.

While some may view a Nazi salute or swastika as a joke or harmless gesture, for many Americans these symbols evoke painful memories of hatred, persecution and unimaginable loss. They are reminders of one of history's darkest chapters and have no place in America-let alone a community gathering in Fishkill.

For anyone who does not fully understand the devastation caused by the Holocaust, I encourage you to visit the Holocaust Memorial Museums in New York City and Washington, D.C. There, you can learn from the survivors' stories and witness [first-hand] the human cost of hatred and intolerance."

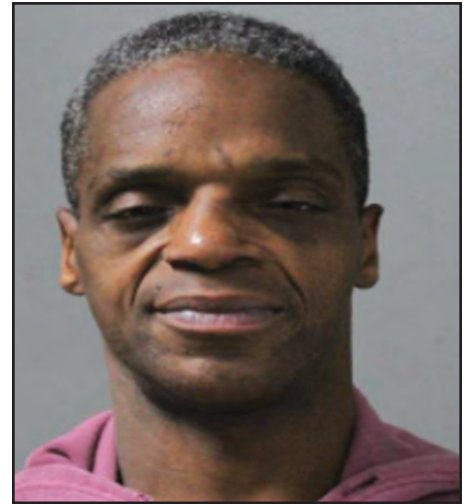
# Shrone Wright, 'On Sight,' sentenced to 25 years in state prison for stabbing death of 50-year-old father

Dutchess County District Attorney Anthony Parisi announces that 52-year-old Shrone Wright, also known as "On Sight" of Poughkeepsie, was sentenced yesterday by Dutchess County Court Judge Jessica Segal to 25 years in state prison for the stabbing death of William Gearhart, a 50-year-old father of two. The imposed sentence will also include 5 years of post-release supervision.

The conviction for the crime of Manslaughter in the First Degree, a class 'B' Violent Felony, occurred on March 12, after a Dutchess County jury heard nine days of testimony and after just over three hours of deliberations, according to the D.A.'s Office.

Parisi said in a press release on May 29, "William Gearhart lost his life as the result of a senseless and needless act of violence in a City of Poughkeepsie park. The jury carefully weighed the evidence and held the defendant accountable for that fatal act. While nothing can restore Mr. Gearhart to his family, this conviction and sentence should send a strong message that violence of this kind will be met with accountability in Dutchess County. I want to commend the jurors for their service and thank the prosecutors, investigators, and law enforcement partners who worked tirelessly to seek justice in this case."

The jury concluded that on the evening of November 6, 2024, in the City of Poughkeepsie, in the area of Pershing Avenue, the defendant engaged in a physical altercation with Gearhart and caused



**Shrone Wright**  
-Dutchess County D.A.'s Office

his death by a single stab wound to Gearhart's upper torso, without justification, according to the D.A.'s Office.

The case was prosecuted by Unit Chief Frank Petramale and Deputy Unit Chief Robert DeMono. Prosecutors recognized the work by the City of Poughkeepsie Police Department which handled the investigation and located witnesses, collected security videos and utilized license plate readers within the City of Poughkeepsie to track down leads and collaborate witness testimony. The City Police's investigation also had assistance from the New York State Police and the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department, it was stated.

# Expelled 23-year-old pleads guilty to 15 counts of unlawful surveillance in Marist University bathrooms

Dutchess County District Attorney Anthony Parisi announced on May 29 that Kyle Petrozzi, 23, pleaded guilty to 15 counts of Unlawful Surveillance in the Second Degree, all Class E Felonies, in Dutchess County Court.

Parisi stated in a press release on May 29, "The defendant's actions represented a serious and disturbing invasion of privacy and a violation of the trust and sense of security that every person deserves, particularly in places where privacy is expected. By secretly recording individuals without their knowledge or consent, the defendant victimized multiple people and caused understandable fear and distress. This guilty plea holds the defendant accountable for his conduct and reflects our Office's commitment to protecting victims and prosecuting crimes involving unlawful surveillance and exploitation. I want to thank the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department and Marist University officials for their diligent work and cooperation in in this case."

The incidents occurred over a period between April 27 and May 10, 2025 at Marist University. Petrozzi, who was enrolled as a senior, admitted to setting up surveillance cameras in gender neutral bathrooms throughout Dyson Hall for no legitimate purpose. Several people, both men and women, were filmed inside the bathrooms without their knowledge, according to the D.A.'s Office. Petrozzi was set to graduate in



**Kyle Petrozzi**  
-Dutchess County D.A.'s Office

May 2025 but was expelled due to the allegations.

The case was investigated by the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department and is being prosecuted by Deputy Unit Chief Nicholas LaStella with the Special Victims Unit. The Honorable Jessica Segal is presiding over the case and set sentencing for September 16.

# Gun buyback event set for June 13 in Poughkeepsie

Assemblymember Jonathan Jacobson and the City of Poughkeepsie Police Department will hold a gun buyback event from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 13 at Beulah Baptist Church, 92 Catharine St., in Poughkeepsie.

For more information, call 845-763-7011. Assemblymember Jonathan

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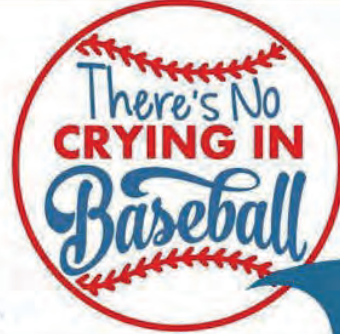


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## RENEGADES FEATURE

# Kent proves prowess at bat and in the field for Renegades

By Morgan E. Maier

The New York Yankees are reminded every series why they drafted Kaeden Kent. From stunning defense to consistent offensive production, he has been the uncontested core of the Hudson Valley Renegades, from the leadoff spot to the five-point-five hole.

Kent is nearly a lock to reach base. In the June 6 loss to the Frederick Keys, Kent got four of Hudson Valley's hits while three teammates (Eric Genter; Roderick Arias; Kyle West) combined for the other five. With seven total bases on the night, Kent bested his previous season high (5), which he has achieved four times this season.

The reliable righty arm in the infield and a lefty bat in the box, Kent has shown significant improvement from last year's half-season in High-A. So far in 2026, he's split time at shortstop, second, and a spell at third base, spending most of his time at short.

Following the Frederick series, Kent is batting .302. The next clos-

est belongs to Core Jackson, trailing with .266. The power-hitting prowess that Kent showcased as a Texas A&M Aggie hasn't yet shown its face, but his crack against the Keys produced all of Hudson Valley's runs on June 6.

More than being the leadoff hitter, Kent is the team leader in various categories. Runs (39), hits (68), stolen bases (15), total bases, and extra bases. His initials aren't the only thing about Kent that has New York seeing double - his team-leading 15 doubles do, too. He added three more on the multihit masterpiece in Maryland, and the number is likely to skyrocket as Kent's bat heats up with summer.

His numbers don't just lead his team, but the South Atlantic League. Those 68 hits are the top figure in both the north and south divisions. The doubles are a four-way tie for first.

As Kaeden continues the legacy of his Hall of Fame father, infielder Jeff Kent, the Renegades look to see the 22-year-old develop his own style at the head of the lineup.



In addition for being a terrific fielder, Kaeden Kent is the Renegades team leader in various categories. Runs (39), hits (68), stolen bases (15), total bases, and extra bases.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

## League Standings

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Frederick BAL	35	19	.648	-	6-4	W2
Greensboro PIT	35	22	.614	1.5	5-5	W2
Wilmington WSH	27	29	.482	9.0	2-8	L2
Hudson Valley NYY	25	31	.446	11.0	4-6	L2
Brooklyn NYM	22	34	.393	14.0	8-2	W4
Jersey Shore PHI	22	34	.393	14.0	3-7	L4
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Bowling Green TB	41	15	.732	-	7-3	W2
Winston-Salem CWS	33	24	.579	8.5	5-5	L3
Rome ATL	30	26	.536	11.0	5-5	L1
Hub City TEX	28	28	.500	13.0	4-6	W3
Greenville BOS	22	32	.407	18.0	5-5	W1
Asheville HOU	15	41	.268	26.0	6-4	L2



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# Renegades Extra!



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## RENEGADES ROUNDUP

# High-scoring affairs dominate as Renegades tangle with Keys

By Morgan E. Maier

The Hudson Valley Renegades went all week without a win during their previous visit to the Frederick Keys. The Renegades, now 25-31 on the season, solved enough of the Keys to salvage back-to-back wins, including a thrilling comeback to lock in the second victory of the South Atlantic League North leaders.

**Three's company** - The Renegades scored three runs in a trio of losses, including the series-ending 16-3 stomping. While scoring most runs allowed by the pitching staff all season, Frederick also launched six home runs. The Renegades were shut down the final four innings, as Frederick finished the rout by sitting down 12 straight Hudson Valley batters. Though a few outings were spoiled by the fiery Frederick offense, Hudson Valley pitchers fanned 12 Keys.

Enmanuel Tejada got the Renegades a lead with a solo home run, but Frederick erased it the following frame on an Ike Irish two-run blast. The Renegades mustered just five hits on June 2; Core Jackson hit three of them, including an RBI single to give the Renegades their only lead of the game, which they held for half an inning before falling 7-3. On June 3, the Renegades scored all 3 runs in one inning – a three-run cannon shot by Kaeden Kent – before the Keys came back to score 10 straight runs, capped by a 4-spot in the 8th inning.

**Facundo dominates in Frederick** - Right-hander Allen Facundo found the stuff Hudson Valley needed desperately when he took the mound on June 4. With no runs, no hits, and 12 strikeouts, Facundo forfeited four walks; none came around to score across his 6.0 innings as the Renegades ran away with the 10-1 victory. It helped that his



Josue Gonzalez, sliding into home above, had three hits and three RBI in a 10-1 Renegades victory over the Frederick Keys last week.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

offense struck first – and hard. Moylan had a 3-RBI night, while Josue Gonzalez had three hits and three RBI. Eric Genter got it started with a sacrifice fly in the first, while a rolling Kyle West grounder put the Renegades up two. In the second, the offense broke it open.

