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A rendering of the proposed mixed-use development that would feature new housing at the former Downstate Correctional Facility in the Town of Fishkill.

-Courtesy image NY Governor's Office

## Hochul releases proposal for former Downstate site

1,300 units of housing over 10 years

By Kristine Coulter

Conifer Realty, LLC has been conditionally selected to transform the former Downstate Correctional Facility, on Red Schoolhouse Road, in Fishkill, into what Gov. Kathy Hochul calls "a vibrant, mixed-use development that would feature new housing and community space."

According to a release from the Governor's Office, "The multi-phase project will create up to 200 construction jobs and up to 1,300 units of housing over ten years, including permanently affordable housing options. The project will feature a playground, a walking trail, and common areas for residents, with additional public amenities being constructed over time, in consultation with the community. The project builds on Governor Hochul's commitment to reimagining vacant and underutilized prisons to address New York's housing crisis and follows the recommendations of the

Governor's Prison Redevelopment Commission."

"We are honored to be selected by ESD [Empire State Development] to lead the redevelopment of the Downstate Correctional Facility. With nearly 50 years of experience and more than 21,000 affordable homes developed across 300+ communities, Conifer Realty excels in managing complex, large-scale, transformational redevelopments such as this. Our expertise in creating high-quality, affordable housing uniquely positions us to tackle this ambitious project. We are committed to meeting the needs of the Fishkill community and we look forward to working closely with local governments and the community to bring this vision to life and make a lasting impact on the region for years to come," said Sam Leone, president of Conifer in a statement.

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## Danskammer withdraws plan for expansion of fossil fuel power plant in Newburgh



Danskammer Energy has withdrawn its plan for an expansion of a fossil fuel power plant in Newburgh, Orange County. Pictured is the Newburgh waterfront taken from the City of Beacon waterfront on June 18.

-Photo by Kristine Coulter

By Kristine Coulter

Danskammer Energy has withdrawn its plan for an expansion of a fossil fuel power plant in Newburgh, Orange County. A letter was sent from Danskammer's counsel to an administrative judge earlier this month withdrawing the application.

City of Beacon Mayor Lee Kyriacou testified against the plant in 2021.

"I am pleased to hear the decision has been made not pursue another fossil fuel

plant at the Danskammer site. As I testified at hearings on the plant, that there is no demonstrated need for another plant, that large federal incentives were a primary reason for looking to build another plant in the Hudson Valley, and that there are thousands of jobs available for construction of alternative energy generation. The residents of Beacon and the Mid-Hudson Valley are better served by this decision," Kyriacou stated to Southern Dutchess News.

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## American Legion in East Fishkill to celebrate 75 years on June 29

By Kristine Coulter

Celebrate the 75th anniversary of American Legion Post 1758 during an open house on Saturday, June 29 from Noon - 3 p.m. at the East Fishkill Community Center, 890 Route 82, in East Fishkill.

"After World War II, East Fishkill, like most communities in the United States, had many veterans returning home. Some of these veterans missed the camaraderie they had in the military and were seeking others who shared some of the same experiences. They also saw a need to be part of an organization that honored and served veterans," said Post Commander Jim Reynolds.

The American Legion had existed since 1919 and had programs in place to support veterans, it was stated.

"These local veterans joined together and applied to the American Legion for a charter named after Charles P. "Manny" Bacon the first person from

East Fishkill to die in the war," said Reynolds.

What can people expect if they attend?

"We want to inform the public of all the activities our Post supports. Unless they are directly involved people are often unaware of what our post does for local veterans, the town, the schools and scouts. They will get to view 15-20 displays telling our story and interface with Post members who will answer questions and provide information about the American Legion," said Reynolds.

There are currently 107 members in Post 1758.

What is hoped for the next 75 years?

"We are excited that the Town of East Fishkill is working on a new Veterans Memorial Park which eventually will have a building for our post. We look forward to the new 3-acre park which will replace the quarter acre currently used," said Reynolds.



Charles P. "Manny" Bacon

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# Hochul releases proposal for former Downstate site

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According to Hochul, the recommendation is being brought to the Prison Redevelopment Commission and will turn this “former prison into affordable new homes.” She added it will be “vibrant community space that will serve generations of New Yorkers” in the County and beyond.

“The former Downstate Correctional Facility represents an incredible opportunity to build the housing New Yorkers need, revitalize this community, and reimagine what’s possible on state land,” Hochul said in the statement.

The proposal calls for the project to be done in phases. The first phase, according to the Governor’s Office, is expected to include 375 units of housing. There would be 20 percent designated as “permanently affordable” to households earning less than 80 percent of the Area Median Income. The options for housing would be two-story duplexes and triplexes, 20 percent of those would include three bedrooms. The phase is scheduled to begin in January of 2026.

In 2022, the 15 members on the Prison redevelopment Commission of the Prison offered the following recommendations:

- Prioritizing the release of two Requests for Proposals (RFP) and providing support for ESD through the RFP process.
- Launching a Prison Redevelopment Fund, a capital grant program that would make funding available to developers and/or localities that acquire sites from the State.
- Creating a Municipal Technical Assistance Fund to help communities with closed prisons operate the closed facilities (e.g. infrastructure acquisition and maintenance).
- Establishing a community engagement process to support outreach and consensus building in impacted communities.

- Prioritizing housing in future prison RFPs or other prison redevelopment efforts.
- Investigating renewable energy opportunities and partnerships.

Hope Knight, the Empire State Development President said, “Under Governor Hochul’s leadership, New York State is utilizing public-private partnerships to revitalize its former prison sites and encourage new investments to promote positive, equitable economic development. Through the Prison Redevelopment Commission, recommendations were proposed to support the adaptive reuse and redevelopment of former state prison facilities. This innovative plan for Downstate Correctional Facility, as envisioned by Conifer Realty, represents the next step by advancing the suggestions put forth through a vibrant residential community that will further address the state’s housing crisis and generate economic growth.” Knight is also the Commissioner and Co-Chair of the Prison Redevelopment Commission.

According to the release, this designation remains subject to required approvals including, but not limited to, ESD Director approval, and environmental review and findings in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Department of Corrections and Community Supervision Commissioner Daniel F. Martuscello III called the announcement “a significant milestone in Governor Hochul’s commitment to transforming our communities.” He said this proposal is “a forward-thinking approach to utilizing state resources.

“This project not only addresses housing needs but also provides a space for community engagement and support services. We thank the Governor for her leadership, and we are all proud to be a



A rendering of the former Downstate Correctional Facility site.

-Courtesy image from NY Governor’s Office

part of this initiative, ensuring that the site becomes a vibrant hub for local residents, fostering growth and opportunity for years to come,” said Martuscello.

According to New York State Homes and Community Renewal Commissioner RuthAnne Visnauskas, “By transforming

the former Downstate Correctional Facility, we will bring 375 critically necessary new homes to the Hudson Valley with potential for the addition of nearly 1,000 more, while also preventing an unused structure from falling into disrepair.”

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# Officials react to proposal regarding former Downstate Correctional site

By Kristine Coulter

The announcement of the proposal of what Gov. Kathy Hochul calls “a vibrant, mixed-use development that would feature new housing and community space” will have ramifications for the local community. The proposal calls for 1,300 units of housing over 10 years. There will be affordable units included, according to the proposal, which was submitted by Conifer Realty, LLC. According to Town of Fishkill officials, the State, through Empire State Development, unilaterally issued a Request for Proposals for repurposing and redeveloping the Downstate Facility property in 2022.

“If this proceeds, this is going to be a disaster for traffic,” said Town of Fishkill Supervisor Ozzy Albra on Friday, June 21, the day the information about the proposed project was released. The site is located on Red Schoolhouse Road, which is between the major roads of Route 52 and Route 9D, which are “already a problem. This will make things worse,” remarked the supervisor.

Albra said he received a call on Tuesday, June 18 and was informed there would be a Zoom call on Wednesday, June 19 with State officials. During that call, in Albra’s words, “they dropped this bomb on us.”

“I am adamantly against this,” said Albra. Albra said he is not against housing or affordable housing, but affordable housing has to be first for those who live in Fishkill, then the county and then the state.

According to Town officials, this proposal is incompatible not only with the Town’s wishes, but also with the Town’s Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code.

The Fishkill supervisor was set to release his position about the site at the Town of Fishkill Board meeting scheduled for July 3.

In a release last week, Fishkill Town Board members let their thoughts on the proposed project known.

Councilman Brian Wrye said, like the other board members, he “ran to halt development such as this monstrosity” proposed

for Downstate. “Trust me, I understand that people who want to buy, such as young people including my son with a wife and baby, can’t afford to do so in this market,” he said, adding Hochul’s plan for Downstate “is a cause for concern and anxiety.”

“When finished this development could easily add 15% to our population, require about 6 more police officers with new cruisers and bring the required development of a fire district and added EMT. Where’s that money coming from? ESD publicly stated: “State officials confirmed on Friday that Conifer’s plans are subject to Fishkill’s zoning rules and planning board oversight.” We on the Town Board will do everything to uphold the present zoning,” said Wrye.

Councilman John Forman stated: “The proposal from Empire State Development calling for building of approximately 1,300 new dwelling units is inconsistent with what the residents of Fishkill want. Approving this proposal would increase the population of Fishkill by approximately 15%. This means more stress to our schools, fire districts, police department, infrastructure and of course, more traffic.”

“Both the tone and very nature of the Governor’s announcement is an insult to everyone who calls the Town of Fishkill home. I’ve worked alongside Supervisor Albra for years to prevent irresponsible over development of high-density housing which would overload our infrastructure and harm the quality of life for Fishkill residents. To be presented with a proposal which ignores the voices of local stakeholders and flies in the face of our Town Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code, is appalling,” said Councilman Greg Totino.

Albra said he prefers commercial and residential for the site. He also noted this would more than likely create the need for a new school and a new fire district. The site is between the Slater Chemical Fire District and the Chelsea Fire District.

City of Beacon Mayor Lee Kyriacou stated on June 24 in an email, “I am certainly not an expert nor elected to consider impacts

in Fishkill, and am respectful of Fishkill’s leadership and comprehensive plan process. That said, the housing shortage in the NY metro region (and in other popular metropolitan areas across the country), requires accelerating the building of new housing, which is something that all communities in a region need to participate in.”

Beacon City School District Superintendent Dr. Matthew Landahl did not respond by press time for a comment on the proposed project.

County Executive Sue Serino said in an email, “Expanding housing opportunities is certainly an important priority for Dutchess County with the need for a wide-range of housing options, including affordable and workforce housing, clearly outlined in our Housing Needs Assessment report. We applaud the State’s commitment to utilize vacant, state-owned property to help address the housing crisis, however, local community concerns must be taken into account before this proposal moves forward. There are many questions that need to be addressed in the State’s initial proposal – What is the optimal number of housing units? What is the impact on the local school district? Local infrastructure? – and many more. There must be earnest and open conversations that brings all sides together for a development that benefits our community, without creating new burdens. I look forward to engaging in a productive dialogue to craft a final project we can all embrace.”

### State representatives react to proposal for Downstate

Assemblyman Anil Beephan Jr. said last week, “My office was briefed by Empire State Development on Thursday (June 20). Since then, we have engaged in several conversations with the Town of Fishkill. While this project must adhere to the necessary steps for approval, it is crucial that the voices of Fishkill’s residents are at the



An aerial view of the former Downstate Correctional Facility site.

-Courtesy image

forefront of any decision-making process. Our office is committed to being a firm advocate for the will of the Town of Fishkill and its residents, ensuring their interests and concerns are fully represented and addressed throughout the redevelopment process. It is essential that we proceed with careful consideration and community input. I look forward to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to ensure this project benefits our community and meets the highest standards of development.”

State Senator Rob Rolison stated, “There is a need for additional housing stock in our state. That issue is not what’s up for debate in Governor Hochul’s surprise decision to mandate a 1,300-unit rental complex in a residential community.” He continued, “What is more concerning about her choice is the secretive nature of the announcement and her use of apparently discretionary taxpayer monies to pay for construction. At a time when the MTA is claiming a considerable budgetary shortfall requiring it to refocus on ‘basic services’ only, couldn’t those funds be better spent providing safe and efficient service to the millions of hardworking commuters who use public transportation every day? Why weren’t local municipal leaders, and the homeowners who will be faced with potential traffic challenges and rising tax rates, consulted in advance? We will be asking these and other pointed questions of Governor Hochul and her housing administrators in the days and weeks to come.”

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All interested firms will be required to sign for the proposal documents and provide primary contact, telephone, fax and email address. Bids will be accepted until 12 pm on July 19, 2024. Work is to commence by August 15, 2024 and be completed by December 12, 2024. Minority and Women owned businesses are encouraged to apply.

**Details:**

**FRIDAY 9/20:** 7pm Kicking things off at District Social, 511 Fishkill Ave., Beacon. District Social is the newest scene in music entertainment in the Hudson Valley.

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# Beacon High School Class of 2024



The Beacon City School District held the high school graduation ceremony for the Beacon High School Class of 2024 on the evening of June 20. The ceremony took place at Heritage Financial Park, Route 9D, in Fishkill. Congratulations to all.

-Courtesy photo

The following is the graduation list for the Beacon High School Class of 2024 in the Beacon City School District, as submitted by the school administration.

Nicole Agudelo, Myah Aguilar Montano, Abir Ahmed, Imroz Ali, Isabella Amundson, Jack Antalek, Ronnie Anzovino, Wiles Assael, Jackson Atwell, Andre Barrionuevo Jr., Ariana Bedell, Caleb Bennett, Daniel Benson, Henry Betterbid, Anthony Borromeo, Aryanna Buggs, Ludmila

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Montefusco, Dalaisha Morales-Santos, Gia Morgan, Mace Morrow, Karimah Muhammad, Liam Murphy, Vanessa Murphy, Twyla Nelson, Thomas Nocerino, Cameron O'Dell, Lillie O'Leary, Christopher Ortiz Jr., Elisa Pahucki, Monet Parker, Emilia Pastorello, Brad Patino Albarracin, Amarii Pearson, Aniyah Pearson, Julia Pedersen, Vanessa Piciacchio, Christopher Pirrone, Nahari Powell, Sophia Principe, Alexander Quintana, Jayden Quintana, Arden Ragone, Ricardo Ramirez Paredes, Henry Reinke, Kyla Richardson, Kaevon Ricketts, Merilyn Rinaldi, Luis Rivera, Nina Rivers, Keira Robinson, Leena Rodrigues, Kiarra Rodriguez, Jenna Rojas, Gabriella Roscino, Elizabeth Ruffy, Matthew Sandison, Kasey Senior, Tristan Short Jr., Jackson Shrawder, Anisa Shtanaj, Owen Skorewicz, Riley Slosson, Brandon Soria, Andrew Spiconardi, JonAy Taylor, Allison Thomas, Jiyah Thomas, Rachel Thorne, Sophia Uribe, Michael Varian, Jayla Vasquez, Peter Vermeulen, Brandon Warren, Jahzara Watkins, Emily Wei, Wallace Wei, Isabella White, Xiomarys Williams, Jon-Paul Wood, August Wright, Grace Young, Noelle Young, Ryan Zingone Redfield.

