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Time capsule buried during East Fishkill Flag Day dedication



The dedication of the flagpole at Unity Park, off Route 82, took place on June 14, Flag Day, in East Fishkill. There was the burying of a time capsule as well.

By Kristine Coulter

A dedication ceremony was held at the flagpole at Unity Park presented by the East Fishkill Rotary Club in East Fishkill. The park is located off Route 82, near the Acme and Chase Bank. The location is in the center of Hopewell Junction. The highlight of this Flag Day ceremony was the American flag flying at top of the more than 80-foot-flagpole. There was also the burial of a time capsule.

It is "a nice little park we have," said Town of East Fishkill Supervisor Nick D'Alessandro.

There was a previous ceremony held

for the groundbreaking for the flagpole in November 2024. The support of the local and business community "is amazing," remarked the supervisor.

Dan Oberhauser, a member of the American Legion Post 1758, said, "being ex-military, the flag is very special when you're thousands of miles across the world and when you see the flag, it is most reassuring."

Oberhauser served in the U.S. Navy for three years and almost eight months. Among some of the locations he was deployed were the East Coast of Africa, the Middle East, and the Caribbean.



Pictured are the East Fishkill Rotary bench, ceremonial programs and the time capsule, which was buried at Unity Park in East Fishkill.

For the younger generations, Oberhauser said, "I hope they can appreciate much of what the veterans' [sacrificed]. People don't understand what the flag means to the veterans and this country."

East Fishkill Rotary President Nicole Magro said, "I'm very happy that everyone worked so hard to plan for this and it has come to fruition."

"We want this flag to be a symbol of unity for our little corner of the world," Magro remarked.

Inside the time capsule will be pictures, an old Rotary banner, and other historical items regarding Hopewell Junction, explained Magro.

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Summer Kick-off Party at Martz Field on June 25



A Summer Kick-off Party will be held at Martz Field in Wappinger on June 25.

-Photo by Kristine Coulter

By Kristine Coulter

Ready to celebrate summer? The Town of Wappinger will host a Summer Kick-off Party on Wednesday, June 25, from 5-7 p.m. The festivities will take place at Martz Field, 109 Pye Lane. The event is free.

"Last year, I had this crazy idea we should really be celebrating the end of the school year and getting these kids and families out to the parks," remarked Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini. "Last year we did it. It was a great success."

There will be food trucks. One can make crafts. There will be a bounce house for the kids and more.

During the event, children enrolled in the Town's summer camp program can also meet some of the camp's counselors. If one is not signed up for the summer camp program, they can still attend the kick-off party.

This is a way "to get people out in the parks and use them," said Cavaccini.

This year the camp program will be at two sites. The first site is at Martz Field and the second will be at Castle Point Park, 312 River Road, noted Cavaccini. There will be a brand-new playground at Castle Point Park. The current playground at that park is almost four decades old, according to the supervisor.

"We're turning recreation around in this town," said the supervisor.

The Beacon City School District represents 40 percent of the town of Wappinger, said Cavaccini. "We're doing something on this side of town," he said. There will be a new parking area.

The parks are "becoming the centers of the community," said Cavaccini.

Residents see improvements in the parks and "their tax dollars working for them, while offering a tax decrease for them this year," said Cavaccini.

For more information, please visit www.wappingerrecreation.com.

DC Transportation Council sets comment period for improvements

The Dutchess County Transportation Council (DCTC) is currently accepting comments from the community about its Draft FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – the prioritized listing of federally funded transportation projects in Dutchess County.

Developed as part of the DCTC's metropolitan transportation planning process, the TIP is one of the DCTC's core products, where agencies and municipalities commit to carrying out federally funded projects. The TIP provides details such as the sponsor, scope, schedule and cost for each project, and the DCTC updates it every three years. The Draft FFY 2026-2030 TIP covers the period from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2030, and will program over \$164 million in

federal transportation funding for state and local projects in Dutchess County. The five-year program will fund critical repairs to local bridges, maintain state and local roads, and support local bus and commuter rail services; residents can also view the DCTC's online TIP Viewer map for more details about the projects. The Draft TIP proposes four new highway projects:

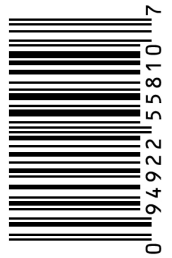
- Repaving Route 9 from Route 113 (Spackenkill Road) in the Town of Poughkeepsie to West Dorsey Lane in the Town of Hyde Park (\$15.5 million) (2026)
- Improving the CR 114 (Main Street)/Grand Avenue intersection in the Town of Poughkeepsie (\$4.3 million) (2028)
- Making pedestrian and bicycle improvements on Beekman Street in the City of Beacon (\$3.8 million) (2029)

- Replacing the Parsonage Street Bridge in the Town of Rhinebeck (\$3.2 million) (2028)

In addition to projects located solely in Dutchess County, the Draft TIP programs federal funding for systemwide maintenance projects across the seven-county region of NYS-DOT-Region 8, which includes Dutchess County. These projects cover work such as bridge and culvert repairs, road paving and traffic signal and sign improvements on State highways.

The comment period provides the public with an opportunity to comment on the Draft TIP. Comments may be submitted by mail, email or phone, using the contact information below, by 5 p.m. on Monday, June 23.

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RCK honor students appreciative of high school days

By Kristine Coulter
The Roy C. Ketcham High School administration has announced that Emily Zhang and Sophie Zhang are Valedictorian and Salutatorian respectively (they are not related).

Emily Zhang - Valedictorian
Finding out she was valedictorian, Emily recalled, “It was out of the blue, so I was a bit shocked—but also really happy and relieved. It is incredibly gratifying to see this recognition as a culmination of my high school academic journey.”

What will Emily miss about high school?

Emily said about high school, “I’ll really miss being able to interact with my classmates and teachers. Our school community is especially diverse, and I’ve learned so much simply by engaging in conversation with the people around me and their distinct perspectives.”

As for her future college endeavors, Emily said, “I’ll be attending Princeton University, currently undecided. I’m considering SPIA and chemistry, as I hope to make a positive impact in the fields of innovation and policy.”

She suggests for incoming high school students, “Find what you’re passionate about—whether it’s a subject, a club, or a cause—and don’t hesitate in pursuing it. Take full advantage of the opportunities you’re given, and if you find them lacking, create new opportunities—not just for yourself, but for others as well.”

Sophie Zhang – Salutatorian
“I’ll miss the teachers who didn’t just grade my ideas but challenged and extended them. The ones who answered



Emily Zhang -Courtesy photos WCSD

questions well and asked them even better. I’ll miss how much growing is hidden in plain sight. In the hallways. In the cafeteria. In the bathroom mirror. I’ll miss being around those who are slowly but surely finding their way. Who don’t have all the answers yet and aren’t pretending that they do. I’ll even miss the awkward silences during group projects because they’re reminders that learning is messy rather than neat. And lastly, as I close this chapter and begin my next one, I will miss the firsts I experienced back in 2021, and embrace the firsts I will experience this fall,” said Sophie about her high school days.

Sophie will be attending Columbia University this coming school year and majoring in financial economics.



Sophie Zhang

“I want to know not just how money changes things, but why. Why we make the choices we do. Why we chase meaning and find it in the oddest places, like in the crowded cars of subway rides,” explained Sophie. She continued: “I aim to challenge existing systems, redesign them, and reimagine what we define as “success” and “progress.” Maybe I’ll do that through entrepreneurship. Maybe through policy. Maybe through a novel one day. Whatever path I take, I’ll be taking my younger self with me. The one who spelled her name wrong because it felt more interesting that way (and definitely not because she somehow forgot the spelling).

How did Sophie react when she found out she was class salutatorian?

“I wish I could say I felt fireworks. Or confetti. But the reality is, I experienced a kind of peace, like being in the eye of a storm I didn’t realize I had been caught up in for the last four years,” recalled Sophie. “So no, it wasn’t fireworks. It was the wave of relief that washed over me. It was thinking about my seven-year-old self, trying to reach the sky on the swings at recess, imagining her future achievements. It was thinking of the people who saw my worth before the certificates or medals did, the ones who helped carry me here. It was a sense of pride that didn’t scream or celebrate, but recognized my efforts and diligence.”

As for students who will be starting high school in September, Sophie said, “Be curious. Be ambitious. Be passionate. Don’t chase perfection, and don’t waste your four years trying to be *seen*. Instead, you should be the one who tries to *see*. See the way a friend lights up when talking about her day. See the patterns in your teachers’ lessons (they’re often teaching more than you realize). See yourself fail, and work to address that failure.”

Sophie added: “The best parts of high school won’t be the GPA or the accolades or the amount of clubs you join. It’ll be the half-finished conversations in hallways that made you think differently, the unplanned laughter that made your knees weak, and the teacher who saw something in you before you did. When the world tells you to be realistic, remind it that every major success story begins with someone who wasn’t. So start now by leaning into the discomfort of growth. Find wonder. And never forget to be yourself because those who mind don’t matter and those who matter don’t mind.”

Ruge’s Automotive welcomes BOCES graduate to Tech Team



Ruge’s Automotive recently participated in the Dutchess BOCES Career and Technical Institute’s Career Signing Day, an event designed to help connect graduating students with local employers. Ruge’s currently employs about six individuals from previous BOCES Signing Days. Graduates start careers with Ruge’s as Apprentice Technicians. Said Scott Hutchins of Ruge’s Automotive, “We’ve have had a lot of great success since partnering with Dutchess BOCES and the Career & Technical Institute! Many past graduates are still employed and working with us in our service centers.”

Ruge’s Automotive is excited to welcome new graduate Diego (center) to the Ruge’s family and Tech Team.

- Courtesy photo

New Rombout Fire District fire station dedication ceremony set for June 21

Rombout Fire District will dedicate and officially open the new fire station 2 at 1548 Route 52, Fishkill on June 21. Starting at noon the Rombout firefighters will symbolically parade from the old station 2 on Cedar Hill Rd. to the new station half a mile away. Besides opening the new 13,182 square foot station the new 2025 Pierce 107’ Ladder truck (62-49) will also be officially put in service to the Fishkill community.

From noon to 3 p.m. the public is invited to the dedication ceremony, to tour the station, free food and beverages. Due to limited parking area and handicap parking at the station, fire officials ask the public to park across the street at Ocean State Job lot.



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JJHS valedictorian: ‘Focus on what truly matters’

By Kristine Coulter
The Valedictorian for John Jay High School Class of 2025 is Charlotte Wang. Salutatorian for this year’s class at John Jay High School is Emma Mazzotta.

Valedictorian Charlotte Wang
“I think Emma and I had known our ranks for years, and were pretty sure we’d stay there. When the two of us got called down from AP Bio (Advanced Placement Biology) class, we kind of gave each other that knowing look. Still, it was super exciting to hear that the rankings were finally locked in, and I was so glad that it was Emma there with me! The two of us have worked hard for years, and it was great to hear that we would be honored at graduation to represent our class,” said Charlotte. “Honestly, when I first found out I was ranked first in the class in freshman or sophomore year, I was really stressed that I wouldn’t be able to keep it until senior year. It made me care too much about my grades, in a way that I really wish I hadn’t. However, I guess it made receiving the honor of being named valedictorian even more rewarding!”
Charlotte said via email she is attending Duke University in North Carolina. She will be majoring in Biomedical Engineering.
“I will miss many things about high school, as college is such a big change. Most of all, I will miss all the connections I’ve made. High school can be annoying, but it also gives a reason for me to see my friends multiple days a week. I’ve been very emotional about the thought of going from seeing people almost every day to only once every few months. It feels like I won’t even know how to navigate my future without my best friend Emily, who I do almost every-



Charlotte Wang
-Courtesy photos WCSD

thing with, by my side,” said Charlotte. “Even though I know I will remain friends with many of my current friends for the rest of my life, we’ll likely never be as close as we are now, and that is such a sad feeling. I’m definitely trying to make the most of my final days with them.”
Is there some piece of advice Charlotte would offer to students who will be starting their high school days in Sept.?
“Make the most of your time here. At some points, it may feel like everything moves so slowly and high school will never end, but it is crazy to look back from senior year and feel like these four years went by so fast. At other times, it may feel like every-



Emma Mazzotta

thing matters so much and things you do carry so much weight, but that’s usually not the case. Don’t care too much and don’t waste your energy on things that don’t matter. Focus on what truly matters: your happiness and health,” replied Charlotte.
Salutatorian Emma Mazzotta
Emma said via email, “Being recognized as salutatorian of the JJHS class of 2025 is a tremendous honor. Maintaining a high class rank means being accustomed to busy schedules, overwhelming amounts of work, and most of all, a constant itch to do and experience more. Contrary to what most may think, hearing that I had officially

earned the title of salutatorian didn’t stop the incessant hustle and bustle of my life, it only heightened it. Yes, I was ecstatic at achieving one of the loftiest goals I had ever set for myself, but what of the next?”
What will Emma miss about high school?
Emma responded, “High school is every student’s first taste of freedom that allows them to dive deeper into what they’re passionate about and discover who they want to be. During my time at John Jay, I founded an Amnesty International chapter to advocate for human rights, conducted research to remediate water pollution, and enrolled in challenging science courses to further explore my academic interests. Above all, I will miss the incredible teachers who supported me in my efforts to make a meaningful impact on my community and embrace my interests wholeheartedly.”
Emma has chosen to attend Williams College in Massachusetts. She will be majoring in chemistry and environmental studies.
What advice does Emma have for future high schoolers?
“The biggest piece of advice I would give to incoming John Jay students is to never be afraid to do things that people haven’t done before. High school is the best place to experiment and give life to the seemingly inconsequential ideas floating around your head. As scary as it may seem, trying or creating something new has the potential to steer your life in an exciting direction and bring you into contact with people who will fundamentally change your way of thinking about the world. Never limit yourself to what’s right in front of you - you never know what you might find,” suggested Emma.