**7's Wild** - The back-and-forth battle on June 5 featured seven-run innings on both sides, but early on, Frederick seemed fixing for a slaughter. The Keys tagged Rory Fox

for 10 runs; three were earned. Riding a one-game win streak and down as many as seven, the 'Gades gained back. Josh Moylan went 3-5, knocking in 5 runs with 2 home runs. Josh Moylan cut the deficit in the sixth with a 3-run blast. And it became a game in the eighth, turning naptime at Nymeo Field back to a ballgame with six outs to spare. A Core Jackson triple cleared the bases, a passed ball and a pair of walks filled them of the way back for Roderick Arias. Arias'

monster 3-run shot to put the Renegades up 13-12. Jackson and Kent launched back-to-back doubles for the ninth inning insurance, as Hudson Valley hung on to win 14-13.

The Renegades come home to host the Jersey Shore BlueClaws, who are riding a four-game losing streak after dropping 5 of 6 to the Brooklyn Cyclones. Soccer Night, Superhero Night and Sunday's Copa de Diversion highlight the present slate of promos.

## RENEGADES EXTRA



Renegades pitcher Rory Fox has recorded 49 strikeouts in 46 innings so far this season.



Enmanuel Tejada knocked a solo homer in a Renegades loss to the Frederick Keys last week.

-Photos by Dave Janosz

### Scouting America Dutchess County Awards Dinner



Several individuals were honored at the Scouting America Dutchess County Awards Dinner held at Christos Catering in Poughkeepsie on May 21. Dan Conniff, Chief Operating Officer for the Greater Hudson Valley Council of Scouting America and Dinner Chair Mike Englishby led the event. Among the honorees were (from top) Eric Kiszkiel Senior Vice President, Engineering & Operations for Central Hudson, Joshua Rehrig, Life Sponsor, who has helped to raise over \$60,000 for local scouting, and speakers Dave Stewart of DS Home Services, Dutchess County Clerk Brad Kendall and Bill Beale, Commissioner of the Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response.

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### Former Hudson River Psychiatric Center campus ravaged by fires in Poughkeepsie



A massive fire tore through the campus of the former Hudson Valley Psychiatric Center in Poughkeepsie on June 3. Another fire was reported on the campus on the morning of June 8.

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A massive, multi-alarm fire tore through the historic former campus of the Hudson River Psychiatric Center in Poughkeepsie last week on June 3 around 11:20 a.m. The scale of the destruction left very little left, stated authorities. A fire was again reported in the early morning of June 8.

On June 6, on the Town of Poughkeepsie Town Hall Facebook page, it was posted, in part, "Over the coming days we will share resources about the site's history. Much investigation and work lies ahead, but with vision, determination, and partnership, the site can yet be revitalized in a way that honors its past while creating a walkable neighborhood with substantial new housing. A restored "Great Lawn" is planned for gatherings and recreation. After decades of neglect we will work with the developers to ensure that one day, the site serves our community in new ways." It was also noted that this is private property and many hazards exists and to follow the fire district's directive of no trespassing.

In a release from the Fairview Fire District on June 4, it was stated that when crews arrived after the call, they discovered "a visible column of smoke deep in a wooded area on the northern end of the campus, identifying a working fire in a 20X50 standalone structure." The release continued that "as crews successfully moved to place the initial building fire under control, units discovered a second, separate fire rapidly developing in the northeast wing of the massive HRC main administration building."

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino posted to social media on June 4, "Our hearts are breaking today for a piece of Dutchess County history, but they are overflowing with gratitude for the incredible heroes who fought to protect our community."

Serino explained in the post that the Fairview Fire Department remained on the scene the next day monitoring the smoldering remains.

"Fighting this blaze was an immense challenge—water had to be trucked into the site, making the fire even harder to contain. Yet, our first responders never wavered. Dozens of Dutchess County fire departments, crews from neighboring counties, and emergency personnel worked tirelessly through the grueling night to bring it under control. To every single person who answered the call: Dutchess County is forever in your debt," stated Serino.

On the Town of Poughkeepsie Town Hall Facebook page, it was posted in part, on June 4, "Historic buildings were lost—especially the administration building, a National Historic Landmark—but the town will continue working to ensure that one day this site serves our community again in new ways."

The community was kept informed of air quality conditions due to asbestos in the old buildings and smoke condition.

Local businesses stepped up to keep crews fed and hydrated through the long hours and everyone who kept the community safe during the incident were offered thanks by Serino.

### Tompkins Community Bank announces planned name change to Tompkins Bank & Trust



The new logo for Tompkins Bank & Trust, the rebrand of Tompkins Community Bank.

-Courtesy image

Tompkins Financial Corporation has announced that it has requested regulatory approval to rebrand Tompkins Community Bank as Tompkins Bank & Trust, a name that reflects the organization's longstanding reputation as a trusted financial partner, its capabilities, and its continued commitment to relationship-based banking and personalized service.

With more than 50 banking offices serving customers across Western, Central and Hudson Valley New York, as well as Southeastern Pennsylvania, Tompkins' new name builds on the organization's nearly 190-year legacy while positioning it for the future.

"The new name better reflects who we are today and the strength of the relationships we have built over generations," said Stephen Romaine, president and CEO of Tompkins Financial Corporation. "While our name is evolving, our purpose remains the same: to serve as a trusted financial partner and to help our customers, businesses and communities thrive. We are proud of our history, excited about this next chapter, and deeply committed to continuing to meet the needs of the communities we serve."

The transition to Tompkins Bank & Trust

will not change the products, services or local teams customers know and trust. Customers will continue to receive the same personalized service and local decision-making that have long defined the Tompkins experience.

Subject to regulatory approval, customers will begin to see the Tompkins Bank & Trust name and brand introduced across the organization's footprint over the coming year. This transition represents an exciting step forward—one that reinforces the bank's capabilities today while honoring the values that have guided it for nearly two centuries.

As Tompkins Bank & Trust, the organization will continue investing in local communities, supporting regional economies, and providing trusted financial solutions tailored to the needs of individuals, families, and businesses throughout its markets. For more information, visit [tompkinsbank.com](http://tompkinsbank.com).

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## Compassion, Community, and Critters: A Day of Blessings and Barnyard Friends

Dutchess County 4-H was proud to participate in the annual Blessing of the Animals event held on May 30 in Rhinebeck. The community event brought together local organizations, families, and animal lovers for an afternoon celebrating the connection between people and animals.

Representing Dutchess County 4-H this year were members of the Little Paws Rabbit & Cavy Club, along with youth and animals from the Spitters 4-H Club. Throughout the day, 4-H members introduced visitors to their animals, answered questions, and shared information about the many opportunities available through Dutchess County 4-H animal science programs.

The event featured a variety of ambassador animals and educational exhibits from organizations throughout the community. Visitors had the opportunity to interact with animals, learn more about proper animal care and stewardship, and experience firsthand the positive impact animals can have on people of all ages.

For the participating 4-H members, the event was not only an opportunity to showcase their projects, but also to practice leadership, communication, and community engagement skills. Youth spoke with families about their experiences in 4-H, explained the responsibilities involved in caring for their animals, and highlighted the importance of compassion and respect for all living things.

Events like the Blessing of the Animals help strengthen the connection between 4-H and the wider community while giving youth meaningful opportunities to represent the program. Dutchess County 4-H extends its thanks to the organizers, volunteers, families, and youth members who helped make the event such a success.



Little Paws Rabbit & Cavy Club was one of the 4-H representatives at the Blessing of the Animals event on May 30. Courtesy photo

# Community Action Partnership honors AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Barry Kaufman for 35 years of volunteer service

As the 2025 AARP Foundation Tax-Aide preparation season comes to a close, an exceptional volunteer whose dedication has made a lasting impact throughout the Hudson Valley was recognized. Barry Kaufman recently celebrated his 35th year of service with the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program.

Kaufman began volunteering with AARP Foundation Tax-Aide in 1990 after responding to a newspaper advertisement seeking volunteers. At the time, he was employed full-time and became the first volunteer in the area to provide evening tax preparation services at Grinnell Library in Wappingers Falls. Over the years, his commitment to the program expanded as he helped establish tax preparation sites at Adriance Library, the Poughkeepsie Galleria, Poughkeepsie Plaza, and Zion Episcopal Church in Wappingers Falls.

In recognition of his outstanding leadership and dedication, Kaufman received the prestigious Tax-Aide Fellow Award in 2014. The award is presented annually to fewer than one percent of volunteers in each state who have demonstrated more than 10 years of service and significant leadership contributions within the program.

Throughout his 35 years with Tax-Aide, Kaufman served as a tax site coordinator in Wappingers Falls and Poughkeepsie for 17 years and as a Tax-Aide instructor for 18 years.

Reflecting on his decades of volunteer service, Kaufman emphasized the meaningful relationships he has built with clients over the years.

“I have been assisting many generations of filers — their children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren,” said Kaufman. “You help a lot of people; I get paid with respect and consideration. You meet a lot of very nice people, and the volunteer activity is very enjoyable.”

“The Tax-Aide program and the community at large have benefited from Barry’s dedication and his philosophy of service to others,” said Charlie Milligan, New York State Coordinator for AARP Foundation Tax-Aide. “We are grateful for his years of leadership and commitment to fellow volunteers and community members.”

Kaufman’s dedication to community service extends well beyond the Tax-Aide program. Alongside his wife, Doreen, he has volunteered with Meals on Wheels for 11 years and Friends of Seniors for 16 years.



Charlie Milligan, New York State Coordinator, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide presents a certificate to Barry Kaufman, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteer, for his 35th year of volunteer service.

-Courtesy photo

## American Anthem at Hopewell Reformed Church on June 14

American Anthem: A Celebration of America will be held at Hopewell Reformed Church, 143 Beekman Rd., East Fishkill, on June 14 at 3 p.m. There will be songs and readings celebrating the Nation’s founding.