## Frost retires after almost 41 years of service to Beacon community



City of Beacon Police Chief Sands Frost retired on June 14. He is pictured outside the police station with members of the department after almost 41 years with the department. He began his career in July 1983.

-Courtesy photo by Beacon PBA

## Beacon PD members sworn in to new positions



Members of the City of Beacon Police Department were sworn in to their new positions recently. Pictured, from left, Sgt. Alyssa Rudden, Lt. Michael Confield, Chief Thomas Figlia, Lt. Affdecrin Vargas and Det. Carl Garofolo.

-Courtesy photo by Beacon PBA

## Bard to make history with first female baseball player

Bard College is set to make school history this coming fall.

Bard will have its first female baseball player take the field for the 2024 fall season beginning in September.

Elise Berger will not only be the school's first female player, but only the ninth overall this season at any level of

collegiate baseball.

The pitcher hails from Vermont.

Berger has been playing organized ball for 13 years. She will be turning 19 when the Bard season begins in the fall.

She is a member of the USA Women's National Baseball Team during the summer.

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# Investigation into serious auto - motorcycle accident still ongoing

Members of the Hughsonville Fire Department, along with New Hackensack Fire Department (Rescue 52-55) and Town of Wappinger EMS were dispatched to Route 9 and Myers Corners Road for a reported SUV versus motorcycle auto accident, with a report of a victim pinned under a vehicle 6:23 a.m. on June 20. Chief of Department Paul Rogers and Town of Wappinger EMS paramedics arrived on scene and confirmed a patient was entrapped under the SUV and requested a medevac helicopter, due to the mechanism and seriousness of the injuries, according to a statement from Hughsonville Deputy Chief Bill Beale. Firefighters from Hughsonville and New Hackensack worked together to stabilize and lift the vehicle off the victim and turned care over to Town of Wappinger EMS, it was stated. The patient was removed from under the vehicle within 7 minutes from the arrival of Hughsonville (Engine 45-11) and New Hackensack FD (Rescue 52-55) personnel, according to Beale.

The New York State Police from the Wappinger barracks responded to a serious injury motor vehicle crash on State Route 9 and Myers Corners Road in the town of Wappinger.

According to law enforcement, the investigation determined Christian J. Aldana, 23, of Fishkill, who was operating a 2013 Jeep Wrangler northbound on

Route 9 rear ended and drove over a 2004 Suzuki motorcycle operated by Ryan W. Kallmeyer, 39, of Wappinger. Both the motorcycle and Kallmeyer were pinned under the Jeep, according to officials. A Good Samaritan and then Empress EMS provided medical care to Kallmeyer until he was flown to Westchester Medical Center with serious injuries, according to State Police.

Route 9 was closed both directions as Hughsonville FD (Ladder 45-46) established a medevac landing zone within the southbound lanes of Route 9, in front of the Wappinger Plaza, just north of the accident scene. Upon the arrival of Life Net 2, patient care was transitioned to the flight team, which departed to Westchester Medical Center at 7:21 am., according to Beale. The northbound lanes of Route 9 were closed for approximately 3 hours as the New York State Police conducted an accident investigation.

Hughsonville Fire Chief Paul Rogers, Jr. said, "My thanks to our partner agencies for their quick response and assistance at this critical situation. We regularly train with our mutual aid partners for incidents of all types, and today's seamless operation was a testament to that training."

It was noted that the Hughsonville Fire Department responded with 45-1 (Chief), 45-2 (Asst. Chief), 45-11 (Engine), and 45-46 (Ladder). New Hackensack responded with 52-1 (Chief), 52-55



Above, Members of the Hughsonville Fire Department work an accident scene on June 20 in the town of Wappinger.

Below from left, the motorcycle under the vehicle. Life Net 2 on the scene.

-Courtesy photos Hughsonville Fire Dept.



(Rescue), and 52-61 (Utility). The HFD was also assisted on scene by multiple Town of Wappingers EMS paramedics,



New York State Police and the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, as well as Life Net Air 2.

# PSC: Central Hudson shareholders must pay full cost of remedial actions related to billing issues

By Kate Goldsmith

On June 20, the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) resolved its ongoing investigation into past billing system failures by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (Central Hudson). The \$64.59 million settlement covers remedial actions taken to fix Central Hudson's billing system, as well as costs associated with the return to regular monthly meter readings and to implement recommendations made by an independent monitor.

The cost will be paid in full by shareholders, not ratepayers.

"Customers rightly expect to receive timely and accurate bills for their utility services," said Commission Chair Rory M. Christian. "Our investigation and prudence review and audit found that Central Hudson wasn't meeting this basic expectation. As a result of our investigation, the company has made and will continue to take corrective actions to resolve billing problems that have caused many customers great stress and confusion."

In response to the PSC's decision, Central Hudson issued the following statement on the company's website:

"Central Hudson has worked tirelessly to strengthen transparency and to rectify the billing issues our customers experienced due to the implementation of a new billing system. We've hired over 100 new professionals to better assist customers, hosted dozens of community meetings to address concerns directly, ensured affected customers were fully compensated, and rolled out monthly meter readings to largely eliminate bill estimates. As the billing system's performance has improved and as we have grown our team of customer service professionals, customer service metrics have improved considerably."

The provisions of the agreement include:

- Shareholders must pay the more than \$35.3 million spent over the last two and a half years to remedy problems with the company's customer information and billing system.

- Shareholders will pay \$4 million to directly benefit customers to be allocated by the PSC.

- Central Hudson will not challenge approximately \$8.75 million in negative revenue adjustments as a result of missed cus-

tomers service metrics, largely stemming from the billing system failures.

- Shareholders have incurred more than \$8.2 million in costs associated with back-billing credits to customers that were related to the billing system problems. The company continues to be obligated to provide back-billing credits when warranted if future cases arise.

- Shareholders will pay costs incurred and projected to be incurred to implement monthly meter readings (estimated to be \$6.3 million).

- Shareholders will pay up to \$2 million in additional payments in the event the company does not implement monthly meter readings by October 31, 2024.

The settlement comes after a 123-page report issued by an independent monitor assigned to examine Central Hudson's billing system and proposal to end bi-monthly billing estimates. After a thorough review, the monitor found that Central Hudson has resolved critical billing issues and reached a stable state. The Department of Public Service (DPS), the staff arm of the PSC, noted that in April of this year, complaints reported to the Department reached its lowest number since the company launched its new billing system: down 88 percent from its high in March of 2022.

The independent monitor also identified foundational strategic issues that pose a risk to system stability if not properly addressed. In the company's statement, Central Hudson said it is "committed to implementing, to ensure Central Hudson's readiness for future system integrations and any unforeseen challenges."

The independent monitor's report was released with the June 20 settlement and order.

While the independent monitor and DPS staff have found that system-wide issues have been addressed, individual billing issues may still be possible (as is the case with any utility billing system), and customers who believe their bills are inaccurate are encouraged to file complaints with the DPS' Office of Consumer Services.

As part of the agreement, Central Hudson filed a revision to its monthly meter read

plan with a goal of reading the vast majority of customer meters every month by October 31, 2024, an acceleration of more than 14 months compared to the company's initial plans (to reach this goal by February 2026). As noted, the settlement incentivizes completion of the meter reading plan by requiring the company to pay an additional \$500,000 for each month of delay up to \$2 million. If triggered, this incentivization remedy could bring the overall monetary value of the agreement up to \$64.59 million.

"Central Hudson appreciates the ongoing commitment of all our employees, both union and non-union. We will deliver the level of performance and service our customers expect and deserve," the company stated.

The PSC's action may be obtained by going to the Commission Documents section of the PSC's website at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov) and entering Case Number 22-M-0645 in the input box labeled "Search for Case/Matter Number." PSC documents may also be obtained from the PSC's Files Office, 14th floor, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223 (518-474-2500).

### Local representatives weigh in

Pat Ryan, who represents New York's 18th Congressional District, was Ulster County Executive when he made a formal request to the PSC to look into Central Hudson's billing issues. The PSC investigation was launched in March 2022.

"As your [Ulster] County Executive and your Congressman, but most importantly, as your neighbor and fellow ratepayer, we've fought this battle against Central Hudson together for years. I always said we'd never back down until every ratepayer was made whole - today, we finally held them accountable," said Ryan. "This settlement, paid for solely by shareholders, and including direct relief for ratepayers, is a direct result of col-

lective and relentless advocacy, particularly the tireless efforts of everyone at PULP [Public Utility Law Project]. These multi-billion dollar monopolies have more than enough power and profits - today, we returned that power to Hudson Valley families. But the fight isn't over yet. I promise I'll continue to hold their feet to the fire and stand up against Central Hudson's outrageous proposed rate hikes."

"The decision today by the PSC is a major step forward in finally holding Central Hudson accountable for its negligent billing practices that have been plaguing customers since 2021," said Senator Michelle Hinchey. "Despite having years to fix its system, Central Hudson has passed the buck and, in doing so, has failed to take accountability or right the wrongs they have caused. This settlement finally forces Central Hudson to change its practices while also protecting ratepayers by ensuring that shareholders will be the ones paying this cost."

"My constituents and I are relieved to see a long overdue decision come out of the investigation of Central Hudson's billing practices that have affected thousands since 2021," said Assemblymember Sarahana Shrestha (AD-103). "While we find this to be a welcome step, we'll be digging into the details to fully analyze the merit of the settlement and ensure there are robust monitoring protocols included. I want to note that we recently heard from a ratepayer who lives in an RV and didn't get a bill for over a year, and when they finally did, it was for \$6,000. With unresolved billing issues like these, we urge both the PSC and Central Hudson to pause account shutoffs until every case has been resolved. Considering how much time we've given Central Hudson to fix the issues, the same consideration should be given to customers so that they can catch up with their bills without losing access to energy."

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### League Standings

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH							
	W	L	PCT	GB	EB	L10	STRK
Aberdeen BAL	2	1	.667	-	-	2-1	W2
Greensboro PIT	* 2	1	.667	-	-	2-1	L1
Jersey Shore PHI	2	1	.667	-	-	2-1	L1
Brooklyn NYM	1	2	.333	1.0	63	1-2	W1
Hudson Valley NYY	1	2	.333	1.0	63	1-2	W1
Wilmington WSH	1	2	.333	1.0	63	1-2	L2
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH							
	W	L	PCT	GB	EB	L10	STRK
Asheville HOU	2	1	.667	-	-	2-1	L1
Bowling Green TB	2	1	.667	-	-	2-1	W2
Rome ATL	* 2	1	.667	-	-	2-1	W1
Greenville BOS	1	2	.333	1.0	63	1-2	L1
Hickory TEX	1	2	.333	1.0	63	1-2	L2
Winston-Salem CWS	1	2	.333	1.0	63	1-2	W1



### RENEGADES RAMBLINGS

## Long stretch at home park and strong pitching stats

- **FRIENDLY CONFINES:** The Renegades recently completed a stretch where they played 24 of 36 games away from home. Following eight games at Wilmington in the beginning of June, Hudson Valley is currently playing 15 of its next 24 games at Heritage Financial Park.
- **NY SLUGGERS:** The Renegades currently have the third-highest team OPS in the South Atlantic League (.742), and have the fifth-best mark in High-A heading into the weekend.
- **STELLAR STARTERS:** Starting pitching continues to be excellent for the Renegades. In the team's last 19 games, 15 starters have gone on at least 4.2 innings. Eighteen of nineteen starters have also

allowed three earned runs or less in their outings.

- **LIMITING HITS:** Hudson Valley pitchers have allowed only 418 hits through the first 64 games. The Renegades have allowed the second-fewest hits in MiLB. Incredibly, Lansing (OAK, A+) has allowed a staggering 592 hits through 65 games, most among all non-AAA teams.
- **SECOND CHANCE:** The second half of the South Atlantic League season began this week. Everybody's record reverted to zero and all teams have a chance at the second half division titles and a berth in the playoffs.

## Renegades help out with 'Hope Week'

Just as the parent club New York Yankees do, the Hudson Valley Renegades have their own version of Hope Week to celebrate. Hope Week for the Renegades began on Tuesday, June 25. The Renegades participation in the Yankees' Hope Week initiative is presented by Westchester Medical Center Health Network (WMCHealth). The Renegades' Hope Week initiatives

are focused on local organizations and groups making a positive impact on the lives of others. Each Hope Week event includes a ticket fundraiser for the honored organization. So far, the franchise was scheduled to honor the Friends of Jaclyn Foundation, which helps youngsters afflicted with life-threatening disease, and the Putnam Service Dogs.

