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IN MEMORIAM

‘His devotion, warmth, and iconic lifetime of service will never be forgotten’

Former Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent Glenn R. Scofield Sr. dies at 84

By Kristine Coulter

Former Town of Fishkill Highway Department Superintendent Glenn R. Scofield Sr. died on Saturday, Aug. 1. Scofield worked for and headed the highway department for decades. Before being elected to that position, one his father also held, he was in law enforcement as a deputy sheriff for Dutchess County. He also served the community as a firefighter. Scofield was 84 years old.

“It is with profound sadness that my siblings & I share the passing of our beloved father, Glenn Scofield Sr.,” Glenn Scofield Jr., eldest of Scofield’s children, posted on social media on Aug. 1. “Dad spent over 60 years serving our community - as the long time Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent, Ex-Chief of the Fishkill Fire Department & a Deputy Sheriff with the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office.” The younger Scofield continued, “He kept us safe & built a legacy we are infinitely proud of. I am honored & blessed to be one of his children.”

Calling hours will be held Friday, August 7, from 3-7 p.m. at McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, 1089 Main St., followed by a Firematic Service at 7 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, August 8, at 10 a.m. at St. Mary, Mother of the Church, followed by interment at Fishkill Rural Cemetery, 801 Route 9.

During a 2024 interview with Southern Dutchess News for a story about Father’s Day, the younger Scofield said about his father, “He is a great Dad.”

The elder Scofield said he was proud of his son and how he rose up the ranks in the police department. It was also noted by father and son that the younger



Former Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent Glenn R. Scofield Sr. died on Aug. 1 at the age of 84.

-Archive photo by Kristine Coulter

Scofields’ teams, when they were kids, were coached by their dad.

“Dad was very good to all of us. He made sure we were taken care of,” noted Scofield Jr. during that interview.

Posted on the Town of Fishkill Highway Department Facebook page was the following statement: “For over 50 years the residents of the Town Fishkill put their faith in Glenn Scofield and over those 5+ decades Glenn faithfully and dutifully served the Town of Fishkill. He was the true embodiment of what a public

servant should be...honorable, kind, trustworthy, and always up to the challenge. We lost a giant today, a pillar of our community. Our thoughts and prayers are with Glenn’s family during this difficult time. Rest in Peace Superintendent.”

Carmine Istvan, who was elected to the Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent position after Scofield, stated, “We’re all going to miss him. He built the highway department.”

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Istvan resigns Town of Fishkill position and takes employment with Dutchess County

By Kristine Coulter

Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent, and former Town Board member, Carmine Istvan has resigned to take a position with Dutchess County.

“After much thought and reflection, I have made the difficult decision to resign as your Highway Superintendent to accept the position of Deputy Commissioner of the Dutchess County Department of Public Works, effective as of August 9, 2026. Serving the residents of the Town of Fishkill has been one of the greatest privileges of my career,” Istvan stated in a letter to the Town of Fishkill residents. Istvan told Southern Dutchess News he begins with Dutchess County on Aug.10.

Every day, said Istvan, he was honored with “the responsibility of maintaining our roads, responding to emergencies, improving our infrastructure, while ensuring that our Highway Department and Buildings & Grounds Department served our community with professionalism, integrity and pride.

“Whether you called with a concern, stopped me on the road to ask a question or simply expected safe roads to travel [each] day, you deserved to be treated with respect, professionalism and responsiveness. That philosophy guided every decision I made and every service our department provided. Public service is, at its core, customer service, and I have always been committed to caring your trust through hard work, accountability and open communication.”

Istvan mentioned accomplishments.

“From snow and ice [operations] to road improvements, infrastructure projects and day to day maintenance. These successes were possible because of the dedicated employees of the Highway Department and Buildings & Grounds Department with the support of the residents we proudly serve. I am incredibly grateful for the trust you placed in me and for the opportunity to work on behalf of this community,” he wrote.

Istvan noted Fishkill is a big part of Dutchess County.

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Battenfeld family, Whalen, Germonds gain top honors from DCAS for 2026

By Curtis Schmidt

As Board of Directors Chairman Tom Angell emphasized the key attributes of local farmers, members of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society (DCAS) presented the organization’s top honors for 2026 at their Summer Meeting on July 22.