Zheng, Scavino top Orchard View class

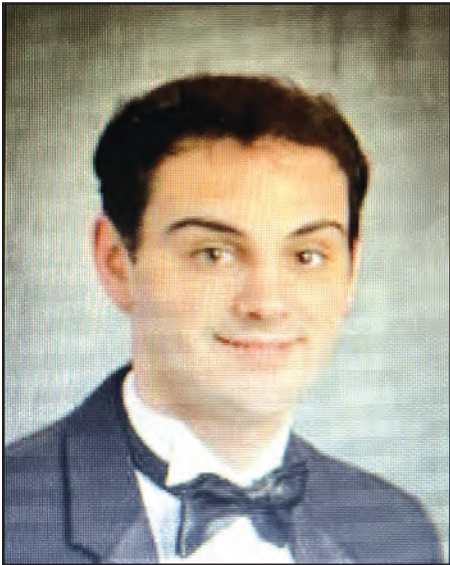
By Kristine Coulter
The Orchard View High School administration has announced that Raymond Zheng and Ethan Scavino are at the top of this year’s graduating class.

2025 Valedictorian Raymond Zheng
Raymond said, when asked about being told he was valedictorian, “Honestly, I was surprised. I knew I worked hard, but I didn’t expect to be named valedictorian. It felt good to know the effort paid off, and I’m thankful for the people who supported me along the way, especially the teachers who never gave up on me.”
As with any ending, there will be things that will be missed from that time in one’s life.
“I’ll miss the way of life. Having a set schedule every day where I didn’t have to stress about figuring things out. I’ll miss the staff that actually cared and the small moments with friends that made high school feel like home,” remarked Raymond via email.
As for his future plans, Raymond explained, “After I finish basic combat training with the military, I’ll be attending the University at Buffalo. I’ve enlisted in the New York Army National Guard with Sergeant Manfredy Rafael. I plan to major in mechanical engineering and business administration.”
What advice would he offer to incoming high school students?
“Start thinking early about what you want to do after high school meaning your career, college, or military. Make smart financial choices and have a plan. High school goes by fast, so take it seriously, but enjoy the



Raymond Zheng
-Courtesy photos WCSD

moments too,” remarked Raymond.
2025 Salutatorian Ethan Scavino
“I was shocked and happy to hear that I was Salutatorian. I have been working so hard throughout high school and have overcome many obstacles, so I am proud to have earned this achievement,” Ethan said in an email from Orchard View.
What will Ethan miss about high school?
“I will miss my peers and the relationships that I have made with teachers during my time at Orchard View. My favorite memory of high school is going on an all-school field trip to the New York Mets game and seeing Juan Soto’s first home run in Citi Field alongside my friends and



Ethan Scavino

teachers,” replied Ethan.
Ethan will be attending Siena College, in Loudonville, to major in business with a concentration in sports management.
“My dream is to one day work in the front office of an NFL team,” remarked Ethan.

As for some piece of advice he would offer to students who will be starting their high school days in Sept.
Ethan suggested, “Don’t take the time for granted! Time goes so fast, and every moment counts and matters. Make sure you stay on top of your work so it doesn’t pile up.”

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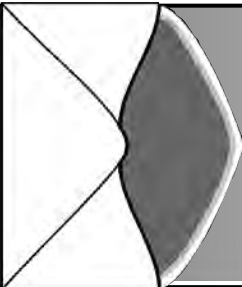
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Democratic caucus urges action on EMS issues in County

Editor’s note: The following is a letter to Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino from Democratic caucus members urging action on EMS issues in Dutchess County.

To County Executive Sue Serino:

We are writing as members of the Democratic Caucus of the Dutchess County Legislature to express both our appreciation and concern regarding the County’s current approach to addressing our emergency medical services (EMS) system.

We recognize the administration’s efforts in launching the supplemental EMS program and taking steps to address critical service gaps. However, we believe the current approach remains a temporary solution—and one that still falls short of delivering equitable results across the entire county. The recently released Q1 data shows that response times in many rural towns remain well above acceptable targets. This is not just a data point; it is a serious public safety issue affecting thousands of Dutchess County residents.

Dutchess County needs a more ambitious, long-term strategy—one that moves beyond stopgap measures and builds a comprehensive, countywide EMS infrastructure that meets the needs of every municipality, regardless of size or location. Other counties, including Ulster and Saratoga, are making significant progress toward regionalized EMS models, with dedicated funding and centralized oversight. Dutchess should be doing the same.

To that end, we respectfully urge your office to:

1. Accelerate development of a comprehensive, regionalized EMS plan, informed by legislators, municipal leaders, county officials, and EMS providers across the county. Identify the resources needed to implement this plan within Q4 2025 and ahead of FY26 budgeting.
2. Expand transparency and accountability in the supplemental program, including clear reporting on performance metrics and a commitment to equitable deployment of resources in underserved rural areas. Include County Legislators in the quarterly regional meetings that align to their districts.
3. Revamp the EMS public education campaign to meet its stated goals of reducing the volume of non-emergency calls to EMS and promoting EMS careers. The current public education campaign not only falls short of achieving its objectives, but could actually inflate non-emergency calls to 911. The taxpayer-funded billboards currently displayed throughout our county do nothing to address or reflect our EMS crisis, and instead simply promote EMS and the County Executive. Our goal is to save lives, not face.
4. Implement immediate adjustments to improve current EMS coverage—including shifting deployment patterns, enhancing dispatch coordination, and providing interim financial

support to struggling local agencies. The time for further study has passed. We have sufficient data, successful models to look to, and a responsibility to act quickly to address the crisis. County Executive Serino, you like to regularly point out that EMS is not a mandated essential service by the state, but that’s not an excuse for failing to fix our EMS crisis. Dutchess County should recognize EMS as an essential service. The County has a role to play beyond stopgap supplemental service, encouraging more mutual aid, and questionable public relations campaigns.

We remain ready to work in partnership with your office to ensure that every resident of Dutchess County—regardless of geography—can depend on timely, high-quality EMS care. We welcome the opportunity to meet and discuss how to move forward together on this critical issue.

The Democratic Caucus - Dutchess County Legislature
Yvette Valdés Smith, Barrington Atkins, Chris Drago, Brendan Lawler, Lisa Kaul, Kristopher Munn, Craig Brendl, Nick Page and Brennan Kearney

Atonna for Poughkeepsie Common Council

To the Editor:

I’m writing to urge Democrats in Poughkeepsie Ward 8 to vote for Daniel Atonna for Common Council on June 24th. Daniel is an incredibly talented, dedicated, passionate advocate for everyday people who grew up in Ward 8 and has been integral in winning important victories for the people of Poughkeepsie. Working alongside him in Mid-Hudson Valley DSA (Democratic Socialists of America), I’ve seen Daniel show up for his community in ways that no other candidate in this race has.

In addition to attending and speaking at nearly every council meeting for the past few years, Daniel’s organizing was instrumental in securing millions of dollars from the state for lead pipe replacement, restricting unposted “vacation” rentals to preserve our housing stock for residents, and passing Good Cause Eviction tenant protections to keep families in their homes. Daniel also traveled to Albany to help pass the Build Public Renewables Act and an increase to the state’s minimum wage, because he knows that the problems facing Poughkeepsie residents require bold solutions.

He got into community organizing because he believes that politics can change people’s lives for the better, but only if we have real working class champions in office. That’s why he has worked hard to elect other advocates to deliver for our communities, and why we must work now to elect him. Daniel is a true movement candidate who is not running for Common Council out of political ambition, but because he cares deeply for his neighbors.

There’s no one better for Poughkeepsie than Daniel Atonna.

Matthew Carroll
Poughkeepsie

Deichler ‘proud to endorse’ Atonna for Poughkeepsie council

To the Editor:

As the former Poughkeepsie Ward 8 Councilmember, I understand the challenges the city is facing and what it takes to meet them. That’s why I’m proud to endorse Daniel Atonna for Common Council in Ward 8.

Daniel is a tireless advocate for working class people in Poughkeepsie. He grew up in Ward 8 and understands the community’s needs. He’s spent years organizing alongside residents—fighting for and winning Good Cause Eviction tenant protections, a lead water pipe replacement plan, and a cap on unhosted “vacation” rentals. He listens, learns, and acts with persistence and purpose. He has experience working with state and local elected officials and knows how to move forward bold policies that make life better for his neighbors.

Daniel also understands that there’s more to the job than just going to Council meetings and passing laws. He attends community and labor events all across the city. He helped lead chants at the huge anti-Trump, anti-fascist march on the Walkway. He rallied with federal workers to save our Poughkeepsie Social Security office and Post Office. He shows up. That’s why he’s been endorsed by For the Many, Mid-Hudson Valley DSA (Democratic Socialists of America), NY WFP (Working Families Party), CWA (Communication Workers of America) 1120, and the Dutchess County Central Labor Council.

Ward 8 deserves a Councilmember who not only shares our values, but who’s already been doing the work. Daniel has proven he’ll be ready to lead on day one.

I encourage Ward 8 Democrats to vote for Daniel Atonna on June 24. He’ll always put Poughkeepsie over profit.

Megan Deichler
Former City of Poughkeepsie 8th Ward Council Member

In need of a third party

To the Editor:

As a citizen of the United States, I believe we are at a key point in our nation’s history. We are at a time when the Republicans and the Democrats are so far apart from each other that they will not come together. They both focus on what is best for their party rather than what is best for the country. I believe that America has never been more ready and in need of a third party. I am sure that many other Americans feel the same.

Maybe there are plans already in place to begin to bring a third party to the ballot. If this is the case, the momentum needs to start building now. I would be ready to provide financial support for this movement. My personal belief would be a Presidential ticket with Nikki Haley and/or Liz Cheney as running mates.

Please continue to stand for the values our nation was built on -- myself and many Americans are behind you.

Bonaldo Balvazzi
East Fishkill

Correction

In our article of June 11, on the Naturalization Ceremony at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds, the following quote was attributed to Honorable Judge Tracy MacKenzie. The statement was actually from Dutchess County Clerk Brad Kendall.

“I can safely say that today is a day that you will remember for the rest of your lives. Not because of what is said here by the distinguished speakers but by what you say when you take the Oath of Allegiance.

“Politicians will come and go. Stocks will rise and fall and rise again. As surely as day follows night, fall will follow summer to be followed by winter and spring again. But the decisions that have brought you to this moment will change your lives ... the lives of your daughters and sons and grandsons and granddaughters forever.

“In 1787, the Congress of the United States adopted a new Constitution. This new Constitution, in Article 1, enumerated the powers of the Congress. The fourth clause of Article one grants to Congress the power ‘To establish a uniform Rule of Naturalization.’ “That the power of naturalization is enumerated ahead of the power to coin money, to declare war and to raise an Army and a Navy is proof that the founders knew what we know: that only by providing a means for this nation to welcome new citizens with their talents and abilities could this nation grow and prosper.

“For 296 years, the oath of allegiance has been administered in Dutchess County. Today it is my pleasure to continue that long practice.”

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Connecting the dots across collections



Among the things we can learn about G.W. Beckwith from his portrait by the renowned itinerant local artist Ami Phillips, is that he was fond of his dog. Phillips would often have a child hold his own dog for effect, but this seems to be the only portrait that includes the portrait subject's dog. While we can learn a lot by looking at the portrait, the real "decoding" comes through locating, reading and interpreting sometimes dozens of written documents and ledgers.

-Beckwith Collection, DCHS Collections and Archives.

By Aidan Chisamore

Although digital collections are ever increasing public access to historical material for researchers and history enthusiasts alike, it can be all too easy to forget that each item constitutes only a small part of a larger collection. These collections, held at archival institutions across the county, often represent interrelated material that, when viewed as a whole, grants us a deeper understanding of their subjects.

At the Dutchess County Historical Society, our collections are largely organized by donor, and thus, relate to a particular family, area, or interest. While thematically distinct, they all serve as the basis for conducting historical research. At DCHS, we are guided by a commitment to the ethical and responsible archival stewardship of tangible objects. This objective motivates us, as it does many other institutions, to maintain the "context" of items within a collection. More simply put, this means preserving both how items arrived and ensuring all collections are kept intact. It is only through this careful stewardship that we as historians can begin to interpret and present history.

Sometimes the singular dimension in a collection is the collector who gathers historically significant material related to personal interests. This is true, for example, for our Mangold Collection. Harold Mangold and his father did not focus so much on their family as they did local history. So the collection of rare photos, documents, and ephemera reflect their two generations of collecting interest (and in this case, great skill!). It has been important for us to leave scrapbooks, and displays they created just as they created them – we are in fact preserv-

ing more than just the objects, we are preserving how they viewed what was of interest in local history.

One such display is the Mangold collection pin boards (fig. 1). Initially, this subcollection, comprising nearly 150 pin-back buttons, might appear random. On closer inspection, however, the related subject of the buttons reveals intentionality on the part of the collector. Specifically, the subcollection emphasizes the material history of popular civic movements in the first few decades of the 20th century. Viewed together, historically significant narratives such as the battle for public health and childhood education begin to emerge.

Other examples of collections can be organized around a single family or place, the result of generations of accumulated material. Our single biggest family collection is the Hart Hubbard Collection which tells the story of the family that continues to live in the farm house their ancestors built in 1838 in LaGrange. Unlike the Mangold Collection, it is not the arrangement of a specific subcollections that gives the Hubbard Collection contextual significance. Instead, its great value comes from its continuity and breadth. Through this the collection can tell many stories: the transformation of a self-sufficient farm into a successful international apple business by the turn of the last century. The multi-generational household produced accomplished artists like Caroline Clowes in the 19th century, and Edith Hubbard in the 20th century.

Collections can also tread the line between familial and antiquarian. The Beckwith collection provides one such example. Recently secured at auction, this



Above, image of one of the two pin-back button boards in the Mangold Collection. The buttons range from the 1900s to the 1930s, and most of the above relate to the National Tuberculosis Association, leading in civic health and childhood education around WWI.

Mangold Collection, DCHS Collections and Archives.

acquisition includes a dozen ledger and account books; a box of Dutchess County ephemera, photographs, and legal documents; and a large portrait of George Washington Beckwith (1848-1881) by Ammi Phillips (1788-1865) (fig. 2). While the contents largely relate to the Beckwith Family during the 19th century, the collection also shows how later generations collected items of personal interest. This allows us both to access a deeper historical understanding of a subject like in the Hubbard Collection, and to understand the intent of the collector as in the Mangold Collection.