Players Statistics																	
PLAYER	TEAM	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
1 JaredSerna SS	HV	65	252	44	65	19	0	11	49	36	54	9	6	0.258	0.357	0.464	0.821
2 JaceAvina CF	HV	55	218	29	60	19	0	7	37	24	64	4	1	0.275	0.355	0.459	0.814
2 OmarMartinez C	HV	53	185	26	45	7	1	7	21	40	50	0	0	0.243	0.382	0.405	0.787
4 RafaelFlores 1B	HV	56	192	27	55	17	0	6	35	35	55	2	1	0.286	0.397	0.469	0.866
5 GarrettMartin RF	HV	36	121	21	26	7	1	5	21	10	45	6	1	0.215	0.307	0.413	0.72
5 RocRiggio 2B	HV	50	184	37	40	9	3	5	20	39	43	9	2	0.217	0.37	0.38	0.75
5 JesusRodriguez C	HV	56	211	39	70	14	4	5	33	29	30	7	3	0.332	0.412	0.507	0.919
8 KikoRomero 3B	HV	37	114	15	25	6	0	4	14	21	49	4	1	0.219	0.364	0.377	0.741
9 JoshMoylan 1B	HV	51	170	26	39	5	1	3	18	32	50	0	1	0.229	0.361	0.324	0.685
10 KyleBattle LF	HV	21	46	14	8	1	1	1	5	9	23	5	0	0.174	0.316	0.304	0.62
10 TylerHardman DH	HV	16	59	8	14	3	0	1	7	5	26	1	0	0.237	0.292	0.339	0.631
12 BeauBrewer 3B	HV	26	68	8	17	4	0	0	9	8	15	0	0	0.25	0.329	0.309	0.638
12 JuanCrisp P	HV	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12 BrennyEscanio DH	HV	7	23	4	7	4	0	0	4	1	6	1	1	0.304	0.333	0.478	0.811
12 ChristopherFamilia LF	HV	9	30	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	10	0	0	0.133	0.278	0.133	0.411
12 ColeGabrielson RF	HV	43	131	20	26	10	1	0	12	21	40	6	2	0.198	0.346	0.29	0.636
12 AnthonyHall RF	HV	11	33	3	3	0	0	0	1	9	13	1	0	0.091	0.296	0.091	0.377
12 DJLeMahieu 3B	HV	2	7	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0.286	0.296	0.429	0.715
12 NelsonMedina CF	HV	41	130	11	17	2	1	0	14	13	62	7	0	0.131	0.214	0.162	0.376
12 AlexanderVargas SS	HV	5	15	1	3	1	1	0	5	3	1	1	1	0.2	0.316	0.4	0.716
12 JorbiVivas 2B	HV	4	16	4	5	1	0	0	5	2	3	0	0	0.313	0.399	0.375	0.764

Pitcher Statistics																				
PLAYER	TEAM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WHIP	AVG
1 CamSchlittler P	HV	3	2	2.32	11	11	0	0	0	0	54.1	31	21	14	5	3	28	71	1.09	0.162
2 BenShields P	HV	2	2	3.06	13	6	0	0	0	1	47	34	19	16	5	3	10	62	0.94	0.198
3 SebastianKeane P	HV	5	5	5.02	12	12	0	0	0	0	57.1	55	33	32	6	4	29	55	1.47	0.258
4 MattKeating P	HV	1	1	3.46	21	0	0	0	2	3	41.2	28	18	16	4	0	17	50	1.08	0.184
5 ColeAyers P	HV	2	3	2.68	25	0	0	0	3	5	40.1	31	16	12	2	2	15	49	1.14	0.208
6 KyleCarr P	HV	0	3	6.19	12	12	0	0	0	0	48	54	41	33	3	2	35	46	1.85	0.292
7 TrentSellers P	HV	5	2	4.33	17	0	0	0	1	3	35.1	25	23	17	2	1	25	44	1.42	0.192
8 BaronStuart P	HV	4	2	4.03	9	9	0	0	0	0	44.2	39	21	20	2	2	18	42	1.28	0.236
9 JacksonFristoe P	HV	1	3	3.79	12	12	0	0	0	0	38	27	18	16	2	1	28	40	1.45	0.201
10 JoelValdez P	HV	1	2	3.51	19	0	0	0	2	4	33.1	23	16	13	2	4	17	38	1.2	0.195
11 MasonVinyard P	HV	2	1	2.18	13	0	0	0	0	0	20.2	14	11	5	2	1	10	32	1.16	0.184
12 LuisArejula P	HV	3	3	3.14	16	0	0	0	1	4	28.2	24	14	10	1	1	16	30	1.4	0.229
13 HuestonMorrill P	HV	1	2	4.7	17	0	0	0	1	2	23	26	17	12	6	2	7	23	1.43	0.28
14 BrianHendry P	HV	1	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	11	5	2	0	0	0	6	15	1	0.125
14 LeonardoPestana P	HV	1	0	1.86	6	0	0	0	0	1	9.2	1	2	2	0	0	5	15	0.62	0.036
16 EricReyzelman P	HV	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	1	3	12	0.57	0.045
17 GeoffreyGilbert P	HV	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	2	10	0.43	0.043
18 YorlinCalderon P	HV	0	0	2.84	3	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	4	3	2	0	1	2	7	0.95	0.167
18 StevenFulgencio P	HV	1	1	4.15	8	0	0	0	0	1	8.2	7	7	4	0	2	6	7	1.5	0.219
20 McKinleyMoore P	HV	0	0	7.36	4	0	0	0	1	1	3.2	2	3	3	0	1	2	6	1.09	0.154
21 JuanCrisp C	HV	1	0	12	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	4	4	2	0	4	4	2	0.182
22 BlaneAbeyta P	HV	0	1	3.6	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	4	4	2	0	0	1	3	1	0.222
23 BryceWarrecker P	HV	0	0	3.86	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.1	3	1	1	0	0	2	2	2.14	0.333
24 JoshGrosz P	HV	0	1	13.5	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.1	6	7	5	2	0	6	1	3.6	0.429



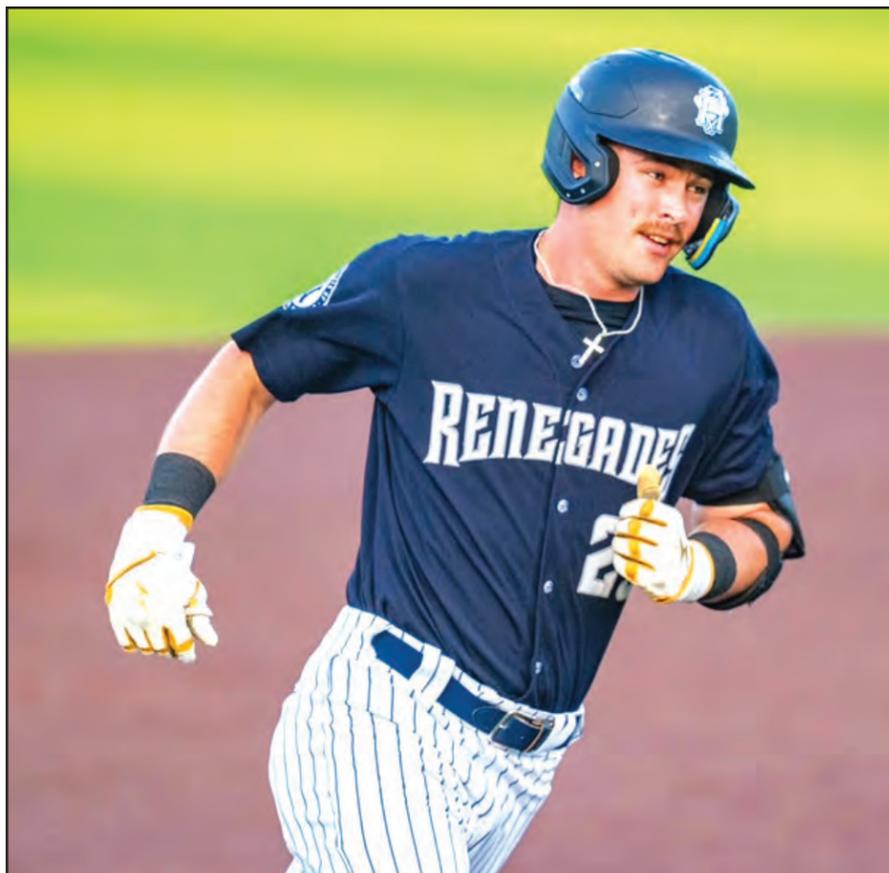


# Renegades Extra!



## RENEGADES ROUNDUP

# Renegades have tough week, fall to Greensboro in 1st-half title chase



Garrett Martin, above, and Josh Moylan each hit two homers in the Renegades' 12-9 win on Sunday over the Greensboro Grasshoppers.

By Rich Thomaselli

For the Hudson Valley Renegades, it was all over within a matter of 96 hours.

Maybe less than that.

Hudson Valley was within striking distance of the Greensboro Grasshoppers, the first place team in the South Atlantic Lake North Division. The Renegades left for a six-game road trip down south to play the Division leaders.

Hudson Valley was just three games out of first and hoping for a miracle to win the division and qualify for the automatic berth in the playoffs.

After the first two games of the series, the Renegades were out of it.

Hudson family lost four straight to Greensboro and slid all the way from

striking distance in second place to a distant fourth place in the five-team division.

The series opener last Tuesday did not bode well. Hudson Valley got a strong pitching performance, but fell to the Grasshoppers 2-0 at FNB Field. Jackson Fristoe turned in a solid start for the Renegades, tossing 5.0 innings and allowing just two runs on three hits. The right-hander struck out six and issued only one walk while completing six innings for the second time in his career. The lone blemish against Fristoe (1-3) was also the only two runs in the game, a two-run home run by Hudson Head in the bottom of the third inning. After a leadoff single by Shawn Ross, Head lifted a fly ball to right field

that just cleared the wall for his eighth home run of the year to put Greensboro in front 2-0.

That was it.

Renegades fell to the Grasshoppers 8-2 on Wednesday afternoon to effectively end its division hopes.

After setting a new career-high in strikeouts in his last start, Baron Stuart repeated that feat by punching out 10 Grasshoppers across 4.1 innings. In his last two starts, the right-hander has struck out 18 batters across 10.1 innings for Hudson Valley.

Despite the strong start, the Grasshoppers got to Stuart (4-2) in the bottom of the third with two outs. Geovanny Planchart singled and Termarr Johnson followed with a two-run home run to right field to put Greensboro in front 2-0. The Grasshoppers added two more off Stuart in the fifth on a double steal of second and home executed by P.J. Hilson and Lonnie White and an RBI single by Planchart. Eric Reyzelman

relieved Stuart after Planchart's hit and escaped further damage while throwing 1.2 scoreless innings. Greensboro added four runs in the bottom of the eighth against Matt Keating on a White RBI single and a three-run home run by Hilson to extend the lead to 8-0.

Hudson Valley lost again on Thursday, Friday and Saturday to fall even further behind.

The one bright spot came on Sunday afternoon when the Renegades outscored Greensboro, 12-9. Garrett Martin and Josh Moylan each hit two home runs, collecting back-to-back blasts in both the fourth and ninth innings. They are the first pair of Renegades teammates to hit two home runs in the same game since Ben Cowles and Alexander Vargas on April 30, 2023 at Greenville.

The Renegades are 1-2 in the second half of the season and finished the first half at 32-33. They are at home this week with games against the Wilmington Blue Rocks.



Renegades Jace Avina greets some of the fans.

-Photos by Dave Janosz

## General Manager Q&A

# Communicating with other GMs, following the Yankees and time off

The Hudson Valley Renegades have a first-year general manager in Zach Betkowski. He sits down with reporter Rich Thomaselli every week to express his thoughts on the Renegades in particular and on minor league baseball in general.

**What is the communication like with other general managers in the league? Is there a competitiveness or do you guys just bounce ideas off each other?**

I think there's a camaraderie. There's not much competition because we're all in different markets and we're not competing for the same dollar. Take our ownership group, for instance, Diamond Baseball Holdings. They own 34 teams now. There's a lot of sharing of best practices. There are monthly calls with Diamond Baseball and bi-weekly calls with other GMs in the South Atlantic League. I have always said that this industry is an industry

where theft is encouraged (laughs).

**Do you follow the Yankees at all? Or is your plate full enough here?**

I will definitely say that, since I have been working in minor league baseball, I watch less and less of Major League Baseball. It's not conducive. The times are so similar. It doesn't mean I don't follow Major League Baseball. And of course I follow the Yankees. It's exciting to see them in first place, and hope-

fully they will make a deep run in October. And it's exciting for our franchise, too, being one of their affiliates.

**Do you ever try to get away from baseball? And if so, what do you do?**

It's definitely not easy to get away. There's always a failing that you have to be available. Of course, there are a lot of times when I just spend time with my family, and a lot of times when I just unplug.



Zach Betkowski



## Healing with Plants: Dutchess County and the Thomsonian System (1820-1850)

*We use such balms as have no strife,  
With Nature nor the Laws of Life;  
With blood our hands we never stain,  
Nor poison men to ease their pain.  
Motto of the Poughkeepsie Thomsonian  
[1 October 1842]*

This motto, now mostly forgotten, once represented one of the most prominent health crazes of the 19th century. The poem advertised the Thomsonian (or “Botanic”) system of medicine in which doctors challenged conventional medical practice, instead recommending natural plant-based cures. While largely ineffective, these remedies captivated public attention, something we are all too familiar with in an age of health influencers and digital cures. Dutchess County, particularly Poughkeepsie, had a strong voice in the Thomsonian movement. This philosophy created a vibrant sub-culture within the County’s medical community for more than two decades, receiving state and national attention.

Dr. Samuel Thomson (1769-1843), the movement’s founder, worked as an herbalist and botanist in rural New Hampshire. In the summer of 1790, Thomson’s wife Susanna suffered a life-threatening illness that conventional medicine was unable to cure. Turning to a plant-based remedy, Susanna eventually recovered. The following decades, Thomson developed his new medical system, testing various cures on his neighbors and children. In 1822 he released

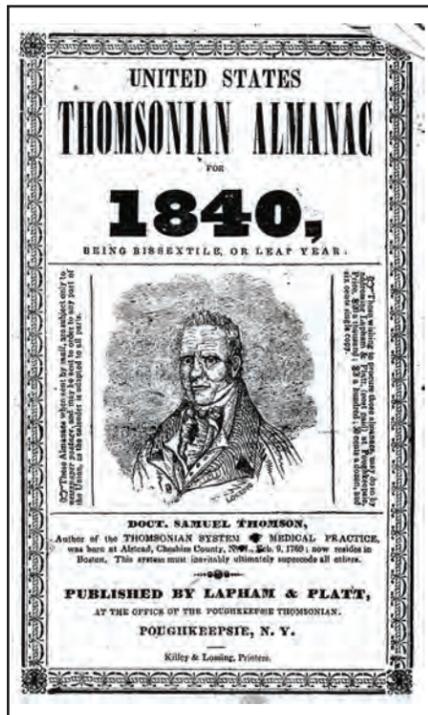


*Portrait of Dr. Samuel Thomson, Founder of the Botanic Health Movement. The image appears in the 1835 edition of his New Guide to Health. -Courtesy image*

the “New Guide to Health, or, Botanic Family Physician,” which outlined natural remedies to common ailments.

Thomson and his followers cultivated a personal system of bodily health in which medicine targeted the root of the problem rather than treat its symptoms. These “cures” ranged from specific activities such as the famous Thomsonian steam bath in which a patient drank a mix of cayenne pepper and laxatives while sitting in a sauna, to common herbal medicines. Ardent Thomsonianists publicly denounced doctors who practiced blood-letting and used harmful or toxic drugs such as Opium, Laudanum, and the mercury solution Calomel.

These cures purported to solve illness without invasive procedures. Through natural substances—only compounds easily derived from plants—they promoted a holistic view of the human body, targeting both



*Title page of the United States Thomsonian Almanac published in Poughkeepsie, 1840.*

*-Image courtesy of Heritage Auctions*

physical and emotional unwellness. The historic News Paper Collection in the Dutchess County Historical Society’s archive, replete with signs of this system, shows the range of these Thomsonian remedies. One notice, included in an 1836 issue of *Poughkeepsie Journal* advertised “syrup of Liverwort,” “Cephalic Snuff,” and “Concentrated Syrup of Sarsaparilla” all made in Thomsonian fashion with “medicinal herbs, extracts, and ointments.” Another, published in an 1841 issue of the *Poughkeepsie Telegraph*, claimed that all-natural vegetable pills sold in every town in Dutchess would cure any fever, “Bilious Cholice, Dypensia, heart burn, and Female Weakness.” These local examples aptly demonstrates both the range of uses and the variety of material claimed by the Thomsonianist.