Paul Sinacore and Alice Avouris are bringing this program back to audiences in recognition of America’s 250th Anniversary. Through powerful readings

and memorable music, American Anthem offers an opportunity to reflect on the nation’s founding, honor its history, and celebrate the values that continue to inspire generations of Americans.

Community members of all ages are invited to attend this special afternoon of music, history, and patriotism. For more information, visit [www.vofishkill.org](http://www.vofishkill.org).

This filing season, the Hudson Valley CASH Coalition and the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program provided free tax preparation assistance to more than 7,000 filers across Dutchess, Orange, and Putnam counties, resulting in more than \$7.5 million in refunds and credits returned to low- and moderate-income households.

“We are so pleased with the results of this campaign this filing season,” said

Linda Eddy, Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County and CASH Coalition member. “We welcome anyone interested in getting involved to reach out and learn more about the program by calling 845-475-7500.”

For more information about volunteering with AARP Foundation Tax-Aide, contact the Hudson Valley CASH Coalition at 845-475-7500.

## Dutchess County accepting applications for free summer camp at Camp Nooteeing

Dutchess County is once again partnering with the Town of Pleasant Valley offer local children, ages 3½ to 15, a fun, outdoor summer camp experience at Camp Nooteeing in Pleasant Valley. As part of the Town’s “Camp Sunny Days,” campers will enjoy a wide range of outdoor activities including swimming, hiking, boating, arts and crafts, games and more on the various trails, fields and sport courts. Programming will run in three two-week sessions, from June 29th through August 7th, operating Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Division of Youth Services will provide scholarships to income-eligible families covering the full cost of the camp (not including extended care). Families earning up to 250% of the federal poverty level qualify for scholarships (income chart available on application). Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications can be completed through the County’s online portal.

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino said, “Summer is just around the corner, and we have the perfect adventure waiting for our youth right here in Dutchess County! I am thrilled to again partner with Supervisor Mary Albrecht and the Town of Pleasant Valley to bring ‘Camp Sunny Days’ to Camp Nooteeing, offering high-energy, age-specific programs packed with summer fun. Every child should be able to experience the magic of summer camp, which is why Dutchess County is making full scholarships available for income-eligible families - so don’t wait, dive into an unforgettable summer and apply today!”

Three camp options available, based on age:

**Camp Sunny Sprouts** Designed for preschool-aged children (ages 3½ to 4½), this program offers a warm and age-appropriate day of fun where young campers can explore, play and build confidence while feeling safe, supported, and cared for. Campers must be fully potty trained.

**Camp Sunny Days**, for children entering 1st through 6th grade in the fall, offers an active, social and thoughtfully paced program where campers grow and learn. Activities include swimming, sports,

games, nature, survival skills, boating and arts and crafts. Free play is built into the day, allowing children to slow down, make choices, and follow their curiosity – moments that often spark friendships and imaginative play.

**Teen Trailblazers**, for teens entering 7th grade through 9th grade in the fall – and are ready for flexibility, independence, and adventure while still benefiting from the structure and support that make camp a positive, rewarding experience – is designed for older campers who will have access to a wide range of activities while developing their individual interests, skills and confidence.

Families should submit scholarship applications as soon as possible. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis. Once approved, families will be notified by the Division of Youth Services and provided a code and special registration link for Pleasant Valley Recreation programs, where they can register children for the specific camp sessions. Children can attend multiple sessions. Registration will include setting up a Pleasant Valley Recreation account and providing medical and immunization paperwork required for camp attendance. Transportation is not provided and children should bring snacks and packed lunch.

Town of Pleasant Valley Supervisor Mary Albrecht said, “We are pleased to continue our successful partnership with Dutchess County to bring our popular ‘Camp Sunny Days’ back to Camp Nooteeing again this summer. Our camp programs offer wonderful opportunities for children to stay active, build friendships and grow in confidence, all in a beautiful outdoor setting. Thank you to County Executive Sue Serino for her continued partnership and we look forward to creating wonderful summer memories for children.”

Since 2022, thousands of children from across Dutchess County have enjoyed outdoor summer programming on Camp Nooteeing’s 272-acre campus.

Additional information about “Camp Sunny Days” is available at [https://pleasantvalleyny.myrec.com/info/activities/program\\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29819](https://pleasantvalleyny.myrec.com/info/activities/program_details.aspx?ProgramID=29819).

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# Early voting for primary races begins June 13 and Primary Day is June 23

The following is a list of candidates for the Democratic primary in Dutchess County from the Dutchess County Board of Elections. The Democratic Party is the only party in the county holding a primary this year on June 23 from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Only those registered in the Democratic Party can vote in the primary. For poll site locations, go to <https://elections.dutchessny.gov>.

In the NYS Comptroller race, Thomas P. DiNapoli is the incumbent. For Senate District 39, the Democratic primary winner will go against incumbent Rob Rolison, Republican. For Member of Congress District 17, the Democratic primary winner will face incumbent Mike Lawler, Republican, in November. Didi Barrett, Democrat, is the incumbent for Assembly District 106.

The following list is for the municipalities in Southern Dutchess County.

### City of Beacon

**NYS Comptroller Democratic**  
Thomas P. DiNapoli  
Drew Warshaw  
Raj Goyle

**State Senator District 39 Democratic**  
Gay Lee  
Lisa Kaul  
Evan R. Menist

### East Fishkill

**NYS Comptroller Democratic**  
Thomas P. DiNapoli  
Drew Warshaw  
Raj Goyle

**Member of Congress District 17 Democratic**  
Effie Guadalupe Phillips-Staley  
Cait Conley  
Beth Davidson  
John Cappello  
Michael Sacks

**State Senator District 39 Democratic**  
Gay Lee  
Lisa Kaul  
Evan R. Menist

### Fishkill

**NYS Comptroller Democratic**  
Thomas P. DiNapoli

Drew Warshaw  
Raj Goyle

**State Senator District 39 Democratic**  
Gay Lee  
Lisa Kaul  
Evan R. Menist

### Town of Poughkeepsie

**NYS Comptroller Democratic**  
Thomas P. DiNapoli  
Drew Warshaw  
Raj Goyle

**State Senator District 39 Democratic**  
Gay Lee  
Lisa Kaul  
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**Member of Assembly 106 Democratic**  
Didi Barrett  
Samuel Hodge

### Wappinger

**NYS Comptroller Democratic**  
Thomas P. DiNapoli  
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**Early Voting:** Early voting enables voters to cast their ballot in person prior to election day. Dutchess County voters may visit any early voting site in the county. Please be aware that your typical poll site is likely closed for early voting.

### Locations

- Pavilion at Brookmeade, 34 Brookmeade Dr., Rhinebeck
- Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill
- Boardman Road Library, 1 4 1 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie
- Cornell Cooperative Extension, 2715 Route 44, Millbrook
- Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market Street, Poughkeepsie
- Board of Elections Training Center, 4280 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park

### Primary Election Early Voting schedule

- Saturday, June 13, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Sunday, June 14, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Monday, June 15, Noon - 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 16, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 17, Noon - 8 p.m.
- Thursday, June 18, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Friday, June 19, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Sunday, June 21, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

For more information, go to <https://elections.dutchessny.gov>.

## VILLAGE OF FISHKILL ELECTION JUNE 16

The General Village Election of and for the Village of Fishkill will be held on the Tuesday, June 16. The polls will be open for voting between the hours of Noon and 9 p.m. The Village of Fishkill constitutes one election district and the polling place for such district is the Van Wyck Village Hall, 1095 Main Street, in Fishkill.

The names 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, current trustee, is running for an unexpired 3-year term, on the Fight For Your Right line.

## 'We the People' set for June 19

"We the People: A Marathon Reading of the U.S. Constitution" will be held on Friday, June 19, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Memorial Building, 413 Main St, Beacon. Local citizens will read the entire con-

tents of the U.S. Constitution, Interpretive commentary provided by Professor Beau Breslin, Skidmore College.

For more information, visit <http://www.ruthdanon.com>.

# Obituaries

Carlos Manso, Jr.



Carlos Manso, Jr. was born in the Bronx, NY on August 22, 1961 to the late Carlos Manso, Sr. and the late Alvina Louise (Sherrer) Manso. After a long battle, Carlos was called Home by the Lord to rest on May 31, 2026.

Carlos, affectionately called "Carlito" by his longtime "Prospect Avenue" friends, was well loved and liked by those who knew him. Carlos was a graduate of Harry S. Truman High School and attended LaGuardia Community College. In the late 70's to the mid 80's Carlos was an intricate part of East Tremont Neighborhood Association (ETNA) Community children's/teen center. Carlos mentored, helped put together a basketball team, after school programs, and other activities and various programs for

the youth in West Farms and Lambert neighborhoods. He was very proud of that and remembered by those who attended and/or participated at ETNA.

Carlos remained an avid sports fan his entire life. His favorite teams were: the Knicks; the Dallas Cowboys and the Yankees.

Carlos worked many years as a Benefits Coordinator and Director of Benefits at both Memorial Sloane Kettering Cancer Center, Merrill Lynch and Safe Horizon.

Carlos is predeceased his parents, Carlos Manso, Sr. and Alvina Louise (Sherrer) Manso, and his baby sister, Jennifer Manso. He is also predeceased by his Great Aunt, Louise E. Bazzel and Great Grandmother, Edna Sherrer both of whom played an intricate roll in raising Carlos.

Carlos leaves to cherish him in memory: his sister, Debra Jones, and brother-in-law, Steward Jones; his brother, Darryl Manso and sister-in-law, Leslie Manso; nephew, Darnell Jones and niece, Crystal Jones; nephew, Sharod Manso and niece, Lauren Manso; nephew, Quincy Jones and niece Nathalie D'Acunto; hjs grandniece, Violet Jones; grandnephew, Ace Jones; his sister/cousin, Sandra "Mandy" Allen; his aunt, JoAnne Sherrer; Goddaughter, Ayana Blackwell, and his (ex-wife/close family friend), Dawn Powell-Manso.