Items directly related to the Beckwiths construct an intimate view of the family and their farm over several generations. Most prominently, the portrait depicting George Washington Beckwith serves as an important visual record, literally giving a face to the collection. If our engagement stopped there, however, we would miss the other side of the rich history revealed in the rest of the collection. Ledger and account books, for example, speak to important aspects of daily life on the farm, detailing the produce grown and its value, conditions of harvest, practical remedies for livestock, relationships between family members and friends, and the expenses needed to keep the farm running. Additional material in the collection, not directly connected to the family, reveals an interest in civic engagement and agriculture by later generations that expands

on the familial material further bringing its subjects to life. The Beckwith collection is an important example of how a wide range of sources and source types are used in conversation to deepen our understanding of local history and the residents of the county. Had any of the collection not been kept together, the narrative is lessened, and the information it contained, lost.

Through maintaining the context of a collection, whether personally or at an institution like DCHS, we seek to preserve the history of its subjects. It is for this reason that holdings such as the Beckwith, Hubbard, and Mangold Collections are so invaluable. While individual items might have historical significance, collections demonstrate the age-old adage that "the whole is greater than the sum of its parts." Through preserving collections together in context we begin to scratch the surface of understanding the people, families, and localities in a way that would be impossible through individual items.



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NYS Police: Alleged trespasser at former Downstate facility to take pictures, calls for assistance after getting trapped in a cell

New York State Police from the Wappinger barracks responded to a report of a trespass at the former Downstate Correctional Facility, at 121 Red Schoolhouse Road in the Town of Fishkill at approximately 12:04 a.m. on June 14.

Upon arrival, Troopers discovered the caller, identified by state police as Cody M. Mallon, 19, of Argyle, Washington County, locked inside one of the facility's cells.

State police stated in a release that the investigation revealed that Mallon

"had unlawfully entered the unused facility by crawling through a hole in the perimeter fence. He reportedly entered the premises to take photographs and became trapped in a cell."

Troopers, along with Glenham Fire Department, assisted Mallon out of the cell and subsequently placed him under arrest. According to law enforcement, he was charged with third-degree criminal trespass, a Class B misdemeanor. Mallon was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Town of Fishkill Court at a later date.

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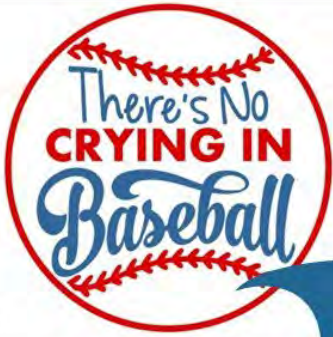


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RENEGADES ROUNDUP

Three one-run wins send Renegades past Greenville

By Morgan E. Maier

In the Renegades' only homestand of the month, Hudson Valley proved victorious over southern rivals in the Greenville Drive. As the parent clubs in Boston and New York battled at Fenway, the Renegades split a series, with five games decided by two runs or fewer. There was little power hitting, but masterful pitching prevailed. Over the weekend, the Renegades took the field as the Cider Donuts and the new-look Retrievers, but through classic bullpen performances, Hudson Valley triumphed over its southern league rivals.

Strikes and swipes

In a bullpen-only affair on June 12, five Renegades pitchers combined for 12 strikeouts. Geoff Gilbert was a highlight, fanning 5 batters over 2.2 innings. Tyrone

Yulie, starter Hayden Merda, and Matt Keating had two punchouts each, and Bryce Warrecker added one in the 3-2 Renegades loss. With two outs in the second and third innings, Josh Moylan (4) and Jackson Castillo (11) swiped second base as the Renegades clung to an early 1-0 lead. Both of their scoring efforts were in vain, but each trotted back to the dugout with another stolen base under the belt. Props to manager-slash-first base coach James Cooper for promoting aggressive baserunning on a nightly basis and getting his guys in scoring position. After this week, the team is on the cusp of 100 stolen bags on the year.

Starting strong

To go along with a couple of fantas-

tic bullpen outings, Renegades starters combined for just three earned runs in six games. Josh Grosz allowed one earned run over 6.1 innings, striking out six in a 6-4 Greenville win on June 11. Kyle Carr allowed two over two starts, going 1-1 with nine strikeouts. Overall, the Renegades scored 14 runs but allowed 18 in the series split.

One-run fun

The Renegades were victorious by a lone run in three games this series. Winning 1-0 on a bullpen beauty in the June 13 contest, Hudson Valley hung on to a 2-2 series split approaching the final two games. But in the series opener, Hudson Valley held on to a 3-2 lead to secure Kyle Carr's first win of the season! Longevity is his game of late, as Carr has revved into 6+ innings in three of his last four starts. In con-

secutive games, the Renegades won 1-0, with a sacrifice fly by Tomas Frick ultimately proving to be the game winner on June 13. The following night, Jose Colmenares' patience won the game for Hudson Valley in the first inning. Eight innings of shutout baseball followed Colmenares' bases-loaded walk to give Hudson Valley its third one-run decision of the week.

The Renegades (37-25) will be on the road for the rest of the month, making stops in Jersey Shore and Wilmington to close out the week. Eight games ahead of the Blue Rocks for third place in the South Atlantic League (SAL), the Renegades trail the co-leading Brooklyn Cyclones and Greensboro Grasshoppers. Once again, the Renegades hold third place in the North division and the top run differential in the SAL.

League Standings

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Brooklyn NYM	43	20	.683	-	6-4	W2
Greensboro PIT	42	20	.677	0.5	7-3	W2
Hudson Valley NYY	37	25	.597	5.5	5-5	L1
Wilmington WSH	30	33	.476	13.0	8-2	W7
Jersey Shore PHI	24	37	.393	18.0	6-4	W1
Aberdeen BAL	24	38	.387	18.5	4-6	L1
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Bowling Green TB	33	29	.532	-	4-6	L1
Greenville BOS	33	30	.524	0.5	7-3	W1
Hub City TEX	30	33	.476	3.5	2-8	L7
Rome ATL	28	35	.444	5.5	1-9	L2
Asheville HOU	27	36	.429	6.5	3-7	L2
Winston-Salem CWS	24	39	.381	9.5	6-4	W1



Home Schedule

July			
07/01/25	vs. Brooklyn	06:35 PM	2025 Graduation Party Baseball Bingo Presented By PeopleUSA
07/02/25	vs. Brooklyn	06:35 PM	The Inaugural Rascals Wine Wednesday Presented By Benmarl Winery
07/03/25	vs. Brooklyn	07:05 PM	Independence Day Celebration: Happy Birthday America!! Independence Day MEGA Fireworks!
07/08/25	vs. Asheville	06:35 PM	Cider Donuts: Dusty's Revenge, Baseball Bingo Presented By PeopleUSA
07/09/25	vs. Asheville	06:35 PM	Jewish Heritage Night Wine Wednesday Presented By Benmarl Winery
07/10/25	vs. Asheville	06:35 PM	Union Night Blue Renegades Replica Jersey Giveaway Presented By Heritage Financial Credit Union
07/11/25	vs. Asheville	07:05 PM	Italian Heritage Night Fireworks Friday
07/12/25	vs. Asheville	05:05 PM	Beach Night Hawaiian Shirt Giveaway Presented By Hannaford Supermarkets
07/13/25	vs. Asheville	02:05 PM	Gades 5K Star Wars Day
07/23/25	vs. Rome	12:05 PM	Camp Day Presented By Heritage Financial Credit Union Wine Wednesday Presented By Benmarl Winery
07/24/25	vs. Rome	06:35 PM	Hudson Valley Retrievers: Who's A Good Dog? Presented By The Brothers That Just Do Gutters Retrievers Replica Jersey Giveaway Presented By Heritage Financial Credit Union
07/25/25	vs. Rome	07:05 PM	Christmas In July Fireworks Friday
07/26/25	vs. Rome	05:05 PM	Introducing The Hudson Valley Big Apples Big Apples Bucket Hat Giveaway Presented By Hannaford Supermarkets
07/27/25	vs. Rome	02:05 PM	Princess Day Sunday Family Funday





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Summer Nights & Smooth Jazz: Bernie Williams returns to Millbrook Vineyards & Winery for 4th Annual Summer Jazz Concert

Minor leaguers recall performances in College World Series, playoffs



Renegades pitcher Josh Grosz has an interesting story about getting ejected from a playoff game in his college days.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

By Morgan E. Maier

As the College Baseball World Series gets underway in Omaha, surely some of the Hudson Valley Renegades are taking trips down memory lane. The 2025 Renegades have competed at various collegiate baseball levels, from junior college through Division I.

Even pitching coach Demetre Kokoris was instrumental in Texas Rangers’ practices en route to their 2023 World Series win. Though the current 30-man roster features just one national champion, plenty Renegades have notable postseason clips.

Greenville, SC native Tomas Frick faced his boyhood team in the Hudson Valley this week, but he first starred north of his native border in 2023 at the University of North Carolina. To clinch the Heels’ automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, Frick hit a monstrous .571 and led the tournament in runs batted in. Oh, and he hit two home runs, earning him a fast track to the All-Tournament team.

Though they didn’t rep the Carolina Blue together, Frick and Parks Harber were a part of back-to-back Tar Heel dream teams. In a possible foreboding, Harber went 3-6 in the first game of the 2022 Chapel Hill Regional, hitting a triple, a home run, and four RBI against Hofstra as a member of the Georgia Bulldogs. Two years later, Harber and the Tar Heels headed to Omaha for the team’s first College World Series appearance since 2018.

The Renegades Roc Riggio couldn’t stop in Stillwater. Oklahoma State University hosted the 2022 regional, and Riggio dazzled in his NCAA tournament debut. A freshman back then, Riggio hit .555, mashing four home runs and notching 17 RBIs in five games at the Cowboys’ home regional.

With East Carolina University vying for an automatic tournament bid, Josh Grosz’ teammate Jacob Starling hit a massive

home run during the conference tournament to cut the University of South Florida’s lead to one. Grosz, ever-conscious of the “hangry” teammate, figured such a clutch knock would call up an appetite. He handed Starling a hot dog as he returned to the dugout, to the horror of the American Athletic Conference (AAC). No matter how well intentioned such a gesture could be, it was considered a celebration prop, a no-no even amongst the most growling stomachs. Grosz was promptly ejected from the game, and banned from his following start in the AAC tournament.

NCAA Division I champion Griffin Herring has impressed Hudson Valley fans since his June 1 debut. Southerners repping the “Geaux Tigers” mantra picked their jaws off the concourse years ago. In a performance that arguably rivaled that of eventual first overall pick Paul Skenes, Herring held a must-win game for LSU in the 2023 edition of the College World Series, striking out the biggest of Wake Forest’s hitting threats. The Tiger win brought Skenes to the mound the following day, clinching the College World Series title. It marked Herring’s second title in as many years, as the Texas native won the 2022 Class 6A state championship at Southlake Carroll High School.

Duncan Pastore and the 40-win Louisiana-Lafayette squad were all the rage in the 2024 College Station Regional. In the regular season, Pastore’s first and only as a Ragin’ Cajun, the graduate transfer finished with the second highest batting average on the team (.321) which was ranked 22nd in the nation. In Game 1 of the Regional round, Pastore finished 3-3 with a RBI single in a 10-2 rout of Texas to stave off elimination. He notched another RBI in the following game, but the hosting Aggies of Texas A&M mellowed the Cajuns’ hopes of reaching the Super Regional.

Renegades’ community initiatives put focus on health and wellness

By Morgan E. Maier

The Hudson Valley Renegades have announced the team’s latest initiative to create a lasting impact on wellness in the community. As part of the Hudson Valley Renegades Community Program, the team will be donating gently-used weight training equipment from the New York Yankees to a deserving school or youth center in the Hudson Valley.

Executive board members of schools and youth organizations are encouraged to apply for this donation through the month of June. Applicants will be evaluated based on need, projected use, and overall fit for the equipment. The 2025 Hudson Valley Renegades Equipment Donation application can be found on the Hudson Valley Renegades website. All documents must be postmarked by June 30th to be considered. After review and recipient selection in July, the donation will be made in August.

The WMC Club Lounge in left field has facilities fitted with new equipment for both the Renegades and visiting teams, and no use for the Yankees’ weight training equipment. Through the donation program, the gently used equipment may positively impact the health of youth in local organizations, rather than collecting dust at Heritage Financial Park. The commitment to friends, fans, and families in the Renegades’ community doesn’t end at the final out. It stays a priority long after Renegades’ personnel clock out for the night. Schools and youth organizations across the Hudson Valley are eligible for the weight equipment donation, from Ulster to Sullivan to Dutchess counties - and in between!

Jessica Levinson, manager of community relations and ticket operations, said community initiatives like this are only half the fun of an organization like Hudson Valley. “To have something that’s specifically focused on the health and

wellness of the local youth, I think that’s what makes this initiative stick out.”

This campaign is just the most recent sports-centered program announced for the summer. On June 17, the Renegades participated in the Field Betterment initiative, renovating a field for Pine Bush Little League in Crawford, the first recipient of the grant based in Orange County. The weight donation project follows a similar structure to the Field Betterment program, according to Levinson.

The Renegades’ involvement in the community is built around genuine connection and communication. The team is dedicated to enhancing the well-being of youth in the Hudson Valley region, and it begins with physical fitness and wellness. Above all, physical and mental well-being at the forefront of all Renegades’ youth initiatives.

Inspiring all kids to succeed, both on and off the field, is key to raising a healthy community.



Roc Riggio of the Renegades encourages a young performer to “keep your eye on the ball” during a sports/athletics-based community outreach event on June 3 at Little Britain Elementary School in New Windsor.