Through cures like this, the movement attempted to empower individual health. Under the Thomsonian system, patients had full control over the administration of treatments. Informally trained practitioners and local Thomsonian publications could recommend cures that could be purchased at Thomsonian stores, but nothing was prescribed. Thus, easily applied and widely applicable cures had the greatest appeal.

The movement grew as stories of miraculous cures spread throughout the county. Outside of New England, New York had the largest community of Thomsonianists, and Poughkeepsie functioned as a locus for the state’s Thomsonian movement during its formative years. Indeed, as the *Poughkeepsie Eagle* noted in 1837, the city was quickly becoming the meeting place of Thomsonian medical conferences and the State’s Thomsonian Medical Society.

The most prominent local Thomsonian was Thomas Lapham (b. c.1780). Lapham ran a clinic, store, and school for the new systems treatments on the north end of Catharine Street in Poughkeepsie. In May of 1838 Lapham along with local businessman

A. H. Platt printed the inaugural issue of the *Poughkeepsie Thomsonian*, a bi-monthly newspaper that detailed remedies, clinics, and testimonies. Each issue of the *Poughkeepsie Thomsonian* offered to “Let a knowledge of the healing art be diffused among the people,” a nod to the broader movement’s desire to make medical knowledge public. The publication’s readership rapidly expanded, distributing thousands of papers, reflecting the movement’s success in the county with dozens of practicing offices and several Thomsonian societies.

The zenith of Dutchess Thomsonianism can be seen in medical publications where the Thomsonians of Dutchess County gain national attention. In 1840, the editors of the *Poughkeepsie Thomsonian*—facing harsh criticism over the validity of the medical system—called for the creation of an informative almanac. Originally used as a tool to chart stellar movements and weather, by the 19th century almanacs were full of informative articles that often looked at personal health, farming, and history. Their reputation for credibility made them the most popular serial publication after newspapers.

Lapham and Platt called for a national publication based in Poughkeepsie titled the *United States Thomsonian Almanac* (or *Poughkeepsie Thomsonian Almanac*). In his appeal, Lapham described almanacs as “powerful auxiliaries [for] advancing the Thomsonian system.” During a meeting of notable practitioners later that year, Poughkeepsie’s request was accepted. While several other communities already had established and successful almanacs, Thomsonianists in Poughkeepsie distinguished their book by adding several new cures outside of Thomson’s system and detailing the history of each cure. In doing this, they promoted unapproved herbs which they claimed better regulated the body’s blood and had a wider historical use.

These additions brought negative attention to the Thomsonians in Poughkeepsie. The movement’s founder declared the *United States Thomsonian Almanac* dangerous, claiming the additions would harm any who used them and had no place in the medical system. However, the damage had already been done as Lapham and Platt shipped thousands of copies throughout New York and the country. Among practicing Thomsonians the book received high praise. *The Botanico-Medical Recorder* in Cincinnati, Ohio deemed it “admirably well calculated” and called for all Thomsonians in the West to “exert himself to circulate this almanac.”

Despite its success, issues with nonconformity prevented further publications of the almanac. However, *Poughkeepsie Thomsonian* continued to publish, and by 1848 the publication moved upstate to widen its reach, changing names to the *New York Thomsonian*. While this popular medical movement was not unique to Dutchess County, the enthusiastic involvement of many of its residents left a mark. This history continues to crucial insight to better shape our understanding of the politics and health movements in our county. As we consider what constitutes legitimate medical knowledge we should be aware of the parallel between this history and our own day.



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# Annual readings of the Declaration of Independence set for July 4th in Beacon, Fishkill

By Kristine Coulter

Celebrate the 4th of July by attending a local reading of the Declaration of Independence. The village of Fishkill and city of Beacon will both be locations for the readings on Thursday, July 4 at 11 a.m. The Village of Fishkill reading will be at Van Wyck Village Hall, 1095 Main St. in the village of Fishkill. The reading in the city of Beacon will take place at City Hall, One Municipal Plaza.

## Beacon community to hear Declaration

"We're going on our 14th year doing this event," said Dennis Pavelock, Beacon 4th of July Declaration Reading Committee chair.

This year's readers are "being kept a secret," said Anne Thomas, a Beacon resident who is the vice chair for the committee.

A way to keep the public involved besides listening to the founding document, are the activities of Catch It if You Can and Minutemen of 1776, said Pavelock.

"Four youths will say the Pledge of Allegiance and sing the national anthem," said Pavelock.

Local resident Emily Murnane will tell

the story of Madam Brett, who inherited one-third interest in the Rombout Patent, which is now part of southern Dutchess County.

Pavelock said when the document is read, he hopes, people will "take notice and heed of what it says."

There will be a special message at the end of the reading, said Pavelock, who noted the event relies on donations and support from the community. Other members of the committee include Kathy Caporale and Dave Rembert. Former Beacon mayor Clara Lou Gould is the Honorary 2nd Vice Chair.

Light refreshments will be offered after the reading.

## Fishkill continues time-honored tradition

According to Fishkill Historian Toni Houston, the reader this year for the 123rd annual reading of the Declaration of Independence will be the Honorable Albert M. Rosenblatt, Associate Judge of the New York State Court of Appeals (retired). "He first read the Declaration in 1996 and has been called one of the most popular readers over the years, for his explanation of this great document,"



Anne Thomas, vice chair of the Beacon 4th of July Declaration Reading Committee, and Dennis Pavelock, chair of the Beacon 4th of July Declaration Reading Committee, hold an American flag outside the Municipal Center in Beacon.

-Photo by Kristine Coulter

## Hughes, Machado win seats on Village of Fishkill Board of Trustees

By Kristine Coulter

Danielle Hughes and Anne Machado, both of whom ran on the Crossroads Party line, won trustee seats in the Village of Fishkill election on June 18. The term for each of the trustee positions is three years.

Hughes and Machado said in a statement to Southern Dutchess News: "A record number of voters chose a new direction for the Village of Fishkill Board of Trustees." Machado and Hughes received 54% and 55% of all votes respectively, they said. Most years, the turnout is less than 75 voters going to the polls. This year more than 240 registered voters voted.

"Meeting Village residents as we campaigned validated our mission for running. We are so pleased with this historic voter turnout - 243 ballots! Our message resonated with so many in our community. In talking to residents, we learned they have some wonderful ideas, and we appreciate their feedback, which is key in our mission of inclusive, informative government. We plan to continue community outreach as we transition into our new roles and encourage residents to reach out to us directly with their concerns," as stated in the statement.

Hughes and Machado explained, "The

Crossroads Party was born out of our concern over a lack of transparency in local government. That lack of transparency has hindered residents' knowledge of and involvement in decision-making about critical Village matters." They thanked the team of local residents, which included Ann LaGoy and Louise Daniele, Karen Finnegan and the Keep Fishkill Beautiful group.

They concluded in the statement, "We look forward to working with the Board of Trustees to serve the residents of Fishkill."

Machado and Hughes thanked the two other candidates, Trudi Newhard, an incumbent, and Tricia Rice for a good contest.

Newhard was on the Fight for Your Right Party line.

"I wish our new trustees the best," Newhard replied via email to Southern Dutchess News when asked if she had any comment about the election results.

Rice ran on the Community Oriented Party line. Rice told Southern Dutchess News on Wednesday, June 19 in an email, "What an amazing turn out especially as hot as it was outside." She thanked those who work for the village who worked on organizing the election.

"And I wish Ann and Danielle the best of luck!" said Rice.

## A.L. Post to celebrate 75th anniversary Saturday

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"It will include a memorial garden, a Gold Star Plaza and a Veterans Walkway in addition to other features that will make it a showcase for honoring veterans. We hope the new park and building will draw more veterans to our post," he noted.

East Fishkill Town Supervisor Nicholas D'Alessandro said, "The Town of East Fishkill is so very blessed to have the American Legion Manny Bacon Post in East Fishkill. They truly are a treasure for our community and it's so very important to support and honor this group of dedicated veterans."

It was stated by Reynolds that the Post

will continue to push legislation that supports veterans rights and for the healthcare that veterans have earned.

"We need to continue to educate our youth by interfacing with our local schools and scouting units. Today less than 1% of Americans serve in the armed forces. If the American Legion doesn't continue to represent them and fight for their rights, they will lose them. Veterans can't do it alone; they need organizations like ours to represent them. We will continue to support local veterans in need and raise funds to support VA hospitals food pantries and clothing stores. We'll continue to support our nation's vital security interests and support a strong national defense," he said.

she remarked.

Houston said she was told that when Rosenblatt read the Declaration last time, he stopped at each section and explained what it meant and how it still applies to us today. "So, he helped the listeners understand what was being read to them, in what can otherwise be a rather dry 18-20-minute reading," she noted.

"This is the 123rd annual reading, part of the celebration of the Village of Fishkill's 125th year-long birthday celebration. Reading the Declaration was once part of many 4th of July celebrations in the 19th century, but the practice died out. Since the first reading in 1901, we have somehow managed to keep it going, even on a few rainy [Fourths] with only a handful of people and a dog in attendance.

Then word got out and it grew again in the 1980s, up to 350 in 2007. Now I think we can't imagine not doing it," said Houston.

The popular story, said Houston, behind the origin of the reading is that it was a condition of Village of Fishkill former president (the title that was used before mayor) Henry DuBois Van Wyck's nieces and nephews upon the donation of the village hall after his death in March of 1901, to honor his patriotism. She continued, "By the time it was discovered in the 1940s or 50s that it wasn't a condition, the tradition was long established."

The program will begin after the bell at the Fishkill Reformed Church, 1156 Main St., rings 248 times at 10:30 a.m. in honor of America's 248th birthday.

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# Hinchey, Jacobson pass legislation to curb estimated billing by utility companies

ALBANY, NY – Prior to the June 20 decision by the Public Service Commission (PSC) ordering Central Hudson Gas & Electric to absorb up to \$64.59 million in costs from its 2021 billing system failure, Senator Michelle Hinchey and Assemblyman Jonathan Jacobson passed legislation, S1851B/A888C, to curb estimated billing by the Company and all utilities serving New York. The legislation, authored in 2021 in response to Central Hudson's billing debacle, was the first major action introduced in the State Legislature to address the issue directly.

An estimated utility bill occurs when a supplier predicts and charges a customer's power consumption based on past usage rather than an actual meter reading for that month. As a result of Central Hudson's estimated readings, thousands of Hudson Valley residents

have received inaccurate bills and excessive month-to-month fluctuations, which have posed a financial hardship for many. As part of the PSC's stipulations announced on Thursday, Central Hudson must read meters on a monthly basis by October 31, 2024, or pay up to \$2 million for each month of delay.

Hinchey said, "Utility companies must be required to provide customers with an accurate bill and should never be allowed to depend on estimated billing, a practice that's caused families and small businesses severe financial stress, making it difficult for people to budget effectively. Our bill will finally bring an end to this billing practice and create much-needed transparency in the utility industry at large in New York. We introduced this legislation in 2021 at the outset of Central Hudson's billing debacle, and I'm proud that it finally

passed both the Senate and Assembly this year. We hope the Governor will quickly sign it into law and deliver much-needed relief and security to ratepayers across our communities."

Jacobson said, "The only thing worse than receiving your utility bill is receiving an unexpected extremely high bill because it is estimated or because the previous estimated bills were too low and when the meter was finally read, the bill is very high to make up for the past low estimates. Your utility bill should be timely and not be a mystery. The two bills we passed this session do just that."

S1851B/A888C would require utilities to perform actual meter readings unless they can't access a meter due to circumstances beyond their control, such as extreme weather. The bill would also require the PSC to develop a model estimation formula based on a

review of the estimated billing procedures used by all utility companies serving New York while limiting the number of times estimated billing can be used to three billing cycles per year (down from six).

Hinchey and Jacobson previously passed a significant utility reform bill (S4234/A4055) limiting late billing, which the governor has signed into law. According to the new law, utilities like Central Hudson cannot back bill if they send a bill more than three months after its due date. Additionally, utilities must provide customers with usage records for the past 13 months, including information from prior customers at that address. This provision allows customers to compare their bill with a similar period to determine if they're being overcharged.

## Danskammer withdraws application for fossil fuel plant expansion

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Thomas M. Gray, President and Chief Financial Officer for Danskammer, said in an email to Southern Dutchess News, "Danskammer confirms that it has withdrawn its draft Title V air permit application for the Danskammer Energy Center on June 17, 2024 and the proposed repowering efforts will not move forward. Danskammer's existing operations will continue as usual, serving as a reliability peaking resource for New York State customers." He noted that the name used for the project in relation to the proposed repowering efforts was Danskammer Energy Center.

"During his testimony, Kyriacou said, "In 2019 our City Council unanimously adopted a resolution that I drafted, declaring our opposition to the pro-

posed gas-fired power plant. Rather than testify on the myriad of reasons that a plant at this site will harm the quality of life for residents in Beacon and the Hudson Valley, I will focus on the lack of need for this power and the proposal's inconsistency with the State's own energy goals."

In a letter from Danskammer's counsel, it states that in Request for a Stay, by the company, last year, "...we write to advise that Danskammer hereby withdraws" the Title V application and "thereby terminating the permit proceeding. In the letter, the counsel also states that Danskammer "intends to separately withdraw its related application under Article 10 of the Public Service Law." The letter was given to Southern Dutchess News by Scenic Hudson.

Ned Sullivan, president of Scenic Hudson said in a statement, "This is a major victory for clean air in the Hudson Valley and the Northeast, and will head off the emission of almost two million tons of carbon emissions per year."

Sullivan "saluted" Gov. Kathy Hochul for the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA).

Enacted in 2019, New York's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act mandates a transition to a clean energy power system that will head off climate change while providing jobs, creating healthier communities, and ensuring environmental justice for all. It mandates reducing economy-wide greenhouse gas emissions by 40% by 2030 and 85% by 2050 from 1990 levels. The law also requires New York to

achieve 100% zero-emission electricity by 2040, according to Scenic Hudson.

Stephen Ballentine, Director of Environmental Advocacy, Government Relations & Public Policy for Scenic Hudson, told Southern Dutchess News on June 18, "We definitely don't need to keep building fossil fuel [plants] in New York State." It has taken almost six years, he said, and "a lot has happened," regarding this issue.

Pete Lopez, Executive Director for Science, Policy and Advocacy at Scenic Hudson, said, "The company's permit withdrawal acknowledges that our communities embrace the clean energy future promised by the groundbreaking CLCPA. The people have spoken: The time has come to make fossil fuel energy expansion a thing of the past."