Also, remembering Carlos always, cousins: Dwayne "Skipper" Lindsay; Lawrence "Larry" Cooper; Constance "Connie" Cooper and so many family friends.

Carlos, your laughter, great joy in being with the family, and leading of family prayer during our many gatherings, reunions, and Thanksgiving get-togethers will be greatly missed.

Remember ... It's not the quantity of time spent with the ones you love, but the quality and memories made during those times.

Remembering you always Carlos...Rest Easy Brother, Uncle, Cousin, and Friend. Love, Your Family

Family and friends will gather on Monday, June 8 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Springfield Baptist Church, 8 Mattie Cooper Square, Beacon, with a funeral service beginning at 11 a.m. Burial will take place at Rose Hills Memorial Park, 100 Mill Street, Putnam Valley, following services.

To send a personal condolence please visit [www.riverviewbyhalvey.com](http://www.riverviewbyhalvey.com). Funeral arrangements are under the care of Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, LLC.

John E. Johnson, Sr.



John E. Johnson, Sr., passed away on Friday, June 5, 2026 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center surrounded by family after a battle with esophageal cancer. He was 76.

John was born in Glen Cove, NY to James C. Johnson, Sr. and Marguerite Hericourt Johnson. He graduated from Beacon High School in 1967 and continued his education at Dutchess Community College. John started working for the City of Beacon Police Department at age 20 on October 13, 1969, rose through the ranks, and retired as Chief of Police on April 2, 1994. He married Rhonda Basso on September 4, 1971.

John was a life member of New York State Association of Chiefs of Police and honorary life member of Beacon Knights of Columbus, Trinity Council #445. John was the owner and operator of John + Sons Fence Company from the early 1970s until the early 1990s. In 1990, John built the house he and his wife shared.

John is survived by his wife, Rhonda Basso Johnson; his son, John Jr. (Kevin); his son, Jason (Jessica); his granddaughter, Samantha; his brothers, James Jr. (Bonnie), Jerry (Linda), Jeffrey and Joseph; and several aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and his godson, Patrick O'Dell. He was predeceased by his parents and his nephew, Shawn Johnson and niece, Alicia Johnson.

Family and friends will gather on Wednesday, June 10 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, 2 Beekman Street, Beacon. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, June 11 at 11 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 Willow Street, Beacon. Burial will follow at St. Joachim Cemetery, Beacon.

To send a personal condolence, please visit [www.riverviewbyhalvey.com](http://www.riverviewbyhalvey.com). Funeral arrangements are under the care of Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey LLC.

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# DCHS presents Historic Preservation awards



On May 31, the Dutchess County Historical Society hosted its annual Historic Preservation and Awards Ceremony at the Brinckerhoff Inn in Fishkill. Top row, from left: DCCHS Board President Wayne Nussbickel is shown giving the award for Historic Preservation to Robert Chiulli, for Chiulli's preservation stewardship of the Brinckerhoff Inn. Bannerman Castle Trust Executive Director and founder, Neil Caplan, received the Dutchess Award for exceptional contributions to the community from DCCHS Trustee, Peter Forman. Charlotte Hampton, an intern at DCCHS, received the FDR Award for early notable achievement from DCCHS Collections Manager Aidan Chisamore. Bottom row, from left: Dutchess County historian Will Tatum presented the Helen Wilkinson Reynolds Award for the "necessary, accurate pursuit of historical truth" to long-serving and current DCCHS Trustee and Collections Chair Melody Moore. Eileen Mylod Hayden gave the Eileen Mylod Hayden Award for excellence in education to Arlington High School teacher, Robert Mc Hugh. More information and photos can be found at [dchsnys.org/2026-0531](http://dchsnys.org/2026-0531).

-Courtesy photos

## Poughkeepsie Farm Project sponsors 24 families with fresh produce after ambitious campaign

What began as an ambitious campaign to feed 10 families through a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) sponsored share program ended with 24 families in need receiving fresh produce from June through November. The Poughkeepsie Farm Project (PFP) announced the milestone following its participation in Hudson Valley Gives, a regional 24-hour day of giving.

By Wednesday afternoon, the farm's campaign had already surpassed \$4,000, a remarkable pace that rallied even more supporters. Within 24 hours, the community had raised over \$9,000 which was enough to feed 14 families. The surge was capped by a generous anonymous donor who contacted the organization to bridge the remaining gap, covering the cost of every share for every family on the waitlist.

"I cried, Maddie (the CSA manager) cried... I suspect most of the team cried. I officially joined the team in March, and I am constantly blown away by the kindness and generous spirit of our community," said Gina McCann, Co-Executive Director of Development &

Communications, Poughkeepsie Farm Project.

The Poughkeepsie Farm Project is a 12-acre nonprofit farm founded in 1999 whose mission centers on growing fresh, healthy food and making it accessible to all members of the community. Its food share program enables low-income families to receive a full CSA subscription including weekly markets and pick-your-own seasonal vegetables and herbs at discounted or no cost, funded through grants and community donations. In 2025, the farm grew over 150,000 lbs of fresh food and donated over 44,000 lbs directly to the community or with its 14 distribution partners in the Hudson Valley like Dutchess Outreach and Fareground.

Hudson Valley Gives, organized annually by The Community Foundation of the Hudson Valley, is a regional day of giving designed to inspire philanthropic support for local nonprofits. This year's campaign demonstrated the deep commitment Hudson Valley residents have to food justice and community well-being.

To learn more about Poughkeepsie Farm Project, visit [farmproject.org](http://farmproject.org).

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## American Revolution lecture set for June 24

Town of Wappinger Historian and Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini will offer a lecture for America's 250th in the Village of Fishkill on Wednesday, June 24 at 6

p.m. The lecture will be held at the Village of Fishkill Van Wyck Hall, 1095 Main St. For more information, visit [www.vofishkill.org](http://www.vofishkill.org).

# Exceeding expectations!

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districts all over Dutchess County. Messina and the DeForest/Lawrence family at Stormfield Swiss are working together on the growing program. The DeForest/Lawrence family was named the DCAS' first "Farm Family of the Year" in July of 2025.

"We launched the Adopt a Calf program as part of our ongoing effort to advance the mission of the Agricultural Society. Cassie and the DeForest/Lawrence family have done an exceptional job leading this pilot initiative, bringing energy, organization and dedication from the moment it began," said Andy Imperati, President/CEO of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society/Dutchess County Fairgrounds. "Due to the program's strong popularity, we plan to regroup after the school year to discuss ways to expand the Adopt a Calf program to additional schools. We are very pleased with how the program has unfolded this year. It has far exceeded our expectations."

According to its' mission, the Adopt a Calf program invites classrooms throughout Dutchess County to "adopt" a dairy calf and follow its growth through the school year. Students receive an introductory video taken soon after the calf is born and can write back to the farmers with questions that will be answered in future video or photo updates. Each update provides age-appropriate educational materials that focus on animal care, nutrition and the role that agriculture plays in everyday life.

Messina noted that she had been working with the ongoing DCAS Agricultural Education effort since 2018, visiting school classrooms and with instructions in a variety of areas. However, the mushrooming growth of the Adopt A Calf program was quite unexpected

She said, "When the phone started ringing and social media responses started coming in, my husband, Bobby, asked me 'Are you ready for this?'"

And the answer – although unsure at that moment – has become a resounding "Yes!"

The DeForest/Lawrence children immediately began to help Messina by producing the real-time videos to share with class-

rooms via YouTube.

"The videos track Sweet Treat's growth through monthly weighing and measurements of her height. We also discuss milk production, how the feed is made, what the cows eat and the regular care of cows and calves," said Messina. "Then we get feedback from the students and provide answers to questions. It's a lot of work, given the many classrooms that we are working with."

Jenna Lawrence commented, "Making the videos was one of the best experiences ever, and it really made me feel like I was doing my part in educating the youth."

### Classroom/farm visits

Next came the logistical process of setting up visits to each classroom and/or visits to the farm and then making those visits happen. Coordinating the visits has been somewhat overwhelming, however, Messina noted, "Jen and Jim and their kids are the best people on the planet. They stepped right up and made this work, even with all of their regular farm chores."

Jen DeForest noted that the family had been helping Messina with the "Ag in the Classroom" project for a few years by bringing calves to the schools. "So, at first we were thinking this would be pretty much the same thing - until Cassie told me about all the emails she received once the press release went out," she said. "Then it became a whole different story of how are we going to manage all of this, it basically became a second job!"

She added, "With that being said, the school students have been great. The questions they ask and interest they show is so rewarding, knowing they have learned a lot by watching the videos. Seeing them ask their teachers to take pictures of them doing different things during the visits to show their parents, and telling us it's the best day of their lives. I have a feeling this project has been the topic of many dinner-table conversations. We have gone beyond just educating the students, we have families being able to watch videos on school platforms, answered questions from school administration, custodians and anyone else that might come by and see the calves when we are at the schools. This makes the long days totally worth it."



DCAS Agricultural Educator Cassie Messina explains the different types of feed for dairy cows to students from South Avenue Elementary School during a visit to the Stormfield Swiss Farm in the Town of Wappinger on June 5.

-Photo by Curtis Schmidt

Regarding work on the farm, DeForest commented, "We get up very early on the days we have visits. It usually takes five hours of chores to get everything done before we have to leave or the schools arrive here. Thankfully, we get back for the most part in time for Jim to do field work, like chopping haylage. He mows the night before, so it's ready to chop when we get home. The kids are very helpful when they get home from school to get the afternoon chores done with me."

Additional classroom visits have been to Zoe's Ice Cream Barn in Lagrangeville where students have the opportunity to learn how to make milk into ice cream, following Katie Ferris' slogan of "from cow to cone in three days." Students also make their own whipped cream and sundaes.

Hudson Valley Fresh is also part of the program and provides chocolate milk for all students during visits to the farms and classrooms.

Jenna Lawrence commented, "This program has really been an empower-

ing experience where I was happy that I had the opportunity to educate the younger generation on agriculture."