-Courtesy photo

Summer Nights & Smooth Jazz: Bernie Williams returns to Millbrook Vineyards & Winery for 4th Annual Summer Jazz Concert

Celebrating music, wine and the Dutchess County community, Millbrook Vineyards & Winery (Millbrook Winery) will host former New York Yankee centerfielder and jazz musician, Bernie Williams and his Band of Friends, for its fourth annual summer jazz concert overlooking the vineyard on Saturday, June 28 at 6 p.m. with the lawn and food trucks opening at 4 p.m.

As part of a shared commitment to music education and supporting future musicians, Williams and Millbrook Winery will donate \$10 from every concert ticket sold, as well as a portion of wine sales that evening, to the music programs at Dutchess Community College (DCC). DCC’s music program offerings are as diverse as they are dynamic, providing a strong academic foundation for students preparing to transfer into four-year programs in performance, education, studio production, music therapy, business, and more. With instruction spanning styles from classical to jazz, the College prepares aspiring musicians, educators, and industry professionals for success. Beyond the classroom, DCC fosters a vibrant musical community through ensemble opportunities, private lessons, and non-credit classes open to learners of all ages and backgrounds. By making high-quality instruction accessible to both degree-seeking students and passionate community members, DCC reflects Williams’ lifelong advocacy for the arts and the winery’s affinity to supporting its local community.

“Returning to Millbrook Winery and being a part of something that blends music, wine and community is always one of the highlights of my summer,” said Williams, on the partnership. “Sharing the stage with the next generation of musicians and supporting music education makes it all the more meaningful to me.”

“The Performing Arts program is thrilled



for the chance to have members of the DCC Jazz Ensemble open for the Bernie Williams annual concert at Millbrook Winery on June 28,” said John Howell, assistant professor of music and supervisor of the performing and fine arts music program. “The Jazz Ensemble consists of a wide range of musicians: DCC students and alumni, students from local Dutchess County high schools, and musicians from the community at large, and they welcome new members every semester. We are grateful to both Millbrook Winery and Bernie Williams for giving our students an opportunity to perform.”

Coupled with the concert and philanthropic partner, the 2022 vintage of “Bernie’s Blend,” a red wine blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc, aged to perfection, along with a newly created 2023 Chardonnay and the 2021 Pinot Noir varietals blended by Williams himself and Millbrook’s Head Winemaker, Ian Bearup, will debut at the evening of the concert. Becoming a family



Former New York Yankees centerfielder and jazz musician, Bernie Williams and his Band of Friends will perform at Millbrook Winery on Saturday, June 28.

—Courtesy photos

tradition, the wine blends will be adorned by a custom label created by Williams’ daughter, Beatriz Williams, a Brooklyn-New York-based artist. The label artwork features a symbolic guitar held by two sets of hands — one older, one younger — representing the passing of musical knowledge from one generation to the next. This visual pays tribute to Williams’ own journey, inspired by his father, who first taught him to play guitar.

“Working with Bernie on each year’s wine blend is a true reflection of the passion and artistry that winemaking and music share,” said Bearup. “Each vintage of ‘Bernie’s Blend’ is crafted with care and it’s an honor to see our work come together each year, especially as we celebrate our 40 year anniversary this year.”

Since retiring from the New York Yankees in 2006, Williams embarked on a successful second act as a jazz musician, earning a Bachelor of Music in jazz performance from the Manhattan School of Music. In 2021, a visit to Millbrook Winery sparked an unexpected connection. Captivated by the vineyards and the winemaking process, Williams struck up a conversation with David Bova, the winery’s vice president and general manager. Their shared appreciation for baseball, music and the artistry behind winemaking

led to a unique and fruitful partnership. Each year since, Williams has collaborated closely with the winery, taste-testing barrels and carefully crafting each vintage with precision and creativity.

The 2025 concert will kick off at 6 p.m., featuring a special opening act by DCC Music Program students, who will join Williams and his Band of Friends during the second act. Led by director and saxophonist Joe North, the DCC ensemble includes standout performers, including DCC alum Ben Basile (upright bass) and current students Jevaughn Brown (keyboard), Teo Fairbanks (drums), Pedro Velez de Assis (bass), and Brianna Vivace (vocals). Tickets are on sale now on the Millbrook Winery website and offered in three tiers — VIP Deck or VIP Lawn (\$250 each), which includes a meet and greet with Williams and an open wine bar, and General Admission (\$70 each) where guests are welcome to bring their own lawn chairs. “Bernie’s Blend” red blend, Pinor Noir and Chardonnay will all be for sale the evening of the performance.

The Bernie Williams concert is one of many in Millbrook Winery’s summer jazz concert series, happening every Saturday evening, beginning June 21. A full concert schedule can be found on their website.

Reel Hope for Men’s Mental Health Fishing Derby scheduled June 22

The Brain and Body Coalition (BBC) has announced that Reel Hope for Mental Health, a community-oriented fishing

event is scheduled for Sunday, June 22 from 6 a.m. – 12 noon at Sojourner Truth Park, 100 Sojourner Truth Way, Ulster

County. This event is designed to be inclusive and welcoming to all, with a particular focus on Men’s Mental Health Awareness Month, addressing the critical need to dismantle the stigma surrounding mental health issues among men.

While Reel Hope for Mental Health is open to everyone, it aims to foster a supportive environment where men and boys can be themselves without fear of judgment, pressure, or shame. Fishing serves as more than a leisure activity; it is a catalyst for connection, mindfulness, and healing. Studies indicate that outdoor activities can greatly enhance mental well-being, and this event offers a collective opportunity for such rejuvenation.

No prior fishing experience is needed to participate. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own equipment, though fishing gear and instruction will be available for newcomers. Whether you are a novice or an experienced angler, you are welcome to join the community at the water’s edge.

Prizes include: Largest Fish, Smallest

Fish, Most Fish and Least Fish ...and more surprises!

“We strive to craft experiences that foster connection rather than isolation, particularly for men, who are frequently encouraged to hide their struggles,” stated Heather Ann Pitcher, Founder of The Brain and Body Coalition. “This event provides a straightforward yet impactful method to engage with mental health through community, nature, and joy.”

The BBC expresses heartfelt thanks to Stewart’s Shops, Lew’s, Zebco, Price Chopper, Market 32 , Poughkeepsie Orangetheory fitness, The UPS store in Poughkeepsie, Hudson Valley Pickleball. People USA, Hudson Valley Renegades, Dicks Sporting Goods and our community partners for their support in making this event a reality.

While advance registration is appreciated, it is not mandatory. To register, please visit: Register by email, Reply@brainandbodycoalition.org.

Join us, cast a line, start a conversation, and support men’s mental health.

Time capsule buried during East Fishkill Flag Day dedication

Continued from cover

Suzanne DeCosta, who will be the new president of the East Fishkill Rotary Club, said this park was “a collaboration with the Town and with the Rotary members that helped us with this (park).”

DeCosta said that unity is “not only desired but is necessary.”

Pastor Taylor Holbrook, lead pastor of Hopewell Reformed Church, offered a prayer.

Flag Committee Chairperson Pat Manning thanked those who donated and offered support for this project. He thanked town board members, Assistant to the Supervisor Gina Grippo and Highway Superintendent Ken Williams

and his crew for their efforts.

Manning said the flagpole goes 8 feet in the ground and is 80 feet above the ground.

There is a sign at Unity Park with the names of businesses and community members who contributed and donated to the project.

“May this new flag fly over East Fishkill forever,” said Jim Reynolds, commander of the American Legion Post in East Fishkill.

D’Alessandro said he hopes “the flagpole is still here” and that “they’ll see what we were doing [by] the few mementoes” when the time capsule is open decades from now.

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JUNE IS DAIRY MONTH

NY grant helps Uplands Farm to upgrade dairy production

By Jim Donick

Stephen Van Tassell, a charming and articulate representative of his field, is a local leader of the area dairy community with an encyclopedic understanding of his vocation, a commitment to the community, and a genuine passion for his work. He is a fourth-generation dairy farmer carrying on a timeless tradition of family farming at Uplands Farm in Verbank.

Van Tassell has spent his life growing and improving his farm. It's never easy, but now the State of New York has provided some additional support for him and for the state's dairy industry.

On June 2, Gov. Kathy Hochul announced nearly \$21.6 million has been awarded to 103 farms across the state through the Dairy Modernization Grant Program to support New York's dairy industry. The funding, first announced in the Governor's 2024 State of the State address, will help New York's dairy farmers and dairy cooperatives invest in new equipment, expand storage capacity, and strengthen their operations, particularly as they face extreme weather events, providing a critical boost to New York's dairy industry.

The announcement comes as the State officially kicked off the celebration of Dairy Month this June.

"New York's dairy industry is the backbone of our agricultural economy, supporting thousands of jobs across our rural communities," Hochul said. "With this \$26 million investment through the Dairy Modernization Grant Program, we're giving hardworking dairy farmers and cooperatives the tools they need to grow, innovate and lead in a changing market. This is how we honor our agricultural legacy - by making sure it has a strong and sustainable future."

As a part of this program, Van Tassell receives a grant of just over \$140,000 that will assist the operation and provide for a major expansion of his storage capacity.

Operating a modern dairy farm today is a very complex process. Several generations ago, Van Tassell's father and grandfather milked their herd, all 30 of them, by hand into buckets. The first milking barn they used is still standing at the bottom of the hill that houses much of the farm. On top of the hill is the current milking barn, built in

2000 and 2001, where more than 130 cows are milked, and where their food and water are carefully monitored to maximize their health and their production. The cows are no longer milked by hand, of course, but by the latest equipment and most modern technology. The difference in the architecture of the two barns is striking; but the differences in how the herd is managed and milked is breath-taking.

Cleanliness is critical

Sanitary facilities are the primary concern in the Uplands Farm operation. The machines are sanitized as are the cows themselves. The modern milking machines are busy much of the day. Once the milk is harvested, it needs be cooled, just like it does in a family refrigerator. The milk is piped immediately to a holding tank and cooled along the way by what is called a cooling plate. As the herd has expanded, the need for a larger tank and a cooling plate with higher capacity has grown. Over the years, Van Tassell has had a number of tanks installed, each one larger than its predecessor and each a bit more expensive. Initially he used a 500-gallon tank. He moved then to a 1,000-gallon tank, then on to the current tank with a capacity of 2,000 gallons. That last tank cost just over \$3,000. Prices have risen greatly since then, and the new 3,000-gallon tank and cooling plate that is coming will cost roughly \$140,000.

Van Tassell's grant from the New York State Dairy Modernization Grant Program will allow this expansion to happen.

"New York State is very supportive of our industry," he notes. "This grant allows an expansion that we otherwise might not have afforded. Milk prices have been fairly flat but costs have not been."

Value of modern science in dairy farming

The value of scientific methods of herd management are easily illustrated. Today, one of Van Tassell's cows will produce, on average, 10 gallons of high-quality milk per day. That's nearly twice what the production was just 20 years ago.

The cows' health is monitored daily. Food is carefully mixed to specific formulae



Stephen Van Tassell is a fourth-generation dairy farmer at Uplands Farm in Verbank. Van Tassell stands near a soon-to-be-replaced milking tank.

- Photo by Jim Donick

depending on the current needs identified in monitoring the cows. There are four basic components. On any given day they include protein, soy oil, silage and chopped corn. Each cow is monitored for exactly how much food they consume and exactly how much milk is produced.

These management techniques, along with extensive focus on cleanliness, also help maintain the herd in exceptional health and exceptional productivity.

Staff

An operation like Uplands Farm doesn't run itself, but requires a team. Van Tassell employs a staff of full-time and part-time individuals. He takes satisfaction in encouraging his staff in their development. He speaks with pride of how one of his people, Amanda Bergin, has left the farm to

take on the role of Dutchess County Ag Navigator. On April 10 at the annual Ag Breakfast announced the new appointment. The Agricultural Navigator serves as the primary point of contact for agricultural inquiries within Dutchess County government and collaborates closely with the agricultural community to develop solutions to needs and concerns. In that role, Bergin will have a great influence on agriculture throughout the county.

Bergin brings to that county-wide job a great combination of education, including two degrees from SUNY Cobleskill, and practical farming experience as a Dairy Herd Manager for the past nearly eight years. She is a perfect example of the Van Tassell commitment to sharing his knowledge and passion with the entire community and with the wide influence his operation maintains.

Van Tassell is a leader in the industry worldwide. He bred a cow some years ago that was exceptional in all aspects.

"Cows aren't bred to be smart, though," he notes with a smile, "but this one, aside from everything else about her, was a lot smarter than most." Her name was Erin and her DNA is in every cow in Van Tassell's herd. Her DNA is now even present in some herds in Germany. The working life of a dairy cow these days is about five years. Erin may have been retired from work, but she lived to be 23 years old.

"She was a great cow," he muses.

As further evidence of Van Tassell's commitment to his industry and to the community, he is chairman of the Dutchess County Dairy Committee. The not-for-profit committee operates a popular milkshake booth at the Dutchess County Fair, located among the 4-H buildings. These milkshakes, made with Hudson Valley Fresh milk and ice cream, are a country fair tradition. The proceeds of the effort benefit the committee's scholarship program for local students studying agriculture and biology. This is simply another means of showcasing the Dairy Industry in the county and helping ensure that the needed skills to continue will be passed to coming generations.

New 4-H team leads Dutchess County youth

Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County (CCEDC) now sports a new 4-H team to develop and deliver quality youth development programming. Dutchess County currently provides to almost 400 youth enrolled in the 4-H program; providing essential tools, training, and life skills to further the national 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better."

Heading up the new team is Carolyn McGraw. Carolyn is the 4-H Youth Leadership & Workforce Development Program Leader for Dutchess County and brings over a decade of diverse 4-H experience as a member and as a professional to the table. When asked what she is looking forward to in Dutchess County, Carolyn quoted, "...connecting with our 4-H families and community partners to strengthen and expand our Dutchess County 4-H program."

Following Carolyn is Jim Barey, 4-H Program Manager. Jim quoted himself as a "returning transplant" to New York 4-H, as he previously lived and traveled throughout New England and Eastern New York, networking agriculture industry professionals and youth in 4-H and FFA. Jim brings a wealth of knowledge and experience from several different state 4-H associations, most notably Maryland and Delaware. Jim will join the

rest of the Dutchess County Extension team full-time in July.