## Obituaries

### William R. Conners



PLEASANT VALLEY - William R. Conners, 78, of Pleasant Valley, NY passed away at home on Monday, June 17, 2024. Born in Poughkeepsie, he was the son of the late William G. and the late Evelyn Robinson Conners. William was one of 9 brothers and 3 sisters.

After graduating from Poughkeepsie High School, he worked for their family siding business and then as a welder for his future father-in-law. On September 3, 1967, in Poughkeepsie, William married Brenda Joy Seaman. William then started a career at IBM and managed various systems and programs before retiring in 1997.

Having been an avid fisherman and hunter throughout his life, he devoted his remaining decades to various wildlife, conservation, and youth programs in the state and local area. William served as a Dutchess

County clerk and the chairman of the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency. He was a member of the DC Federation of Fish and Game Clubs since 1987 and served on the board as president for many years. William was extremely active in the NYS Conservation Council, NYS Fish and Wildlife Management Advisory Board, Watershed and Preservation Advisory Committee, Estuary Management Plans Advisory Board, various state and local youth fishing and hunting programs, Dutchess Deer Search, Hunters for the Hungry, and many levels of educational outreach. His passion was shared in a weekly Poughkeepsie Journal outdoors column from 1994 until recently.

He loved a challenge, reading a good book, cooking without recipes, and his camera was never out of reach. Most of all he loved his family and loved his friends. We will miss him.

William is survived by his wife Brenda of Pleasant Valley, his two sons Dana J. Conners and Donna Rogers of Hopewell Junction, Matthew R. Conners and Gail of Toano Virginia, his granddaughters Molly and Emma, several nieces and nephews.

Services for William will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are being handled by the Timothy P. Doyle Funeral Home 371 Hooker Ave. Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

If you would like to leave an online condolence please visit our website at [www.doylefuneralhome.com](http://www.doylefuneralhome.com).

### Bruce Close

Bruce Walter Close, 78, a longtime area resident, passed away on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at Vassar Brothers Hospital, with his family by his side.

Born May 24, 1946 in Orange, NJ, he was the son of the late Donald Kinnie Close and Nina (nee Dudnik) Close.

After attending Dutchess Community College, Bruce went on to work for Holy Cross, Greer, and McQuade Foundation as a childcare worker.

Bruce married Sheila Fagan of Copake Falls on November 30, 1968 in a ceremony held in Wappingers Falls.

Bruce loved being on the open road, usually venturing out daily on his motorcycle or taking his wife for ice cream in one of his classic cars. Each summer he logged thousands of miles on his bike, riding throughout the Hudson Valley.

He was a vintage car enthusiast, watch collector, member of Mensa and enjoyed flying RC planes with his son.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son Kelly Close and wife Kendra; three grandchildren whom he was extremely proud of, Riley Close and his wife Andrea, Devon Close and Jake Gaskins, and Quinn Close. He is also survived by his sister Sherrie Seeley and nephew Noel Seeley. He was predeceased by his brother-in-law Vincent M. Seeley

In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held in his honor.

Memorial calling hours will take place on Wednesday, June 26, from 3 pm to 6 pm at Sweet's Funeral Home, 4365 Albany Post Rd. Hyde Park, NY 12538.

A memorial service will take place at 5:30 pm during the calling hours, followed by a reception.

In lieu of flowers the family respectfully requests donations to Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation, by mail to 80 Washington St. Suite 204, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or online [www.hvhospice.org](http://www.hvhospice.org)

To send an online condolence or for directions, please visit [www.sweetfuneralhome.com](http://www.sweetfuneralhome.com).

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## Firefighters honored for 'great valor;' Scholarship winners announced at annual convention



Pictured are this year's scholarship winners.



FASNY 2nd Vice President Don Farrell, left, presents a certificate to the New Hackensack Fire Department Chief Ray Valentin for the Department's 75 years of service to the local community.

-Courtesy photos



Members of the Hughsonville Fire Department in the Town of Wappinger who were honored during the Convention.



NYS Senator Rob Rolison, left, and Assemblyman Anil Beephan Jr., right, present a proclamation to New Hackensack Fire Department for 75 years of service to Chief Ray Valentin.



New Hackensack Fire Department Chief Ray Valentin, right, receives a proclamation from Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini.

The Dutchess County Volunteer Firefighters Association held its 78th annual convention at the New Hackensack Fire Department on Tuesday, June 18. That evening, the Association held a business meeting along with awarding scholarships, and honoring firefighters for great valor. Elected officials attended, including State Senator Rob Rolison, State Assemblyman Anil Beephan Jr., Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini, and from Assemblymember Didi Barrett's office Niko Decker.

A celebration for New Hackensack Fire Department's 75 years of service to the community was held. Proclamations for New Hackensack's anniversary were presented by Rolison, Beephan, Cavaccini, and Don Farrell, who is the 2nd Vice

President from Firefighters Association of the State of New York.

Scholarship winners were announced. The Association had nine junior firefighter winners. This was the first time they had nine junior firefighters as scholarship winners. The winners were: Isabell Chloe Camburn, Czech, Quinn Curtis, Owen Mulligan, Adam Renihan, Patrick Sample, Jason Ruiz, Robert Szabo and Benjamin Wolpert.

After the Scholarship winners, it was on to the Unit Citation that were awarded to two fire companies. The Hughsonville Fire Department was honored for its work on a serious motorcycle versus automobile accident and the Roosevelt Fire Department for a serious multi-vehicle accident with entrapment.

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# Flat tire

Luigi comes to the rescue.

I found myself thinking about my mother the other day. Though she passed away a few years ago I still feel her presence from time to time. When I do, I laugh at some of the funny memories.

Quite a few years ago I got a call from my sister-in-law, Elizabeth. Apparently, my mother was driving my nephew to school, and she had her tire blowout. She told me that Mom was probably going to need some help and could I assist her.

I called Mom up on her cell phone, fully expecting to not get an answer because she is not 100% sure how to use her cell phone. Surprisingly, she answered

**Mom:** Ello.

**Me:** Mom, this is Luigi. You O.K.?

**Mom:** Who told you?

**Me:** Mom, do you need me to come change the tire?

**Mom:** No. Ia calleda the towa truck. Who told you?

**Me:** You sure, Mom? I can be there in 5 minutes.

**Mom:** No, Ima O.K.

I hung up the phone not feeling too confident, so I called Pop, who was at home. Unfortunately, no one answered. I figured he was outside and probably would be back in a few minutes. Five minutes later, Pop called me.

**Pop:** Nick, John, Anthony, Luigi, Viny.

**Me:** It's Luigi, Pop.

**Pop:** OK, listen, Momma she gotta the flat tire.

**Me:** Do you want me to go fix it?

**Pop:** Imma not sure.

**Me:** Pop, listen. I can be there in 5 minutes. I'll take care of it. OK?

**Pop:** OK.

I grabbed my toolbox and jumped in my car. On my way there I started laughing to myself, thinking of what I'd find. When I arrived, it was much worse and funnier than I expected.

Mom was parked in the middle of the road with her hazards on. Pop was parked in his pickup truck right behind her with his hazards on. Traffic was backed up behind both of them, with everyone honking their horns. Shaking my head in disbelief, I pulled into the school parking lot, parked my car, grabbed my toolbox and ran down to the scene of the blowout.

First thing I did was tell Pop to move his truck and park it in the school parking lot, which is literally 50 feet away. Next, I told Mom to get into the passenger seat so I could drive the car with the flat into the school parking lot.

Mom moved but was not happy. All the while she was yelling at me because I couldn't drive the car with a flat tire, and she was not going to be able to go to the beauty parlor to get her hair done, and it had been six weeks and she had to go.

I kept my mouth shut because I knew by the time I could explain what I was doing it would already be finished.

Once I parked, Mom looked at the car with the tire and she had no idea how I was going to fix this mess. The tire was shredded at this point, but at least traffic was moving again and there were no more honking horns. Mom looked at me with a slight smile because she knew I could fix this situation and have her car ready for her hair appointment, but she didn't know how.

Pop was standing there staring at me getting antsy because it was almost dinner time and he had to watch Jeopardy before he went to bed.

**Me:** Mom, first we are going to get the spare tire out.

**Mom:** Where is the spare? I looked, there is nothing in the trunk.

**Me:** Mom, look. You pick up the carpet, and it's right there.

**Mom:** Somanagun. Wait. Thatsa no big nough?

**Me:** Mom, this is a donut.

**Mom:** I no lika the donuts. I like biscotti.

**Me:** No Mom, this is called a donut. Oh, forget it.

**Mom:** How you gonna to pick up the car?

**Me:** (I reach into the trunk) With this, Mom. This is a jack.

**Mom:** Donta call Jack. He isa doing his homework. You don't need him (Jack is my other nephew).

**Me:** No Mom, listen, this is called a jack.

**Pop:** Yeah you no calla Jack. Ima gonna help you.

**Me:** (I slap my head in exasperation. I take a deep breath.) Listen, Pop, you go home and get dinner going. I promise by the time you get done, Mom will be home. Mom, you go sit in my car and wait for me to fix this. O.K.?

**Pop:** O.K.

**Mom:** O.K.

So now I jack up the car, remove, the blown tire, replace is with the donut, lower the car and put everything away in the trunk. I take the shredded tire and put it into my truck so I can bring it to the garage and get it repaired. I then told Mom to wait for me, because I wanted to test drive it around the parking lot just to make sure everything was OK.

Once satisfied, I tell Mom, I'm going to follow her home. On the way home, I noticed her putting the hazards on and off several times. I also see in the radio anten-

na go up and down. I figure she makes sure the blown tire hasn't affected her radio.

Once we get home, Pop is just finishing dinner. Every year Pop has butternut squash growing everywhere. He loves to mix it with Arborio Rice and some fresh grated cheese. As I was walking into their house he was putting some in a Tupperware for me to take with me. As I'm walking out the kitchen door with my Risotto, my mother smacks my cheek and asks yet again, "Can I still go getta my hair done witha thata donato on the car?"

It's never a dull moment in the Coppola house. Well, at least I get fed.

## Butternut Squash Risotto Ingredients

1 onion, diced  
3 tbsp. olive oil  
2 cups arborio (risotto) rice  
1 cup white wine  
4 cups chicken broth  
1 cup peeled diced butternut squash  
1 tsp nutmeg  
1 tbsp. chopped fresh basil  
1 tbsp. butter  
Grated Pecorino Romano Cheese  
Salt and pepper to taste

## Directions

Sautee the diced onion and squash in the olive oil over medium heat for about three to five minutes, or until the onion is mostly soft. Next, add in the rice. Allow to cook, stirring, for a minute or two, just to lightly toast the rice, and being carefully that it doesn't burn. Slowly add in the white wine.

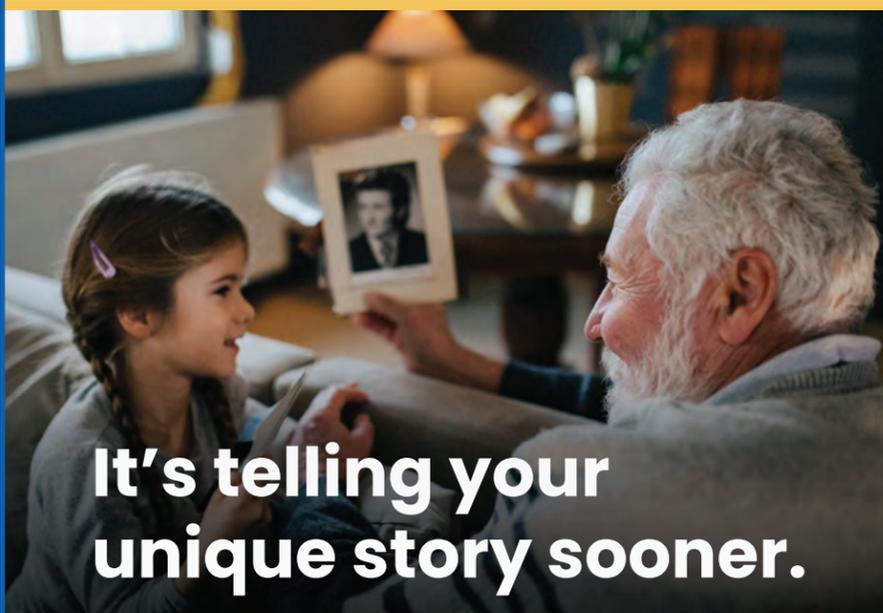
Next, add the broth. Allow the moisture to cook off about 15 minutes. Stir frequently.

Once the rice is nearly cooked, add in the nutmeg, fresh basil and butter. Stir well to combine everything well, and season lightly with a bit of salt and pepper, to taste.

Allow everything to heat, just for another minute or two, until everything is thoroughly heated through, and stirring frequently. Serve with fresh grated Pecorino Romano and a nice glass of Pinot Grigio.

*Luigi Coppola is one of five brothers born to Francesca and Antonio Coppola. The Coppola family came to America from Naples, Italy in 1954. Antonio and his brothers opened their first restaurant in Poughkeepsie in 1961. Luigi and his brothers Nick, John, Antonio and Vincent have carried on the family tradition in the way their parents taught them, using classic recipes taught to them at their apron strings. Visit their website at [www.coppolas.net](http://www.coppolas.net).*

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## County to offer free rabies clinic on July 20

The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health (DBCH) and the Dutchess County SPCA (DCSPCA) continue their partnership hosting their next free rabies vaccination clinic on Saturday, July 20, at Poughkeepsie Town Hall, at 1 Overocker Road, from 8 a.m. to noon. This clinic is open to dogs, cats and domestic ferrets 3 months of age and older. Advance registration is required; registration is open at [DCSPCA.org](http://DCSPCA.org) or by calling the DCSPCA at 845-452-7722, ext. 425.

The clinic is free for Dutchess County residents; non-residents will be charged a fee of \$10 per pet vaccinated. All dogs must be on leash, and cats and domestic ferrets must be in carriers. Vaccinations will be good for three years for pets with proper proof of a prior immunization. For those without proof, the vaccination will be good for one year.

New York State law requires rabies vaccinations for all cats, dogs and domestic ferrets by the age of 4 months of age. Pet

owners are required to revaccinate on a regular schedule to keep the animal properly immunized against the rabies virus.

DBCH is available 24/7 to assist with any questions or concerns regarding potential rabies exposure to people or domestic animals. Pet owners should report to DCBH any incident in which their pet has been bitten by or has an open wound exposed to the saliva or nervous tissue of a domestic or wild animal. Staff will investigate and advise the pet owner of any necessary steps they should take to ensure the safety of their animal.

