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## Vibrant network inspires students with Harvest-To-Table choices

### Todd Middle School shines

By Curtis Schmidt

The goal is to inspire middle school students to make nutritious, sustainable food choices during the formative years of their lives. It's a Harvest-To-Table initiative and it's coming together at Orville Todd Middle School in the Spackenkill District with the help of five collaborating partners.

Leading the effort is Interim Food Service Director Larry Anthony. He retired last year, but has been on a mission to connect farms and schools with the goal of benefiting children for many years. He is an Education Specialist Master Instructor/Culinary Arts Training Team with the NY State Department of Education in Child Nutrition.

"This vibrant network of school and community partners connects agriculture, environment, health and culinary arts through the unique contributions of each partner," said Anthony. "By connecting the dirt in the garden to the food on the plate, this partnership shows students that eating healthy isn't just good for their bodies - it's delicious, fun and impactful for their local community."

Partners include the following:

- The School Garden & Environmental Club: Students see their hard work come full circle. The club helps harvest fresh, seasonal produce directly from the School Garden, demonstrating the power of sustainable, hyper-local food production.



Culinary Institute of America student Christian Hurdle slices peaches in the Orville Todd Middle School kitchen with staff member Zev Bordowitz.

-Photo by Curtis Schmidt

- The School District Food Services Department: Bridging the gap between the garden and the cafeteria, Food Services ensures the event aligns with school nutrition goals and showcases how fresh ingredients can be integrated into daily school meals.

- The NY Local 30% Initiative: This initiative highlights the economic and environmental importance of farm-to-school pipelines, celebrating the mile-

stone of sourcing 30% of school meal ingredients from local New York farms.

- The Dutchess County Health Department: Public health educators are on-site to facilitate interactive activities that promote lifelong healthy lifestyles, emphasizing the vital role school gardens play in community wellness and chronic disease prevention.

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### DC Legislature launches Animal Welfare and Community Stewardship Committee

Legislature Chair Yvette Valdés Smith has announced that the Dutchess County Legislature is addressing a gap in public safety by launching the Animal Welfare and Community Stewardship Committee (AWCS) with a goal of better protecting both the animal and human residents of Dutchess County. The resolution (2026095) passed unanimously at the Dutchess County Legislature's June Board meeting on Monday, June 8.

Legislator Anna Shah (D-Town of Poughkeepsie), author and sponsor of the AWCS resolution said, "Over the past several months, Legislator Alexander and I have met with law enforcement, animal welfare organizations, shelters, rescues, and community stakeholders across Dutchess County.

"One message was clear: animal welfare is about more than animals," Shah continued. "Preventing cruelty, supporting responsible stewardship, and strengthening coordination among community partners helps protect both animals and people while promoting public safety, public health, and community wellbeing. The AWCS committee provides a transparent forum in the legislature to take much needed action towards sustainable, coordinated and cost effective solutions."

Legislator Eric Alexander (D-Amenia), sponsor and co-author of the resolution added, "For too long, Dutchess County has depended on a patchwork of solutions, barely held together by good intentions. This new and necessary committee, will ensure that the animals in our county get the attention they deserve, and that the agencies assigned to this important mission, are given the resources they need to work together, cohesively and effectively, to protect their welfare."

Minority Leader Michael Polasek (R-LaGrange) said "The Minority Caucus was proud to support the creation of the Animal Welfare and Community Stewardship Committee. We are hopeful that this committee will help bridge gaps between the municipalities responsible for animal control, strengthen coordination among county agencies, and bring together the many non-profit organizations that are already doing this important work. By fostering collaboration and communication, we can build a more effective and unified approach to protecting animal welfare across Dutchess County."

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## Marathon reading of the U.S. Constitution set for June 19 in Beacon

By Kristine Coulter

"We the People: A Marathon Reading of the United States Constitution" will take place on Friday, June 19, from noon - 4 p.m., at the Memorial Building, 413 Main St., in Beacon.

Local residents will have the opportunity to read the entire contents of the U.S. Constitution and there will be interpretive commentary provided by Professor Beau Breslin of Skidmore College.

"This seems apt action as we think about the state of our nation right now. We defend the Constitution by making it alive in the present. As Poet Laureate of both Dutchess County and Beacon, I consider it my responsibility to think of language as civic action," said Ruth Danon, a local resident who is in collaboration with Stephanie JT Russell, Mitch Corrado, and Mike Jurkovic on the event.

Danon said, "The idea was inspired by my friend, the writer Jennifer Egan, who held a similar event in Brooklyn. I thought it was a wonderful concept and shared it with colleagues in the Hudson Valley; we are now in the process of scheduling several more of these events."

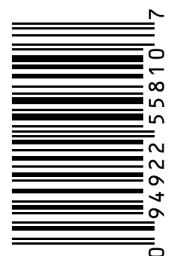
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Signers' Hall in the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia features 42 life-size, bronze statues of the Founding Fathers.

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• The Culinary Institute of America (CIA) Student Chefs: Bringing professional flair and culinary excitement, CIA student chefs lead the cooking demonstration. They teach middle schoolers basic knife skills, flavor balancing and creative ways to make fresh vegetables taste incredible.

All of the partners and components came together to produce a great meal for students at the end of May with food choices like Chicken Fajita Nachos, Arugula/Peach Salad with Feta and School-Grown microgreens, plus basil and peach smoothies. Anthony termed the event a “screaming success” as the students kept asking for more.

Microgreens and plants take place with 7th grade Life Science students and the Environmental Club, advised by instructor Kim Rogers. The microgreens unit was introduced this year in the classes of Rogers and fellow instructor Melissa Walsh. Rogers said students explored plant growth, germination, photosynthesis, nutrition and sustainability through work with broccoli and radish microgreens.

The classroom greenhouse and indoor growing projects are integrated throughout the science curriculum to help students connect concepts to real-world applications. Students take part in planting, observing growth, maintaining plants and harvesting.

Instructor Elyse Joy works with her 7th grade Life Science class in the school greenhouse and hydroponics system in the classroom. Parents donated seeds and soil. Seedlings are started in the greenhouse and then transferred to the garden located at Vassar College Community Gardens. The herbs go to the cafeteria and vegetables are used to make dishes for the students to enjoy, like Swiss chard quiche and kale chips.

Anthony, who is also a CIA alumnus, enjoys working with current CIA students in the project. Student Julianna Hromek sees it as an opportunity to “apply our knowledge and give back to the community. We want to explore ways to do that now so that we can continue the process in our professional work.”

Christian Hurdle said he and fellow CIA students enjoy the interaction and learn as they work with the school cafeteria staff. “We blend experiences like this with our business administration and applied food studies,” he said.

Additional help has come from community partners, including Milestone Mill of Kingston, Dagele Brothers Produce of Orange County, Bread Alone, Indoor Organic Garden of Poughkeepsie, New Corn Crib and donations from local businesses including Miscedra Insurance, Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley, Lowes Home Improvement Stores and Candrea Environmental Foundation.



Clockwise from top left, students work in the greenhouse at Todd Middle School. Seventh-grade instructor Kim Rogers, center, holds a plate of microgreens. Cafeteria staff members Sylvia Sanders, Tina Alessandro and Steve Lawler prepare salads. Interim food service director Larry Anthony works with CIA student chef Julianna Hromek. Todd Middle School students give a “thumbs up” to the Harvest-to-Table lunch.

-Photos by Curtis Schmidt and courtesy photos

## ‘Fit Dutchess’ works to help young people build lifelong healthy habits

Editor’s note: The Dutchess County Department of Health contributed to this article.

By Curtis Schmidt

According to the Dutchess County Department of Health, “Fit Dutchess” is a new initiative bringing together organizations from across the county to improve community health through a unified mission.

At its core, “Fit Dutchess” works to help young people build lifelong healthy habits - encouraging them to try nutritious foods, learn where their food comes from, and understand how daily choices shape long term well-being. To ensure lasting impact, “Fit Dutchess” is organized into three committees - Nutrition, Stakeholders and Engagement. These groups meet regularly to share ideas, form new partnerships, and strengthen each other’s work, ensuring a consistent and community-driven approach.

Among the early champions of “Fit Dutchess” is committee member Larry Anthony, former Director of Food Services for the Red Hook, Rhinebeck, and Pine Plains school districts and, most recently, Interim Director of Food Services for the Spackenkill district. From the start, Anthony has played a key role in building healthier school environments. His collaboration with teachers, cafeteria staff, and community partners highlights the importance of school-based initiatives in the “Fit Dutchess” model.

Through his “Harvest to Table” initiative,


Anthony helped re-energize school gardens with support from Master Gardeners and connected with student chefs from the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) to introduce fresh, local ingredients into school cafeterias. These efforts exemplify how creativity and collaboration can transform student experiences around food.

Programs inspired by this work continue to gain momentum. One example is the “Dutchess Youth Kitchen,” the Dutchess County Department of Health’s hands-on, after-school cooking and nutrition series recently offered in the Poughkeepsie City and Spackenkill school districts, with support from the Poughkeepsie Farm Project. Together, these initiatives are planting the seeds for healthier futures across Dutchess County.

Anthony said the “Fit Dutchess” program interaction with Todd Middle School in the Spackenkill District promotes the school garden and connects students to the food that they eat.

“It’s an incredible honor to be working with Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado and the entire ‘Fit Dutchess’ team,” said Anthony. “We are connecting the dots and closing the gaps that exist between community and school gardens with the students and school nutrition programs.”

The team includes local leaders of institutions such as the CIA, Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County, local community gardens and local school district administrators.



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# County celebrates Hyde Park's Ralph Osterhoudt at inaugural 'Veteran of Distinction' ceremony

## Nominations now open to honor living Dutchess County veterans

### From County reports

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino has announced the launch of the County's new "Veteran of Distinction" program, an initiative that recognizes outstanding living County veterans for their military service and their continued contributions to our local community. Building on the success of the "Honor-A-Veteran" program, launched last year to honor deceased veterans, this new effort invites residents, families, and friends to nominate local veterans whose stories deserve to be highlighted and celebrated.

Hyde Park resident Ralph J. Osterhoudt Sr., Private First Class in the U.S. Army who served during World War II, was the first "Veteran of Distinction" honoree at the inaugural ceremony on June 9, held at Hyde Park Town Hall.

Serino said, "Our 'Veteran of Distinction' program is a meaningful way for us to thank the veterans who have given so much to our country and to Dutchess County. Our Honor-A-Veteran ceremonies have shown how deeply this community values those who served, but those tributes honor veterans who are no longer with us. This new program gives us the chance to recognize our heroes while they are still here to feel that appreciation. That's why we're beginning with our World War II veterans — members of the Greatest Generation whose stories we must preserve and celebrate before we lose the opportunity. I encourage residents to nominate a veteran in their life so we can honor their service together."

On Christmas Eve 1944, PFC Osterhoudt sailed to Europe with thousands of U.S. troops to join the Battle of the Bulge, later considered America's greatest World War II victory. In early January 1945, he and his battalion were transported in cramped French "40 and 8" boxcars to the front lines, where he



*Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino and Office of Veterans Affairs Director Adam Roche joined the family of Army PFC Ralph Osterhoudt Sr. and the community in celebrating his service at the County's first "Veteran of Distinction" ceremony.*

-Courtesy photo

fought in the Ardennes, the Colmar Pocket and the Siege of Bastogne during some of the harshest winter conditions of the war. He was also among the first 32 American soldiers to enter the Auschwitz death camp. After returning home to Staatsburg in 1946, he worked at the local post office, founded Osterhoudt Electric and became an active American Legion member dedicated to supporting fellow veterans.

Serino said, "I've had the pleasure of calling Ralph my friend for years, so it is very heartwarming for me that he is our first 'Veteran of Distinction.' Ralph embodies all we envisioned with this program: He's a veteran with a record of honorable service to our nation, who returned home to Dutchess County, where he has continued to contribute to his com-

munity for 80 years! Though our new program, we look forward to celebrating the service of Ralph's fellow veterans and thanking them in person for all they've contributed to Dutchess County."

Monthly "Veteran of Distinction" ceremonies will take place on the second Tuesday of each month from April through November, hosted in the community where the honored veteran resides. This year's ceremonies will spotlight members of the Greatest Generation—Dutchess County's living World War II veterans.

Speaking about the ceremony, as well as his continued commitment to his fellow veterans, PFC Ralph Osterhoudt Sr. said, "It was great. It was wonderful. I thank everybody from the bottom of my heart. I thank everyone for coming. It meant so much to me. ... I keep up with

any veterans organization, even the flea market out at the airport; there's probably 3,000 people out there in that airport. There's probably not a person of those 3,000 people that would have any idea about thinking about World War II and the guys that died, except the ones that talk to me. And if I talk to a thousand of them, that means the veterans that didn't make it were recognized, and that's what I want to do. I don't want people to forget them."

### Nomination requirements

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current Dutchess County resident
- Have served in the U.S. Armed Forces and received an honorable discharge
- Have served during wartime or peacetime; there are no restrictions on service dates or duration

### How to nominate

- Applications may be submitted:
  - Online: [dutchessny.gov/veteranofdistinction](https://dutchessny.gov/veteranofdistinction)
  - In person: Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs, 1335 Route 44, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569
  - By email: [veterans@dutchessny.gov](mailto:veterans@dutchessny.gov)

All applications must include appropriate military separation documents (DD-214, WD AGO 53-55, NGB-22, or casualty report).

Dutchess County Veterans Affairs Director Adam Roche said, "Dutchess County veterans have sacrificed to keep us safe, and we are honored to thank them in person and share their stories of selfless service. We encourage our community to nominate the deserving American heroes in your life so Dutchess County can publicly celebrate their service."

For more information, contact the Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs at 845-486-2060.

# County Comptroller: County sales tax revenues \$2.2 million less than 2025 projection

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Office has completed its annual report on the County's sales tax revenues for year ending 2025. Sales tax collections totaled \$265.8 million in 2025, up 0.8% from 2024, but \$2.2 million less than what had been projected for the 2025 budget.