Rounding out this team of professionals is Brooke Tibbetts, a Dutchess County 4-H alum. Brooke gained her start in 4-H as a member of the Got Goat Milk 4-H Club when she was 8 years old. Brooke will provide an insider perspective for the Dutchess County 4-H Team and is looking forward to working with the amazing 4-H youth and volunteers for her home county. Brooke will fulfill the role of Dutchess County 4-H Program Coordinator.

Dutchess County 4-H is a collection of programs that provide youth, ages 5-19, with the mentoring and support to grow and thrive regardless of their background, interests and abilities.

Positive Youth Development strategies, such as engaging young people in topics that interest them, empowering them to make their own decisions, and providing challenging opportunities, result in youth who have: Confidence, Competence, Caring, Character, and Connection. These Life and Leadership Skills are the foundations which enable 4-H youth to: succeed as individuals, support their families, strengthen their communities, and make a difference to our world.

4-H empowers nearly six million young



The new 4-H team at Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County includes, from left, leader Carolyn McGraw, program manager Jim Barey and program coordinator Brooke Tibbetts.

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people across the US with the skills to lead for a lifetime. Learning through 4-H is fun and effective; children learn life and technical skills through hands-on learning in topics of their choice. The Dutchess County 4-H Club Program has evolved from its rural agricultural roots. While we are proud of our strong agricultural programs, we are excited to provide other

outlets for youth to explore and grow in, such as arts, crafts and technology. Embracing differences and welcoming diversity, 4-H offers a place for all Dutchess County youth to grow and thrive.

Want to learn more about the 4-H Positive Youth Development programs of CCEDC? Please visit our website: cce-dutchess.org/youth-4-h.

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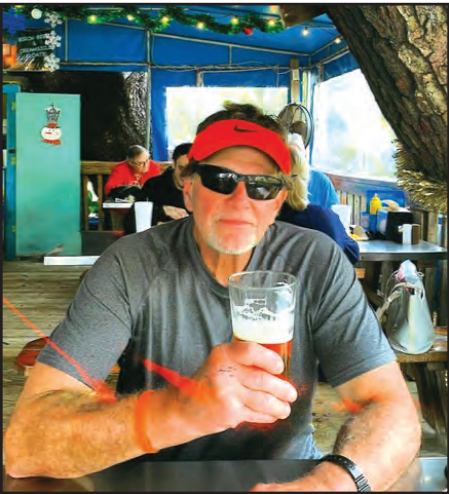
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Obituaries

William B. DiDiego



William B. DiDiego, 68, formerly of Yonkers, NY, died unexpectedly at home on June 10, 2025.

Born on June 26, 1956 in Yonkers, NY, he was the son of the late Theodore R. and Maryann (Sternat) DiDiego .

He leaves behind his loving wife of 39 years, Maryalice (Jones) DiDiego; his children, William DiDiego and his wife Krista, Allison Thomas and her husband Brendon, and Brandon J. DiDiego; and his four grandchildren whom he adored, Luciano, Stella, Vincenzo, and Ravella.

Bill was a family man who worked hard to provide for them. He worked as a Locomotive Engineer for MetroNorth Railroad for 38 years. After his retire-

ment, he stayed busy by working 3 part time jobs at Adams Fairacre Farms in Wappingers Falls, Acura of Wappingers Falls, and the Beekman Golf Course, where he made many new friends that he called “family.”

He was a great storyteller, and he loved to make people laugh! Bill enjoyed playing golf, tending to his garden, and taking trips to Florida with his family. His family and friends will miss him dearly. Bill was truly one of a kind.

Calling hours were held on Friday, June 13th at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Saturday, June 14th at St. Columba Church, 835 Route 832, Hopewell Junction followed by burial at St. Denis Cemetery.

Donations may be made in memory of Bill to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Please visit his Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

William N. Clinton



William N. Clinton, 77, an area resident for more than 40 years, died peacefully on June 8, 2025 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center.

Born in Brooklyn on August 22, 1947, he was the son of the late Norman and Lenora (Comfort) Clinton. William proudly served our country in the US Army during the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Purple Heart, and was a member of the Disabled American Veterans. He was employed as the Signal Department Supervisor for Metro North Railroad.

William was a parishioner of St. Columba Church. He enjoyed bowling at Fishkill Bowl where he was a member of

the Thursday Night Bowling League and the Friday Senior Bowling League. He loved spending time on his boat and fishing in the Long Island Sound with family and friends. He was also very talented, making designer cups and t-shirts.

William is survived by his beloved wife, Carole Wiggins; his sons, Michael Clinton and his wife Anna, and Ernest Clinton; his grandchildren, Elizabeth, Joshua, Jonas, Karylle, Javan, Alexander and Evan; his siblings, Norman and Lenora; and his nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his sister, Cheryl.

Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. There was a funeral service and military honors.

Memorial donations may be made to the Disabled American Veterans.

Sheryl Lee Anne Perrotti



Sheryl Lee Anne Perrotti, 67, died peacefully on June 8, 2025 surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Poughkeepsie on October 10, 1957, she was the daughter of Lewis Perrotti and the late Patricia (McGrath) Perrotti. Sheryl proudly worked for Abilities First as an assembler for 35 years. She loved working and never missed a day.

Sheryl also enjoyed participating in the Special Olympics. She competed in bowling, track and field, the softball throw and the 50 yard dash. Sheryl was a social butterfly who loved watching Wheel of Fortune, bowling, doing crossword puz-

zles and jigsaw puzzles, and making latch hook rugs which she happily shared with friends and family.

Sheryl is survived by her father, Lewis Perrotti; her siblings, Sally Ingalls, Kristine Perrotti-Floyd and husband Darren, and Lewis Perrotti Jr. and wife Lauren; her nieces and nephews, Courtney Adams, Chelsey Mills, Keylee Floyd and Ryan Perrotti; and her great nieces and nephews, Colton, Elliott, Carsen, Chanlar and Lincoln.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, June 21 from 11am-12:30pm at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. There will be a funeral service at 12:30pm.

Memorial donations may be made in Sheryl's name to the Special Olympics.

Robert John Komarek



Robert John Komarek, a resident of Fishkill, NY since 1983 and formerly of Lynbrook, NY, passed away unexpectedly at home on Wednesday, June 11, 2025. He was 73.

Son of the late William J. and Anne E. (Sheehy) Komarek, he was born in New York, NY on April 18, 1952. Robert began his college education at the University of Tennessee, where he received a scholarship to play tuba for the Vols' marching band. He went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree from Hofstra University and a Master's Degree from the College of St. Rose. In his early 20's, he proudly took pleasure in being a Track Coach for his high school, St. Agnes.

Robert dedicated his career to special education. As an Early Intervention Specialist, he made countless visits to his students' homes. In 2012, he retired from Valley Consultants in Saugerties,

NY after 35 years of service. In his retirement, he took on a part-time job in the Lawn & Garden Department at Home Depot in Newburgh, NY.

An avid reader who enjoyed gardening, he also collected historical memorabilia, especially items related to the Civil War, a subject he studied greatly. He was an enthusiastic fan of “Jeopardy!” with an impressive recall that at times surpassed the 3 contestants. Robert was a parishioner of St. Mary, Mother of the Church in Fishkill.

On August 6, 1983, he married Mary Ellen Dawson at St. Joachim Church in Cedarhurst, NY. Mary survives at home in Fishkill.

Additional survivors include his daughter, Allison Komarek-Brannen & her husband Kevin of Wappingers Falls, NY; his son, Brendan Komarek of Fishkill; his grandson, Jack Komarek-Brannen; his sister, Ellen Komarek Siebel & her husband Charles of Wappingers Falls; his nephew and niece, Matthew Siebel and Katelyn Siebel; in addition to many other loving family members & dear friends.

Calling hours were held on Monday, June 16 at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, Inc., 1089 Main Street, Fishkill, NY. A memorial service was ffered.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." (Matthew 19:14)

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital by visiting www.stjude.org.

For online tributes, visit Robert's Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

Tyler Leclerc takes plea in Dutchess County court

Sentencing adjourned to Sept. 3

Dutchess County District Attorney Anthony Parisi announced last week that Tyler Leclerc of Hyde Park pleaded guilty in Dutchess County Court to two counts of Criminal Sexual Act in the Third Degree, Class E felonies, in violation of Penal Law Section 130.40, subdivision (2); one count of Attempted Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, a Class E Felony, in violation of Penal Law Section 110.00/130.65 subdivision (4); and two counts of Forcible Touching, Class A misdemeanors in violation of Penal Law 130.52, subdivision (1).

Parisi said, “This plea agreement was made following the unanimous request of the victims’ parents, who wished to spare their children the emotional trauma of testifying in a public trial. Our office’s top priority has always been the well-being of the victims, and this resolution reflects the families’ desire to achieve justice while protecting their children from further harm.”

Leclerc admitted to the court that on two occasions on or about March 11,

2023, and March 10, 2024, in the Town of LaGrange and the Town of Pleasant Valley, being twenty-one years old or more, he engaged in oral sexual conduct with a person less than seventeen years old. The defendant also admitted that on or about April 1, 2024, and October 22, 2024, in the Town of LaGrange, being twenty-one years old or more, he attempted to subject another person to sexual contact while that person was less than thirteen years old. Additionally, Leclerc admitted that on or about May 1, 2023, and May 1, 2024, and April 1, 2024 and February 3, 2025, he intentionally and for no legitimate purpose forcibly touched the sexual or intimate parts of two different people for the purpose of his own sexual gratification.

Judge Jessica Segal presided over the case and adjourned sentencing to September 3. The sentence agreement is between 10 and 12 years in prison. The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Joseph Gruner.

DC Comptroller: \$3 million shortfall in 2024 sales tax revenues

The Dutchess County Comptroller’s Office has completed its review of the County’s 2024 sales tax revenues. Sales tax, which comprises 42% of the total income received by Dutchess County, is the largest and most vital revenue source. Sales tax collections in Dutchess County totaled \$263.7 million in 2024, up 4% from 2023, but 1.1% or \$3 million lower than what was budgeted for the year.

The 2024 budget assumed an increase in sales tax revenue after, in 2023, the Dutchess County Legislature passed a sales tax rate increase from 3.75% to 4%. The County’s requested sales tax rate also needed to be voted on in Albany.

“The County’s request for the tax rate increase was not supported by the State Legislature, resulting in a tax revenue shortfall in 2024,” said the Comptroller. “Had it been approved, this increase would have raised an additional \$9.9 million.”

To balance the budget following the lower-than-expected sales tax revenues, the \$3 million shortfall would have to be

covered by other sources, such as property taxes or state and federal grants. In 2024, American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds and increased state revenue contributed to the County ending the year in a net positive position.

The Office of the Comptroller is tracking sales tax disbursements monthly in 2025, which has been projected to increase by 1.6%, to \$268 million, according to the 2025 adopted budget.

As part of an ongoing effort to increase how much information the Office of the Comptroller shares and to make that information more accessible, the annual Sales Tax Report has been expanded.

“Recognizing the importance of sales tax revenues to maintaining the County’s economic health, our Office has made what we believe are some helpful and important additions to the annual Sales Tax Update Report,” said Comptroller Aymar-Blair, “including a description of how sales tax is collected and distributed, insight into the industries with the most taxable sales and purchases, and more.”

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Creative Living

RevCon 2025 events held at FDR lawn



RevCon 2025 was hosted by Destination Dutchess and the Dutchess County Department of History on June 14. From top, the encampment shows Revolutionary war equipment. From left are Rick Soedler, Executive Director of the East Fishkill Historical Society, Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino and Dutchess County Legislature Chairman Will Truitt, (His grant will underwrite expenses for Rombout Colonial Days at the East Fishkill Historical Society on the weekend of September 27-28.) and James Burr, one of many costumed re-enactors. Rick Soedler and Frank Maxwell portray soldiers in the British Royal Artillery.

-Courtesy photos



Music Under the Stars series at West Point



The West Point Band begins its Music Under the Stars concert series on Saturday, June 21 at 7:30 p.m. at West Point's Trophy Point Amphitheater. Join them for a "Night on Broadway," performed by the West Point Band and featuring special guest singers.

Enjoy show-stopping numbers from "Hamilton," "West Side Story," "Les Misérables," Disney's "Hercules" and more. Bring your family and friends and experience the magic of Broadway under the stars. This concert is free and open to all.

For more information visit www.westpointband.com.

-Courtesy photo

BeckHook Pride Parade & Festival set June 22

By Kate Goldsmith

Pride Month celebrations got under way at the beginning of June, and one of the major local events is coming up this weekend. The BeckHook Pride Parade & Festival is set Sunday, June 22, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the Village of Red Hook. The parade, led by Grand Marshal Sunshine Cosplay, steps off at 10 a.m. at Red Hook High School and proceeds to the municipal parking lot, where attendees can enjoy free raffles, demonstrations, workshops, games, drag, dancing and music by local artists and DJs on stage. Food and drink will be available.

Parade line-up is at 9:15 a.m. at the High School, located at 103 West Market Street. Registration is required to march in the parade; visit <http://www.beckhookpride.com/> to access the registration form.

Live performances on the Main Stage include DJ Hiroshi (10 a.m.), Otiis (11:30 a.m.), Cathy Young (12:15 p.m.), Don't Let's Start (1 p.m.), All My Friends (2 p.m.) and DJ James Bond (3 p.m.).

Several local businesses and community organizations are participating in the event; the latter category includes Historic Red Hook, Red Hook Public Library and Starr Library.

Historic Red Hook members David Case and Doug Harders are organizing a group of seniors to march together. Bring your beads, banners, kazoos and tambourines and march with David and Doug. Marchers will gather

at 9:30 a.m. in the Red Hook High School parking lot (enter from West Market Street/Route 199). All are welcome, whether you identify as a senior or want to walk as a friend. Email davidanddoug247@gmail.com to join their group.