Residents who see an animal acting strangely are advised to contact their local police agency. If a person has been bitten, or a domestic pet is bitten or is in contact, with any animal, they're to contact DBCH immediately at 845-486-3404 Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., or 845-431-6465 on nights and weekends.

To learn more about rabies, visit [dutchessny.gov/rabies](http://dutchessny.gov/rabies) or contact DCBH at [ehs@dutchessny.gov](mailto:ehs@dutchessny.gov).

# HUDSON VALLEY NATURALIST

by FRANCINE WIZNER



## The busiest bees won't make honey for you



*Bumblebee covered with pollen.*

*-Photos by Robert Rightmeyer*

*Bumblebee and honeybee on opening sunflower.*

*Honeybee on open sunflower.*

Bees have been in the news the last few years due to declining populations likely caused by habitat loss, climate change, pesticides, and monocrop agriculture. Fewer bees and other pollinators endanger not only world commerce, but also ecosystems. If you want to “bee” better informed about history, economics, or science, or are just curious about your favorite tea sweetener, here is a brief tutorial on bees and honey.

### How do scientists classify bees?

Bees are members of the Animal Kingdom because they have many nucleated cells, can move, and have specialized sensory organs. They are in the Arthropod Phylum because they are invertebrates with an external skeleton, a segmented body, and paired jointed appendages. They have six legs and one or two pairs of wings, which makes them part of the Insect Class. Bees are of the Order Hymenoptera meaning “membrane-winged,” which includes ants and wasps. There are several bee Families; the largest is Apidea, which includes bumblebees and honeybees.

### Bombus Impatiens: The busiest bee

Bumblebees are in the Bombus Genus. They are round, fuzzy, and have two sets of wings. They live in nests with up to a few hundred others. Humans have had limited success with bumblebee domestication.

Bumblebees are active only from early spring through late fall. During the rest of the year, the colony is survived by one queen bee hibernating below ground. Although they do produce honey, it is only enough to feed their larvae and the queen for a few days during bad weather.

There are 250 species of bumblebees which feed on a multitude of flower types. They are fast workers with hefty pollen baskets on their hind legs. Pollen also clings to their hairy abdomens and is deposited during successive visits to different blossoms. Bumblebees are adept at cross-pollination and are resistant to weather conditions such as cold, rain, and limited light. All these factors make bumblebees superior pollinators. The Common Eastern Bumblebee (*Bombus impatiens*) is one of the best native pollinators.

### European honeybee

Like bumblebees, honeybees have two sets of wings; but they are smaller and thinner than bumblebees. Honeybees are

in the Apis Genus, indicating that construct nests from wax and store a surplus of honey.

Native bees, including bumblebees, were in the Americas long before European Honeybees. European Honeybee colonies were brought by settlers to New England in the 1600s. Honeybees gather pollen and nectar from any plant in bloom. This is the reason honey comes in so many different flavors.

Honeybees live either in domesticated beehives or in wild hives with tens of thousands of their brethren. They produce honey as a way of storing food to eat over winter, when they are unable to forage. Honeybee hives can last indefinitely with the right environmental conditions.

### Honey production

It should be noted that honeybees are agricultural livestock, much like cows, poultry, and pigs. And, like other conventionally farmed animals, apiculture has been described as being unsustainable and lacking ethics in terms of animal treatment. In a trend toward more natural food choices, some folks have opted to purchase foods made from animals that have been pasture raised. What is characterized as a “cruelty-free” environment enables the animals to be healthier while they are alive.

Factory farming manages livestock to maximize output at the lowest possible cost. In beekeeping, that may mean causing honeybees to overwork themselves due to inappropriately sized hives, extracting honey when it is needed by the bees, replacing honey in the hive with substitutes that lack necessary nutrients, limiting diversity in forage, and artificially managing hive size by wing clipping and artificial insemination.

One way to purchase more sustainably sourced honey is to buy it from a local producer. In that way, you can speak with the grower to determine their methods. Some grocery stores also carry locally farmed honey. While there is no guarantee that local honey is ethically sourced, there is a greater tendency for small farms to use more sustainable strategies than industrial agricultural operations.

Another option is to buy honey that is labeled as raw, unfiltered, organic, or biodynamic. The practices involved with those products tend to be more sustainable and better for the bees. Sustainable beekeeping practices include allowing bees to naturally produce their own

queens, rather than through artificial insemination; allowing bees to swarm to expand their colony; allowing them to forage a variety of chemical-free plants; harvesting honey in the spring (rather than fall); and not replacing honey in the hive with low-nutrient substitutes.

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**A L E C O ACQUISITIONS LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/05/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & Luele, LLP, 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**SUN DOWN PROPERTIES LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/09/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 19 Hillcrest Court, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**D U T C H E S S COUNTY POOPER SCOOPERS LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY 5/07/2024. 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, 1107 Dutchess Turnpike Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful.

**H A R N E Y BROTHERS, LLC.** Filed 9/21/22. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 5723 Route 22, Millerton, NY 12546. Purpose: General.

**DENNIS J. MURRAY, LLC** Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on May 6, 2024. Office location: 165 Academy Street, Poughkeepsie NY 12601, Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to Dennis J. Murray, LLC, 165

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Academy Street, Poughkeepsie NY 12601. Purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

**W Y N D C L Y F F E COURT LLC** filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/15/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 7 Wyndclyffe Ct, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

**RAVEN PROJECTS LLC.** Articles of Org. filed with SSNY 4/24/2024. 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, 327 Norton Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful.

**Spark Technology Services, LLC.** Filed 5/15/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 81 Hurley Road, Salt Point, NY 12578. Purpose: Telecommunications.

**66 Worrall LLC,** Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/10/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 66 Worrall Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: DREAM OF NEW HOME LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 15, 2024. Office location: Dutchess County, NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The LLC address to which SSNY shall mail process is 89 Peach Road, Poughkeepsie NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of LA FASHIONISTA BOUTIQUELLA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/16/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall

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mail process to LA FASHIONISTA BOUTIQUELLA LLC at 50 Leonard St. Unit 107, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC): Amine's Handyman Services, LLC Articles of Organization filed with the New York State Secretary of State on May 20, 2024, with office located in Orange County. NYSS shall mail Copy of any process to c/o the LLC 242 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508 There is no specific date set for dissolution. Purpose to engage in any lawful activity or act. Organizer is Accutax Accounting Services, LLC 242 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508

**F&F PLUMBING AND HEATING LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/3/2011. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave., Ste. 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228, which is also the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of 197-199 Main Street Beacon LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/8/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Lendita Mavraj, 1166 North Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Sophie Henry Properties LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/15/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon her is Eric Friedman, 301 Titusville Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

**Resolve Organic LLC.** Filed 04/17/2024. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 7 Ronnie Ln. Poughkeepsie NY 1260 Purpose: Wellness.

Law Office of Rebecca M. Blahut PLLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/11/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The PLLC, 86 W. Pine Rd, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: Law.

Notice of formation of **NANDOR**

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**CONTRACTING LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/08/24. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 692 BUDDS CORNER RD RED HOOK, NY, 12571. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Notice of Formation of Nahor Ventures LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/20/24. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of Nahor Ventures LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agents 418 Broadway STER, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

**PLANET FROGS LLC.** Filed 2/29/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Jessica Harrison, 38 Susie Blvd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

**HIGHLAND CANE, LLC.** Filed 5/4/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Christian Baez, 9 Square Woods Dr, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of Page and Petals LLC filed with SSNY on 4/20/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Jacklyn LeVan, 6 Peggy Ln, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **PALADIN PRODUCTIONS ENT LLC** Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/21/24. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 703 River Rd., Red Hook, NY 11205. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

**Tanuki Special Projects LLC.** Filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 2/13/24. Cty: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Joseph DiMarco, 10 Elm Street, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful.

**Early Learning Solutions, LLC,** Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/9/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to c/o Margaret Watkinson, 39 Masters Pl, Beacon, NY 12508. General Purpose

**Noshde LLC,** Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/13/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 38 Saddle Ridge Dr, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. General Purpose

**Washington NY LLC,** Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/14/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to PO Box 522, Milton, NY 12547. General Purpose

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**Vance Aviation LLC.** Filed 01/14/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY desig. As agent for process & shall mail to: 132 Jackman Drive, APT. 132A, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Aviation Mechanic

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**Nanak LLC.** Filed with SSNY on 5/20/2013. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 851 Route 22 Pawling NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful

**LINCOLN WEALTH STRATEGIES, LLC,** filed with The SSNY on 2/23/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against The LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1207 route 9 suite 1a, Wappingers falls ny 12590. Purpose: any lawful.

**Mah Akers Design LLC,** Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/16/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to Nancy Dunn Mah, 35 Fox Ridge Ln, Pawling, NY 12564. General Purpose

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**CAMP PHOTO TOURS LLC.** Filed 5/3/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Richard L. Camp, 115 Malone Rd., Salt Point, NY 12578. Purpose: General.

**Elevate HV LLC.** Filed 5/21/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 1147 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 10590. Purpose: General.

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**Apex Arborists, LLC,** Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/29/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 14 West St, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. General Purpose

**MOSS AND MOONLIGHT LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/29/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 29 Hosner Mountain Road, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of **DUNCAN HILL LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/07/23. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 7 SAWMILL LN DOVER PLAINS, NY, 12522. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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Notice of formation of RT 22 WINGDALE, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/05/23. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 7 SAWMILL LN DOVER PLAINS, NY, 12522. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

MX6 RACING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/06/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1 Lisa Lane, Hopewell Junction, NY 12933. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of LKM CAPITAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/10/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 138 COUNTRY CLUB ROAD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY, 12533. Any lawful purpose.

Lynxx Installations & Repairs LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 11/09/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 54 State St., Ste 804 Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 242 Main St., #138 Beacon, NY 12508.

Styles By Luis LLC filed with SSNY on 05/31/2024. Office: 2476 Route 22, Dover Plains, NY, 12522, Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2476 Route 22, Dover Plains, NY, 12522. Purpose: any lawful

United We Supply LLC filed with SSNY on 05/13/2024. Office: 40 Meadow Brook Lane, Wingdale, NY 12594, Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 40 Meadow Brook Lane, Wingdale, NY 12594. Purpose: any lawful

United We Build LLC filed with SSNY on 04/23/2024. Office: 40 Meadow Brook Lane, Wingdale, NY 12594, Dutchess

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K Long Painting LLC filed with SSNY on 05/03/2024. Office: 26 Taylor Road, Dover Plains, NY, 12522, Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 26 Taylor Road, Dover Plains, NY, 12522. Purpose: any lawful

Voice Training LLC filed with SSNY on 04/19/2024. Office: 39 Willow Drive, Lagrangeville NY 12540, Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 90 State Street, Suite 700, Office 40, Albany, NY, 12207. Purpose: any lawful

Apple Brook Stables, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/25/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1 Schultsville Rd Clinton Corners NY 12514. Purpose: any lawful

Understory Films, LLC filed 5/24/24. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. for process & shall mail to: 14 Mackin Ave., Beacon, NY 12508. Purp: any lawful.

Pawling Field + Swamp LLC. Filed 4/21/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 155 N Quaker Hill Rd, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Retail

L O R E N Z O ' S V A C A T I O N P R O P E R T I E S, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/30/24. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2123. 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 Katie Columbo, 1408 Route 292, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

TJM Wassaic, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/29/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Michael Lynch, PO Box 1776, Sharon, CT 06069. General Purpose

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BALLINACARRIGA, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed New York Sec. of State ("NYSS") 05/20/2024. Office loc. Dutchess County. NYSS designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYSS shall mail a copy of any process to c/o The LLC, 66 Broadway, Tivoli, NY 12583. There is no specific date set for dissolution. Purpose: to engage in any lawful activity or act. Name and Business Address of Organizer is Adeline P. Malone, Esq., 7537 North Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571.

DINGEES MOBILE REPAIR, LLC. Filed 4/24/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Inc Authority Ra, 42 Broadway, Fl. 12-200, NY, NY 10004. Purpose: General.

736 Main St. PK LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/3/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 736 Main St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Ward Development Division, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/2/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 224 Traver Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: any lawful act.

A N A G N O S P R O P E R T Y M A N A G E M E N T, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/22/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Jeffrey S. Anagnos, 4 Albie Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of MELISSA MARINO, LMHC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/24/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 228 Park Ave S PMB

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759739 New York, NY 10003-1502. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Adi Lakshmi 111 LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/3/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Shital Patel, 111 Heather Dr, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. General Purpose

Silver Mountain Insurance Solutions, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/14/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: P.o. Box 657 Millerton NY 12546. Purpose: any lawful

Town Center Developments, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 6/5/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1189 Route 55 Lagrangeville NY 12540. Purpose: any lawful

Alr Property Solutions, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/14/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 165 Judith Drive Stormville NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful

Ciao Puglia Travel LLC. Filed with SSNY on 6/5/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 24 Galente Lane Millbrook NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful

Db Central, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 6/5/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 174 Mill Street Apt. 5 Poughkeepsie NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful

15 SPRUCE STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/07/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 13 Kimball Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Tech 4 Good Advisors, LLC Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/03/24 Office location Dutchess County.

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SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served to Tech4GoodAdvisors, LLC, attn: Chloe C. Rizzo, 79 Old Post Rd., Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

3ANKR LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 6/6/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 35 Sunny Ln, Stormville, NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of J & S TREE SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 6/3/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 189 Skidmore Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Justin Patane, 189 Skidmore Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation. of MOD Home Innovations LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/26/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 24 Yellow City Rd, Amenia, NY. Purpose: Home Repair.

374 Holdings LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/11/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 26 Thames Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. General Purpose

Davis Ave Holdings LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/29/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 847 Route 376, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. General Purpose

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pany (LLC): MNR Smith Enterprises LLC The Articles of Organization were filed with the New York State Department of State (NYSDOS) on 05/22/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. The street address of the principal business location is 1 Dorett Dr, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. The NYSDOS is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYSDOS may mail a copy of any process to MNR Smith Enterprises LLC, 1 Dorett Dr, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: The LLC is formed for any lawful business purpose.

Notice Of Formation of CBNL Properties LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/11/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon her is 66 Clark Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose of LLC: To engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

LONG LOST BROTHERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/10/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 205 Ketchamtown Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Joshua Painting LLC filed with SSNY on 06/13/24. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Melvin Josue Veliz at 160 Holsapple Road, Lot 62 Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: any lawful.

Notice of Formation of JM Provisions LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/4/24. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: JM Provisions LLC, 65

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Saddle Ridge Dr, Hopewell JCT, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

357 RANDALL ROAD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 10 Sills Court, Centerport, NY 11721. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of JD-GEMSL.L.C. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/15/24. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 3 TORRD WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY, 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

90 Rinaldi LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/6/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 700 Summer St, Ste 1A, Stamford, CT 06901. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of MYO AND MORE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/17/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to LLC, 61 Leo Lane, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Folkes Brothers Home Services LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/12/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 1347 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. General Purpose

RED FENCE FARM LLC. Filed 3/31/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 29 Woodlawn Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

# Sarah Taylor Park rededicated in the Village of Fishkill



Sarah Taylor Park, in the village of Fishkill, was rededicated on June 15. During the ceremony, the 125th Anniversary of the Village was also remembered. Sarah Taylor was a trailblazer, and first female mayor of the Village of Fishkill, from 1965 until the mid-1970s.