Dutchess County collected approximately 2.75 times more in sales tax than property tax, comprising 41% of all County revenue in 2025, according to the Comptroller's Office. There were two notable updates to sales tax collection last year:

Dutchess County received Home Rule approval from the State Legislature to permit the County to extend its previously increased sales tax rate from 3% to 3.75% through November 30, 2027.

Beginning March 1, 2025, sales tax began to apply to all short-term rental occupancy units.

According to the 2026 adopted budget,

sales tax revenue is projected to be \$268.4 million. This projection is likely to be impacted by the rising cost of fossil fuels and, effective June, a new sales tax cap on gasoline at \$3/gallon took effect. As of the publication of this report, year-to-date sales tax payments are up by 5.86% compared with 2025, it was stated by the Comptroller's Office.

"Because sales tax revenue is so vital to the County's finances and prone to the whims of consumer decision-making, we will continue to monitor sales tax collection on a monthly basis," said Dutchess County Comptroller Dan Aymar-Blair.

The special report on 2025 Sales Tax Revenue can be found on the Comptroller's website.

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### There is still hope for the historic Hudson River State Hospital

#### To the Editor:

On June 3rd, a fire devastated the stately Administration Building on the Hudson River State Hospital property upper campus above where the Shop Rite was recently built on the lower campus. The building stands proudly at the top of the hill, and its brick shell still stands after the fire. This historic building was planned for reuse and there is still hope this can happen.

Over the past several years, the Town of Poughkeepsie Historic Commission has been working with the Town and the developer to save several of the historic buildings that were feasible to save and reuse, which resulted in a Letter of Resolution with the State Historic Preservation Office requiring five of the buildings (including the Administration Building) be secured for future adaptive reuse. Following this fire, the Commission sent the Town a letter advising that not all is lost. Their letter states that the Administration Building should not be deemed a total loss until it has been evaluated through an independent third-party engineering study because it may still be able to be reused.

Historic structures just like this have repeatedly been restored following catastrophic damage. One notable example is a similar state hospital building in Danvers, MA. Following extensive deterioration and partial demolition, the exterior masonry shell was preserved and incorporated into a successful redevelopment project that retains its historic character. Today the property is known as the Bradlee Danvers, residential housing.

Another example is right in our backyard in Rhinebeck. The Wyndcliffe mansion was an abandoned ruin for decades, but now the historic brick shell is serving as the foundation for an extensive restoration effort and reconstruction of the interior.

The Administration Building at Hudson River State Hospital is the architectural and historic centerpiece of one of the most significant sites in the Town of Poughkeepsie. As stated in the Commission's letter, "its importance to the Town's identity, history, and

cultural landscape demands that every reasonable preservation option be thoroughly explored before irreversible decisions are made."

Not only is the property on the National and State Registers of Historic Places, but it also holds the National Historic Landmark designation. Only 3% of the sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places are recognized as National Historic Landmarks. Even in its current condition, opportunities likely still exist to utilize federal and state historic preservation incentives to rehabilitate the structure in a manner that retains its historic character.

So let's see what the engineering study says before we jump to conclusions.

Stephanie Lewison  
LaGrange

### Conley consistently talks 'to voters and about the issues and her plans'

#### To the Editor:

Like so many voters, I feel it is so vital choose the candidate who can beat Mike Lawler.

We have a choice between Beth Davidson and Cait Conley who has consistently been talking to voters about the issues and her plans for a future that will benefit all of District 17.

Cait brings a unique combination of talents and experience to the task of governing.

She's worked with Congress on complex issues of national security and critical infrastructure, including the water supply. She's shown leadership, winning 3 Bronze Stars during 16 years in the military. Importantly, she is the only one in the race with a knowledge of AI. She has worked with state and local law enforcement to protect families attending huge stadium events. She has worked to keep hospitals safe from cyber attacks. She knows the positives and negatives of AI and believes that, like any new technology, it needs to be regulated. She is opposed to building a data center at Indian Point.

Cait Conley can beat Mike Lawler. She has a commitment and belief in America that appeals to voters of different backgrounds, Democrats and Republicans.

With her boundless energy, Cait will make a major impact for our district in Congress—and she's the only candidate who can hit the ground running on Day One.

Barbara Lalicki  
Briarcliff, Westchester County

### Lisa Kaul will make our home a better place to live

#### To the Editor:

I'm writing to tell you why I'll be voting for Lisa Kaul in the upcoming Democratic State Senate primary. I'm young and trying to start a life in the Hudson Valley. Twenty-two years and counting, but each year gets harder than the last. I'll probably never own a home, or be able to raise a family, or have more than two grand in my checking account.

Reading financial advice tells me to move somewhere cheaper, away from my family, friends, and home, a complete non-starter for me. I want representation that's looking out for me, that can help solve the problems in my life.

Lisa Kaul shines as the clear winner of the candidates in the Democratic Primary for Senate District 39. She's had huge wins in the Dutchess County Legislature, improving affordability, accountability and the environment. She's been endorsed by the do-ers of the world: unions like the Nurses Association and Communication workers of America, elected officials like Pat Ryan, and county committees with a history of putting up victorious candidates. If there's anybody who can make our home a better place to live, it's Lisa, and that's why I'll be voting for her in the Democratic Primary on June 23rd.

Michael Reilly  
East Fishkill

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## Jacobson: Bill to regulate 'ghost jobs' passes the Legislature

Assemblymember Jonathan Jacobson's (D-104) bill requiring employers to disclose if and when they plan to hire for their job listings (A.6292) passed in the State Legislature.

The bill would amend current Labor Law by regulating so-called "ghost jobs," which are jobs advertised but not intended to be filled by an employer. The bill would require listings to state when a job is to be filled. If the job isn't being filled, the listing must clearly state that it isn't for a current vacancy, but to collect resumes. Once a job is filled, the listing must be taken down within two weeks.

"The only thing worse than being turned down for a job after an interview is wasting time applying for a job that doesn't exist at all," Jacobson said.

The bill applies to companies with at least 100 employees, as well as third-party job posting sites. It establishes a fine of \$2,500 for each publication of the advertisement, with fines doubling every 30 days that the listing isn't corrected.

In his memorandum supporting the bill,

Jacobson cites a recent survey from the career site Resume Builder, in which 40% of companies said they posted a fake job listing in 2024. A 2025 report from another career site, MyPerfectResume, estimated that nearly a third of U.S. job postings don't result in an actual hire.

"Ghost jobs also make it harder to get a clear picture of the labor market, which can impact the Federal jobs report," Jacobson said.

This bill will ensure that such listings are more accurate and timelier.

"This bill is fundamentally about transparency and trust in the labor market," Jacobson said. "It's hard enough to apply for work. The least employers should do is be honest with the public about the jobs they're advertising. This bill protects workers while preserving employers' flexibility to recruit and grow."

The bill was sponsored in the State Senate by Michael Gianaris (D-12) and is awaiting the Governor's signature to become law.

## OPINION

### As America celebrates 250 years, our founding ideals are challenged

By Paul Donnelly

As I close out another school year as a U.S. History and Government teacher on the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, I thought it would be appropriate to reflect on our nation's founding ideals within the context of where we are as a country politically. The 13 colonies revolted against a monarchy with the aspirations of establishing a government devoted to the Enlightenment principles of human rights. This fledgling country was founded on the ideals of protecting "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Essential to this ideal, the framers based the idea of government on the consent of the governed, which established that governments get their power to rule from the people, not a king or despot.

The colonists despised monarchy, having risked their lives fighting for independence and autonomy. Consequently, when the newly independent states created their first constitution, the Articles of Confederation, there was no executive branch. The people were afraid that a strong central government would threaten the rights of the citizens. That weak government failed, so a new framework of government was created that included a President. Under the Constitution, this executive would be constrained by Congress. Congress gives orders, and the President executes these orders.

Two hundred and fifty years later, our country is facing a crisis. Donald J. Trump is acting more like a monarch than an elected executive. Three examples of this include: keeping standing armies on the streets during peacetime, the President's attempts at taxation without representation, and interfering with the judicial system.

One of the many grievances the colonists had against King George was their accusation that he was keeping standing armies in their streets as a way to enforce British law, intimidate the colonists, and infringe on their liberty. The king imposed this without the consent of colonial legislatures. President Trump has engaged in similar acts. For example, last year, Mr. Trump deployed the National Guard in several states, including California, Oregon, and Illinois, against the wishes of the governors of those states. More recently, he has used armed federal agents in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to enforce an immigration crackdown that resulted in the deaths of two Americans.

Another grievance that colonists had was imposing taxes without consent and cutting off their trade. The colonists had no colonial representatives in the British Parliament but were forced to pay taxes to the Crown. Last April, when the President announced his "Liberation Day" and unilaterally applied tariffs on imports from almost 100 countries, he usurped congressional authority and imposed what is essentially a national sales tax. The Constitution clearly gives Congress alone the power to tax.

Finally, the last example of how Mr. Trump acts more like a king than an elected president is his interference with the courts. According to the Declaration of Independence, the colonists accused the King of destroying the rule of law and obstructing judicial powers. Mr. Trump has repeatedly undermined the judicial system by granting pardons to convicted felons, including the perpetrators involved in the January 6th insurrection, some of whom were serving lengthy sentences for assaulting police officers. The most controversial abuse of this power occurred when he pardoned Honduran President Juan Orlando Hernández, who was convicted in federal court and sentenced to 45 years in prison for running Honduras as a "narco-state." Beyond these examples, the administration's actions have further undermined the judicial branch; most tragically, the deportation of Kilmar Abrego Garcia which was carried out against a 2019 court order barring his removal due to fears of persecution by MS-13. Garcia spent over three months in a prison in El Salvador while the administration claimed it could not retrieve him.

These are just a few examples of how the current president is acting more like a king than an elected executive. As Americans prepare to celebrate the nation's 250th anniversary, we should be reminded of how many colonial grievances against King George III now apply to President Trump. In the context of the current state of the presidency, the Declaration of Independence reads more like articles of impeachment against Mr. Trump rather than a 250-year-old rebuke of King George III.

*Paul Donnelly has taught U.S. History and Government in Poughkeepsie for over twenty years. Alongside his career in education, he serves the community as a member of the Hyde Park Town Board.*

## Bill introduced in Congress to award Chief Nimham the Purple Heart



*A Bill to award Chief Daniel Nimham, the last sachem of the Wappinger people, a Purple Heart for his sacrifice during the American Revolution was introduced to Congress by Congressman Pat Ryan. The announcement was made during the Fishkill 250 event at Heritage Financial Park earlier this month. It was stated that Town of Fishkill Supervisor Ozy Albra has been working with Ryan to have the Purple Heart awarded posthumously to Nimham.*

*-Courtesy photo*

## Sholes Miller Rodriguez & Brown attorneys included in HV Magazine's 2026 Top Lawyers list



*The team of attorneys from Sholes Miller Rodriguez & Brown, include from left, Joseph P. Petito, Kimberly L. Brown, Robert Irving Miller, Leilani J. Rodriguez, and Randy L. Braun.*

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Hudson Valley Magazine has recognized top regional attorneys for their expertise, including the attorneys at Sholes Miller Rodriguez & Brown, PLLC. These honorees, recognized for excellence in specific practice areas are selected through peer reviews and independent research. Hudson Valley Magazine's "Top Lawyers" list is a regional recognition program that highlights distinguished legal professionals across more than 35 practice areas.

The 2026 Top Lawyer Recognitions (Hudson Valley Magazine) from Sholes Miller Rodriguez & Brown include:

- Robert Irving Miller for Civil Law Litigation
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- Leilani Rodriguez for Appellate Law

- Joseph Petito for Family Law
- Randy Braun (Randy L. Braun Attorney at Law) for Labor and Employment

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## Marathon reading of the U.S. Constitution set for June 19 in Beacon

*Continued from cover*

Who can take part in the reading?

"Anyone who is interested is invited to participate. We will have designated readers who have selected specific portions to read, as well as open sections for community participants," said Danon.

Skidmore College professor Beau Breslin will be presenting during the event.

Breslin relayed that Danon reached out to him and invited me to participate and, frankly, I never miss an opportunity to talk about the Constitution," he said via email. "I am deeply honored that she and the folks in Beacon are interested in what I have to say."

Breslin was asked what he thinks people will be surprised to know about the Constitution?

"So many things, but I'll give you three off the top of my head: 1.) The United States Constitution is the shortest, by word count, of any national Constitution in the world (it is the length of a basic feature article in a publication like *People* magazine).

2.) It is the longest enduring national Constitution in the world (the average lifespan of constitutions around the GLOBE is a mere 19 years. Ours is now 239 years old from the drafting moment).

3.) Those who wrote and ratified the Constitution – including James Madison, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, and Alexander Hamilton – would be surprised and even a little angry that our Constitution has endured for almost a quarter millennium."

Danon said she hopes people who attend "will come away knowing what's in the document that so many in so many roles swear to defend and with a greater appreciation of the brilliance, complexity, and challenge the Constitution offers us so many years after its initial construction."

"I hope they come away with a renewed appreciation of how our Constitution changed the world (I'm not being hyperbolic) and, simultaneously, how it is broken and in need of significant repair. Put another way, I hope people realize that the Constitution is both worthy of reverence and ill-designed for the problems of the twenty-first century," said Breslin.

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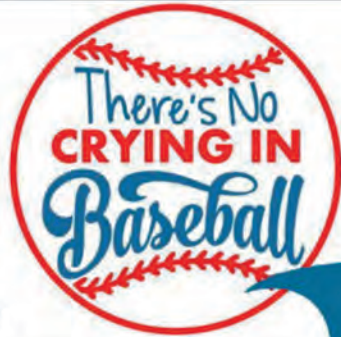
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## RENEGADES FEATURE

# Josh Moylan crushes No. 25, becomes Renegades HR leader

By Morgan E. Maier

The Hudson Valley's most-recognized Renegade has solidified another piece of franchise history. Josh Moylan, with a resounding home run against the Jersey Shore BlueClaws on June 10, became the Renegades' career leader in home runs, notching one more on a career-high tally this season. Known to get a walk-off water bath or pie to the face, Moylan has found ways to impact the Renegades this season offensively.