Historic Red Hook (HRH) seeks volunteers to carry its banner and march alongside the LGBTQ+ Seniors and Friends. Volunteers are also needed for a variety of activities at its table in the Village's municipal lot. Chat with visitors about what HRH does, collect stories for its archives, run a kids' activity table and/or help sell HRH merchandise. Email info@historicredhook.org to sign up.

June is Pride Month, a time to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community and their contributions to society. It is also a time to acknowledge the challenges faced by this community and to support their quest for equality and acceptance.

According to its website, BeckHook Pride, Co. is a community organization that strives to support the LGBTQIA+ community members of Rhinebeck, Red Hook and beyond by creating safe spaces for gathering, providing educational and enriching programming, promoting visibility and advocacy, and promoting respect for all people within the LGBTQIA+ community.

Visit www.beckhookpride.com for more information about the event, to register for the parade and to volunteer.

Summer Reading Program kick-off at Grinnell Library

Grinnell Library's Summer Reading Program Kick-Off will take place on Tuesday, June 24, from 2 – 4 p.m. Patrons will be able to get more information about our summer programs and pick up reading logs for a chance to win weekly raffle prizes. Two By Two Animal Haven will also be joining us. Come visit and pet the animals - including a kangaroo!

To view the full calendar, visit www.grinnell-library.org. For questions, call the library at 845-297-3428. Grinnell Library is located at 2642 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls.

Photogs to meet June 26

The Photography Group will meet on Thursday, June 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376. This group is composed of local photographers - both professional and amateur who come together each month to share their love of the art of photography, to explore new techniques and discover new software, applications and tools to enhance their art. The group is open to all interested individuals; drop-ins welcome.

Call the library at 845-221-9943 or visit online at eflibrary.org for more information.

Fishkill Recreation

By Lauren McMenamin
Assistant Recreation Director

Concerts in the Park: Concerts are held at Maurer-Geering Park from 6:30pm-8:30pm Wednesday evenings over the summer. (Rain date: Thursdays)

All concerts are free to the public.
Dress for the weather.
Bring a lawn chair or blanket.
Pack food and drink (no alcohol)
July 2: Silly Little Things
July 9: The Carrie Zazz Band
July 16: Southern Dutchess Concert Band
July 23: The Harvest Band
July 30: Almost Floyd

August 6: Everything Else
August 13: The Saints
August 20: Pat O'Shea
August 27: The Big Band Sound

In-School Recreation: Registration for the first session of the 2025-2026 school year has begun! The session begins September 8th when the kids return to school after Summer Break. Don't wait to sign up! Visit our website to register. www.fishkillrecreation.com.

Visit our website for more information and to register, go to www.fishkillrecreation.com.

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love to cook

by vicki frank day



Edible postcard

A meal enjoyed on a past vacation, re-created

It’s the time of year that, even if I’m not going anywhere, I want to eat like I’m on vacation. For me that usually means smaller portions (think tapas), appetizers as a meal and lots of fresh flavor, nicely presented. I certainly don’t eat that way all summer long, but when I can it’s a treat. Some of my favorite recipes came about as a result of dishes I experienced while on vacation, and it’s always fun to try to re-create them once I’m back home. That way I can relive the memory and be transported back to when and where I first had it, which is, for me at least, much better than a photograph posted on social media and more like an edible postcard.

I think most of us eat a little differently when on vacation. We tend to treat ourselves, give in to decadence and sample unique regional specialties, all of which is lovely and certainly a fun part of the travel experience. And while it’s nice to keep great meals as fond memories, it also wonderful to be able to revisit those experiences when you’re back home. I have a few such recipes that I’ve collected over the years that are fun to pull out when I need a little mini vacation or just want a treat.

Lately I’ve been craving just such a treat, so I looked through my recipes and found one I hadn’t made in years. On a summer trip to Nantucket many, many years ago I went to a quaint restaurant. I wish I remembered the name of it, and I often wonder if it’s still there. The salt air had given me quite an appetite, and a look at the menu was a bit overwhelming because everything looked appealing. Not able to decide on an entrée, I ordered an appetizer to savor while I made a decision. Turns out it was so good I didn’t order anything else and knew I had to make my own version, which I did. I hadn’t thought about it for years but when I came across it, it served as dinner and was just as good as I remembered; so I wanted to share it with you.

It’s the kind of dish I love – easy to put together with fresh ingredients, rustically elegant and filling enough to be a meal. It combines flavors and textures that work beautifully together, the result seeming decadent and special. It’s a take on bruschetta with toppings served over toasted bread; and when I tasted it again after so many years it took me right back

to that lovely restaurant in Nantucket.

‘BELLA BRUSCHETTA

This can be an appetizer or a meal in itself. It’s rich and earthy with a peppery nuance offset by the tangy creaminess of the feta without being too heavy. You can substitute cremini or button mushrooms for the Portabellas, or use some of the more exotic varieties available now. Served in shallow bowls with toasted bread, it’s perfect for enjoying al fresco with a glass of wine.

INGREDIENTS

- Olive oil
- 2 medium shallots (or 1/2 an onion), finely chopped
- 2-3 cloves garlic, chopped
- 4 Portabella mushrooms (or 1lb other mushrooms), stems removed, sliced
- 6 large basil leaves, chopped or chiffonade
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley or oregano, chopped
- Salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste
- Red wine to deglaze pan
- 3 medium (preferably heirloom) tomatoes, diced (or 1 small can diced tomatoes, juice and all)
- 1-2 bunches arugula, well cleaned (or 3 cups baby arugula)
- ~6 oz feta cheese, crumbled
- Baguette

METHOD

In a large skillet, sauté shallots and garlic in olive oil until just translucent. Add mushrooms, basil, parsley, salt and pepper. Cook over medium heat until mushrooms soften. Add a little wine and stir to deglaze the pan, scraping up any browned bits.

Stir in tomatoes. Add arugula and cook until it wilts. Add feta and stir through.

Cut baguette into 6-8-inch pieces. Slice each piece in half lengthwise, brush with olive oil and broil just until toasty and golden brown, 2-3 minutes (watch closely so it doesn’t burn).

Place toasted bread in serving bowls and generously spoon mushroom mixture on top. Sprinkle with more fresh, chopped herbs and serve immediately.

Serves 2-4.

The food we eat, whether on vacation



‘Bella Bruschetta’s name derives from the star ingredient: Portabella mushrooms.
-Photo by Vicki Frank Day

or at home, should fill us with joy. It should be an experience that goes beyond mere sustenance, each bite savored to its fullest. Perfect dishes that combine fresh flavors can make memories that last a lifetime and, when we’re lucky, can even transport us to another place and time. Here’s to many more such memories!

Enjoy!

Vicki Frank Day’s background includes over two decades in various aspects of the food service industry. In addition, she has over 27 years’ experience in marketing, graphic design, copy writing, food styling and research. She believes cooking should be a fun adventure, that food should be an experience and that every day can be a special occasion. Email her at vickiloves2cook@gmail.com.

East Fishkill

Recreation

By Bill Green
Recreation Director

Join us now for a great summer trip to the Forestburgh Playhouse on Wednesday, July 9, to see the fun musical “The Full Month.” The fee is \$112 and includes ticket to the show, a lunch buffet, round trip Coach Tours transportation and the driver’s tip. Great food, Broadway entertainment in a super country setting. Sign up now. On Wednesday, August 20, we return to Forestburgh to see Head Over Heels, a musical comedy featuring music from the Go-Go’s.

Red Wing Park opens full-time this Saturday, June 21. Season passes for Red Wing Park are still on sale. Word has it the sun will appear this summer at the lake. This Sunday, June 22, from 1-3pm, we begin our Red Wing Concert series with John Jay’s Sharon Husted and the Shoo

Fly Band. Join us at the lake for a wide variety of great music and admission to the concert is free!

This Friday night, June 20, another JJHS graduate, Ed Hurley and the Hurley Mountain Highway band will be at the field by the Davis House for a 7pm concert featuring the great sounds from the 60’s and 70’s. Reminder -parking by the Davis House will be for the bands and handicap cars only.

Our trip to Saratoga Raceway on Thursday, August 7 is filled. Call to get on a waiting list.

Mets fans! There are still a few openings for our Mets trip on Wednesday, July 23 to Citi Field for a game with the LA Angels. The fee is \$100 and includes Section 128 Field level seats, round trip Coach tours transportation and tip for the driver.

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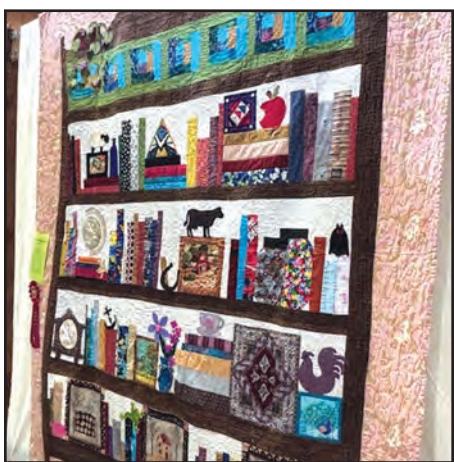
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Pictured, clockwise from top left, the “American Heart” quilt, made by Terri Cronk of Pleasant Valley. This entry received a Vendor’s Choice Award.

The red and tan quilt is called “Headin’ Home” and was made by Elaine Watkins of Poughkeepsie.

The quilt with horses is a community quilt made and was donated to the Dutchess county Sheriff’s Office as a gift to any child being removed from a difficult situation.

The poppy quilt is titled “Plus Harmonia Axyridis” made by Mary Nisley.

The octopus quilt is titled “Athena Take 2” and was made by Meegen Veeder-Shave. It received a second place award.

The event was held in the Tom Odak Horticulture Building.

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05/15/2025. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Miyuki McKible, 16 Depuyster Ave., Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Lodge on the Loop LLC Arts of Org were filed with SSNY on 1/15/2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Brian Joyner, 169 South Ave, Beacon NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Top Tier Electrical LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1756 Route 52 Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Circum Housing LLC Arts of Org. filed with SSNY 07/18/2022. Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 6 Van Ness Rd., Beacon NY 12508. General purpose.

Notice of Formation of Evoke Health and Wellness Coaching LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/13/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Susan Hamel, 66 Phillips Street, Beacon, New York 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The Articles of Organization of 5 GRAND MCUBED LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 22, 2025. Office location: 302A Mill Street Poughkeepsie, NY Dutchess County, New York. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to 302A Mill Street Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose is: all lawful acts or activities.

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SH Road LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/15/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 1667 Saint Marks Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of DSI DUTCHESS DIALYSIS I, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/22/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Beacon Psychiatry PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 5/7/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 187 Wolf Rd, Ste 101, Albany, NY 12205. List of names and addresses of all original members and managers available from SSNY. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Business Filings Incorporated, 187 Wolf Rd, Ste 101, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Medicine.

Notice of Form. of 66 CHESTNUT STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/21/2025. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 55 CHESTNUT STREET, RHINE-BECK, NY 12572. Any lawful purpose.

Steuben Acres LLC, filed with the SSNY on 05/20/25. 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 the LLC, 478 Rossway Road, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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BAY 3
PRODUCTIONS LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed
with the SSNY on
05/13/25. Office:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of the LLC
upon whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail copy of process
to the LLC, c/o Ste-
nger,Glass,Hagstrom,
Lindars & luele, LLP,
1136 Route 9, Wap-
pingers Falls, NY
12590. Purpose: Any
lawful purpose.

foxbhabha LLC, a
domestic LLC, filed
with the SSNY on
4/11/25. Office
location: Dutchess
County. SSNY is
designated as agent
upon whom process
against the LLC may
beserved.SSNYshall
mail process to 20
Academy St, Pough-
keepsie, NY 12601.
Purpose: any lawful.

NoticeofQualification
ofCRICKETPOWER
OPERATIONS, LLC
Appl. for Auth. filed
with Secy. of State of
NY (SSNY) on
05/15/25. Office
location: Dutchess
County.LLCformedin
Delaware (DE) on
04/22/25. SSNY des-
ignated as agent of
LLC upon whom pro-
cess against it may
beserved.SSNYshall
mail process to Cor-
poration Service Co.
(CSC),80StateSt.,Al-
bany, NY 12207-
2543.DEaddr.ofLLC:
CSC, 251 Little Falls
Dr., Wilmington, DE
19808. Cert. of Form.
filed with Secy. of
State,401FederalSt.,
#4, Dover, DE 19901.
Purpose: Any lawful
activity.

NORTH CLINTON
STREETLLC.Arts. of
Org. filed with the
SSNY on 04/25/25.
Office: Dutchess
County. SSNY desig-
nated as agent of the
LLC upon whom
process against it
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail copy of pro-
cess to the LLC, c/o
Stenger, Glass, Hag-
strom,Lindars&luele,
LLP, 1136 Route 9,
Wappingers Falls, NY
12590. Purpose: Any
lawful purpose.

THAT CREATIVE
SPACE STUDIO
LLC.Arts. ofOrg. filed
with the SSNY on
04/15/25. Office:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of the LLC
upon whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail copy of process
to the LLC, c/o Zen-
business Inc., 41
State Street, Suite
112, Albany, NY
12207. Purpose: Any
lawful purpose.

The Law Office of
Colleen J. Calabro
PLLC filed Arts. of

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Org. with the Sect'y of
State of NY (SSNY)
on 4/30/2025. Office:
Dutchess County.
SSNY has been des-
ignated as agent of
the PLLC upon whom
process against it
may be served and
shall mail process to:
c/o The PLLC, 7 Old
Rte 52, PO Box 312,
Stormville, NY 12582.
Purpose: Law.

51 EAST MARKET
ST., LLC.Arts. ofOrg.
filed with the SSNY on
02/06/06. 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 John J.
Finley, Esq., 360 War-
ren Street, Hudson,
NY 12534. Purpose:
Any lawful purpose.

43-47 EAST
MARKET ST., LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with
the SSNY on
02/06/06. 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 John J.
Finley, Esq., 360 War-
ren Street, Hudson,
NY 12534. Purpose:
Any lawful purpose.