Justin Lawrence added, "I enjoy coming home from school and asking my parents how the school visits went and what kinds of questions the kids had about meeting Sweet Treat"

Looking forward, Messina said the Adopt A Calf effort has now "opened the door for us (DCAS) to add more programs, not just dairy. We're considering integrating different species into to the Adopt a calf program –so that it becomes a new program each year."

The goal for now and the future is to plant the seeds of agriculture into the minds of young people and their parents and to grow the programming.

Messina said she even foresees herself working with a special outfitted "mobile agri-classroom with different rotating displays." But for now, she is quite happy with the huge response to Adopt A Calf and plans to let that success set the tone for the future.



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# Creative Living

## Strawberries to highlight annual Beacon Sloop Club festival

By Kristine Coulter

Celebrate summer with the Beacon Sloop Club on Sunday, June 14 at the Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, from noon to 5 p.m. in Beacon. The annual Strawberry Festival, with free admission, will be taking place, rain or shine.

Beacon Sloop Club President Rob May said via email, "I think my favorite part of putting the Strawberry Festival together is watching all of our talented volunteer coordinators intensely working together for hours and hours, sharing ideas, solving problems and joining together to make the festival a success. And I enjoy watching the expressions of joy on all the festival-goers' faces as they taste the delicious strawberry shortcakes and other food, listen to all the wonderful music, and sample the vendor offerings. It is also very satisfying to see the smiles on all the children's faces as they participate in the many and varied children's activities."

About how many strawberries are needed for the Festival?

May said, "We use about 1,000 lbs. of fresh-picked, locally grown strawberries. Our founders, Pete and Toshi Seeger wanted to help local farmers as much as possible, so we try to make sure our strawberries are locally sourced whenever we can."

Local resident Trish Murphy has been volunteering for the Festival over the years.

Asked what she enjoys about volunteering for the festival, Murphy, who is the vice president of the Beacon Sloop Club, responded, "Seeing the community together" and that those in attendance can enjoy the Hudson River.

She remarked how Pete Seeger, the late folk singer, activist and local resident, wanted to clean up the river and that the now park was once a dump.

"Pete wanted people to come down to the river," she said.

May noted there will be many new

vendors and craftspeople who display a wide array of offerings. There will also be favorite vendors returning for the day.

"Our music coordinator Susan Berliner has made a special effort to find new and exciting performers to play on our main stage and our children's stage. They will share the stages with the many talented and beloved musicians that have been entertaining and thrilling us for years. The children's area has expanded and now there are many new and exciting activities for children of all ages," said May.

He continued, "There will be a wide variety of merchandise at our merch tent, including a newly designed Strawberry Festival tee shirt. We are hoping to get new volunteers with new ideas to work in our popular Environmental Tent. As an environmental organization we are making a special renewed effort to reduce, reuse and recycle any waste generated by the festival."

Murphy said she is shocked by how the festival has grown over the years and at how many people attend the event.

Asked how has the event grown over the years, May replied, "It is hard to believe, but the first few Strawberry Festivals were so small that they were held in what is now the parking lot next to the Beacon Sloop Club. The festival has grown exponentially since those early years."

May added, "There used to be only one music stage. Now there is a main stage and a children's stage. The number of children's activities has expanded. The participation of vendors has grown over the years, and the food offerings have also multiplied. There is more merchandise than we had in earlier festivals. But I think the biggest difference is how many more people know about the festival and come and enjoy the entertainment, crafts and food."



The Beacon Sloop Club members will hold the group's annual Strawberry Festival, at Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, on Sunday, June 14 in Beacon. Pictured is volunteer Vince Farina from a previous year's event.



A group of volunteers work on cutting up strawberries for a previous year's festival. This year's Strawberry Festival will be held on Sunday, June 14 at Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park in Beacon.

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# The hairy vine of Poison Ivy

I know it when I see it: My circuitous route to weed identification

Once upon a time, in an Ivory Tower, I read and wrote articles for academic journals no one reads for fun. There, I was expected to use certain highfalutin words. I had forgotten those terms, since I am no longer required to describe obvious events as though they are profound. But in writing this column, I recalled my once-lofty vocabulary.

**Rules of Thumb and Exceptions**

The strategy our brain uses to simplify a task is a heuristic—a rule of thumb. We all employ them. Some phrases I mentally review during monotonous chores are “Righty, Tightly, Lefty, Loosy” while tightening a screw; “‘I’ before ‘E’, except after ‘C’” when spelling; and “Eat the rainbow” during dinner prep. It is usually true that most screws fully seat clockwise, that words like receive follow the rule, and that a colorful meal is a nutritious one.

BUT—all have exceptions. The left pedal on a bicycle is reverse-threaded, or it would unscrew while pedaling. Eight ancient species seize protein, breaking the spelling rule. And a palette for your palate may lead you to prioritize imported produce over sustainable, local options. These heuristics are like a hand-drawn map. They get you to the right city, but you need more information to find a specific house. That’s where sagacity—wisdom and discernment—comes in.

**When the elephant is hidden in plain sight**

“If it looks, walks, and quacks like a duck, it’s a duck.” This maxim, credited to 19th-century poet James Whitcomb Riley, is a common-sense threshold. It is similar to Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart’s 1964 declaration that he “knew it when he saw it” when defining obscene material. Both refer to conclusions that are irrefutable to a reasonable community member.

Yet, some domains are ambiguous. Many waterfowl are easily mistaken for ducks, requiring DNA sequencing to regroup them. Local towns can flag explicit content, but free speech protections ensure public sensitivities can’t outlaw biology textbooks or Michelangelo’s “David.” Sagacity is vital



Poison Ivy likes to hide among other plants, such as this hosta.



Look closer and you’ll see Poison Ivy’s hairy vines attached to the tree.



If only Poison Ivy were so well labeled!

-Photos by Francine Wizner

for evaluating nuance. Critical variables, fine shifts, and interdependence create a complex field, nullifying a simplified heuristic in favor of a practitioner who can discern subtlety.

**Becoming sagacious**

Growing up in Greene County, I had no experience with poison ivy; before winters became milder, I never saw it at that elevation. After moving to Ulster

County, however, I suffered the ill-effects of urushiol exposure multiple times. Despite knowing the heuristic “leaves of three, let it be,” I repeatedly fell victim, often unaware I had touched the dreaded irritant.

Since leaves surround me in this enchanted woodland, survival dictates that I learn about them. It is difficult not to notice that numerous leaves are trifoliate. This three-leaflet structure is an

example of convergent evolution—highly efficient for capturing sunlight, managing water loss, and defending against herbivores. To complicate matters, poison ivy is a shape-shifter. It morphs from a ground crawler into a shrub or a climbing vine. In spring, new leaves have a shiny, reddish-bronze tint before turning deep emerald green. Its edges can be smooth, jagged, or deeply lobed. Hairy aerial roots and clusters of dull white berries can help identify it, but they are not always visible.

**Botanical Doppelgängers**

To further muddle the field, there are look-alikes. One deceptive doppelgänger is the immature Wild Sarsaparilla (*Aralia nudicaulis*). It emerges with three shiny, reddish-bronze leaves. Early homesteaders used this native forest plant to brew spicy-sweet beverages akin to root beer. While not related to true sarsaparilla, this ginseng-family plant possesses anti-inflammatory properties. With improving sagacity, you will notice that Wild Sarsaparilla grows as a single stalk that splits into three distinct branches, featuring leaflets with fine “teeth” along their entire margin.

Brambles present another challenge. Wild blackberry and raspberry share the three-leaf structure, often sporting a reddish tint before maturing to green. They thrive as low-lying ground cover or messy thickets along forest edges and trail corners. To a novice observer, these similarities are confusing. But the sagacious will look closer and notice that what seem like hairs along the stem are actually fine prickles. Bramble leaf-edges are sharply serrated, and the surfaces are heavily textured rather than flat.

Many other doppelgängers exist. One develops sagacity not by taking shortcuts, but by following a meandering, careful path. Join me next time. Class dismissed for today.

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## First Walkway Market debuts June 13

Connecting local products with sweeping Hudson River views, the inaugural Walkway Market: A Taste NY Experience is set for Saturday, June 13, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Walkway Over the Hudson’s Ulster Welcome Center Plaza in Highland.

Presented in partnership with Taste NY, Walkway Market brings a vibrant open-air farmers market to one of the region’s most iconic destinations celebrating the best of New York State’s farmers, producers, and artisans.

The event will feature a curated lineup

of 30 vendors from across the Empire State, offering a wide array of goods including maple syrup, honey, jerky, pickles, spices, fresh flowers, soaps, pet treats, jewelry, and handcrafted items. In addition to shopping and sampling, attendees can enjoy community activations and family-friendly experiences throughout the day.

Admission to Walkway Market is free and open to the public. Made possible by Friends of the Walkway, free parking for all attendees will be available along Haviland Road to ensure easy access for visitors from across the region.

Set adjacent to the sweeping Hudson River views that define the Walkway experience, the market offers a unique opportunity to support small businesses while enjoying a day outdoors with friends and family.

“Walkway Market is an exciting new way for people to experience our park

while directly supporting New York’s incredible community of farmers, makers, and small businesses,” said Lori Robertson, Executive Director, Friends of the Walkway. “Through our partnership with Taste NY, we’re able to showcase the very best of what our state has to offer in a setting that brings people together.”

Walkway Market is part of Friends of the Walkway’s ongoing efforts to activate the park with engaging, community-centered programming that enhances the visitor experience while supporting regional economic vitality. Taste NY is an initiative of New York State dedicated to promoting locally grown and produced food, beverages, and agricultural products while showcasing the quality and diversity of products made across the state.

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# Mom, Giovanni, and the patio lunch

A tenacious guest (briefly) gets his way on a windy day.

It was lunchtime – bright sun, blue sky, birds chirping – the kind of day that looks warm but feels like sticking your head in the freezer at Costco. The patio umbrellas were rattling like they were trying to file a complaint.

Mom was at the hostess stand, cardigan wrapped tight, muttering in Italian every time the door opened and a blast of cold air slapped her.