Shy of the halfway point of 2026, Moylan has eclipsed his single-season home run total — and cemented his name at the top of Hudson Valley's High-A History. On June 10, Moylan plunked a solo shot to left center. As the baseball landed beyond the fence, his Renegades up by a half-dozen, Moylan had become the franchise home run leader, an honor previously held by Spencer Henson's 24.

Moylan's first multi-home run game of the season — and



The versatile fielding and hitting star of the Hudson Valley Renegades — Josh Moylan — is now the team's career leader in home runs with 25. That mark was previously held by Spencer Henson.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

first since June 23, 2024 — helped propel Hudson Valley's come-from-behind

win over the Frederick Keys on June 5. Moylan would launch his 11th of the season days later.

Though Hudson Valley has experienced the inconsistencies of summer, Moylan continues a jubilant June. More than a stalwart infielder, Moylan appears in left field, first base, and third, while offering a reliable designated bat. He is hitting nearly .300 in June (.289 as of June 14), and continues to boost the Renegades with the bat, and performing at various defensive positions. Among others, he is the career leader in home runs, games played, extra-base hits and runs batted in.

For three seasons, Moylan, 23, has been a Hudson Valley mainstay. He has come into the organization with a commitment to career and community, forging connections, and this year, especially, forcing an outfielder's glance above the wall he's meant to defend.

### League Standings

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH		W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
	Greensboro PIT	40	23	.635	-	7-3	W3
	Frederick BAL	38	22	.633	0.5	5-5	L1
	Hudson Valley NYY	29	33	.468	10.5	6-4	W1
	Wilmington WSH	28	34	.452	11.5	2-8	L3
	Brooklyn NYM	25	37	.403	14.5	7-3	W1
	Jersey Shore PHI	24	38	.387	15.5	2-8	L1
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH		W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
	Bowling Green TB *	45	17	.726	-	7-3	W3
	Winston-Salem CWS	36	27	.571	9.5	4-6	W2
	Hub City TEX	33	29	.532	12.0	8-2	W5
	Rome ATL	32	30	.516	13.0	4-6	L3
	Greenville BOS	25	35	.417	19.0	5-5	L2
	Asheville HOU	16	46	.258	29.0	3-7	L5



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07/02/26	vs. Wilmington	07:05 PM	America 250 Celebration WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/03/26	vs. Wilmington	07:05 PM	America 250 Celebration WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/04/26	vs. Wilmington	07:05 PM	Independence Day: Happy 250th Birthday, USA! presented by Central Hudson Gas & Electric WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/05/26	vs. Wilmington	02:05 PM	Unicorn Day WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/07/26	vs. Rome	06:35 PM	90s Night WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/08/26	vs. Rome	06:35 PM	Jewish Heritage Night WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/09/26	vs. Rome	06:35 PM	Harry Potter Night WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/10/26	vs. Rome	07:05 PM	Renegades: The Musical! WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/11/26	vs. Rome	05:05 PM	Christmas in July WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets
07/12/26	vs. Rome	01:05 PM	Princes & Princesses Day WMCHHealth Club Lounge Tickets





# Renegades Extra!



## RENEGADES ROUNDUP

# Homers and hits set the pace as HV wins series over Jersey Shore



Both Wilson Rodriguez, left, and Core Jackson went deep for the Renegades last week. Rodriguez hit a grand slam on June 11 and Jackson hit a solo shot on June 14.

-Photos by Dave Janosz

**By Morgan E. Maier**

Welcome to summer! The Hudson Valley Renegades were home for one week only this month, and pinched the BlueClaws for four wins at Heritage Financial Park. A franchise record, over-the-fence offense and a long-sought series win highlighted the Renegades' week in sweltering Hudson Valley heat.

**Roderick Rolls** - With Hudson Valley donning their Fenómenos Enmascarados identity jerseys on June 14, Roderick Arias' aggressive baserunning nearly released Hudson Valley from a 3-3 deadlock, advancing 90 feet from the go-ahead run after a passed ball. Though the Renegades would strand Arias there, they wouldn't wait long for the game-changing swing. And the next came even faster.

Core Jackson knocked a solo home run for the lead, and Eric Genter matched it for a 5-3 lead. Wilson Rodriguez was inches from a third straight shot, but a fortuitous blast of wind got Jersey Shore out of the inning with a 5-3 deficit. Hudson Valley would go on to win the game 5-3, and the series four games to two.

Arias had a hit in each game he played this series, marked by hard contact and tougher baserunning. Arias had two hits in the Renegades' opening 5-0 win, and again on June 12, as the infielder extended a 7-game hitting streak, dating back to the previous series against Frederick. In the finale, Arias had a pair of hits and an RBI.

**Grandeur** - A Wilson Rodriguez grand

slam was not enough to salvage the Renegade win streak on June 11, as Rodriguez pummeled a shot straight to center. It would give the Renegades a lead, a four-run third inning, but Jersey Shore would claw back to a four-spot of its own. In the sixth, a bullpen dismantling would cost Hudson Valley its lead – and the win – as Jersey Shore caught its first win of the series. Kyle West took the BlueClaws out of the park three times in the first two games, sending the Renegades to back-to-back wins to start the series.

**BlueClaws Unmasked** - Another caped crusade ensued on June 12 with Superheroes and Villains Night, as the Dutchess County crowd reveled in their 11-3 hometown heroism. Josh Moylan hit his 11th home run of the season, as all Renegades reached base in the victory.

Emanuel Tejada led the way with 3 hits. Genter, Rodriguez, Cam Troyer, and Jackson knocked in 2 runs each, as Hudson Valley overcame an early two-run deficit to earn Rory Fox his third win of the season.

Hudson Valley continues on the road the rest of June, first facing the Rome Emperors, who are coming off a losing bout with Bowling Green Hot Rods. Both Hudson Valley and Rome sit two spots from the bottom of their respective divisions, and look to close the ever-lengthening gap between their squads and the league leaders.

## RENEGADES EXTRA



Kyle West took the BlueClaws out of the park three times in the first two games last week, sending the Renegades to back-to-back wins to start the series. Above, West shakes hands with Manager Aaron Bossi after hitting one of his three home runs.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

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## The lost art of naming the Post Office



Recent photographs of the building of the former Barrytown Post Office built in 1830 at the Edgewater Estate. “Barry” refers to the US Postmaster at the time, William T. Barry. No doubt the gesture of recognition was made to help accelerate or ensure an approval for what was a new post office at the time. In a reversal of the usual dynamics, the hamlet eventually took the name from the post office.

-Photos by Bill Jeffway.

### By Bill Jeffway

In 1845, Dutchess County had 58 post offices. In rural Dutchess, they were usually part of a general store and served as informal gathering places for the community.

The post office—and the local postmas-

ter—were important and influential. Postmasters were appointed by the President of the United States, usually with advice from local political leaders and the area's congressman. The position carried considerable prestige and influence. The postmaster controlled what



Top: In a photo taken by a young woman, Nina McCullough, she used to create a photo and poem scrapbook she made for her grandmother. She wrote under the image, “Clinton Hollow Post-office. This is the country grocery, where all the farmers go / to sit and chat and help to keep the pickle barrel low.” Bottom photo: early 20th century image of the Bulls Head Post Office and store, also in the town of Clinton, reflecting the busy social and commercial scene.

news came in and out of a community and, at times, could influence how quickly mail moved. Perhaps the most extreme example of this influence occurred in the years before the Civil War, when some Southern postmasters refused to deliver abolitionist literature that they believed might encourage “uprisings” among enslaved people.

The recent announcement by the Jenrette Foundation that it has launched a campaign to restore Red Hook's Barrytown Post Office building (postal operations ceased there in the 1990s) provides an opportunity to look back at the dynamic role post offices and postmasters played in nineteenth-century Dutchess County. The Jenrette Foundation maintains the impressive Edgewater estate, built in 1824 by John R. Livingston. The home was a wedding gift for his daughter Margaretta, upon her marriage to Captain Rawlins Lowndes Brown of Charleston, South Carolina. Brown (ca. 1792–1851) descended from two prominent South Carolina families: the Browns of Georgetown and the Lowndes family of Charleston.

As one of the Hudson River landings in the town of Red Hook, then known as Lower Red Hook Landing, the area served from the late 18th century as an exchange point where local farmers sold their products and obtained manufactured goods arriving from around the world. The landing was adjacent to wealthy estate owners at Steen Valetje, Massena, and Rokeby.

A mixed blessing arrived in the form of the New York City-to-Albany Railroad, completed by 1850. Although a railroad stop generally benefited a community, in this case the tracks were laid very close to the Edgewater house and physically separated it from the post office. Such was the cost of progress. Nevertheless, the post office prospered and survived many of the closures that occurred during the early twentieth century, remaining in operation until the 1990s.

### Towns, hamlets & families

The most obvious name for a post office reflected the town or hamlet in which it was located. Some names reflected geography or topography: Fishkill, Fishkill Landing, and Fishkill Plains; North Amenia and South Amenia; Red Hook and Upper Red Hook. Perhaps the most remarkable example was the post office known as “West North East.” It was located in the western portion of the town of North East at a time when North East still included what later became the town of Milan. When Milan was formed in 1818, the post office became known simply as Milan.

Often, post offices took their names from local families, usually after those families had already given their names to a hamlet or locality. Examples

include Beekman, Clinton Hollow, Adriaance (in Fishkill), Stormville, Arthursburg, and Shookville.

In an extraordinary public tribute to a national figure—perhaps second only locally (albeit a distant second!) to the 1788 naming of the town of Washington after George Washington—the applicant for a new post office in 1829, a man named Michael S. Martin, agreed to have the office named after the sitting U.S. Postmaster General, William T. Barry. In a reversal of the usual pattern, the hamlet eventually took its name from the post office.

The story unfolded against the backdrop of national politics. In 1828, Andrew Jackson defeated John Quincy Adams in a rematch of the fiercely contested 1824 election, which Adams had won through what critics labeled the “corrupt bargain.” Jackson's victory ushered in the era of Jacksonian Democracy and the rise of the so-called common man. Jackson appointed William T. Barry as Postmaster General. Like many members of Jackson's administration, Barry proved a controversial figure.

Locally, naming a post office after Barry was not a risky political gesture. Returns from the 1828 presidential election show that Adams carried only four Dutchess County towns—Beekman, Hyde Park, Pawling, and Union Vale—while Jackson won Red Hook by one of the largest margins in the county.

Over time, efficiency began to influence postal naming practices. In 1895 there was an effort to combine some two-word post office names into a single word. As a result, “Pleasant Ridge” became “Pleasantridge,” while “Quaker Hill” became “Quakerhill.” Sometimes the changes were subtle but intended to standardize usage. The post office known as “Annandale” in 1864 later became “Annandale-on-Hudson” in 1916.

We are approaching the anniversary of the real end of the romantic, strategic, and political era of post-office naming arrived on July 1, 1963.

On that date, the United States Post Office Department introduced the five-digit ZIP Code system to move mail more quickly and efficiently. The term “ZIP” stood for “Zone Improvement Plan.” Four additional digits were added through the ZIP+4 system in 1983. Together, these changes removed much of the local identity that had once been attached to postal destinations.

Today, Dutchess County residents are identified more readily by numbers than by the colorful postal place names that once dotted the landscape—from the rural 125-series ZIP Codes that range from Amenia (12501) to Wingdale (12594), and the four in the 126-series assigned to Poughkeepsie that include Vassar College.

A rich source for the county's postal history is the work of Roy Ahlquist, who researched and privately published extensive studies of Dutchess County post offices during the 1990s. Through the courtesy of the Ahlquist family and the efforts of Clinton Town Historian Craig Marshall, these materials are available in the Dutchess County Historical Society research library. At the time of publishing, Ahlquist himself said he was not sure how Barrytown came to be named, this is a more recent finding.

In each of his publications Ahlquist beautifully wrote, “it is suggested that this booklet be used as a notebook as well. To that end text is printed only on one side of a sheet of paper. Reasonably large margins are used so that there is space to enter additional information. In other words, consider this booklet as a foundation on which you can build.” What a wonderful sentiment, and an offer we accept with pride and a sense of responsibility!



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# Festival at the Falls spotlights local businesses



The Wappingers Falls Festival at the Falls, sponsored by the Wappingers Falls Business & Professional Association, was held at Mesier Park on Saturday, June 13 in Wappingers Falls. This was the 10th year the event was held.

Clockwise from top left: Joey and Taiye Sanchez, of Orange County, smile before serving their empanadas from the Not My Wife's Cooking food truck.

Jackie Palazzo, an owner of The Cluck Truck, flashes the peace sign from her truck's order window.

Jake Muller, board member of the Wappingers Falls Business & Professional Association and manager at Dynamic Intervention Practice, was there to offer attendees an opportunity to sign up with the organization.

At the Mercedes Benz of Wappingers Falls table with information and brochures was Joshua Horton from the Sales Department.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter

## Former Wappinger resident Tyler Adams and USMNT win their first match in World Cup



Former Wappinger resident Tyler Adams is playing in the FIFA World Cup on the United States Men's National Soccer Team (USMNT).

Dutchess County Legislator Robert Faust posted to social media last week, "Proud to call Tyler Adams a friend and even prouder to see him representing Team USA on the world stage. No matter how far his journey takes him, he's never forgotten his Wappinger roots. We're all behind you, Tyler good luck and make us proud!"

USA played Paraguay on June 12, at SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, CA. Adams and his team won that game, with a score of 4-1.

Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini posted to Facebook, posted in part, "Tyler's journey from Wappinger to the World Cup is an inspi-

ration to young athletes and residents throughout our town and nation. His dedication, hard work, leadership, and pride in representing his hometown have made us all incredibly proud."