Snow Globe Movie,
LLCfiled5/27/25.Cty:
Dutchess. SSNY
desig. for process &
shall mail to: 14
Mackin Ave.,Beacon,
NY 12508. Purp: any
lawful.

NFJ Projects, LLC, a
domestic LLC, filed
with the SSNY on
05/28/2025. Office
location: Dutchess
County. SSNY is
designated as agent
upon whom process
against the LLC may
beserved.SSNYshall
mail process to NFJ
Projects, LLC, 56
Miller Pond Drive,
Stanfordville, NY
12581. General
Purposes.

Notice of Formation
of Limited Liability
Company Articles of
Organization of
Insultec Spray Foam,
LLC (hereinafter the
Company) filed with
the Secretary of State
of New York (SSNY)
on 5/6/2025. Office
location of the Com-
pany is Dutchess
County, New York.
The Company has
designated the SSNY
as its agent upon
which process
against it may be
served. SSNY should
mail process to the
LLC at 603 Fitzsim-
mons Road, Red
Hook, NY 12571. Pur-
pose: Any lawful pur-
pose as permitted by
applicable law.

SHOP DIRECT
SUPPLY LLC, Arts. of

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Org. filed with the
SSNYon05/29/2025.
Office loc: Dutchess
County. SSNY has
been designated as
agent upon whom
process against the
LLC may be served.
SSNY shall mail pro-
cess to: The LLC,
1351 State Route 55,
Suite 412, Lagran-
geville, NY 12540.
Purpose: Any Lawful
Purpose.

SMITH RD
P R O P E R T Y
M A N A G E M E N T,
LLC.Arts. ofOrg. filed
with the SSNY on
05/28/25. Office:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of the LLC
upon whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail copy of process
to the LLC, 2 Vincent
Road, Poughkeep-
sie, NY 12603. Pur-
pose: Any lawful
purpose.

JK Distributorship,
LLC Notice of forma-
tion of Limited Liability
Company, ("LLC"),
Articles of Organiza-
tion filed with the Sec-
retary of State of NY
("SSNY") on May 29,
2025. Office location:
Care of Corbally,
Gartland and Rapple-
yea, LLP, 1733 Main
Street, Pleasant Val-
ley, New York 12569,
Dutchess County.
SSNY has been des-
ignatedasagentofthe
LLC upon whom
process against it
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail a copy of
any such process
served to Care of Cor-
bally, Gartland and
Rappleyea, LLP, 1733
Main Street, Pleasant
Valley, New York. Pur-
pose: to engage in any
act or activity for
which a LLC may be
organized under the
NY LLC Law.

La Fonda del Senor
LLC. Filed with SSNY
on 5/30/2025. Office:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent for process &
shall mail to: 193 Vas-
sar Rd., Poughkeep-
sie, NY 12603. Pur-
pose: any lawful.

Depot Hills Farm
LLC. Filed with SSNY
on May 21, 2025. Of-
fice: Dutchess, SSNY
designated as agent
for process & shall
mail to PO Box 36 H,
1112 Wilmot Road,
Scarsdale, New York.
Purpose: any lawful

DHAmenia LLC. Filed
with SSNY on May
21, 2025. Office:
Dutchess, SSNY des-
ignated as agent for
process & shall mail to
PO Box 36 H, 1112
Wilmot Road, Scars-
dale, NY 10583. Pur-
pose: any lawful

Aloveng Corporation
LLC.A Domestic Busi-
ness Corporation Arti-
cles of Org-anization

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filed with
the Sec. of State of
NY (SSNY) on
2/7/2025 Office: Dut-
chess County SSNY
has been designated
as the agent of the
Corporation upon
whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail a copy of the pro-
cess to the Corpora-
tion 94 Ridgeline Dr
LaGrange NY 12603
Purpose: for any
lawful purpose

Notice of Formation
of Quality Trades Con-
tracting LLC. Arts of
Org. filed with SSNY
on 2/15/2025. Office
location: Dutchess
County. SSNY desig-
nated agent of LLC
upon whom may be
served. SSNY shall
mail process to Qual-
ity Trades Contracting
LLC, 4 Linden Rd
Poughkeepsie NY
12603. Purpose: any
lawful

Notice of Qualification
of ER RIVERBEND
APTS LLC Appl. for
Auth. filed with Secy.
of State of NY (SSNY)
on 05/23/25. Office
location: Dutchess
County.LLCformedin
Delaware (DE) on
05/19/25. SSNY des-
ignated as agent of
LLC upon whom
process against it
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail process to
c/o The Sterling Prop-
erties Group LLC, 50
E. Mount Pleasant
Ave., Livingston, NJ
07039. DE addr. of
LLC: c/o Corporation
Service Co., 251 Little
Falls Dr., Wilmington,
DE 19808. Cert. of
Form. filed with Secy.
of State, John G.
Townsend Bldg., 401
Federal St., Ste. 4,
Dover, DE 19901.
Purpose: Any lawful
activity.

Notice of Qualification
of RIVERBEND AT
W A P P I N G E R S
PROCEEDS LLC
Appl. for Auth. filed
with Secy. of State of
NY (SSNY) on
05/27/25. Office
location: Dutchess
County. LLC formed
in Delaware (DE) on
05/23/25. SSNY des-
ignated as agent of
LLC upon whom
process against it
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail process to
c/o The Sterling Prop-
erties Group LLC, 50
E. Mount Pleasant
Ave., Livingston, NJ
07039. DE addr. of
LLC: c/o Corporation
Service Co., 251 Little
Falls Dr., Wilmington,
DE 19808. Cert. of
Form. filed with Secy.
of State, John G.
Townsend Bldg., 401
Federal St., Ste. 4,
Dover, DE 19901.
Purpose: Any lawful
activity.

Notice of Qualification
of RIVERBEND
EAST PROCEEDS
LLC Appl. for Auth.

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filed with Secy. of
State of NY (SSNY) on
05/27/25. Office
location: Dutchess
County.LLCformedin
Delaware (DE) on
05/23/25. SSNY des-
ignated as agent of
LLC upon whom
process against it
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail process to
c/o The Sterling Prop-
erties Group LLC, 50
E. Mount Pleasant
Ave., Livingston, NJ
07039. DE addr. of
LLC: c/o Corporation
Service Co., 251 Little
Falls Dr., Wilmington,
DE 19808. Cert. of
Form. filed with Secy.
of State, John G.
Townsend Bldg., 401
Federal St., Ste. 4,
Dover, DE 19901.
Purpose: Any lawful
activity.

LATA5 LLC. Filed
5/13/25. Office:
Dutchess Co. SSNY
desig. as agent for
process & shall mail
to: Michael Betros, 5
Hubbard Ln, Pough-
keepsie, NY 12603.
Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation:
Griffin Gravestone
Conservation, L.L.C.
Arts. of Org. filed with
SSNY on 4/22/25
Office location:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon
whom process may
beserved.SSNYshall
mail process to Griffin
Gravestone Conser-
vation, L.L.C. 1570
East Noxon Rd.,
Lagrangeville, NY
12540 Purpose: any
lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation
of Arnold's
Landscaping, LLC
Articles of Organiza-
tion filed with the Sec-
retary of State on Feb-
ruary 28, 2025. Office
Location: 9 Dakota
Drive, Hopewell Junc-
tion, NY 12533 in
Dutchess County.
The SSNY desig-
nated as agent of LLC
upon whom process
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail process to
Arnold's Landscap-
ing, LLC, 9 Dakota
Drive, Hopewell Junc-
tion, NY 12533. Pur-
pose: any lawful act or
activity.

Notice of Qual. of
BUD-ESE LLC Auth.
filed with SSNY on
05/01/2025. Office
location: Dutchess.
LLC formed in NJ on
09/28/2024. SSNY
desg. as agent of LLC
upon whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY mail
process to: ATTN:
BENJAMIN M. RAT-
TNER, EWSQ., 2
WESTCHESTER
PARK DR., STE. 110,
WEST HARRISON,
NY, 10604. Arts. of
Org. filed with NJ
SOS. P.O BOX 45
TRENTON, NJ
08646-0303. Any
lawful purpose.

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Notice of Formation
of Hoag Plumbing
Heating and Cooling
LLC.Arts of Org. filed
with NY Secy of State
(SSNY) on 5/6/25.
Office location:
Dutchess County.
SSNY is designated
as agent of LLC upon
whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail process to: 103
Sandhill Rd, Dover
Plains, NY 12522. The
name and address of
the Reg. Agent is
Richard M. Hoag, 103
Sandhill Rd, Dover
Plains, NY 12522.
Purpose: any lawful
activity.

ZOHAR & ADAM
LLC.Arts. ofOrg. filed
with the SSNY on
05/27/25. Office:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of the LLC
upon whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail copy of process
to the LLC, 497 Route
9D, Beacon, NY
12508. Purpose: Any
lawful purpose.

Always Green Farm
LLC. Filed with SSNY
on May 29, 2025. Of-
fice: Dutchess, SSNY
designated as agent
for process & shall
mail to PO Box 1309,
Millbrook, New York
12545. Purpose: any
lawful

Heck Yea Toys &
Knick Knacks LLC, a
domestic LLC, filed
with the SSNY on
05/23/25. Office
location: Dutchess
County. SSNY is
designated as agent
upon whom process
against the LLC may
beserved.SSNYshall
mail process to 418
Broadway Ste R,
Albany NY, 12207.
Purpose: to engage
in any lawful act or
activity.

Notice of Formation of
Sunny Buddies LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with
SSNY on 4/16/25
Office location:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon
whom process may
beserved.SSNYshall
mail process to 327
Sunset Hill Rd E
Fishkill, NY 12524.
Purpose: any lawful
act or activity.

BCESARK LLC. Filed
with SSNY 6/6/25.
Office: Dutchess
County. SSNY desig-
nated as agent for
process & shall mail
to: 61 RIDGE RD,
POUGHKEEPSIE
NY 12603. Purpose:
any lawful.

Clark's Plug LLC, filed
12/9/24. Office:
Dutchess Co. SSNY
desig. as agent for
process & shall mail
to: Clarks Plug 37
Alpert Drive Wap-
pinger NY 12590. Pur-
pose: General.

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JB Migration Solu-
tions LLC. Filed
5/30/25. Office:
Dutchess Co. SSNY-
desig. as agent for
process & shall mail
to: JB Migration Solu-
tions LLC, 29 Prentiss
Dr, Hopewell Junc-
tion, NY 12533.
Purpose: Any Lawful
Activity

Notice of formation of:
Core Theory LLC
Articles of organiza-
tion filing date with the
Secretary of State was
April 22, 2025
Office location:
Dutchess County 24
Greenhaven Rd,
Poughquag, NY
12570 Legal Zoom
has been designated
as agent of LLC upon
whom process
against it may be
served and SSNY
shall mail copy of
process to 228 Park
Ave South New York,
New York 10003
Purpose: Any lawful
purpose

Notice of Formation of
Patterson Property
Partners LLC Articles
of Organization filed
with Secy of State
(SSNY) 5/30/25
Office location:
Dutchess County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon
whom process
against it may be
served. SSNY shall
mail copy of processto
P.O.Box 38 Chelsea
NY 12512 Purpose:
any lawful activity.

Notice of Qualification
of Aldel Property 4
LLC. Authority filed
with NY Secy of State
(SSNY) on 5/30/25.
Office location:
Dutchess County.
LLC formed in
Delaware (DE) on
2/22/24. SSNY is des-
ignated as agent of
LLC upon whom
process against it
maybeserved.SSNY
shall mail process to:
28 Liberty St, NY, NY
10005. DE address of
LLC: 28 Liberty St, NY,
NY 10005. Cert. of
Formation filed with
DE Secy of State, 401
Federal St. Ste 4,
Dover, DE 19901. The
name and address of
the Reg. Agent is C T
Corporation System,
28 Liberty St, NY, NY
10005. Purpose: any
lawful activity.

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Dutchess
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Beacon Free
Press
Northern
Dutchess
News
845-297-3723

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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 24, 2025, as follows:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY
City Poughkeepsie/001-Ward City Council Member
City Poughkeepsie/008-Ward City Council Member
County Legislator-District 20

REPUBLICAN PARTY
Beekman-Town Board Member
Beekman-Superintendent of Highways
Beekman-Supervisor
Lagrange-Town Board Member
Lagrange-Supervisor
Pawling-Supervisor
Village of Pawling-Mayor
Union Vale-Supervisor
County Legislator-District 22

CONSERVATIVE PARTY
Lagrange-Town Board Member
Lagrange-Supervisor

WORKING FAMILIES PARTY
Lagrange-Town Board Member
Lagrange-Supervisor

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

LEGAL NOTICE
To all voters of Dutchess County, New York
Primary Election, Tuesday, June 24, 2025

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 24, 2025, certified to us or filed in our office pursuant to the provisions of Election Law.

ALL POLLS OPEN 6:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M.

D e m o c r a t i c Primaries:
County Legislature – District 20
Kristofer Munn
Troy Haley
City of Poughkeepsie – Ward 1 City Council Member
Ernest J Henry
Warren G Jones
City of Poughkeepsie – Ward 8 City Council Member
Daniel L Atonna
Sakima A G McClinton

R e p u b l i c a n Primaries:

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County Legislature – District 22
Faye B Garito
Joseph Tresca
Beekman – Member of Town Board (Vote for Two)
Ezio Battaglini
Frank M Lemak V
Gina Ragusa
Kate Blake
Beekman – Superintendent of Highways
Anthony Coviello
Brian Green
Beekman – Supervisor
Laureen Abbatanuono
Stella Maria Slattery
Lagrange – Member of Town Board (Vote for Two)
Daniel Mosquera
Franco Giangrasso
Susan Condon
Lagrange – Supervisor
Anthony Marinaro
David Anthony Mashiah
Pawling – Supervisor
James Schmitt
Catherine Giordano
Village of Pawling – Mayor
Lauri Taylor
Louis Musella
Union Vale – Supervisor
Charles Richwine
Steven Frazier
Conservative Primaries:
Lagrange -Member of Town Board (Vote for Two)
Alfred P Rabasco
Susan Condon
William Bedford
Lagrange – Supervisor
Anthony Marinaro
Steven McKenna
Working Families Primaries:
Lagrange -Member of Town Board (Vote for Two)
Allyson Persaud
Luis Rodriguez
Reese Persaud
Lagrange – Supervisor
Rovin Persaud
Suzette Persaud

ERIK J. HAIGHT LISA JESSUP COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS DUTCHESS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 112 DELAFIELD ST., STE 200 POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK 12601 845-486-2473 www.dutchess elections.com

Notice is hereby given that Public Hearings will be held by the Town of East Fishkill Zoning Board of Appeals, Dutchess County, on Tuesday the 24th day of June, 2025 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may come onto be heard at the Town of East Fishkill Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, the Town of East Fishkill Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct Public Hearings on the following applications.