**Mom:** “Che freddo ... this weather is-a lying to everybody.”

My brother John was out front with her, leaning on the podium like he was supervising the neighborhood, the weather, and anyone who dared breathe wrong.

**John:** “Ma, it’s fine. It’s not that cold.”

Mom shot him a look.

**Mom:** “Giovanni, I can see-a your breath. You look like a pot of pasta water starting to steam.”

Just then, the door swung open and in walked this guy – sunglasses on his head, big smile, chest puffed out like he was on a yacht in Positano. Behind him was his wife, wrapped in her coat like she was preparing for a polar expedition. He stepped up to the stand.

**Customer:** “Hi! We’d like to sit outside!”

Mom froze. John smirked. A gust of wind blew a patio napkin across the parking lot like it was trying to escape.

**Mom:** “Outside? Fuori? You wanna sit outside for lunch? You know it’s-a colder out there than my walk-in freezer?”

The guy laughed like she was joking.

**Customer:** “We love fresh air!”

Mom threw her hands up.

**Mom:** “Fresh? That air out there is violent. It’s-a gonna smack you in the face and steal your bread.”

John was leaning on the podium, watching the whole thing like it was a matinee performance.

**John:** “Ma, if they wanna sit outside, just sit ‘em outside.”

Momma turned to him slowly.

**Mom:** “Giovanni ... don’t make-a me put YOU out there.”

But the customer was determined. He pointed at the patio like it was the Amalfi Coast.

**Customer:** “It looks beautiful out there!”

Momma squinted.

**Mom:** “Beautiful? The umbrella is-a sideways. The tablecloth is-a doing the tarantella. Even the ketchup bottle is-a shivering.”

The wife whispered:

**Wife:** “Maybe we should sit inside...”

But the guy waved her off.

**Customer:** “No, no – we’re sitting outside. We’re adventurous!”

Mom muttered.

**Momma:** “Yeah, adventurous ... like the people who go swimming with sharks.”

But she grabbed the menus and led them toward the patio. The moment she opened the door – WHOOSH – a gust of wind hit so hard it blew one of the menus out of her hand and sent it flying across the parking lot like it was trying to quit its job.

Mom watched it go.

**Mom:** “Eh ... there goes the specials.”

They sat. The wife was already shaking like she was in a meat locker. The napkins blew off the table. The guy’s hair was now pointing in three different directions.

John was barely back at the front desk when the couple burst inside like they were escaping Antarctica. The wife’s teeth were chattering like she was playing percussion in a salsa band.

**Wife:** “M-m-maybe ... maybe we should sit inside instead...”

Mom nodded like she had been waiting for this moment since the dawn of time.

**Mom:** “I TOLD YOU! Si, si. Come inside before I gotta call-a the ambulance.”

The husband tried to save face.

**Customer:** “Yeah, uh ... maybe it is a little chilly.”

Mom raised an eyebrow.

**Mom:** “A little chilly? Your wife is-a turning into a snowman.”

She marched them back inside, seated them at a warm table, and as she walked back to the stand she muttered – loud enough for Giovanni to hear.

**Mom:** “Next time you tell me ‘just sit ‘em outside,’ I’m-a sitting YOU outside. With no soup!”

John shrugged.

**John:** Ma, I told you they wouldn’t last.”

**Mom:** “Giovanni, bring me a cup of Stracciatella, eh? Before I put YOU outside with the ketchup bottle.”

And the staff pretended they didn’t hear her – because everyone knew Mom ran the front, the patio, and the weather. Oh, and the Stracciatella.

## Stracciatella Soup

### Ingredients

- 4 cups chicken broth
- 2 large eggs
- ½ cup grated Parmigiano Reggiano cheese
- 1 cup fresh spinach
- salt and pepper to taste

### Preparation Steps

**Prepare the Broth:** In a medium pot, bring the chicken broth to a gentle boil. If you’re using homemade broth, ensure it’s well-seasoned for the best flavor.

**Whisk the eggs and cheese:** In a separate bowl, whisk together the eggs, grated Parmigiano cheese, and a pinch of salt. If desired, add a pinch of nutmeg for extra flavor.

**Combine Ingredients:** Once the broth is boiling, reduce the heat to low. Slowly pour the egg and cheese mixture into the broth while continuously stirring with a whisk. This will create delicate strands of egg in the soup.

Allow the soup to cook for about 2 minutes until the eggs are fully cooked and have formed soft ribbons. If you’re adding spinach, stir it in at this point and let it wilt for a minute.

Taste the soup and adjust the seasoning with salt and pepper as needed. Serve with warm crusty Italian bread.

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Allied Recovery and Mental Health Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed SSNY 01/02/2026. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 11 Peter Cooper Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful.

Notice of Formation of MJ LLOYD REALTY, LLC, Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on April 24, 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.

FAN ENTERPRISES 6 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/11/26. 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, 236 Ketchamtown Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

J I M E N E Z PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/23/26. 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, 2594 South Avenue, Apartment 1F, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of K-Mericorp LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/10/2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 824 N Hillside Rd, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Blu-Hazel Therapy, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/24/26. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Blu-Hazel Therapy, 517 Salt Point Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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limited liability company (LLC): Nancy's Helping Hands, LLC Articles of Organization filed With the New York State Secretary of State On April 29, 2026. Office located Dutchess County. NYS shall mail Copy of any processto c/o the LLC 242 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508 There is no specific date set for dissolution. Purpose to engage in any lawful activity or act. Filer is Accutax Accounting Services, LLC 242 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508

Notice of Formation of a NY Limited Liability Company. Name: Obsidian Bloom, LLC. Articles of Organization filing date with the Secretary of State (SSNY) 1/28/26. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy of process to PO BOX 146 Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: Any Lawful.

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.

Notice of Formation of Haddad Law, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY on 9/24/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to 179 Fulton St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: to engage in the practice of law

CARMEL HEIGHTS LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/19/2026. 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, 10 Alladin Ct, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of formation of Five Dimension Art Studio LLC. Arts. of Org. Filed with SSNY on 4/6/2026. Office location: Dutchess

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SSNY desg. as an agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY mail process to 3 Patricia Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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 SSET, 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

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shall mail process to 362 Rhinecliff Rd., Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED 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

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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.

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

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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, 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

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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 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.

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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 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.

ANAGNOS RESIDENTIAL 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

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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. 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

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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.

GARRISON 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.

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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 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, Stanfordville, 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

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business loc: 167 Rombout Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

STEPHEN GRUNBOK PHYSICAL 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. NOTICE OF FORMATION OF GS VISION LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/21/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to the LLC at: 465 Field Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of 62 SOUTH WHITE ROCK LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/26/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Nick Carinci, 33 Lockwood Ln., Mahopac, NY 10541. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of RK Cattle LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/16/2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Legalzoom USCA, Inc, 45 Main St-Suite 238, Brooklyn NY 11201. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Courier Shmourier LLC. Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 5/9/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Courier Shmourier LLC, 41 Raymond Ave, P.O. Box 2701, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

H V R MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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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, c/o Christopher Acuti, 2 Locust Court, Apartment B, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Eagles Cliff LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/29/2026. 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, 14 Wynclyffe Ct, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of a Confield Associates LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on 4/01/26: The County in which the office is to be located: Dutchess. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at 4 Fox Run, Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

FORTILLI PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/08/26. 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, 11 LaGrange Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Fire Tower LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on June 1, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC at: 19 Kent Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

M&F Landscapes LLC Filed 3/01/26. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 104 Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: General

Notice of Form. of Vanguard Ventilations LLC. Arts.

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of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/16/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 16 NASSAU ROAD, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12601. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of RITA RYAN TRAVEL LLC Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/19/2024. Office located in Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: United States Corporation Agents Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY, 11228. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of RR CUSTOM TRAVEL LLC Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/1/2026. Office located in Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: United States Corporation Agents Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY, 11228. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Qualification of SHEARBURN GST LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/03/26. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/16/20. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of WOOD DUCK HOLDINGS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/04/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Michael Hirschberg, 378 West End Ave., Apt. 8C, NY, NY 10024. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS—SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS – US BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR 2 ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff, - against- ASHLEY SLATER AND N I C H O L A S SLATER, AS HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTUTES OF THE DECEDENT CAROL A. SLATER; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW, NEXT-OF-KIN, DISTRIBUTES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING, UNDER, BY OR THROUGH THE DECEDENT CAROL A. SLATER, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE, ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SOUTHERN DISTRICT), Defendants - Index No. 2024-51695 Plaintiff Designates Dutchess County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject premises is situated in Dutchess County. To the above named Defendants—YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance upon the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the date of service or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. If you fail to so appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Supplemental Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated May 1, 2026. NOTICE-YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME – If you do not respond to this summons and complaint

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by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (US BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR 2 ACQUISITION TRUST) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Desmond C. B. Lyons, J.S.C. Dated: May 1, 2026 Filed: May 1, 2026 The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 311 Dog Tail Corners Road, Wingdale, NY 12594. Dated: May 6, 2026 Filed: May 6, 2026 Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Richard F. Komosinski, Esq., Esq., Of Counsel, 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591 Phone: (914) 345-3020

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS INDEX NO. 2025-56397 Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property

**SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises:**  
 6 REGGIE DRIVE, WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY 12590  
 Section: 6257, Block: 1, Lot: 123685  
 N A T I O N S T A R MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.  
 EUGENE "SURNAME UNKNOWN", AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARDE.DOLAN, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property

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described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; ANTHONY "SURNAME UNKNOWN", AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARDE.DOLAN, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; RICKY "SURNAME UNKNOWN", AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARDE.DOLAN, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described

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and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; DENISE "SURNAME UNKNOWN", AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARDE.DOLAN, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; BENEFICIARIES OF THE DOLAN TRUST, DATED MARCH 9, 2021, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs

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at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; CITIZENS BANK, NA; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,

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Defendants. To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

**NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT**

**THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$195,450.00 and interest, recorded on December 03, 2015, in Document Number 01-2015-8720, of the Public Records of DUTCHESS County, New York., covering premises known as 6 REGGIE DRIVE, WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY 12590.**

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

**DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.**

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your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: May 12th, 2026 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Christopher Pinckney, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675

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**TOWN OF FISHKILL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill will hold a public hearing on **July 1, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.** or as soon thereafter as can be heard at the Town of Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, New York 12524 to hear all interested persons concerning a proposed one-time sewer assessment in the Dutchess Park Sewer District. The assessment relates to emergency sewer force main repairs completed in December 2025 at a total cost of \$403,822.78. The proposed assessment is \$191 per benefited parcel. The proposed financing includes an interfund loan at a rate of 3.64%. For any person unable to participate at the time of the Public Hearing, email comments may be submitted in advance to the Town Clerk, Cooper Leatherwood at [cleatherwood@fishkill-ny.gov](mailto:cleatherwood@fishkill-ny.gov). Said Sewer Assessment will be made available for review in the Town Clerk's office, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, New York and may be examined by any interested party from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday in advance of the meeting on or before June 24, 2026. By Order of the Town Board dated **June 3, 2026** Cooper Leatherwood – Town Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on April 27, 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 Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, 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. Such resolution was subject to permissive referendum. The period of time has elapsed for the submission and filing of a petition for a permissive referendum, and a valid petition has not been submitted and filed in connection with such resolution. A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Town Clerk for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice. Dated: Wappinger Falls, New York, May 27, 2026.