Cavaccini noted, "As a friend, it has been amazing to watch Tyler achieve his dreams while never forgetting where he came from. He and his family remain committed to improving our community and we are grateful to them. Today, we stand united behind him and Team USA as they compete before the world."

The supervisor stated there will be "a very special announcement planned ahead of Tyler's next match that you won't want to miss!"

The next match is set for June 19th. USA will play Australia at Lumen Field in Seattle at 3 p.m.

Left: Professional soccer player Tyler Adams encourages a youngster during a clinic in 2025 at Martz Field, now known as the "Tyler Adams Soccer Pitch," in Wappinger. Adams, who grew up in Wappinger, is once again playing the FIFA World Cup on the United States Men's National Soccer Team (USMNT).

-Archive photo by David McIntyre

## Village of Wappingers Falls seeks planning board alternates

The Village of Wappingers Falls Planning Board is looking for Planning Board Alternate members. An Alternate member will attend the regular monthly meetings on the first Thursday of the month and will substitute for a regular member when such member is unable to participate because of conflict of interest on an application or matter before the board. When so designated, the alternate member shall possess all the powers

and responsibilities of such member of the board.

An Alternate must be a resident of the Village of Wappingers Falls and will need to meet the Planning Board member training requirements of 4 hours per year.

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## Greystone Programs awarded \$43,498 in Mid-Hudson Subaru 'Share the Love' event

Greystone Programs has been awarded \$43,498 as a result of being selected as Mid-Hudson Subaru's hometown charity of choice. During the recent event, it was also announced that Greystone has been selected again for 2027, with Mid-Hudson Subaru sharing its commitment to moving closer to a \$50,000 contribution next year.

Greystone Programs was represented by Brian Marcinkowski, Board Chairman; Barb Passaro, Board Member; Skip Pryce, Chief Executive Officer; Anquinette Hayles, Chief Advancement Officer; Claude D'Alessandro, Chief Financial Officer; Tracilyn Vaticano, Vice President of Programs; Jaclyn Dellaripa; Luke Djinaj; Barb Passaro; Caren O'Brien-Edwards; Jennifer Matthes; Jonathan Narciso; Keith Arnold; Michael Valentine, Karena Baez, Alexandra Ciulla; and members of the Greystone team.



Mid-Hudson Subaru's hometown charity of choice for 2026 is the Greystone Programs, which was awarded \$43,498.

-Courtesy photo

Community leaders and partners in attendance included Assemblyman Anil Beephan; Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino; Joseph D. Cavaccini, Town Supervisor, Town of Wappinger; a representative from Senator Rob Rolison's

Office; Councilman Christopher Grant; Joshua Galow, Vice President of Engagement for the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce; and additional community supporters.

## Wappinger to launch Farmers Market June 22

Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini announced the launch of the Wappinger Farmers Market, which will start on Monday, June 22, from 4-7 p.m. at Wappinger Town Hall, Middlebush Road. Residents and visitors can get their weekly produce shopping done at the beginning of each week for 19 Mondays from a variety of local farms and agriculturally focused vendors. Vendors may still apply.

The Town is partnering with Vinestops, a farm stand focused app that was launched right here in the Town of Wappinger. Check out the weekly market specials and sign up at: <https://vinestops.com/@town-of-wappinger/town-of-wappinger-farmers-market>.

## Vassar Brothers earns two national recognitions for age-friendly care

Vassar Brothers Medical Center (VBMC) has earned two national recognitions that reinforce its leadership in care for older adults: Level 2 Age-Friendly Health System — Committed to Care Excellence status from the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) and Level 3 (Bronze) Geriatric Emergency Department Accreditation (GEDA) from the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

Together, the designations reflect a multi-year effort to embed age-friendly practices across the organization and strengthen specialized care in one of the hospital's most critical settings.

The IHI Level 2 designation places VBMC among a select group of hospitals nationwide that have demonstrated reliable, system-wide delivery of age-friendly care across inpatient and outpatient settings. The Emergency Department's Level 3 GEDA affirms older adults who come to VBMC for urgent care receive coordinated, evidence-based treatment tailored to their needs.

"This milestone reflects the dedication and discipline of our teams and the standard our community deserves," said Susan Browning, president of Vassar Brothers Medical Center. "Level 2 means our older adult patients can count on care aligned with their goals, supported by coordinated teams, every time and in every setting. Coupled with our new Geriatric Emergency Department accreditation, these achievements show that from the front door of the Emergency Department to inpatient and outpatient care, VBMC is delivering the elder-friendly, high-quality care our community deserves."

"As our population ages, it is crucial our Emergency Department is equipped to address the complex physical, cognitive and social needs of older adults," said Corina Marcu, MD, vice president of medical affairs for Vassar Brothers Medical Center. "The GEDA accreditation recognizes the hard work of our physicians, nurses and staff, alongside partners across the hospital, to reduce delirium and falls, optimize medication safety, support mobility and ensure every patient's goals guide their care. I'm incredibly proud of our teams and the difference their commitment makes for patients and families."

The need for age-friendly care is growing locally. About one in five Dutchess County residents (20.2%) is age 65 or older, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. For patients and families, these recognitions signal care designed to pro-

tect independence, improve safety and support quality of life close to home.

VBMC's work is grounded in the Age-Friendly Health Systems 4Ms framework:

- **What Matters:** Understanding and aligning care with each older adult's specific health goals and care preferences.
- **Medication:** Using age-friendly medications that do not interfere with a patient's goals, mobility or cognitive health.
- **Mentation:** Preventing, identifying and managing conditions such as dementia, depression and delirium.
- **Mobility:** Ensuring older adults move safely every day to maintain strength and independence.

The Geriatric Emergency Department Accreditation program, developed by ACEP in collaboration with IHI, the American Geriatrics Society, the Emergency Nurses Association and the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine, sets standards for emergency departments caring for older adults. Accredited departments strengthen care through staff training, age-friendly environments and evidence-based protocols that address issues such as delirium prevention, medication safety, fall risk and safe transitions of care.

VBMC participates in the national Age-Friendly Health Systems initiative led by The John A. Hartford Foundation and IHI, in partnership with the American Hospital Association and the Catholic Health Association of the United States. Through that work, participating organizations spread reliable age-friendly practices across the continuum of care. VBMC's Level 2 status reflects sustained performance at scale, while the Emergency Department's GEDA underscores focused excellence in a setting where timeliness, communication and coordination are especially important.

Community members and caregivers are encouraged to speak with their care teams about what matters most to them and how the 4Ms are incorporated into care at VBMC.

Age-Friendly Health Systems is an initiative of The John A. Hartford Foundation and the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, in partnership with the American Hospital Association and the Catholic Health Association of the United States. For more information on Age-Friendly Health Systems recognition levels, visit <https://www.ihl.org/partner/initiatives/age-friendly-health-systems>.

For more information about the Geriatric Emergency Department Accreditation program, visit <https://www.acep.org/geda>.

## DC Legislature launches Animal Welfare and Community Stewardship Committee

Continued from cover

Legislator Emma Arnof (D-LaGrange) stated, "As a mental health clinician, I've worked with people who struggle to care for their pets and others who rely on them for emotional support. This committee will bring together agencies, volunteers, and county partners to address these challenges and more—working collaboratively to better support both animals and the people who depend on them."

Prior to the June 4th Committee meeting, where the resolution to establish the AWCS was introduced, representatives from the Dutchess County District Attorney and Sheriff offices spoke in favor of the new committee, emphasizing the urgent need for resources, intra-county cooperation, and coordinated strategies to address the problem.

Sheriff Kirk Imperati said, "The Dutchess County Sheriff's Office has had dedicated

professionals devoted to animal rights for many years. Having even more partners in this extremely important work will only strengthen our resolve and will go a long way toward eradicating these crimes and sending a strong message to those who commit them. I am excited to join forces with Chair Valdés Smith and members of the Legislature to work together on this newly established committee to achieve our common goals."

Senior Assistant District Attorney Nicholas La Stella reported that he would be leading the office's recently launched Animal Cruelty unit.

La Stella, Deputy Unit Chief of the DA's Special Victims Unit, was chosen because of the "significant overlap between animal cruelty and special victims cases. The number of victims of domestic violence who report animal cruelty is between 70-80%; people who abuse people they perceive as weaker often abuse animals as well."

## Obituaries

### Richard Zuckerman



Richard Zuckerman, a loving husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend, passed away peacefully on May 31, 2026. He was 79 years old.

Born on November 25, 1946, in Manhattan, Richard was the son of the late Edward and Pearl Essner Zuckerman. On June 7, 1970, he married the love of his life, the former Karen Pearlberg, who survives him at home. This year, they would have celebrated 56 years of marriage together.

Richard dedicated more than four decades of his professional life to serving others as an administrator for nonprofit organizations that supported individuals with developmental disabilities and emotional chal-

lenges. His work reflected the compassion, patience, and kindness that defined his character. He was also a longtime member of the Beacon Hebrew Alliance.

A man of boundless energy and generosity, Richard was deeply involved in his community and family. When his children were young, he was the Committee Chair for Cub Scout Pack 54 and then served as a Scoutmaster of Troop 95. An avid outdoorsman, Richard enjoyed running and participated in numerous 10K races. He found joy in nature, whether tending to his garden, keeping his bird feeders full, or exploring the wonders of the night sky through his interest in astronomy. He was a life-long lover of music, from singing doo-wop on the steps of his synagogue in the Bronx to instilling a love of classic rock music in his children. He enjoyed antiquing and craft fairs, especially artisan pottery. He loved watching baseball and was a passionate fan of the New York Yankees.

Richard was passionate about preserving and enjoying the natural beauty of the Hudson Valley. He served as an Ambassador for Walkway Over the Hudson and volunteered with Scenic Hudson, helping to maintain trails and assist with projects at Long Dock Park in Beacon. He will also be remembered for his quick wit, warm smile, and wonderful sense of humor that could brighten any room.

Above all else, Richard cherished his family. Nothing brought him greater happiness than spending time with those he loved and watching his family grow.

Richard is survived by his beloved wife, Karen Zuckerman; his son, Mitchell Pavao-Zuckerman and his daughter-in-law, Barnet, and their children, Evelyn and Sagan Pavao-Zuckerman; his daughter, Brett Zuckerman and her children, Nora and Corinne Lopez, and her partner Steven Secor; his twin brother, Ronald Zuckerman and his wife, Carol; his sister-in-law, Wendy Brown Zuckerman; his wife's sister, Jan Lori Pearlberg; and his nieces and nephews, Lori (Jerry), Gregory, Danielle (Anthony), Wendy and their families.

In addition to his parents, Richard was predeceased by his older brother, Mark Zuckerman, and his mother- and father-in-law, Ena and Herbert Pearlberg.

Family and friends gathered on Wednesday, June 3, at Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, 2 Beekman Street, Beacon. A funeral service was held with Rabbi Justin David officiating. Burial will follow at the Beacon Hebrew Alliance Cemetery, 274 Osborne Hill Road, Fishkill.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Levy Body Dementia Association.

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.

# Creative Living

## Powerhouse Theater at Vassar announces programming for the 40th anniversary season

Vassar College announced the lineup for the 40th Powerhouse Theater Season, set June 18 to July 26. After more than four decades, this annual summer season brings together some of today's most influential theatrical voices and welcomes the next generation of theater artists as members of the renowned Powerhouse Theater Training Program.

Powerhouse will also host the Soundpainting Thinktank, a week-long gathering of artists from around the world, culminating in a one-night-only performance. Soundpainting is the universal live composing sign language created in Woodstock by composer Walter Thompson.

As always, Vassar welcomes a new cohort of young actors, directors, and writers to campus as members of the Powerhouse Theater Training Company. These emerging artists will present a slate of free theater throughout the season.

Also in residence at Powerhouse this summer is Vassar Professor Shona Tucker ("To Kill a Mockingbird") who, alongside John Summerford, are in the early stages of developing "Better Angels" by LuAnn Kaldor and Eve Gendron.

"It's an honor to have so many Powerhouse favorites alongside fresh voices on campus, as we celebrate the 40th Anniversary Powerhouse Season," said Producing Director Michael Sheehan. "Since 1985, Powerhouse has offered space to both established and emerging artists. 40 years later, I'm proud to be continuing that tradition at Vassar."

"And what a joy it is to welcome back Powerhouse alums Erin C. Buckley and Ellenor Riley-Condit, both of whom were members of the Powerhouse Training Program. After having begun their journey as artists at Powerhouse, it's a joy to

have them return to share their latest work with our audiences and students," added Producing Director Ed Cheatham.

"Vassar's role in shaping the history of American theater cannot be overstated. It is a privilege to welcome and support the work of renowned artists each summer, as well as the works of local artists of the Hudson Valley, including Vassar's own Associate Professor of Drama, Peter Gil-Sheridan, and Professor of Drama, Shona Tucker," said Vassar College President Elizabeth H. Bradley.

"At the foundation of the Powerhouse program is the Training Company. We are delighted to welcome a new cohort of dedicated aspiring artists, who come from all over the country to study, create, and perform alongside our world-class faculty and professional artists," added Sheehan.

"We can't wait to welcome our loyal audiences back to the Vassar campus. See you this summer!" concluded Cheatham.

Powerhouse will present a special events on June 18. "Theater Idiot," written and performed by Drew Droege, will take place in the Martel Theater. Tickets are \$40.

Synopsis: On December 14, 2025, Patti LuPone attended a performance of Drew Droege's play, "Messy White Gays." It was nearly ruined thanks to the outbursts of a raving drunken lunatic. After the show, LuPone eviscerated this person and told them to "never go back to the theater again."

The New York Post ran the headline "LuPone Blasts Theater Idiot."

Tonight, meet the Theater Idiot.

For updates and information about the Powerhouse schedule, visit [www.vassar.edu/powerhouse/season](http://www.vassar.edu/powerhouse/season).