1. John McMahon, 37 Circle Drive,

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Hopewell Junction, requesting a 32’ rear yard and a 2’ side yard variance for an existing 16x32x5 above ground pool, an 18’ rear yard & 6’ side yard variance for an existing (310sf.) pool deck, a 14’ sideline variance for an existing shed and a 22’ front line variance for an existing 21’X 6’ (126sf). front porch pursuant to Section 194-95 and 194-17 and the Schedule of Bulk Regulations.

Norma Drummond Chairperson East Fishkill Zoning Board of Appeals

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF DUTCHESS METROPOLITAN, LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Plaintiff, vs. NATERRIE BRACY A/K/A NATERRIE R. NEBBLETT A/K/A NATERRIE R. NEBBLETT INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SURVIVING SPOUSE OF ALANNEBBLETT, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on February 3, 2025 and a Decision and Order to Appoint a Substitute Referee duly entered on April 10, 2025, 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 27, 2025 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 49 Carriage Hill Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Poughkeepsie, County of Dutchess and State of New York, Section 6261, Block 03 and Lot 153186. Approximate amount of judgment is \$381,227.81 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #2019-52399. Cash will not be accepted.

Paul Clifford Brite, Esq, Referee
Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591, Attorneys for Plaintiff

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS
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SUMMONS
Index No. 2024-55878
Filed: December 18, 2024
ROMOWNERS, INC. d/b/a ROMBOUT

Legal Notices

VILLAGE, Plaintiff, -against- JASON WIXON, ELIZABETH COSTA, ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF LOIS RUSSO AND ANY OF HER SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, “JOHN DOES” and “JANE DOES”, said names being fictitious parties intended being possible heirs, tenants or occupants of premises, corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises, Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your Answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Plaintiff’s Attorney(s) within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the place of trial. The basis of the venue is the Defendants’ place of residence.

Dated: Poughkeepsie, NY December 18, 2024
Yours, etc.,

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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 24, 2025.		
ALL POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M.		
QUALIFIED VOTERS MAY VOTE AT ANY POLL SITE LOCATION WITH YOUR TOWN OR CITY.		
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Beekman	All	Beekman Recreation Center
Beekman	All	Town Hall
Beekman	All	Beekman Elementary School
LaGrange	All	Overlook Primary School
LaGrange	All	Freedom Plains Presbyterian Church
LaGrange	All	Town Hall
Pawling	All	Lathrop Center
Pawling	All	Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Association
City of Poughkeepsie	1-1, 1-2, 8-1, 8-2	Interfaith Towers
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Union Vale	All	Fire House

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HANDEL & CARLINI, LLP
/s/ Anthony C. Carlini, Jr.
Anthony C. Carlini, Jr., Esq.
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
1984 New Hackensack Road
Poughkeepsie, New York 12603
Tel. No. (845) 454-2221
TO: Jason Wixon
134 S. Parliman Road
Lagrangeville, NY 12540
Elizabeth Costa
35 Palm Drive
Bunnell, FL 32110
All Heirs, Devisees and Personal Representatives of Lois Russo and any of Her Successors in Right, Title and Interest

Warning: THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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

Please take note that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Pleasant Valley, NY, will hold a public hearing on the following proposition:

49 Woodland Drive, Salt Point
Appeal #1082
Grid# 6464-01-338725

Area Variance Requests: The applicant would like to erect a porch/office addition on the front of the residence that is 39’x11’. The required front yard setback for LDR zoning is 60’, but the setback for this addition would only be 38’. A variance of 22’ is being requested.

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

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SAID Meeting will take place on June 25, 2025 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y, and begins at 7:00 p.m.

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

Please take note that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Pleasant Valley, NY, will hold a public hearing on the following proposition:

94 Sherow Road, Pleasant Valley
Appeal #1083
Grid# 6364-04-718059

Area Variance Requests: The applicant would like to erect a 40’x30’ garage in front of the face of the residence, which is against Pleasant Valley Zoning Code.

SAID Meeting will take place on June 25, 2025 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y, and begins at 7:00 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the fiscal affairs of the Rombout Fire District for the period beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024 has been examined by an independent accountant, Theodore J. Eglit Jr., CPA. The report of the external audit has been filed in my office, where it is available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons. Pursuant to Section 35 of the General Municipal Law, the governing Board of the Rombout Fire District may, in its discretion, prepare a writ-

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ten response to the report of the external audit, and may file any such response in my office as a public record for inspection by all interested persons not later than 90 days from the date thereof.

Dated: Fishkill, New York
June 11, 2025
Jill Muller, Secretary
Rombout Fire District

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE
EAST CLINTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the East Clinton Fire District Board of Commissioners will hold a **Special Meeting on June 25, 2025 at 7 PM** for the purpose of reviewing/adopting the AUD, reviewing preliminary engineering costs for the new Firehouse and to review the monthly financial reports.

The meeting will be held at the East Clinton Fire District Firehouse, 9 Firehouse Lane, Clinton Corners, NY.

Dated: June 12, 2025
East Clinton Fire District Board of Commissioners
Carol Mackin, Secretary

The regular annual meeting of the Wappingers Falls plotowners will be held on June 30, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at 5 Water St., New Hamburg, NY

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Memphis theatrical production premieres in New York as the Poughkeepsie Passion Play

The Poughkeepsie Passion Play, entitled “The Promised One,” will premiere in New York under the direction of Dr. James D. Whitmire. Five performances are set June 20-22 at Living Water Church, 260 Mill St., Poughkeepsie. Tickets are available at www.poughkeepsiepassionplay.org through Eventbrite.

“The Promised One” is the story of Christ: His life and death, burial, resurrection, and ascension to Heaven. The staged musical production will include

more than 150 cast, crew, pit choir, and live instrumentalists.

Crossroads Baptist Church Memphis, Living Water Church Poughkeepsie and Love Worth Finding Ministries join together for this presentation.

For nearly four decades, Dr. Whitmire produced and directed the Memphis Passion Play, Jacksonville (Florida) Passion Play, Uruguay Passion Play (South America), Mid-America Passion Play, and now the Poughkeepsie Passion Play.

Right: The Poughkeepsie Passion Play will run June 20-22 at Living Water Church in Poughkeepsie.

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

Please take note that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Pleasant Valley, NY, will hold a public hearing on the following proposition:
366 Creek Road, Pleasant Valley Appeal #1081 Grid# 6464-02-541606
Area Variance Requests: The applicant would like to erect a 24'x24' workshop in front of the face of the residence, which is against Pleasant Valley Zoning Code.
SAID Meeting will take place on June 25, 2025 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y, and begins at 7:00 p.m.

**SUPREME COURT
OF THE STATE OF
NEW YORK
COUNTY OF
DUTCHESS
INDEX NO:
2024-55682
D/O/F: 12/06/2024
SUPPLEMENTAL
SUMMONS
Property Address:
45 Whittier Boulevard
Poughkeepsie, NY
12603**

Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the property is situate.
**C L E A R V I E W
EQUITIES, LLC,**
Plaintiff,
-against-
Unknown heirs at law of VERONICA MCCOMBS, her next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest, and generally all persons having or claiming, under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, all of whom and whose names and places of

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residence are unknown to the plaintiff and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained; ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, MICHAEL MCCOMBS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, GARY MCCOMBS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, KATHLEEN EAGLETON AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, VINCENT MCCOMBS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, GLENN BREWER AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, MICHAEL BREWER AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, COLLEEN BREWER-RANONE AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF VERONICA MCCOMBS, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; “JOHN DOES” and “JANE DOES”, said names being fictitious, parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, and corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises, Defendant(s).
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your Answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Plaintiff’s Attorneys within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the State, or within thirty (30) days

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after completion of service where service is made in any other manner, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Maria G. Rosa, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Dutchess County, dated June 9, 2025 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Dutchess County Clerk’s Office.
THE OBJECT OF THE ACTION is to foreclose a mortgage recorded in the Dutchess County Clerk’s Office on March 12, 2004 in Document #01 2004 7099, covering premises k/a 45 Whittier Boulevard, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 a/k/a Section 6161, Block 65, Lot 501339.
**NOTICE
YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME**
If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.
Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.
Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action.
YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.
The following

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notice is intended only for the defendants who are owners of the premises sought to be foreclosed or who are liable upon the debt for which the mortgage stands as security.
YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
PLEASE BE AWARE:
(1) that debt collectors, in accordance with the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq., are prohibited from engaging in abusive, deceptive, an unfair debt collection efforts, including, but not limited to:
i. the use or threat of violence;
ii. the use of obscene or profane language; and
iii. repeated phone calls made with the intent to annoy, abuse, or harass.
(2) If a creditor or debt collector receives a money judgment against you in court, state and federal laws may prevent the following types of income from being taken to pay the debt:
1. Supplemental security income, (SSI);
2. Social security;
3. Public assistance (welfare);
4. Spousal support, maintenance (alimony) or child support;
5. Unemployment benefits;
6. Disability benefits;
7. Workers’ compensation benefits;
8. Public or private pensions;
9. Veterans’ benefits;
10. Federal student loans, federal student grants, and federal work study funds; and
11. Ninety percent of your wages or salary earned in the last sixty days.
TO THE DEFENDANTS, except: The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action.
TO THE DEFENDANTS: : If you have obtained an order of discharge from the Bankruptcy court,

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which includes this debt, and you have not reaffirmed your liability for this debt, this law firm is not alleging that you have any personal liability for this debt and does not seek a money judgment against you. Even if a discharge has been obtained, this lawsuit to foreclose the mortgage will continue and we will seek a judgment authorizing the sale of the mortgaged premises.
Dated: Sandy J. Stolar, Esq., Esq.
MARGOLIN, WEINREB & NIERER, LLP
Attorneys for Plaintiff
575 Underhill Boulevard, Suite 224
Syosset, New York 11791
516-921-3838
#102369

DUTCHESS - INDEX NO.: 2024-50410—
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS. Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS COUNTY as the place of trial based upon the location of the premises herein described having tax map Section 6555, Block 00, Lot 892978, STORMVILLE A/K/A HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY, County of DUTCHESS—FORETHOUGHT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, PLAINTIFF, -against- JOHN R. ORGEN A/K/A JOHN ORGEN, if living, and if he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or generally or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs-at-law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through,

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or under them and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs-at-law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff, CAMILLE M. ORGEN, WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO BANK MINNESOTA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR GMAC HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, MOBILE LIFE SUPPORT SERVICES, INC., NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA – INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, “JOHN DOE #1” through “JOHN DOE #12,” the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, DEFENDANTS. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff’s Attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.
**NOTICE
YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING**

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YOUR HOME
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YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.
Dated: Syosset, New York, June 3, 2025.
Roach & Lin, P.C., attorney for Plaintiff, 6851 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 185, Syosset, NY 11791. Tel: 516-938-3100. To the above-named defendants: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Maria G. Rosa, a Justice of the Supreme Court, State of New York, dated June 2, 2025 and filed with the DUTCHESS County Clerk together with the supporting papers thereon. This is an action to foreclose a mortgage held by Plaintiff on the premises known as Section 6555, Block 00, Lot 892978, STORMVILLE A/K/A HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY, County of DUTCHESS as described in the complaint on file and commonly known as 370 HOSNER MOUNTAIN ROAD, STORMVILLE A/K/A HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12582.

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13. Draw out a conclusion

15. Parks of Civil Rights fame

16. Toothy wheel

17. Birth-related

18. *Pinocchio’s father

20. Fortune-telling coffee remnant

21. Religious doctrine

22. D.C. mover and shaker, abbr.

23. Assembled

26. Raidable hotel room amenity

30. Evergreen creeper

31. “Fasten” a shoe (2 words)

34. Nay, to a baby

35. Dryer accumulation, pl.

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39. Sodium hydroxide

40. Same as battle-ax

42. UN labor grp.

43. Like localized disease

45. Crab’s grabber

47. Catcher in the what?

48. Food-borne bacteria

50. Begone!

52. *”Fathers and Sons” author

55. Not expensive

56. Medicinal plant

57. Joie de vivre

59. Batu Khan’s posse

60. *Fils’ father

61. Chicken of the sea

62. *Tarzan’s adoptive dad

63. Before, poetically

64. Big Bang’s original matter

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1. Financing acronym

2. Hot rum drink

3. *Official flower of Father’s Day

4. Adjusts

5. Minotaur’s island

6. *Kurt Russell’s son of “Thunderbolts” fame

7. Tropical tuber

8. Stringed instrument

9. Slang for heroin

10. Marina ____ Rey, CA

12. “To do” list

13. “____ a high note”

14. *Fictional Mr. ____ who banished children’s nanny to a doghouse

19. Banana refuse, pl.

22. Gladys Knight’s band member

23. *Christopher Robin’s father A.A.

24. Like certain flu

25. Church assembly

26. Speechless

27. Gabriel of Chile

28. Administer ceremonial oil

29. Chopper blade

32. Nile dweller, for short

33. Snake-like reef dweller

36. *Cormac McCarthy’s post-apocalyptic father/son novel (2 words)

38. Expatriate

40. Dream in the sky

41. Climactic stage

44. Nearsited one

46. Degrees in right angle

48. Prolific Swiss mathematician

49. Ten million, in India

50. Mercantile establishment

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54. Rooftop contraption

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These organizations offer much to the community



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