/s/ Joseph P. Paoloni
Town Clerk

BOND RESOLUTION DATED APRIL 27, 2026. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,754,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF WAPPINGER, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE ACQUISITION OF A PARCEL OF LAND TO SERVE AS A NEW TOWN PARK, IN AND FOR SAID TOWN.

Specific object or purpose: Acquisition of a parcel of land, commonly known as the Cranberry Hill Property, of approximately 326.34 acres, for proposed use as Town park

Period of probable usefulness: 30 years, subject to permissive referendum

Maximum estimated cost: \$2,754,000

Amount of obligations to be issued: \$2,754,000 serial bonds, to be reduced by any grants-in-aid received

SEQRA status: Type I Action. Negative Declaration. SEQRA compliance materials on file in the office of the Town Clerk where they may be inspected during regular office hours by appointment

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. LA BARGE A/K/A RONALD LABARGE, ETAL.

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. LA BARGE 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.

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please take notice that on June 25, 2026 at 6:00pm the Town of East Fishkill Town Board will conduct a Public Hearing during its Regular Meeting to consider a Local Law Entitled, "Extending and Consolidating a Moratorium on Certain Industrial Zoning Districts in the Town".

The Public is invited and the Town Hall located at 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction N.Y. is Handicap Accessible. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK Dated: June 10, 2026 TOWN OF EAST

FISHKILL, New York

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

Project Name: Obercreek Subdivision of Lot 855674 Location: New Hamburg Road Application: No.: 26-5245

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the 15th day of June, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Article IX, Section 276 of the Town Law, at which time all the parties shall have an opportunity to be heard with regard to the application of

26-5245-Obercreek Subdivision of Lot 855674

To discuss a Subdivision application. The applicant is proposing to subdivide the existing 19.71 acres into two lots, separated by Wheeler Hill Road so that new lot one comprises of 14.22 acres and new lot two comprises of 5.49 acres in an R-40/80 and R-80 Zoning District. The property is located on New Hamburg Road and is identified as Tax Grid No.: 6057-02-855674 in the Town of Wappinger.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board has not made a determination of significance pursuant to

The Environmental Conservation Law and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing. All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above. Signed: Bruce Flower, Chairman Town of Wappinger Planning Board Date: June 2, 2026

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-72-26 Bus Line Inspection Services for Dutchess County Public Transit

Proposals must be submitted electronically through the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notification System (BidNet Direct) Portal on or before 2:00 p.m., July 6, 2026. Specifications, proposal forms and submittal instructions may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-60-26 Portable Toilets - Rental, Service, and Maintenance

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 25th day of June 2026 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF FISHKILL Local Law No. [Introductory] of 2026 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill,

New York 12524, on July 1, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. or as soon after as the matter may be heard to consider Local Law No. (Introductory) of 2026, Introducing A Proposed Local Law to repeal and replace Chapter 108 (noise) of the Town Code of the Town of Fishkill. The Town of Fishkill will make every effort to ensure that the public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board Town of Fishkill Cooper M. Leatherwood - Town Clerk

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that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, New York 12524, on July 1, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. or as soon after as the matter may be heard to consider Local Law No. (Introductory) of 2026, Introducing A Proposed Local Law to Amend the Town Code to Establish Expiration of Site Plan Approvals in the Town of Fishkill. The Town of Fishkill will make every effort to ensure that the public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board Town of Fishkill Cooper M. Leatherwood - Town Clerk

City of Beacon One Municipal Plaza - Suite One Beacon, New York 12508 Phone (845) 838-5002 June 5, 2026

SUBJECT: Variance Application

Applicant: Sadhna Gupta Address: 84 Anderson Street Tax Grid No.: 30-6054-31-371850-00 Zoning Classification: R1-10 Dear Neighboring Property Owner: 1. Sadhna Gupta, 84 Anderson Street, has applied to the Zoning Board of Appeals for

relief from Section 223-17 D., Attachment 1, where the applicant is proposing to subdivide the parcel into two (2) lots, to allow the average width of Lot A to be 81.4 feet, which requires relief from the following: a) Per § 223-17 D., Attachment 1, the minimum lot width is 85 feet. The proposed subdivision would create a lot with an average (or mean) lot width that is 81.4 feet, requiring a 3.6-foot variance for minimum lot size area width.

The full application is available online at: https://www.beaconny.gov/index.php/agendas-minutes/ The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing for this application at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 7:00 PM, in the Municipal Center courtroom, One Municipal Plaza, Beacon, New York. You are invited to be present to voice your support or objection to this appeal. Comments can also be provided via email no later than 4:00 PM on June 16, 2026, to Mercedes Perez, Zoning Board Secretary, at mperez@beaconny.gov Mercedes Perez Zoning Board Secretary

City of Beacon One Municipal Plaza - Suite One Beacon, New York 12508 Phone (845) 838-5002 June 5, 2026

SUBJECT: Variance Application

Applicant: Seth Rosenthal Address: 51 Falconer Street Tax Grid No.: 30-6054-39-335660-00 Zoning Classification: R1-5 Dear Neighboring Property Owner: Seth Rosenthal, 51 Falconer Street, have applied to the Zoning Board of Appeals for relief from Section 223-17 D., Attachment 1, to allow for the construction of an addition to the existing house, which requires relief from the following: 1. Per § 223-17 D., Attachment 1, the minimum side yard setback is 10 ft. The proposed addition to the home would be located 1 ft. 6 in. from the property line, requiring an 8 ft. 6 in. side yard variance. The full application is

available online at: https://www.beaconny.gov/index.php/agendas-minutes/ The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing for this application at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 7:00 PM, in the Municipal Center courtroom, One Municipal Plaza, Beacon, New York. You are invited to be present to voice your support or objection to this appeal. Comments can also be provided via email no later than 4:00 PM on June 16, 2026, to Mercedes Perez, Zoning Board Secretary, at mperez@beaconny.gov Mercedes Perez Zoning Board Secretary

LEGAL NOTICE

DUTCHESS COUNTY EARLY VOTING FOR THE 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION LEGAL NOTICE POLLS ARE OPEN FOR EARLY VOTING AS FOLLOWS: Saturday, June 13: 9AM - 5PM Sunday, June 14: 9AM - 5PM Monday, June 15: Noon - 8PM Tuesday, June 16: 9AM - 5PM Wednesday, June 17: Noon - 8PM Thursday, June 18: 9AM - 5PM Friday, June 19: 9AM - 5PM Saturday, June 20: 9AM - 5PM Sunday, June 21: 9AM - 5PM At any of the following locations:

- Pavilion at Brookmeade, 34 Brookmeade Drive, Rhinebeck Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie Cornell Cooperative Center, 2715 US-44, Millbrook Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market Street, Poughkeepsie Board of Election's Training Facility, 4280 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park Wappinger Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger

LISA JESSUP and ERIK J. HAIGHT, COMMISSIONERS DUTCHESS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 112 DELAFIELD STREET, SUITE 200 POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK 12601 845-486-2473 www.elections.dutchessny.gov

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

# Dutchess County Pride Center announces the return of Poughkeepsie Pride 2026

Dutchess County Pride Center (DCPC) announces the 2026 return of the Poughkeepsie Pride March & Festival, the Mid-Hudson Valley's Largest Pride Celebration on Saturday, June 13.

Centered around this year's theme of "Reclaiming Joy, Reclaiming Power," Poughkeepsie Pride 2026 will once again bring thousands of LGBTQ+ community members, allies, families, organizations, artists, and local businesses together for a day of celebration, visibility, advocacy, and connection throughout the City of Poughkeepsie.

The 8th Annual March & Festival kicks off on historic Market Street where the March of unity and community will head down Main Street to Victor C. Waryas Park. The Pride Festival will be in full swing in Waryas Park from noon to 4 p.m. The Festival will feature dozens of queer-owned businesses, local artists, creators, and food vendors, LGBTQ+ organizations, community resources, and family-friendly programming celebrating the diversity and resilience of the Hudson Valley LGBTQ+ community.

"Poughkeepsie Pride has become the defining celebration of love, visibility, and belonging in the Hudson Valley," said Karen Marder, DCPC Executive Director. "As we launch our Pride 2026 season, we are excited to continue creating joyful and affirming spaces where LGBTQ+ people

can gather openly, proudly, and safely." Poughkeepsie Pride is part of the broader Dutchess Pride Month celebration, featuring events and activities across Dutchess County throughout June. Dutchess Pride Month 2026 events include:

June 10th - Pride Night with the Hudson Valley Renegades. The defining baseball team of the Hudson Valley will be highlighting Dutchess County Pride Center and celebrating our community.

June 26th - Free Film Screening of the 1995 cult classic film *The Incredibly True Story of Two Girls in Love*, hosted by the Bardavon Theatre.