Call (845) 437-5599 or email [phtboxoffice@vassar.edu](mailto:phtboxoffice@vassar.edu) for tickets and more information.



The Powerhouse Theater on the Vassar College Campus.

-Photo by Tamar Thibodeau.

Below: Powerhouse Training Company performs "Soundpainting" in 2016.

-Photo by Buck Lewis



## Guitar Club to meet June 27

Come to Guitar Club at the East Fishkill Community Library on Saturday, June 27. The group meets monthly on Sundays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Check the calendar for select dates.

This is an adult group meant for guitar hobbyists to meet up and share their music and guitar geekiness together. Content will be group directed.

Activities will include song circle, music swap, guitar care tips and general guitar geek chat.

Local resident Carol Morin will lead this group; all levels of experience are welcome. Familiarity with basic chords is helpful but not required.

Visit [eflibrary.org](http://eflibrary.org) or call 845-221-9943 for more information.

### EFCL to discuss 'My Friends' by Fredrik Backman on June 25

The EFCL Evening Book Group will meet at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on Thursday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss this month's book "My Friends" by Fredrik Backman. Copies of the book are available within the Library system. All are welcome to come and join in the discussion of this work.

Call the library at 845-221-9943 for more information.

### Car Show to benefit Domestic Violence Awareness

Smoke Haus and The Melanie Chianese Foundation will present Driven for a Cause Car Show to support Domestic Violence Awareness on Monday, June 22, from 5-8 p.m. at Smoke Haus Deli, 567 Old Hopewell Rd. in East Fishkill.

Enter a raffle to win a brand new DeWalt Cordless Lithium-Ion Power Drill with case.

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# love to cook

by vicki frank day



# Chicken Piccata

Light and satisfying for a special, warm-weather meal

The other night while in a quandary over what to make for dinner, I did what I often do when I don't have a plan: I looked in the fridge for inspiration. Once I knew what I had to work with, the next step was: What was I in the mood for? It was a warm night but not unbearably hot, so something on the light side was in order. But I wanted a proper dinner, not a salad. Chicken is usually a great choice on such occasions, and so I knew just the thing that would hit all the marks – Chicken Piccata.

A dish of chicken breasts in a buttery beurre blanc kissed with fresh lemon and the briny pop of capers is both light and satisfying. Served with mashed potatoes and a fresh, green salad, it's just about the perfect summer meal when you're craving something a little special. I hadn't made it in a very long time and with everything I needed on hand, it was definitely overdue and just the thing!

But before we get to the recipe, a little history, although when all is said and done, it may not be definitive. This is one of the many recipes with different origin stories and meanings, so please take this with a proverbial grain of salt. Take piccata, for instance. The word suggests it may be named for the piquant nature of some of the ingredients (lemon and capers) or perhaps even a region of Italy, but it isn't. It more likely refers to the method used. Piccata, it seems, can be roughly translated from Italian to mean "pounded" or "seasoned." Both are apt, since either chicken or veal are traditionally pounded (or sliced) thin for quick cooking and served in a bright and zesty sauce.

What isn't really up for debate is that it came about when millions of Italian immigrants settled in America in the 1930s. Veal was probably the first meat of choice. The other ingredients are associated with Sicily. Which begs the question: were they making it in Italy before they came over? Since I couldn't find a definitive answer and don't know anyone in Italy to ask, I'll just say it doesn't seem like it would be easy to find

there, but there are probably dishes that are similar. (I did warn you this wouldn't really clear things up). I think one thing is clear: that the Italians brought their passion for food with them to America and we are all lucky they did!

And now, a few words about the method when using chicken. You want boneless, skinless breasts for this. You can buy whole breasts, place them on a cutting board between sheets of plastic wrap and pound them thin with a mallet (or rolling pin) or get thin-sliced chicken cutlets. I have done both, though I prefer pounding them myself. At least I usually do. This time I did neither. I tried something different and cut each breast in half lengthwise so I ended up with four pieces. Why? Well, it was easier and the last time I made it I remember it was a little dry (probably due to over-cooking on my part) so I thought I'd keep them a little plumper and yes, I know, it isn't traditional but, oh my! They were tender, silky and moist and cooked to perfection.

There's also a key or two for success. First, season the flour. I used salt, freshly ground pepper and garlic powder, and quite a bit at that. Second, dredge that chicken really well through that flour – several times on both sides – and don't be afraid to pat on more just before adding to the hot skillet to make sure it's completely coated. Third, and perhaps most important: DO NOT overdo it on the lemon! This is where most people get it wrong, in my humble opinion. You may think more is better, but I promise you, not in this case. One tablespoon of fresh juice is perfect for four breasts. You will taste it without it being acrid or overpowering. Butter + lemon + wine + capers in balanced amounts is a miracle and more than enough zestiness. To each his own, but I urge you to try it this way first; and if you don't agree, then add more to suit your taste. As for the capers – those lovely little pickled flower buds from the caper bush – they aren't for everyone but if you've never tried them, you might be delighted by the briny, peppery brightness they lend to the dish. I'm a



Chicken Piccata. -Photo by Vicki Frank Day

- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste (at least 1 tablespoon each)
- 4 tablespoons butter, divided
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- ½ cup dry white wine
- ¼ cup chicken broth or stock
- Zest from one lemon (about 1 tablespoon)
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon capers, drained
- Fresh chopped parsley
- Freshly grated Parmesan cheese

## METHOD

Place flour, salt, pepper and garlic powder in a shallow dish and whisk together. Dredge each chicken breast piece through the flour mixture to thoroughly coat both sides.

Melt 2 tablespoons of the butter in a large skillet over medium heat. When melted, add olive oil. When hot, add chicken. Cook 4-5 minutes undisturbed until golden brown. Flip and cook 4-5 minutes more. Transfer cooked chicken to a plate.

Remove skillet from the heat. Add wine and broth, stirring up any browned bits. Return to heat and add remaining 2 tablespoons butter, lemon juice and zest and capers. Whisk until smooth (I just realized what a funny word that is). Return chicken to the skillet and cook about 5 minutes more, turning once.

Garnish with parsley and a sprinkle of Parmesan. Serves 4.

A debt of gratitude to the Italian-Americans who have added so much to our culinary repertoire and, in so doing, richness to our American heritage. In fact, a huge thank you to all of our ancestors who brought their family recipes with them through Ellis Island. They made America the literal melting pot it has become, a unique treasure for us all.

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big fan!

Oh, and one more thing: This is not fried chicken in that it doesn't develop a crisp coating as it cooks, nor do you dip it in egg batter (as in Chicken Francese). The flour mixture adds to the richness and texture of the sauce and helps the chicken stay moist and tender.

## CHICKEN PICCATA

What else can I add, except serving suggestions. Pasta may seem like the logical choice, but in honor of my Italian friends who prefer pasta as its own course, I prefer mashed potatoes, which are brought to a whole new level when drizzled with the velvety, zesty sauce. Rice would be good, too. Serve green beans, broccolini or an arugula salad and you have a lovely meal.

This recipe, as discussed, uses two breasts cut lengthwise. If you're using thin-sliced or pounded cutlets, you may need to reduce the cooking time by about 1 minute per side. Also, if you prefer not to use wine, use ¾ cup chicken broth or stock.

## INGREDIENTS

- 2 large boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut in half lengthwise (to make 4 pieces)
- Flour (start with 1 cup), for dredging

# East Fishkill *Recreation*

**By Bill Green  
Recreation Director**

We still have openings for our August 6 trip to Saratoga Raceway. 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 concert this Friday Night June 19 at 7pm features the very popular Hurley Mountain Highway Band with John Jay graduate Ed Hurley. Come enjoy the music from the 60's and 70's. Next Friday night, June 26, JJHS graduate Sam Costanzo and his Chain Gang Band entertain at 7 p.m.

Red Wing Park will open daily starting this Saturday, June 20 through September 7.

Season passes are on sale weekdays at the Rec Office on 4 Anne Avenue. This Sunday, June 21, JJHS graduate Sharon Husted and her Shoo Fly Band will be entertaining the beach crowd from 1-3 p.m. Join the fun!

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 July 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.

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

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

# Town of Poughkeepsie *Recreation*

**By Nate Smith  
Recreation Director  
Bark Rangers**

Do you enjoy walking your dog in the Town of Poughkeepsie parks? The Recreation Department invites residents to become part of "Bark Rangers," a community program for dogs and their humans who want to help keep our parks safe, clean, and welcoming. Bark Rangers can help by picking up litter during walks, reporting hazards or maintenance concerns, and helping clear small branches or debris when appropriate.

No formal or strenuous work is required — just small actions that help improve the park experience for everyone. Bark Rangers must be licensed with the Town, and all Bark Rangers receive a free gift.

For more information or to sign up, email REC@TOWNOFPOUGHKEEPSIE-NY.GOV.

**Senior Center News  
By Ruta Ronis**

**For the Poughkeepsie Senior Center**

2026 just keeps on rolling along, and here we are heading toward the end of the first half of the year. Our Senior Center, at 14 Abe's Way, keeps on rolling along as well with a multitude of activities Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. for everyone 55+.

Our full calendar can be viewed at [poughkeepsieny.myrec.com](http://poughkeepsieny.myrec.com), but here are some upcoming highlights:

Thursday, June 18 at 12:30 p.m.: Dee and Dave music performance

Friday, June 19: Senior Center closed

Tuesday, June 23: Brain Games with Pok. Library at 10:30 a.m. and Prize Bingo @ 1pm

Thursday, June 25: Puppy Love Service Dog visit at 10 a.m. and Advisory Group meeting at 1 p.m.

Tuesday, June 30 at 1 p.m.: Better Together member chat

Thursday, July 2 at 11 a.m.: Independence Day party - Please sign up in advance

Friday, July 3: SC closed.

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# Inaugural Flag Retirement Ceremony held on Flag Day at Fishkill Rural Cemetery



The inaugural Flag Retirement Ceremony took place on Flag Day, Sunday, June 14, at Fishkill Rural Ceremony in Fishkill. The flags were collected by Rotarians and staff at McHoul Funeral Home, on Main St. in Fishkill. The flags were dropped off in the Flag Retirement box outside the funeral home. The box was dedicated on Veterans Day in 2025. Since that time, more than 1,600 flags have been dropped off at the site. The ceremony was held to make sure the proper protocol was followed to retire the tattered and torn flags. The Rombout Fire Company was on site to make sure the fire stayed well under control.

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# Are you Polylectic?

Symbiotic relationships between plants and pollinators

Native plants are taking the gardening world by storm. It's getting to the point where gardeners are actually afraid to plant anything that might be non-native or, heaven forbid, invasive. This trend has a lot to do with our love affair with pollinators. We've learned that butterfly caterpillars usually feed on only certain species – known as their host plants. The Monarch Butterfly will drink nectar from a wide variety of flowers, especially tithonia, when it's bulking up for its thousand-mile migration. But its caterpillars famously need to eat milkweed, which makes them distasteful to birds. The majority of common butterflies exhibit this trait, although most of their larvae (caterpillars) feed on native trees and shrubs. For example:

- Tiger Swallowtail – tulip poplar, ash
- Mourning Cloak – willow, elm, birch
- Silver Spotted Skipper – black locust
- Spring Azure – dogwood

The larvae of the common Red Admiral feed on native stinging nettles, but I wouldn't plant them in my garden. Black Swallowtail caterpillars eat parsley, dill and carrot foliage—also Queen Anne's Lace, a feral (not native) wildflower. Their original larval food consisted of the natives Golden Alexander and Cow Parsnip. Adult butterflies will sip nectar from any available source, so I personally would encourage gardeners to not be shy about planting zinnias, salvia and especially tithonia for butterflies.

What about bees? I see native bumblebees foraging on feral clover, catmint and a host of other wildflowers that are not native to New York. That got me thinking – can I plant my garden with my favorite petunias, marigolds, celosia and other pretty flowers without worrying about bees? So I contacted two of my entomologist friends – Dan Gilrein, extension entomologist at the Long Island Horticulture Research and Extension Center; and Samantha Willden, assistant professor at the Department of Entomology at Cornell University. What I

learned about bees' relationship with native plants astounded me.

New York State is home to 450 species of native bees. Some are smaller than a grain of rice. Some haven't even been identified yet. Most are solitary, living in holes in the ground or in stems and dead wood. You'll never see them. Yet they play a crucial role in the environment, because very many of these little bees have a unique symbiotic relationship with native wildflowers.

The spring beauty miner bee emerges from its underground burrow in early April, just as the Woodland Spring Beauty starts to blossom. This bee is monolectic, meaning it gets its pollen, which is food for its young, only from this one flower. Few other pollinators are active early in the year, so the Spring Beauty relies on this bee for its survival.