Appreciation was offered to the musicians, Village Historian Toni Houston, residents, Parks and Recreation grounds crew, Village trustees, Activities Director, and Mayor Kathy Martin.

Thank you was also offered to Village Trustee Trudi Newhard, who is the Board's Park liaison and Carmine Istvan, Highway Superintendent, for all of their support.

-Courtesy photos

## this week's puzzle solutions

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This week's answer  
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Suguru solution

## Photography group to meet on June 27 in East Fishkill

Photography Group will meet at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on Thursday, June 27, at 7 p.m. This group meets at the library on the fourth Thursday of each month. 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 us online at [eflibrary.org](http://eflibrary.org) for more information.

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JL Construction of New Milford, LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/17/2024. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to PO Box 815, Brewster, NY 10509. General Purpose.

JBF Consulting Services, LLC. Filed

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5/7/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 28 Leo Ln, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Consulting.

10 More Minutes Fishing Charters, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 06/14/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the

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LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 22 Ohio Street, Kingston, NY 12401. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

OPEN RIVER PROJECT, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed New York Sec. of State ("NYSS") 06/13/2024. Office loc. Dutchess County.

### Legal Notices

NYSS designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYSS shall mail a copy of any process to c/o The LLC, 96 Meadows Drive, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. There is no specific date set for dissolution. Purpose: to engage in any lawful activity or act. Name and Business Address of Organizer is Adeline P. Malone,

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Esq., 7537 North Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571.

Shnodde LLC Filed 06/05/24. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. for process & shall mail 4 Marshall Rd Suite 262 Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Purp: any lawful.

RJLOTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/10/24.

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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 Gary Labarbera, 60 Brown Road, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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S U M M O N S Supreme Court of New York, Dutchess County. THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE CWABS INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-24, Plaintiff, - against- PEDRO VAZQUEZ, JR.; TARA MERLE VAZQUEZ; D U T C H E S S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICES; "JOHN DOE" AND "JANE DOE" said names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, Defendants Index No. 2023-51131 Mortgaged Premises: 20 Willow Street Beacon, NY 12508 Section: 5954 Block: 27 Lot: 856985. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above captioned action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. 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 OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECTIVE of the above captioned action is to foreclose on a Mortgage to secure \$225,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office on November 22, 2006 in Document Number 01-2006-19300, covering the premises known as 20 Willow Street, Beacon, NY 12508. The relief sought herein is a final judgment directing sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is located. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOS-

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ING 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. Ulster County is designated as the place of trial. The basis of venue is the location of the mortgaged premises foreclosed herein. FRIEDMAN VARTOLO, LLP 1325 Franklin Avenue, Suite 160 Garden City, NY 11530, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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

Project Name: Old State Road (561-563) Amended Site Plan Location: 561-563 Old State Road Application: No.: 23-3487 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the 15th day of July, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Article IX, Section 240-87 of the Town Law, on the application of 23-3487 - Old State Road (561-563) Amended Site Plan: The Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on a Site Plan application. The applicant is proposing to keep the existing 1-family, 2-story residential building and convert the existing 1-story retail building to an 800 sf. residential single-family apartment and a 450 sf. office to be utilized by the applicant on 1.778 acres in an HB Zoning District. The property is located at 561-563 Old State Road and is identified as Tax Grid No.: 6157-02-580777 in the Town of Wappinger.

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board has not made a determination of significance pursuant to State Environmental Quality Review Act and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing. All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above. Signed: Bruce Flower, Chairman Town of Wappinger Planning Board Date: June 18, 2024

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

Project Name: Central Hudson Gas & Electric - Chelsea HPFF DC Cable Terminal Replacement Location: 114 Carnwath Farms Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Application: No.: 24-3493 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the 15th day of July, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappinger Falls, NY pursuant to Article IX, Section 240-87 and Section 240-81 of the Town Law, on the application of 24-3493 - Central Hudson Gas & Electric - Chelsea HPFF DC Cable Terminal Replacement: The Town of Wappinger Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing on a Site Plan application. The applicant is proposing to move the existing utility electrical transition station away from the steep slope on a total of 19.18 acres in an R40/80 Zoning District. The property is located at 114 Carnwath Farms Lane and is identified as Tax Grid No.: 6057-03-397080 in the Town of Wappinger. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board has not made a determination of significance pursuant to State Environmental Quality Review Act and hereby reserves its right to make such determination after the conclusion of the public hearing. All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Wappinger at the public hearing as stated above. Signed: Bruce Flower,

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Chairman Town of Wappinger Planning Board Date: June 18, 2024

LEGAL NOTICE

Please take notice that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Wappingers Falls will hold a public hearing on July 2, 2024 at 7:00pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the American Legion Hall, 7 Spring Street, Wappingers Falls, NY on the application submitted by John and Nancy Fedigan owner for property having an address of Corner of Market Street and McKinley Street, Wappingers Falls, NY (Grid #6158-17-139192), and located in the Village Residential (VR) Zoning District. The applicant is seeking an area variance form Village Code Section: 1. Per §151-44L(2)(b) "Driveways accessory to a single-family and two-family dwelling shall not exceed 12 feet in width." The driveway is proposed to be 15 feet in width which would require a variance of 3 feet. 2. Per §151- Attach- ment 3, Table 6 - Principal Building Setbacks, front and side yard setbacks are 5 feet minimum and 15 feet maximum. a. The proposed front yard setback from Market Street is 131 feet, which would require a variance of 116 feet. b. The proposed side yard setback from McKinley Street is 92 feet, which would require a variance of 77 feet. 3. Per §151 - Attach- ment 3, Table 6 - Building Form. Width, Principal Residential Buildings: a. Primary Street width is 35 feet maximum: The proposed primary street width of the building is 40 feet, which would require a variance of 5 feet. b. Side Street width is 50 feet maximum: The proposed side street width is 66 feet, 5 inches which would require a variance of 16 feet, 5 inches. 4. Per §151 - Attach- ment 3, Table 6 - Require Frontage Types: Front porch or stoop frontage type is required. The front facade of the building (facing Market Street) does not have either a front porch or stoop as shown on the proposed south elevation. This would require a variance. A copy of this application is on file in the Planning and Zoning Department and is available for inspection when the Department is open, Mon-

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TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION: 601/2024 RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FROM THE CAPITAL EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$23,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SNOW PLOW WHEREAS, the Town Highway Department, in order to continue its maintenance of Town roads, must replace certain equipment to maintain operational capability; and WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the purchase of said equipment is economically feasible and can meet the requirements and the needs of the Highway Department in the future and that the Highway Department has the space to house the new equipment; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase by competitive bidding of one snow plow as specified by the Highway Superintendent; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes expenditure of up to \$23,000 from the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund (Equipment Reserve Fund) for said purchase, subject to applicable law with reference to Capital Reserve Fund transfers; and be it further RESOLVED, that this resolution is adopted subject to a permissive referendum as provided by law; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is authorized and directed to post notice of such resolution; and be it further RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately. DATED: June 3, 2024

MOTION: Councilman Rifenburgh SECOND: Councilwoman Chapman

ROLL CALL: Councilwoman Chapman, Councilman Degan, Councilman Iapichino, Councilman Rifenburgh, Supervisor Albrecht. AYE, NAY columns with checkmarks.

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION: 609/2024 RE: AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FROM THE INFRASTRUCTURE RESERVE FUND FOR ROAD PAVING

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has recommended repair and repaving of certain Town roads; and WHEREAS, the funds currently allocated in the Highway budget are insufficient to cover these improvements; WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it is appropriate to use funds from the Town's Infrastructure Reserve Fund for this purpose; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the expenditure of up to \$715,836 from the Infrastructure Reserve Fund for road repair and improvement in accordance with the Town's 284 Agreement; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and Bookkeeper are authorized to take necessary actions to allocate such funds; and be it further RESOLVED, that this resolution is adopted subject to a permissive referendum as provided by law; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is authorized and directed to post notice of such resolution.

MOTION: Councilman Rifenburgh SECOND: Councilman Iapichino

ROLL CALL: Councilwoman Chapman, Councilman Degan, Councilman Iapichino, Councilman Rifenburgh, Supervisor Albrecht. AYE, NAY columns with checkmarks and asterisks for absent/Carried.

day-Friday, 8:30AM to 3:30 PM. The telephone number is 845-297-5277. All interested persons may appear in person, by agent or by attorney, and all will be heard. Date: June 18, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT HOMELAND TOWERS COMMUNICATIONS TOWER 73 ROUTE 9 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

that pursuant to Chapter 150, Sections 150-97B, and 150-109 of the Code of the Town of Fishkill, the Town of Fishkill Planning Board (Planning Board) will hold a Combined Public Hearing on Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible in the Francois R. Cross Meeting Room located in the lobby of the Town of Fishkill Town Hall,

807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524 for the proposal known as Homeland Towers Communications Tower - 73 Route 9 - Site Development Plan and Special Use Permit, for the following approvals: Site Development Plan Approval and Special Use Permit Approval (Town Code Chapter 150, Sections 150-97B, and 150-109) - Applicant seeks Site Development Plan & Special Use Permit Approvals to construct a personal wireless services facility, including a 150-foot monopole with a fenced equipment compound at the base of the facility. The parcel for this proposal is

identified as Tax Map Parcel No. 6154-00-852538, is located at 73 Route 9, and consists of 4.03 ± acres in the General Business (GB) Zoning District. All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Fishkill at the public hearing to be held as aforesaid. For any persons unable to attend the public hearing, email comments may be submitted in advance to dcolonna@fishkill-ny.gov. BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWN OF FISHKILL, NEW YORK Debbie Colonna, Planning Board Secretary

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

# Movies Under The Walkway returns June 29

Three free, family-friendly movies will be shown on the big screen beneath the Walkway Over the Hudson at the Upper Landing Park, Poughkeepsie, this summer.

The screening dates are June 29, July 20 and August 10.

Doors open at 7 p.m., followed by the feature film at sundown at approximately 8:30 p.m. These events are held under the stars at Upper Landing Park, 83 North Water St., Poughkeepsie.

The Millman Harris Romano (MHR) Foundation, Dutchess County Parks, and Walkway Over the Hudson are the

presenting partners for the film series. Additionally, the Poughkeepsie Public Library District, and Scenic Hudson are the family friendly activity supporters, and the Mid-Hudson Children's Museum are providing accessible parking. This year's broadcasting sponsor is iHeart Media.

Jode Millman, MHR Foundation Chairman, said, "We can't wait to be back at Upper Landing Park to offer Movies Under the Walkway and are thrilled with our upcoming movie lineup. We are also grateful to our community partners and sponsors who have

joined together in support of our family-friendly nights down by the Hudson River."

Admission is free. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets, chairs, and picnics while viewing the movies. The events are sunshine only. Free parking will be available at The Midhudson Discovery Museum, Waryas Park, and Metro North parking areas.

Up to date movie schedule information, can be found @MoviesUnderTheWalkway, @DutchessCountyParks and @WalkwayOverTheHudson Facebook pages as well as on their websites.

Attendees are encouraged to follow New York State COVID guidance taking necessary precautions, as needed. If movie-goers are feeling sick, they should remain home.

The MHR Foundation is a non-profit organization created with the intention of enhancing the quality of life in the community. They are dedicated to building visionary partnerships, stewardship of grants, and providing funding to support the Community, its Arts, Education, and Human Services.

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Please take notice that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Wappingers Falls will hold a public hearing on July 2, 2024 at 7:00 pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the American Legion Hall, 7 Spring Street, Wappingers Falls, NY on the application submitted by Elmi Berisha owner for property having an address of 2659 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, NY (Grid #6158-14-308261), and located in the Village Commercial (VC) Zoning District. The applicant is seeking an area variance from Village Code Section: 01. Per §151 - Attachment 3, Table 9 - Principal Building Setbacks: Rear yard setback is 3 feet minimum. The proposed rear yard setback is 2 feet 6 inches, which would require a variance of 6 inches.  
2. Per §151- Attachment 2, Table 4 - District Schedule of Uses: Ground-floor apartments are prohibited use. The proposed 1st floor apartment will require a use variance. You have the right to appeal this decision to the Zoning Board of Appeals within 60 days from a copy of this application is on file in the Planning and Zoning Department and is available for inspection when the Department is open, Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. The telephone number is 845-297-5277. All interested persons may appear in person, by agent, or by attorney, and all will be heard. Date: June 18, 2024

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Please take notice that the Planning Board of the Village of Wappingers Falls will hold a public hearing on July 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at

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the Boathouse, 105 Market Street, Wappingers Falls, NY, on the application submitted by Elimi Berisha, owner and applicant, for property having an address of 2659 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, NY (Grid No. 6158-14-308261) and located in the Village Center (VC) and Historic Overlay Zoning District. The applicant is seeking permission to construct a mixed-use building consisting of a 625 square foot retail space along the street frontage and a one-bedroom apartment at the rear. The second, third and fourth floors will each include two one-bedroom apartments and one studio apartment. A copy of this application is on file in the Planning and Zoning Department and is available for inspection when the Department is open, Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. The telephone number is 845-297-5277. All interested persons may appear in person, by agent, or by attorney, and all will be heard. Date: June 14, 2024

Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action Supreme Court Of The State Of New York County Of Dutchess ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE Index #: 2021-80070 Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC Plaintiff, vs Antonio Taddeo As Heir To The Estate Of Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo, Maria Robertson As Heir To The Estate Of Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo, Angela Gonzalez As Heir To The Estate Of Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo, Yonghui Taddeo As Heir To The Estate Of Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo, Unknown Heirs Of Frank A. Tad-

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deo Aka Frank Anthony Taddeo Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devises, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, People Of The State Of New York, United States Of America Acting Through The IRS, New Century Financial Services Inc., Joseph Sanchez, Capital One Bank (USA), N.A., Chase Bank USA, N.A., New York State Department Of Taxation And Finance John Doe (being fictitious, the names unknown to Plaintiff intended to be tenants, occupants, persons or corporations having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the property described in the complaint or their heirs at law, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors.) Defendant(s). Mortgaged

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Premises: 326 Sylvan Lake Road Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 To the Above named Defendant: 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 Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Dutchess. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo, Unknown Heirs of Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo Defendants In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Thomas R. Davis of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Thirtieth day of May, 2024 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Dutchess, in the City of Poughkeepsie. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the premises described below, dated July 20, 2007, executed by Frank A. Taddeo AKA Frank Anthony Taddeo (who died on November 8, 2021, a resident of the county of