June 28th - Pride Fun Run 5K with Fleet Feet Poughkeepsie, an untimed fun run fundraiser for DCPC. All proceeds to benefit the Center and further Fleet Feet Poughkeepsie's mission of running for all.

A full event schedule including Rainbow Crosswalk Painting, a film series with the Beacon Theater, as well as information, details, and ticket links is available online at [www.poughkeepsiepride.org](http://www.poughkeepsiepride.org) or [www.dutchesspride.org/poughkeepsie-pride](http://www.dutchesspride.org/poughkeepsie-pride).

Volunteer Sign-Ups, Vendor Registration, Sponsorship opportunities, and additional festival announcements are available now through the official Poughkeepsie Pride website at: [www.poughkeepsiepride.org](http://www.poughkeepsiepride.org).

# Stony Kill Farm to hold Get Outdoors and Get Together Day on June 13

There will be a celebration of community, connection, and the outdoors at Stony Kill Farm on Saturday, June 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This free event encourages people of all ages and abilities to explore nature, try new outdoor activities, and enjoy time together in local parks and open spaces.

Schedule of activities at Stony Kill Farm include:

- 10:15 a.m. - Bird Walk for Everyone with Waterman's Bird Club
- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Barn Tours

1:15 p.m. - Naturalist Walk for Everyone at Woodland Trail

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Touch a Truck with DEC Rangers and Smokey Bear, Fishing, Nature Scavenger Hunt, Orienteering, Birding, Plant A Seed and Arts and Crafts with Office of People with Developmental Disabilities, Touch Table and Lawn Games.

Presented with NYS Department of Environment Conservation and New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.



By Bill Green  
Recreation Director

Our trip to Saratoga on August 6 is filling fast. The fee is \$60 residents and \$75 non-residents and includes round trip Coach Tours transportation, tip for driver, admission ticket and reserved grandstand seating.

We are now signing up baseball fans for our Mets (August 1) and Yankees (August 12) trips (\$100 resident/ \$115 nonresident). You may sign up online.

Our first concert on Friday night, June 12, with the Hudson Valley Council Band will be at the stage area by the pavilion. If we have inclement weather, we'll move inside to the Community Center. All Friday concerts remaining will be at the field by the Davis House.

Red Wing Park will open daily starting Saturday, June 20 through September 7. Season passes are on sale weekdays at the Rec Office on 4 Anne Avenue.

Co-ed Volleyball starts in two weeks. Get your team rosters in now if you plan to play.

You may still sign up at the Rec Office for our Youth Golf Program (4 sessions in July starting on Jul 6 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.

If you are going on our Wednesday June 17 trip to Resorts Catskill Casino please be at the Community Center by 8:30am.

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 non-residents.

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](mailto:Recreation1@eastfishkillny.gov).

# Get signed copy of 'A Path to Resilience'

An afternoon with author, certified life coach, mindfulness teacher, and speaker Lourdes Laifer. Join her on Saturday, June 13, from 2-4 p.m. to get a signed copy of "A Path to Resilience: Small Steps to an Unshakable You." The book breaks resilience down into small, doable steps that busy people can integrate into everyday life.

Hosted at the Barnes & Noble in Post Road Plaza, 2518 South Rd, Poughkeepsie. Please contact [jules@lourdeslaifercoaching.com](mailto:jules@lourdeslaifercoaching.com) with any questions.

# Hudson Valley Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association to host workshop June 18

A workshop presented by the Hudson Valley Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association on Thursday, June 18, at 6 p.m. at the East Fishkill Community Library.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the New York State Department of Health.

Registration is required for this program. Please register through our online calendar at <http://www.EFLibrary.org> or call the library at 845-221-9943.

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# this week's puzzle solutions

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This week's answer  
**SUDOKU**

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Suguru solution

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REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE  
The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-66-26  
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Phone (845) 838-5002  
June 5, 2026  
**SUBJECT: Variance Application**  
**Applicant:** Deborah Joyce  
Address: 42 Wesley Avenue  
Tax Grid No.: 30-6054-24-499921-00  
Zoning Classification: R1-10  
Dear Neighboring Property Owner: Deborah Joyce, 42 Wesley Avenue, has applied to the Zoning Board of Appeals for

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relief from Section 223-17D, Attachment 1, to allow a deck built on the rear of the structure, which requires relief from the following:  
1. Per §223-17, Attachment 1, the minimum rear yard setback is 35 feet. The deck is shown 15.7 feet from the rear property line, and the stairs project another 2.5 feet from the deck's edge, bringing it to 13.2 feet from the rear property line. The stairedge is the measurement point for de-

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termining the setback, which requires a 21.8-foot variance.  
2. Per §223-17, Attachment 1, the minimum side yard setback is 15 feet. The deck is 12.9 feet from the side-yard property line, which requires a 2.1-foot variance.  
3. Per §223-17, Attachment 1, the maximum percent of building coverage is 25%. The lot is 5,000 square feet, allowing 1,250 square feet of coverage. On April 18, 2006, the property received an area variance for

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the lot coverage of 31.48% (1,574 square feet). Your proposal would bring the lot coverage to 34.29% (1,714.6 square feet) and requires a variance of 2.81% (140.6) square feet  
The full application is available online at: <https://www.beaconny.gov/index.php/agendas-minutes/>  
The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing for this application at its meeting to be held on Tues-

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day, June 16, 2026, at 7:00 PM, in the Municipal Center courtroom, One Municipal Plaza, Beacon, New York. You are invited to be present to voice your support or objection to this appeal. Comments can also be provided via email no later than 4:00 PM on June 16, 2026, to Mercedes Perez, Zoning Board Secretary, at [mperez@beaconny.gov](mailto:mperez@beaconny.gov)  
Mercedes Perez  
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**THEME: CANDY**

**ACROSS**

1. Family room staple
5. Refrigerator sound
8. \*One of original Life Savers flavors
12. Diabolical
13. Supernatural life force
14. Dust allergy triggers
15. Magnesium silicate
16. Thor's father
17. Audience's approval
18. \*Coconutty candy bar (2 words)
20. Baltimore player
21. Dip a \_\_\_\_\_ the water
22. Acronym, abbr.
23. \*"The Freshmaker" candy
26. Deck painter, often
30. Flight info
31. Russia's plain
34. Nat of Jazz
35. N in RN
37. Across, in verse
38. \*Inspired by "Willie Wonka & the Chocolate Factory"
39. Under the weather
40. Lipase or sucrase, e.g.
42. Part of a match
43. English traveling courts
45. Ones with title
47. \_\_\_\_\_ Aviv
48. Sign of life
50. Between Phi and Kappa
52. \*Once known as Chicken Feed (2 words)
56. Trollop, in the olden days
57. Eyeball rudely
58. "I \_\_\_\_\_ wed"
59. Opposite of fires
60. Bear's den
61. Gives a hand
62. Between ids and super-egos
63. Symbol of industriousness
64. \*Dad's \_\_\_\_\_ Beer Barrels candy

**DOWN**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ good example
2. Like West Wing's office
3. 35mm, e.g.
4. "Little Men" author
5. Mecca pilgrim
6. Teamsters group
7. "Out of \_\_\_\_\_, one"
8. \*Good & Plenty flavor
9. It will
10. Animal protein
11. Is, in France
13. Unassuming
14. Muhammad's birthplace
19. Gallows loop
22. \*Polished off candy, e.g.
23. High IQ society
24. Lady's pocketbook
25. Narcotics agents
26. Light on one's feet
27. Relating to Scandinavia
28. Village V.I.P.
29. Catches one's breath
32. Ages and ages
33. \*Pfefferminz, for short
36. \*"Taste the Rainbow" candies
38. Broadway's news boy
40. Ray-finned fish
41. Decompose
44. Ardors
46. Bee's favorite drink
48. Like a Druid
49. Without illumination
50. Place for mutinous sailor
51. France's currency
52. \*Other Rocket Fizz product
53. Kent State state
54. Do over
55. Hatchling's home
56. Café alternative

**CROSSWORD**

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# Rotary hosts 'Art for Peace' Awards ceremony



Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls recently honored Wappingers Central School District student artists at an 'Art for Peace' Awards Ceremony in Mesier Park in Wappingers Falls.

-Photos courtesy Wappingers Rotary

Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls honors student artists at 'Art for Peace' Awards Ceremony At Mesier Park, the Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls hosted its Art for Peace Awards Ceremony on Saturday afternoon, recognizing the creativity, vision, and talent of student artists from the Wappingers Central School District (WCSD).

A total of 46 students submitted original artwork expressing their individual visions of peace, hope, and understanding. From these outstanding submissions, 11 students were recognized with top honors, including five first-place awards, three second-place awards, and three

third-place awards.

"This was a truly inspiring afternoon," said Dr. Richard Thurston, President of the Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls. "In a world too often marked by division and uncertainty, these young artists reminded us of the power of creativity, empathy, and hope. Their artwork gave all of us confidence that our future is in very capable and creative hands."

The event was presented through a partnership between the Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls and the Wappingers Central School District, the ninth-largest school district in New York State.

Representing the school district were

Dr. Dwight Bonk, Superintendent of Schools; Bonnie King, Director of Fine & Performing Arts; and dedicated teachers and staff who supported student participation in the program.

Representing Rotary were Dr. Richard Thurston, Club President; Randy Ross; and Steve Crew.

A special acknowledgment was extended to Lee Burns and DCH Wappingers Falls Toyota, whose sponsorship helped make the event possible and reflects their ongoing partnership with Rotary in supporting youth-focused community initiatives.

The Art for Peace program was created to encourage students to explore themes

of peace, compassion, understanding, and global citizenship through artistic expression—values that align closely with Rotary International's longstanding commitment to peacebuilding and youth development.

"This event demonstrated what is possible when schools, civic organizations, local businesses, and community leaders come together to support young people," Thurston added. "We hope this will become a cherished annual tradition."

For more information about the Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls, community members are encouraged to contact the club directly.

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