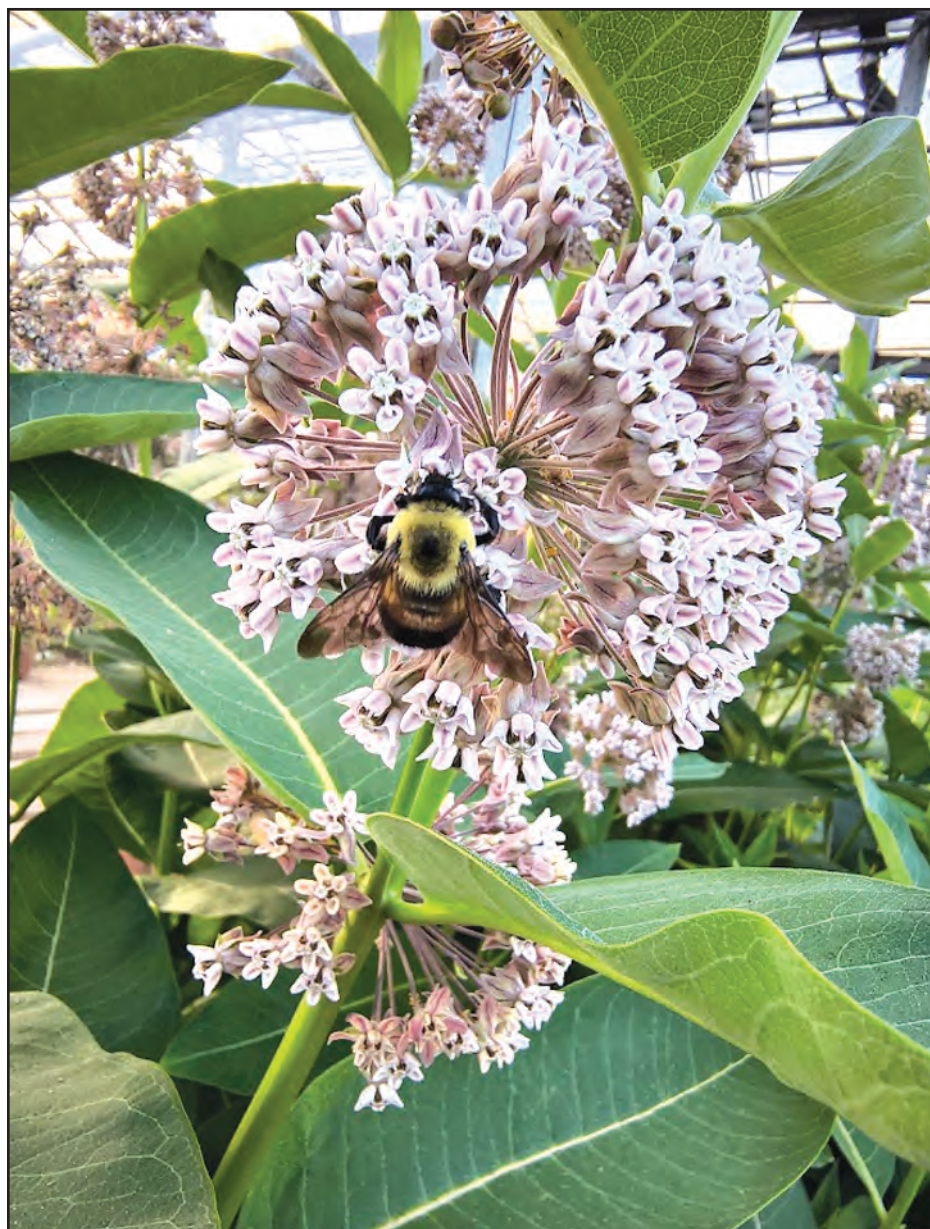
The spotted horsemint fairy bee is another monolectic pollinator, this one feeding solely on *Monarda punctata*, the Spotted bee balm (a.k.a. Horsemint). However, the relationship is rather one-sided, as the bee balm is visited by dozens of other pollinators, including bees, butterflies, even beetles.

Squash bees are oligolectic – they feed on several related species of plants, in this case pumpkins, squash and cucumbers, and do a terrific job of pollination. The sunflower longhorn bee will pollinate both native sunflowers (*Helianthus*) and cultivated varieties.

Around 75 percent of native bees are polylectic – generalists who forage far and wide for their pollen and nectar. The classic example is the bumblebee – 15 species live in New York. Clover was introduced by European settlers. Catmint came over as an ornamental. Both of them are magnets for bumblebees, and provide an extended food source due to their long bloom times.

Carpenter bees, sweat bees and feral honeybees are all polylectic, foraging on a wide variety of introduced garden flowers.

Believe it or not, there are people who don't like bees. Either they're allergic or have apiphobia (I personally have mar-motophobia, a fear of woodchucks). Garden flowers that bees won't visit



Pollinators such as bees and certain butterflies like Milkweed. Monarch Butterfly caterpillars rely on it for food.

-Photo by Mark Adams

## 'The Intruder' book of the month for EFCL

Join us at the East Fishkill Community Library on Wednesday, July 8, at 1 p.m. when The EFCL Afternoon Book Group meets to discuss this month's selection, "The Intruder" by Freida McFadden on Wednesday, July 8 at 1 p.m.

at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, East Fishkill. Copies of the book are available within the Library system.

All are welcome to come and join in the discussion of this work.

include African marigolds, begonias, geraniums and impatiens. Certain hybrid varieties of Echinacea (coneflower) have been bred with blossoms so tight that bees can't get in.

I was hoping to find out that native plants and flowers are not all that essential in the landscape, to make way for the new varieties from Proven Winners that can add pizzazz to my deck or flower bed. But it turns out that

dozens of native bee species rely on specific wildflowers for their survival. If you don't have a place for them among your Proven Winners, try to help preserve the meadows, woodlands and natural areas where native plants can thrive.

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

## Grayson Hugh to headline June 19 show at Towne Crier

Singer-songwriter and piano virtuoso Grayson Hugh returns to the Towne Crier Cafe in Beacon on Friday, July 19. Joining him will be his wife, vocalist Polly Messer; opening the show at 8:30 p.m. will be The Red Dirt Girls.

Hugh's songs have been called "a soul-rock stew, with a dash of blues and a pinch of country" (Stone Phillips, The Today Show) and his voice has been compared to soul legends Sam Cooke and Otis Redding. His piano playing has been called "a veritable cyclone of soul, drawing its energy from such diverse regions as the swampland funk of Professor Longhair, the testifying

soul of Ray Charles, with the rhythms of African drumming and bluegrass thrown in the mix." (Benny Metten, Ctrl. Alt. Country, August, 2010)

Opens the Red Dirt Girls are all about harmonies. Inspired by the classic trio work of Emmy Lou Harris, Linda Ronstadt and Dolly Parton, as well as Red Molly and the Wailin' Jennys, their repertoire is best described as Americana – a blend of country and folk.

Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Visit [www.townecrier.com](http://www.townecrier.com) or call 845-855-1300 to purchase and for more information.

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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.

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**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 88 MARKET STREET Holding LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New

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

**Notice of Formation of Domestic Limited Liability Company — Name: FAIR PLAY HOSPITALITY, LLC.**

Date of Formation: 04/22/2026. County: DUTCHESS. Secretary of State of New York designated as 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

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mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & luele, LLP, 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

**Notice of Formation of Continuity Dance LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/6/2026 . Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 18 Robin Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

**A N A G N O S 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

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03/05/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 3979 Albany Post Road, #149, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

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

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nia Drive, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

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

**G A R R I S O N 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.

# Ways to learn about Beacon's role during the American Revolution

The American Revolution in the Hudson Highlands," will come on June 23 at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 900 Wolcott Avenue. The speaker will be Col. Seanegan Sculley, who has served in the U.S. Army since 1995 and who earned his PhD in History from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, in 2015. He currently serves as an Associate Professor in the Department of History and War Studies at the United States Military Academy. Col. Sculley is also the author of Contest for Liberty: Military Leadership in the Continental Army, 1775-1783. We're

especially proud to share that he and his wife Jenny currently live in Beacon. All are welcome to attend.

## Hike to Mount Beacon

Local historian Chris Cring will lead a hike to the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) monument atop Mount Beacon on July 4. Participants will depart at 8:30 a.m. from the Scenic Hudson parking lot (corner of Wolcott and Howland avenues). Along the 1.2-mile uphill trek, Chris will discuss the history of the mountain

and Beacon's pivotal role in the Revolutionary War, including the story behind the famous "beacon" signal fires.

The group will maintain a slow, steady pace and should reach the summit within an hour. Although the hike begins with a climb up 144 metal stairs, the effort is well rewarded: the summit offers stunning, panoramic views of Beacon and beyond. Once at the top, hikers will explore the ruins of the Mount Beacon casino and the brick powerhouse of the historic incline railway. From there, they will take a brief

quarter-mile walk to the DAR monument. (Shown are some of the 600 people who climbed Mt. Beacon in a similar outing in honor of the monument's 100th anniversary on July 4, 2000.) Return to the parking lot is expected by 11 a.m. All are welcome, and there is no fee, but please come prepared. Be aware that the terrain is relatively steep and features sections of loose rocks. It is recommended that you:

To join or learn more, text your name, the number in your party and questions to Chris at 845-249-5305.

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

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

Bentley Lane LLC 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

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designated as agent upon whom process against LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Treybich Law, P.C., 272 Mill Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose for LLC: any lawful.

PEAR FARM, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/22/2026. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 52 Broadway, Tivoli, NY 12583. Reg Agent: Susan G Baer, 1475 County Route 21, Ghent, NY 12075. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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

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:

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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 Shmouriier 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 Shmouriier LLC, 41 Raymond Ave, P.O. Box 2701, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

HV R MANAGEMENT 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, 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:

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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

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Ventilations LLC. Arts. 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.

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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.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LEWIS ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC. ARTS. OF ORG. FILED WITH SSNY ON 5/26/26. OFFICE LOCATION: DUTCHESS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL PROCESS TO KELLY LAW PRACTICE, PLLC, 75 S BROADWAY, SUITE 400, WHITE PLAINS, NY 10601. PURPOSE, ANY LAWFUL ACT OR ACTIVITY.

AUREA OLJE, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/2/26 Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 5 Tanglewood Ln. Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION NEXTGEN WORX, LLC Articles of Org. filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on 04/27/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: NEXTGEN WORX, LLC, P.O. Box 101, Stormville, NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Odico LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/17/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Odico LLC PO Box 64, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful

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act or activity.

Notice of Formation of HOLMES FARM DEVELOPMENT LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/09/26. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 134 South White Rock Rd., Holmes, NY 12531. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LRK CONSTRUCTION ADVISORS, 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, 17 Crosswinds Lane, Union Vale, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of YOROSHIQ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/02/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 29 La-grange Avenue, Apt. 1, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of HUDSON VALLEY NABA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/11/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: HUDSON VALLEY NABA LLC, 37 Kendell Dr, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

# Local HAM Clubs to host Overnight Amateur Radio Field Day June 27-28

The Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response, in partnership with the Mount Beacon Amateur Radio Club and the QSY Society, will host the annual overnight Amateur (HAM) Radio Field Day from 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 27 through 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 28 at the Emergency Response campus's Fire Training Center, located at 392 Creek Road, Poughkeepsie. The event, which is free and open to the public, rain or shine, will include demonstrations of HAM radio equipment and operators during a simulated emergency. All age groups

are invited to visit and ask questions, and will even have an opportunity to operate one of the radios, under a licensed operator's supervision. On Sunday, June 28th, starting at 10 a.m., HAM licensing exams will be offered for a \$15 exam fee and \$35 FCC licensing fee once the exam is passed.

The HAM Radio Field Day is an on-the-air event held annually the fourth weekend in June in the United States and Canada where more than 35,000 radio amateurs, or HAMS, gather with their clubs, groups or friends to operate from remote locations. Operators will seek to

contact as many other Field Day stations as possible under simulated emergency conditions and exchange information about their operation. As part of the emergency simulation, many of the participating operators will use alternate power sources such as portable generators, batteries and even solar power.

Ham radio operators have helped with emergencies across the state and nation. Locally, HAM operators have helped emergency response efforts in western New York following severe snowstorms; in New York City following the tragic events of September 11, 2001; and

in the Harlem Valley area after severe flooding of the Three Mile River. HAMS also volunteer to assist with communications during local events, such as the annual Dutchess County St. Patrick's Parade in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

To learn more about amateur radio go to <https://www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio> . For more information about the Field Day or amateur radio in Dutchess County, contact Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response RACES Radio Officer Adam Nowik Jr. at 845-849-3666 or AE2AN@aol.com.

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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 RONALDLABARGE, 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 RONALDLABARGE, ETAL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction in the REAR LOBBY OF THE DUTCHESS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 10 MARKET STREET, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12601, on June 25, 2026 at 2:30PM, premises known as 77 RIVERVIEW DRIVE, FISHKILL, NY 12524; and the following tax map identification: 6256-11-728578.

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

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

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**\*LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIONS.**

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-69-26

After-Hours Telephone Answering and Messaging Services

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 1st day of July 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.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF WAPPINGER**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Wappinger will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the 22nd day of June, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, Town of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappingers Falls, New York, at which time all parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Town Board of the Town of Wappinger shall adopt a proposed Local Law Of 2026, entitled "A Local Law Repealing The Official Zoning Map Of The Town Of Wappinger In Its Entirety And Adopting A New Official Zoning Map Of The Town Of Wappinger" And Scheduling A Public Hearing" PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Town Board has determined that this action does not affect the environment and is not subject to SEQRA. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that

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copies of the proposed Local Law are available for review and inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappingers Falls, New York. Dated: June 9, 2026

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WAPPINGER

JOSEPH P. PAOLONI, TOWN CLERK

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF WAPPINGER**

The year 2026 marks the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the United States of America; and the Town Board wishes to recognize this historic milestone by holding its July 6, 2026 Regular Meeting at a location of significant historic importance within the community;

BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 2026-10 is hereby amended to provide that the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Wappinger scheduled for Monday, July 6, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. shall be held at the Mesier Homestead Historic Site, 2 Spring Street, Village of Wappingers Falls, New York

Dated: June 9, 2026

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WAPPINGER

JOSEPH P. PAOLONI, TOWN CLERK

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

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, the Town of Wappinger Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the **23rd day of June, 2026** at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall of Wappinger, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappingers Falls, NY pursuant to Section 240-37 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Wappinger to consider the following area variance:  
**Appeal No.: 26-7870**

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**(Area Variance)**  
**Rene Mendez:** Seeking an area variance Section 240-37 of District Regulations in an R40 Zoning District. -Where **50 feet** to the rear yard property line is required, the applicant can provide **5.9 feet** for the legalization of an 18' x 33' above ground pool, thus requesting a variance of **44.1 feet**. The property is located at **12 Brothers Road** on 0.74 acres and identified as **Tax Grid No.: 6258-04-788460** in the Town of Wappinger.

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

Signed: John Lorenzini, Chairman Board of Appeals Town of Wappinger May 27, 2026

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### EAST FISHKILL FIRE DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Project Name/Description: Managed Information Technology Services, Support, Maintenance, and Consulting RFP Number: #2026-001

The East Fishkill Fire District is requesting proposals (RFP) for IT Services from qualified firms.