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Dutchess, State of New York) to secure the sum of \$253,500.00. The Mortgage was recorded at Instrument Number 01200710668 in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk on August 1, 2007. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed April 5, 2014 and recorded on July 23, 2014, in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk at Instrument Number 0120141943A. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed April 5, 2014 and recorded on July 23, 2014, in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk at Instrument Number 0120141944A. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed January 26, 2017 and recorded on March 3, 2017, in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk at Instrument Number 01-2017-421A. The property in question is described as follows: 326 Sylvan Lake Road, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE The state encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or the Foreclosure Relief Hotline 1-800-269-0990 or visit the department's website at WWW.DFS.NY.GOV. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO STAY IN YOUR HOME DURING THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME UNLESS AND UNTIL YOUR PROPERTY IS SOLD AT AUCTION PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO REMAIN IN YOUR HOME, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY AND PAY PROPERTY TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND LOCAL LAW. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful

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about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. § 1303 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. DATED: June 3, 2024 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 81169

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**ACROSS**

1. Molten rock in earth's crust
6. Scarlett Johansson's 2013 voice only role
9. Jezebel's idol
13. Not silently
14. Pro vote
15. Italian bowling
16. Proclaimed as true without proof
17. Rob Manfred's org.
18. Savory taste sensation
19. \*Tom Cruise's 1986 blockbuster
21. \*It featured the song "What Was I Made For?"
23. Wrath, e.g.
24. Milton Bradley's "The Game of \_\_\_\_\_"
25. General Post Office
28. A woodwind
30. Group of trained professionals, pl.
35. Icy precipitation
37. Concert units
39. Charles Dickens' Heep
40. Scandinavian capital
41. Rebroadcasted
43. Khrushchev's domain, acr.
44. \*What the gang did in 1988's "A Fish Called Wanda"
46. Exploding star
47. Clarified butter
48. Airport surface
50. Highway hauler
52. Breed
53. Miss Muffet's repast
55. Not flow
57. \*Tim Burton's 1989 and 1992 title character
60. \*It featured the song "Summer Lovin'"
63. Popular fashion magazine
64. Road in Rome
66. Comment to the audience
68. Deposit the ashes
69. Giant Hall-of-Famer Mel \_\_\_\_\_
70. Canine skin infection
71. Humble and docile
72. Name badges, acr.
73. Streamlined

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2. Sir Mix-\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_
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6. Mass number
7. Snake-like reef dweller
8. Teacher of Torah
9. \*"Oppenheimer" subject
10. Popular smoothie berry
11. Pinnacle
12. Hula dancer's necklace
15. B in FBI
20. Open up
22. Half of NFL
24. a.k.a. Hansen's disease
25. \*1990 Swayze/Moore blockbuster
26. Trattoria staple
27. Petroleum tanker
29. \*It premiered in the U.K. on 6/6/76, with The
31. Chemical cure
32. Revered Hindu
33. Drawing support
34. \*2001 blockbuster ogre
36. Type of rich soil
38. "Keep this information" button
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45. Wyatt Earp and such
49. Cuban dance syllable
51. Letter-resembling supports
54. End of a poem
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57. Like certain china
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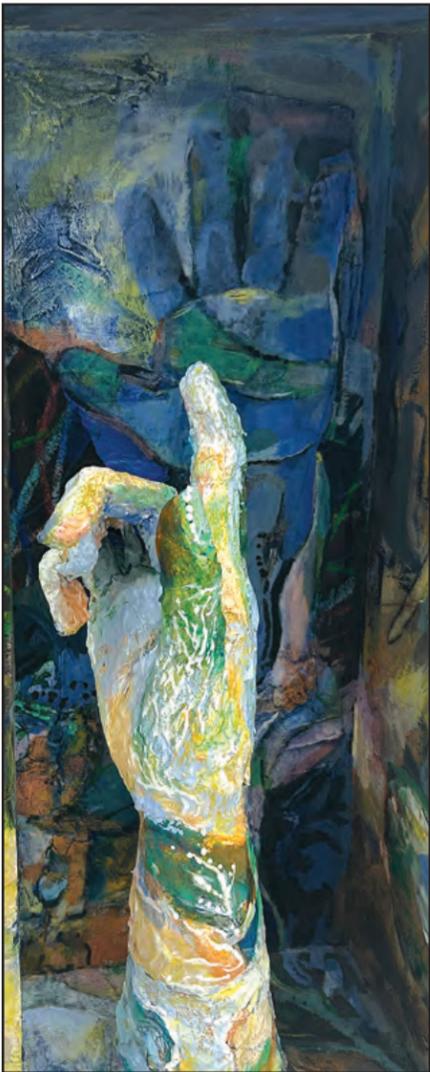
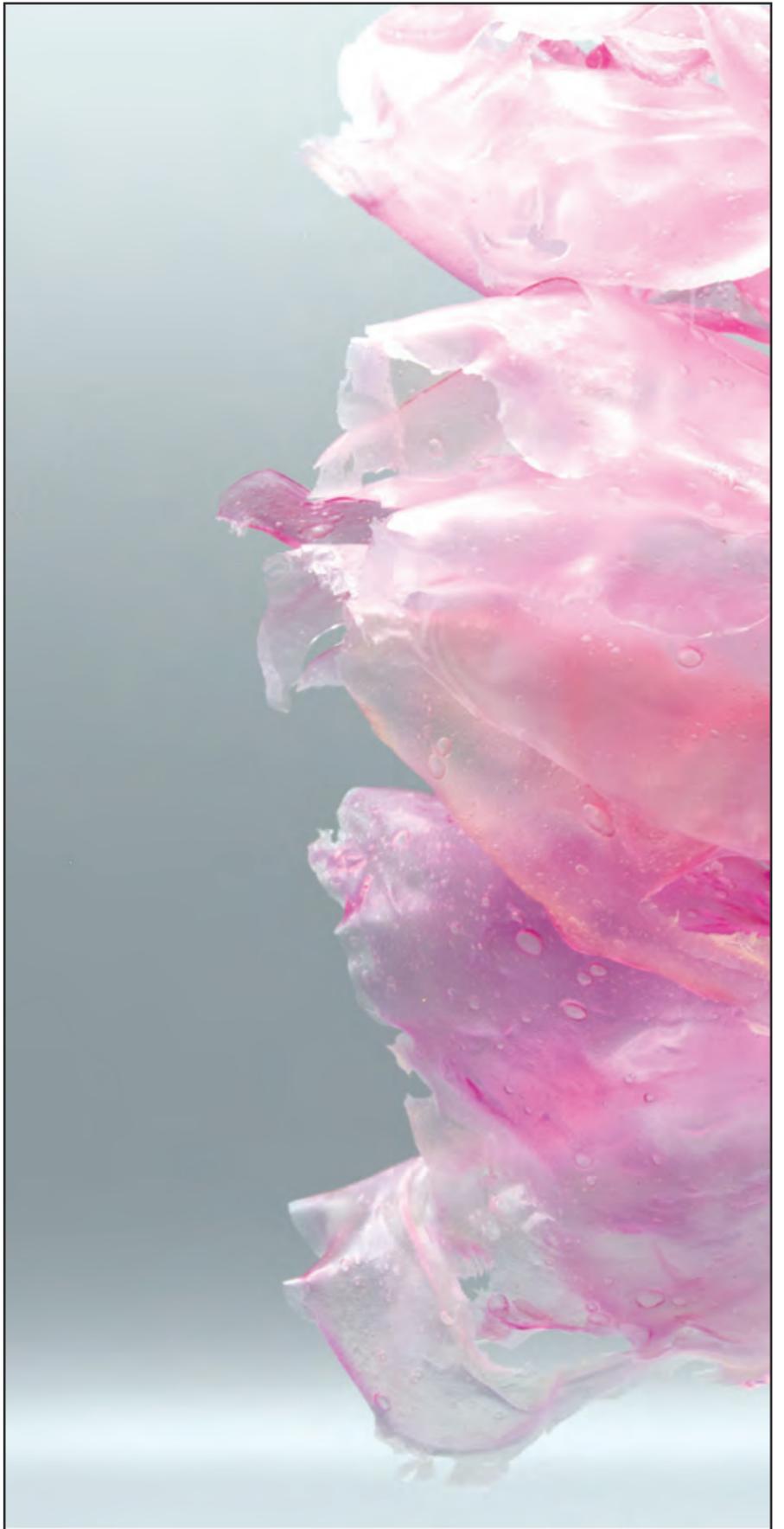
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# June 2024 exhibitions at BAU Gallery in Beacon



The following are exhibitions at BAU Gallery through July 7.

BAU Gallery presents Kelly M. O'Brien, "A Spell Against Despair," in Gallery 1.

In Gallery 2, "Points of Origin" by Robin Adler in Gallery 2.

In the Beacon Room, Karen Allen's "Curiosities."

There will be "Care & Repair with Kelly M. O'Brien," a gathering to make and mend while discussing excerpts from leading writers on the themes of care and repair for our natural world and ourselves. The program is set for Thursday, June 27, from 6-8 p.m.

An Artist Talk with the artists will be held on Sunday, July 7 at 4:30 p.m.

The exhibit ends Sunday, July 7.

BAU Gallery is at 506 Main Street, Beacon. It is open on Saturdays and Sundays, Noon-6 p.m. or by appointment.

*Clockwise from top left, Robin Adler's "Glimmer," 16 x 12 inches, oil and graphite on canvas, 2024.*

*Kelly M. O'Brien's "A Spell Against Despair," (detail of larger installation). Cast bioplastic, 10'h x 8'w x 2'd. 2024.*

*Karen Allen's "The Point," oil over acrylic, paper on wood, at BAU Gallery through July 7.*

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# Annual Pull the Tank raises more than \$65,000 for local Veterans



Participants use their strength to pull the tank.

-Courtesy photos



The team from Adams Fairacre Farms participates in the annual Pull the Tank event.

The United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region's Pull the Tank event was a resounding success on June 15th, exceeding expectations and raising more than \$65,000 for Mission United, a program dedicated to supporting veterans and military families in the community.

Teams of 20, including local businesses and a dedicated veterans' team, battled it out to pull a massive World War II Sherman Tank and flatbed weighing over 120,000 pounds across a 50-foot course. The competition was fierce, but the spirit of camaraderie prevailed as participants cheered each other on. The winning team,

Hannaford Supermarkets, clocked an impressive 17.88 seconds!

The sunny skies at Orange County Airport provided the perfect backdrop for a day of community fun. More than 240 participants across 13 teams enjoyed: Warm-up exercises to get ready for the challenge, exciting raffle prizes, a dedicated children's area with games and face painting and food and refreshments.

"We're thrilled with the turnout and the incredible amount raised," said Jeannie Montano, President & CEO of United Way. "This event truly embodies our community's spirit of coming together to sup-

port those who served."

The United Way extends its gratitude to the numerous sponsors who made the event possible, as well as the 50 volunteers who played a vital role in its success. Sponsors included: Acorn Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling, Bob's Discount Furniture, Kevin Cleary and Holly Wahlberg, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, Bill and Candy Davies, EC Media Group, Galleria at Crystal Run, IBM, iHeart Radio, Hoteling Property and Casualty LLC, Hudson River Truck and Trailer, Key Bank, Town of Montgomery

Ambulance, M&T Bank, Jim Monroney's Harley Davidson, Pamal Broadcasting, RBT CPAs, LLP, Pratt & Whitney Advanced Coating Technologies, Resorts World, TD Bank, Ulster Savings Bank, Wall Radio, WGHT and WTBC. A special thank you goes to the Orange County Airport, Bud Walker, BTM, and Minuteman Press-Red Hook for their additional support.

Every dollar raised will provide veterans with essential services such as housing assistance, legal support, mental health treatment, and basic necessities.

## County Players to present 'Ms. Holmes & Ms. Watson - Apt. 2B'

Comedy opens July 5 in Wappingers Falls

County Players, one of the longest-running community theatre companies in the area, will present the Comedy "Ms. Holmes & Ms. Watson - Apt. 2B" by Kate Hamill adapted from the stories of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. This Main Stage production is directed by Parker Reed and opens Friday, July 5 through July 10 with performances scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays July 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, & 20 at 8 p.m., and matinees on Sunday, July 14, and Saturday, July 20 at 2 p.m. Performances are at the County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 W. Main Street in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

Think you know your Sherlock Holmes? Kate Hamill's fast-moving, madcap, modern reboot is a fast-paced romp that re-examines the classic adventure stories you love with a bold new female lens. Join the world's greatest iconic crime-fighting duo as they investigate nefarious scandals and interrogate sexy villains. So much fun, it's criminal!

The production features the local talents of Madison Anthony, Michael Frohnhoefer, Janet Nurre, and Steavie Hergenrader Reed.

Of this production director Reed said,

"Deductive Consultant Sherlock Holmes knows that 'There is always a solution.' Playwright Kate Hamill shows that every good mystery has a touch of comedy, especially if we turn the magnifying glass on ourselves. Bring your mentor, assistant, roommate, or friend; you'll definitely chuckle during the show, and you'll likely search for solutions - including human connection - after you leave."

Individual tickets are available online in advance of the performance dates at [countyplayers.org](http://countyplayers.org). The Box Office is open for in-person ticket sales one hour before performance time. Masks are optional.

Hudson Valley Credit Union sponsors County Players' 67th Season. This production is made possible with the support of our Gold Sponsor: Dutchess ProPrint, and is presented through special arrangement with TRW Plays. [trwplays.com](http://trwplays.com).

Accessibility: If one requires wheelchair accessibility, contact the Box Office at 845-298-1491.

For more information, visit [countyplayers.org/shows/ms-holmes-ms-watson-apt-2b/](http://countyplayers.org/shows/ms-holmes-ms-watson-apt-2b/) [twitter.com/countyplayers](https://twitter.com/countyplayers), [instagram.com/countyplayers/](https://instagram.com/countyplayers/) or [facebook.com/countyplayers](https://facebook.com/countyplayers).

## Summer Kick-off Program at Blodgett Library set for June 28

Blodgett Memorial Library will host on June 28 at 6:30 p.m. a Summer Kick-off Program. There will be tie dyeing, a bubble bus, a chance to register for the Summer Reading Program, and more. That day will

also mark the unveiling of the library's new logo.

For more program information, see the calendar on the website at [blodgettmemoriallibrary.org](http://blodgettmemoriallibrary.org).

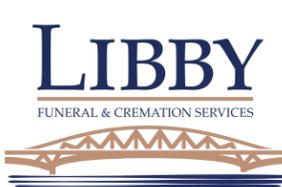
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