**Submission Deadline:** July 22, 2026 by 3:00 **PM RFP Documents:** Detailed specifications and submission requirements can be obtained at East Fishkill Fire District Headquarters, 2502 Route 52, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 or by contacting the office at 845-226-1652. The East Fishkill Fire District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any informality in the RFP process.

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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-

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Police and County Vehicle Upfitting – Parts, Installation and Repairs

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 30th 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.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Resolution 2026090  
June 9, 2026

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held by the County Attorney of Dutchess County in the County Office Building, County Attorney's Conference Room, 5th Floor, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, on the **25th day of June 2026 at 10:00 AM**, on the following local law: A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2013, WITH RESPECT TO THE DUTCHESS COUNTY SELF-INSURED WORKERS' COMPENSATION PLAN – RESOLUTION 2026090.

At said time and place, all parties interested will be heard.

Dated: June 11, 2026  
Poughkeepsie, New York  
Susan Serino  
Dutchess County Executive

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**LEGAL NOTICE OF RESOLUTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Hughsonville Fire District in the Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, New York, at a meeting held on the 10th of June 2026, duly adopted the following Resolution, subject to a permissive referendum, and therefore said Resolution shall not take effect until thirty (30) days after its adoption, nor until approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the electors of the

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Hughsonville Fire District qualified to vote at an annual election of Fire District Officers voting on such proposition if within thirty (30) days after its adoption there be filed with the Fire District Secretary a petition signed and acknowledged or proved in the same manner as a deed to be recorded, by resident taxpayers of the Hughsonville Fire District, owning taxable real property aggregating at least one-quarter of the assessed valuation of all taxable real property of the Hughsonville Fire District as such valuations appear upon the latest completed assessment roll of the Town of Wappingers, protesting against such Resolution and requesting that it be submitted to the qualified electors of the Fire District affected for their approval or disapproval. A copy of the full text of the Resolution is available from the Hughsonville Fire District Secretary, an abstract of which is reproduced herein.

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Hughsonville Fire District, Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, New York, to purchase a 2026 Chevrolet 3500 with utility bed, emergency lighting, and accessories. Funds in the Apparatus Reserve Fund shall be used to pay for said purchase, not to exceed \$150,000.00. By Order of the Board of Commissioners of the Hughsonville Fire District.

Kim Flower, Secretary  
Hughsonville Fire District

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
To all voters of Dutchess County, **New York Primary Election, Tuesday, June 23, 2026**

The following is a true and correct list of all nominations of candidates for the offices to be filled at the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, certified to us or filed in our office pursuant to the provisions of Election Law.

**ALL POLLS OPEN 6:00 A.M. TO**

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**9:00 P.M. Democratic Primaries:**

**Comptroller** Thomas P. DiNapoli  
**Drew Warshaw**  
**Raj Goyle**  
**New York State Senate District 39**  
Gay Lee  
Lisa Kaul  
Evan R. Menist  
**New York State Assembly District 106**  
Didi Barrett  
Samuel Hodge  
**Congressional District 17**  
Effie Guadalupe Phillips-Staley  
Cait Conley  
Beth Davidson  
John Cappello  
Michael Sacks  
**Amenia Town Board**  
P. Damian Gutierrez  
Kimberly Travis  
**Rhinebeck Town Supervisor**  
Debbie Hecht  
Amanda Miller  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**

Pursuant to New York State Election Law §4-118, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Primary Election will be held in Dutchess County on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, as follows:

**DEMOCRATIC PARTY**  
Comptroller  
New York State Senate District 39  
New York Assembly District 106  
Congressional District 17  
Amenia – Member of Town Board  
Rhinebeck - Supervisor

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# Hundreds of events planned across NYS for America’s 250th anniversary

More than 200 immersive activities and exhibitions are planned across the state to celebrate America’s 250th anniversary – from tall ships converging on New York City and authentic Revolutionary War reenactments, to exhibits presenting the Black and Indigenous perspective on the Revolution and the continued efforts for equal rights. A comprehensive list of events statewide — with new opportunities added daily — can be found on the I LOVE NY website.

Hochul said, “We are bringing attractions and activities to every region to highlight the profound impact that New York State has had on our nation’s history and culture. From our scenic state parks to Revolutionary War sites, there is something for every resident

and visitor of our great state to enjoy.” Here are some of the events happening across New York State:  
Sail4th 250 (New York City): From July 3-9, the largest international flotilla of tall ships ever assembled will arrive in New York Harbor, accompanied by fireworks, Fleet Week programming and culinary festivals, and an International Aerial Review.

**FourLeaf Air Show (Long Island):** Timed to coincide with America 250, the July 5-6 show at Jones Beach State Park will feature military and civilian aerobatic performers, headlined by the U.S. Navy Blue Angels.

**Independence Day the 18th Century Way (Mohawk Valley):** Fort Stanwix National Monument will commemorate the nation’s 250th birthday on July 4 with the annual ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary War Soldiers. The day’s events continue with cannon and musket salutes and Declaration of Independence readings. Visitors can sign their own Declaration of Independence or British loyalty oaths, make tricorne hats, and dress in a soldier’s uniform.

**Empire State Plaza Fireworks Show (Capital Region):** On July 4, enjoy your historic capital city with a revolutionary afternoon of live music, delicious eats, and fun for all ages. Kids can dive into interactive activities and games throughout the Plaza while the whole family soaks in the festive atmosphere. Sing and dance along to your favorite throwback songs and cap off the night with the most brilliant fireworks display in the area.

**Turning Point Festival (Capital Region):** Commemorating the American victory Battle of Saratoga, seen as the turning point of the Revolutionary War, the festival on August 8 will feature music, food and fireworks. The annual Turning Point Parade will step off on August 2 in Schuylerville with more than 100 different units walking the route where British General John Burgoyne surrendered in 1777.

**Rev Fest 250 Remembers the Battle of White Plains (Mid-Hudson):** On October 24-25, the more than 4,000-acre Ward Pound Ridge Reservation will be transformed for a reenactment of this battle between General George Washington’s Continental Army and British and Hessian troops.

The landmark exhibition Revolutionary New York will open at the New York State Museum in Albany on July 1. Spanning about 7,000 square feet and featuring more than 200 artifacts, the exhibit uses themes developed by the New York State 250th Commemoration Commission to draw connections between the ideals of the Revolutionary War and more modern fights for equality, including the birth of the women’s suffrage movement in Seneca Falls, the Stonewall Uprising, emancipation and the Underground Railroad, and climate justice. The exhibit will remain open for several years.

Several destinations across the state are offering a variety of self-guided experiences, from historic trails and digital passport programs to heritage road trips that invite visitors to explore New York’s diverse history through immersive adventures. Visitors can track their travels to battle sites and historic homes through the Suffolk 250 digital Passport Book or along the Lake Champlain Revolutionary Quest.

Additional opportunities to commemorate New York’s role in America’s 250th anniversary include:

**Traveling Exhibition:** The Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation’s touring Revisit the Revolution Traveling Exhibition has gathered historically significant artifacts from across the state historic site system to tell the story of New York’s influential role in the Revolutionary War. The exhibition is available for loan to historic sites, parks, libraries and more across New York State.

**Interactive Kiosks:** The interactive video displays highlighting New York’s rich history in the American Revolution are available at 18 historic sites and state parks. Visitors can explore 28 different themes involving high-profile players like George Washington and French allies while also examining the perspectives of women, Indigenous communities, enslaved and free Black people, and Loyalists.

Access to Online Collections: Historic objects from New York state historic sites and state parks can be found online, and more are being added every day. Collections include numerous materials connected to the Revolution in New York State.

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### DUTCHESS COUNTY POLLING PLACES

Pursuant to the provisions of New York State Election Law, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Primary Election will be held in the below listed towns/cities in Dutchess County on Tuesday, June 23, 2026. ALL POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M.

#### Qualified voters may vote at ANY poll site location WITHIN YOUR TOWN OR CITY listed below.

Town	Election District(s)	Site	Address
Amenia	All	Immaculate Conception – St.	Anthony’s Parish 11 Lavelle Rd, Amenia
Beekman	All	Beekman Community Center	31 Recreation Center Rd, Poughquag
Beekman	All	Town Hall	4 Main St, Poughquag
Beekman	All	Beekman Elementary School	201 Lime Ridge Rd, Poughquag
Clinton	All	Town Hall	1215 Centre Rd, Clinton Corners
City of Beacon	All	South Avenue Elementary School	60 South Ave, Beacon
City of Beacon	All	Beacon Memorial Building	413 Main St, Beacon
City of Beacon	All	Rombout Middle School	84 Matteawan, Rd, Beacon
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Interfaith Towers	66 Washington St, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Mid-Hudson Library, Auditorium	105 Market St, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Family Partnership Center	29 North Hamilton St, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Manor at Woodside	168 Academy St, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Warring School Gymnasium	283 Mansion St, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Bethel Church – Rear Entrance	91 Hooker Ave, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	Poughkeepsie Middle School Lobby	55 College Ave, Poughkeepsie
City of Poughkeepsie	All	St. John’s Lutheran Church	55 Wilbur Blvd, Poughkeepsie
Dover	All	Town Hall	126 East Duncan Hill Rd, Dover Plains
Dover	All	Dover Middle School	2368 Route 22, Dover Plains
East Fishkill	All	Van Wyck Junior High School	6 Hillside Lake Rd, Wappingers Falls
East Fishkill	All	Town Hall	330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction
East Fishkill	All	Stormville Fire House	112 Old Route 52, Stormville
East Fishkill	All	East Fishkill Fire Training Center	2502 Route 52, Hopewell Junction
East Fishkill	All	Mission Church	4101 Route 52, Holmes
Fishkill	All	Fishkill Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing	22 Robert R. Kasin Way, Beacon
Fishkill	All	Town Hall	807 Route 52, Fishkill
Fishkill	All	Van Wyck Hall	1095 Main St, Fishkill
Fishkill	All	Brinkerhoff Elementary School	16 Wedgewood Rd, Fishkill
Fishkill	All	Slater Chemical Fire House	76 Old Glenham Rd, Glenham
Hyde Park	All	North Park Elementary School	1593 Route 9G, Hyde Park
Hyde Park	All	Board of Elections Training Facility	4280 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park
Hyde Park	All	Roosevelt Fire House #3	830 Violet Ave, Hyde Park
LaGrange	All	Overlook Primary School	11 Mapleview Rd Ext, Poughkeepsie
LaGrange	All	Freedom Plains Presbyterian Church	1168 Route 55, LaGrangeville
LaGrange	All	LaGrange Fire House #3 (Southwest LaGrange)	21 Red Oaks Mill Rd, Poughkeepsie
LaGrange	All	Town Hall	120 Stringham Rd, LaGrangeville
Milan	All	Town Hall	20 Wilcox Circle (off Route 199), Milan
North East	All	Northeast-Millerton Library Annex	28 Century Blvd, Millerton
Pawling	All	Lathrop Center	2 Lakeside Dr, Pawling
Pawling	All	Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Association	239 Route 292, Holmes
Pine Plains	All	Stissing Mountain High School	2829 Church St, Pine Plains
Pleasant Valley	All	Salt Point Fire House	30 Cottage St, Salt Point
Pleasant Valley	All	West Road Intermediate School	181 West Rd, Pleasant Valley
Red Hook	All	Bertelsmann Campus Center	30 Campus Rd, Annandale-on-Hudson
Red Hook	All	Mill Road Intermediate School	9 Mill Rd, Red Hook
Red Hook	All	Red Hook Town Hall	7340 S Broadway, Red Hook
Rhinebeck	All	Starr Library	68 West Market St, Rhinebeck
Rhinebeck	All	Pavilion at Brookmeade	34 Brookmeade Dr, Rhinebeck
Stanford	All	Town Hall – Ground Level	26 Town Hall Rd, Stanfordville
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	East End Fire House #2	2886 Route 9D, Wappingers Falls
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Sheafe Road Elementary School	287 Sheafe Rd, Wappingers Falls
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Vassar Road Elementary School	174 Vassar Rd, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Oak Grove Elementary School	40 Kerr Rd, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Poughkeepsie Community Room	19 Tucker Dr, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Lutheran Care Center – Rear Entrance	965 Dutchess Tpke, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Town Hall	1 Overocker Rd, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Violet Avenue School	191 Violet Ave, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Spackenkill High School	112 Spackenkill Rd, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Vassar College, The Aula at Ely Hall	124 Raymond Ave, Poughkeepsie
Town of Poughkeepsie	All	Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church	2381 New Hackensack Rd, Poughkeepsie
Union Vale	All	Union Vale Fire House, Station #1	3373 Route 82, Verbank
Wappinger	All	Village Hall	2582 South Ave, Wappingers Falls
Wappinger	All	Hughsonville Fire House	88 Old Hopewell Rd, Wappingers Falls
Wappinger	All	Mid-Hudson Chinese Christian Church	306 All Angels Hill Rd, Wappingers Falls
Wappinger	All	Ketcham High School	99 Myers Corners Rd, Wappingers Falls
Wappinger	All	New Hackensack Fire House	217 Myers Corners Rd, Wappingers Falls
Washington	All	Millbrook Fire House	20 Front St, Millbrook

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## THEME: GREETINGS

### ACROSS

1. Shapeless masses
6. RFK's brother
9. German card game
13. "The Wolf in Sheep's Clothing" author
14. Ancient Chinese dynasty
15. Top of a steeple
16. Ice house
17. Not outs
18. Gustatory sensation
19. \*What's cooking, good \_\_\_\_?\*
21. \*Greeting aimed at a king
23. Like a fox
24. Easy run
25. "Harper Valley \_\_\_\_"
28. Off-limits
30. Daryl Hannah/Tom Hanks movie
35. Snaky swimmers
37. Coal unit
39. Vigorous fight
40. Done before dealing
41. Walk leisurely
43. Like certain food trend
44. Raccoon's South American cousin
46. Dano or Rudd, e.g.
47. Deep-red variety of chalcedony
48. Straying, as in baseball
50. FBI agent, slangily
52. It's the limit?
53. Alex Honnold's "Free \_\_\_\_"
55. Long Island iced \_\_\_\_
57. \*Military greeting
60. \*\_\_\_\_ greetings, in December
64. Last test
65. Had a meal
67. Ilya Rozanov to Shane Hollander, e.g.
68. Take puppy from a pound
69. Hemingway's "\_\_\_\_ Whom the Bell Tolls"
70. Bodily swelling
71. Hibernation stations
72. Pampering spot
73. Extend subscription

### DOWN

1. Leave without farewell, slangily
2. Kids' construction set
3. Capital of Norway
4. Amazon offerings, originally
5. Spoiled, in U.K.
6. Nest material
7. Even, poetically
8. 70s dance joint
9. Capone's shoe cover
10. \*Twice-done greeting move, in Italy
11. Creative
12. PGA peg
15. Bacterial throat infections
20. Spiral-horned antelope
22. FedEx competitor
24. Lower back pain, in the olden days
25. \*Salaam, in English
26. Operatic voice
27. Hitching post?
29. \*Bro fist motion
31. Smaller in amount
32. Road-tripping guide
33. Baby carrier?
34. \*Cowboy's greeting
36. Bristle
38. Little Jack Horner's treat
42. Fill with happy spirit
45. Injury's painful partner
49. Toddler
51. Closer
54. Toronto Maple \_\_\_\_
56. Comment to the audience
57. Fries, e.g.
58. At another time, to Romeo or Juliet
59. Swimming lengths
60. Doris Day's "Que \_\_\_\_..."
61. Kitchen appliance
62. Given at birth
63. Cabbage dish
64. Temporary craze
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The solutions to the Sudoku, Crossword puzzle and Suguru can be found on the next page.

# Three Hudson Valley institutions announce access expansion for symphony orchestras

In a joint announcement, three Hudson Valley institutions are taking important steps to ensure that the region's symphony orchestras—present and future—have access to the musical resources they need to thrive. Long-standing endowed funds originally created to support the Hudson Valley Philharmonic will soon benefit symphony orchestras in Dutchess, Ulster, and Orange Counties through new grant opportunities. At the same time, an expansive collection of music scores and parts will become publicly accessible through the Poughkeepsie Public Library District, creating a new resource for ensembles, educators, and musicians of all kinds to explore and borrow from this rich library.

These developments follow a process in which Bardavon 1869 Opera House, Inc. was granted permission to transfer nearly half a million dollars in restricted endowment funds to the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley (CFHV). Many of these funds were established in the 1970s, when the Hudson Valley Philharmonic was the only orchestra serving the tri-county region. Under CFHV's stewardship, these funds will support grant-making aligned with their original charitable purpose—advancing professional orchestral programming throughout the region. The new CFHV fund will be named: Bardavon/HVP Randall Craig Fleischer Memorial Fund for Symphony Orchestras, in honor of the Hudson Valley Philharmonic's beloved long-time conductor who passed in 2020.

"We are proud to see these endowed gifts continue to serve the purpose their

original donors intended—supporting symphonic orchestral music in the Hudson Valley," said Bryan Zellmer, Executive Director of the Bardavon. "With vibrant orchestras now active in Dutchess, Ulster, and Orange counties, and with new ensembles emerging, this grant ensures that the region's musical life can continue to grow."

The announcement also includes the transfer of the Kurt Grisham HVP Music Library to the Poughkeepsie Public Library District (PPLD). Grisham was a violinist with the Hudson Valley Philharmonic for over 50 years and passed in 2017. This extensive collection—which includes classical, pops, and choral repertoire—will be cataloged and made available through PPLD's lending system, offering unprecedented public access to orchestral materials previously held in a private archive.

"This collection is a cultural treasure," said Tom Lawrence, Library Director of PPLD. "We're thrilled to be administering this unique resource to the public, giving musicians, schools, community ensembles, and orchestras access to these scores that tell the story of music-making in the Hudson Valley—and now they'll help inspire new generations."

CFHV will steward these endowed funds for the long term, ensuring responsible management and thoughtful grant making that both honors donor intent and supports a strong, evolving orchestral ecosystem in the tri-county region of the Hudson Valley. "Supporting the arts is central to our mission," said Laura Washington, President & CEO of Community Foundations of the Hudson



The Kurt Grishman HVP Music Library.

- Photo courtesy of Katie Gudzik

Valley. "We are honored to steward these funds in a way that respects donor intent while strengthening opportunities for music ensembles throughout the Hudson Valley."

Founded as the Hudson Valley Philharmonic Society, Inc. in 1932, the HVP became the leading regional orchestra for decades. In 1999, after the HVP's financial collapse and Chapter 11 filing, the Bardavon—with support by regional funders—purchased the Hudson Valley Philharmonic's name and assets, and they managed and presented the orchestra until 2023. For decades, the endowed funds and music materials helped sustain pro-

gramming for the Hudson Valley Philharmonic. With this transition, their impact broadens—helping an entire ecosystem of orchestras, educators, and community musicians.

The recent announcement "honors the past while opening doors for the future," added Zellmer. "We are comforted in knowing these resources will remain available and continue serving the purposes for which they were created. PPLD and CFHV are trusted organizations serving our community and are well-positioned to steward these assets and ensure they remain accessible in perpetuity."

# Aunt Rosey is 100! Centenarian celebrates with family at Brookmeade

Roberta Andrews (aka Aunt Rosey) celebrated her 100th birthday with family, friends and staff at the Meadows at Brookmeade Community in Rhinebeck on May 25.

She was born 100 years ago on May 25, 1926, the daughter of Irene Ham Andrews and Gordon S. V. Andrews. She grew up and lived into her 90s in the farmhouse on her family's dairy farm in Clove Valley, Town of Union Vale, Dutchess County. She attended the one-room schoolhouse just over the hill from the family farm.

Roberta graduated from Pawling High School. After graduation from Morrisville College, Morrisville, NY with a degree in business, she worked for DHIA (Dairy Herd Improvement Association).

She worked most of her career in the

office at Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance, becoming administrative office manager. She was also a Sunday School Superintendent at Verbank Methodist Church. Later she joined Tabernacle Baptist Church in Poughkeepsie and served as Secretary of the Tabernacle Christian Academy.

Roberta has always loved traveling with friends. She attended the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany and visited China. She remembers hosting many parties in the Clove for family and friends.

She has been – and still is - a wonderful, devoted aunt to her seven nieces and nephews and their spouses and children. She is a "good sport" and is devoted to family fun.



Roberta Andrews (aka Aunt Rosey) celebrates her 100th birthday with family, friends and staff at the Meadows at Brookmeade Community in Rhinebeck on May 25.

-Courtesy photos

## this week's puzzle solutions

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This week's answer

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Suguru solution

# Busy year ahead for Dutchess Rev250

By Will Tatum

As of the time of this printing, Dutchess County and the nation are roughly three weeks away from July 4th, the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. The military struggle that surrounded that document, which began in 1775 as a tax revolt, would last until 1783, when the final British troops evacuated New York City. While many aficionados are looking forward to commemorating 250th anniversary events through 2033, this year will be the focus for celebrations nationwide of the birth of the United States. Dutchess County residents will soon benefit from a variety of opportunities to explore local connections to the broader conflict.

Dutchess County Government is supporting local programming and events through Destination Dutchess and in partnership with local historical societies to engage residents and visitors alike with stories of how the Revolution impacted Dutchess County – during the war and in the ensuing 250 years.

Fifteen local municipal historical societies have been awarded a total of \$87,000 in mini-grant funding allocated by the Dutchess County Legislature in the 2026 Dutchess County Budget. In addition, the Dutchess County Historian's Office and Destination Dutchess are offering two major signature events: RevCon: The Revolution in Dutchess County on June 13 at the FDR Library in Hyde Park, and Revolutionary Cider Celebration on June 27 at Fishkill Farms in East Fishkill.

Each of the County's 20 municipal historical societies were eligible for the grant, honoring their longstanding efforts to preserve local history and educate the public. A total of nine projects, reviewed and recommended by a review committee comprised of representatives from the County Executive's Office, County Legislature, County Clerk's Office, Destination Dutchess and Dutchess BOCES, were awarded funding. Projects range from dramatic productions and augmented reality experiences to historical trades demonstrations and open houses at historic sites.

"Dutchess County played a key role in the founding of our nation, and we are so blessed and proud to have the opportunity to spotlight our important, shared history," said Legislature Chair Yvette Valdés Smith, who represents and lives in Fishkill, one of the nine original towns in Dutchess. "These amazing events will allow residents of all ages to get a glimpse of what our region was like in 1776. I hope to see neighbors and visitors alike exploring Dutchess County and observing the 250th anniversary of the great American experiment."

Other events include the County's popular Tavern Trail which returns this summer with a focus on the American Revolution. The Tavern Trail is a unique

collaboration that pairs local food and drink with engaging stories spotlighting Dutchess County's role in the 1776 Real Time Revolution. Information about the upcoming Tavern Trail events as well as other Rev250 events is available on Destination Dutchess's website, [www.destinationdutchess.com/rev250](http://www.destinationdutchess.com/rev250).

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino said, "The 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, Rev250, is more than a historic milestone. It's a powerful reminder of how everyday people with a shared hope, conviction and courage worked together to build something extraordinary: our collective American dream. It is a reminder that the values of justice, freedom and unity continue to shape who we are today – both in Dutchess County and in America – and our County is proud to support the recognition of this monumental milestone in our nation's journey."

2026 Dutchess County Rev250 Programming Grant-funded programs:

**Sergeant Chirp Dispatch, Pawling Historical Society, Sites Throughout Dutchess County:** As you visit the events and historic sites of Dutchess County this year, keep an eye out for a colorfully clad animated cricket with a QR code that will take your smart phone to the Pawling Historical Society's latest augmented reality product: the Sergeant Chirp Dispatch. This animated figure is designed to engage school-age children with the exhibits and programming that trend towards an adult audience. The good sergeant, through his animated antics, will introduce key ideas to this younger audience and is designed to encourage a love of history for years to come. The Pawling Historical Society received \$8,976 to underwrite the development of Sergeant Chirp. For more information, including where you can go to meet Sergeant Chirp, visit [www.sergeantchirp.com](http://www.sergeantchirp.com).

**Freedom Day, Freedom Park, LaGrange, July 5, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.** The LaGrange Historical Society received \$6,430 to host an extravaganza event celebrating the 250th Anniversary of American Independence. Attendees will meet George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and Baron von Steuben while enjoying a period music performance by the Young Colonials Fife and Drum Corps. Period artisans will be on hand practicing trades including cooking, spinning wool, and blacksmithing. The event will also feature a colonial crafts table for the kids. Free and open to the public.

**Colonial Crafts Day, East Fishkill Historical Society, Hopewell Junction, August 8, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.** Join the East Fishkill Historical Society at 68 Kensington Drive in Hopewell Junction for a day of colonial-era craft demonstrations. See skilled artisans demonstrate the skills that made life possible in eighteenth-century Dutchess County: black-



Join George Washington and the Young Colonials Fife and Drum Corps at Freedom Day on July 5th at Freedom Park in LaGrange.

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smithing, woodcarving, gunsmithing, cooking in the beehive bake oven and more. The centerpiece to this day will be a special demonstration of colonial iron smelting in a bloom furnace, the first public presentation of its kind in Dutchess County. Free and open to the public. The East Fishkill Society received a grant of \$4,800 to support this programming.

**"Amenia's Spycatcher" Play, Amenia Town Hall, Amenia, August 21-23:** The Amenia Historical Society will present multiple performances of their original script and first production of "Amenia's Spycatcher," the story of Ephraim Paine. Paine served as a justice of the peace for Amenia, Dutchess County Judge, and delegate to the Continental Congress. At home in eastern Dutchess, he played a crucial role in finding Loyalist Tory spies and securing the ultimate success of the Revolution. This play explores how local residents navigated questions of allegiance, authority, and justice during the Revolutionary War. The Amenia Historical Society received a grant of \$15,000 to produce these performances.

**Colonial Tavern Experience, The Elmendorph Inn, Red Hook, September 19:** Explore tavern life in the years around the American Revolution at Historic Red Hook's Elmendorph Inn. This rare surviving Albany Post Road tavern in the Village of Red Hook will debut a hands-on experience featuring reproductions of common items found in taverns, immersive soundscapes to bring the tavern to life, and a talk-back station



inviting visitors to reflect on how civic participation looks today in Red Hook. Costumed interpreters in period attire will be on hand and the historic kitchen will be open for a cooking demonstration. Historic Red Hook received a grant of \$15,000 to underwrite the exhibit and programming.

**"Harlem Valley Glimpses" Play, Old Drivers Inn, Dover, September 23, 5:30 p.m.:** Town of Dover Historian Val LaRobardier brings the long history of eastern Dutchess to life through a series of vignettes based on the experiences of outstanding local residents. Actors will perform dramatic readings of this original script, which explores character ranging from indigenous elder Eunice Mauwee to French General the Marquis de Chastellux. This event will take place in the Preston Barn Catering Hall at Old Drivers Inn. The Dover Historical Society received \$7,526 to write and produce this play.

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## Registration now open for overview of short-term rehab in nursing homes

A seminar presented by the Hudson Valley Chapter of the LTC Ombudsman Program on Thursday, July 9, will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, in East Fishkill.

This program provides a practical, non-clinical overview of short-term rehabilitation in nursing homes, focusing on what the experience is like and how to navigate it once a stay begins. While the session will briefly touch on planning ahead, the primary focus is on understanding the

process in real time and knowing how to respond as things develop.

Topics include what to expect during a short-term rehabilitation stay, how day-to-day decisions can impact the overall process, discharge considerations, and how and when to involve the Ombudsman as a resource for advocacy and support.

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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