The members are in full preparation for this year’s 180th Dutchess County Fair, set Aug. 25-30 at the Fairgrounds in Rhinebeck (Visit dutchessfair.com for information).

Addressing the particular calling of farmers, Angell told those in attendance, “The Dutchess County Agricultural Society has been at work in this county for more than 180 years. Our group has worked tirelessly to promote, protect and advance the cause of those who day-in and day-out tend to our piece of the creation. And this is no small responsibility. We not only raise and grow the food that sustains human life and nurtures the land that makes it possible to do so, but we embody the very values which are the basis for a citizenry which governs itself - hard work, determination, discipline, perseverance, resiliency and commitment to community.”

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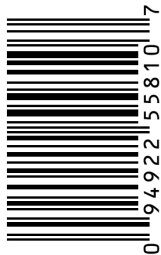
The Battenfeld family – Morgan, Fred, Lance and Suzanne – were named the 2026 Farm Family of the Year.

-Photo by Curtis Schmidt

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Glenn Scofield Sr., right, with his successor as Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent, Carmine Istvan, in 2025 during a rededication ceremony of the highway facility in honor of Scofield.

-Archive photos by Kristine Coulter



Glenn Scofield Sr., right, and Glenn Scofield Jr. were highlighted in a story about Father’s Day in 2024.

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In December of 2025, Istvan, members of the highway department, elected officials and community members gathered to honor Scofield with the rededication of the Glenn R. Scofield Sr. Highway Facility and dedication of a plow.

Town of Fishkill Supervisor Ozzy Albra remarked about Scofield’s professionalism. “He never hesitated to help and was always there for the residents of the Town of Fishkill.”

Town of Fishkill Councilman Brian Wrye recalled meeting Scofield shortly after buying his home in the town when the highway department was doing work. Wrye said Scofield was always “kind”

and that he will be missed.

Posted to social media, in part, by the members of Village Protection Engine Co. #1, “Glenn went through the ranks of the department and served as chief of department from 1967-1969 and again from 1970-1974. Glenn had over 50 years of active service with the department.” The posted statement continued, “Glenn also was the Town of Fishkill Highway Superintendent. Many members of the department over the years had the pleasure to work for him. Glenn built a legacy only some can dream of. Our thoughts are with the Scofield family at this difficult time.”

Dutchess Junction Fire Dept., of which Scofield was a Life Member, posted on social media, “Our thoughts and

prayers are with the Scofield family during this time.”

Slater Chemical Fire Co. posted on social media, “Glenn’s extraordinary commitment to the fire service earned him the respect and admiration of firefighters throughout the region. In addition to his longtime honorary membership with Slater Chemical Fire Company, he held honorary memberships with Rombout, Dutchess Junction, Wiccopee, and Thomaston, Connecticut fire companies.

“All of us here join Glenn’s family, friends, fellow firefighters, and the greater Fishkill community in honoring his memory and his lifetime of friendship, leadership, and dedicated service.”

The Town of Fishkill Police Department offered condolences to the Scofields. “Superintendent Scofield was a fixture in the Town of Fishkill for years. Although he will be missed, his legacy will live on in the roads and facilities of the town that he helped build and maintain” was posted to the department’s Facebook page.

Scofield lived in the same house his entire life.

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino posted a statement on the loss of Scofield on her Facebook page on Sunday, Aug. 2.

“Glenn spent his entire 84 years rooted in his beloved Town of Fishkill, leaving behind a legacy of service that few will ever match. From serving 62 years with the Town of Fishkill Highway Department, including 54 years as Highway Superintendent, to his work as a Dutchess County Deputy Sheriff, Village of Fishkill Police Sergeant, and Ex-Chief of Protection Engine Co. #1, Glenn dedicated every

chapter of his life to keeping our community safe and running smoothly.

“To know Glenn was to love him. He was a steadfast anchor for his family and a dear friend to so many of us across the county. His devotion, warmth, and iconic lifetime of service will never be forgotten.”

Serino asked others to join her in holding the Scofields in their thoughts and prayers.

“Rest in peace, Glenn. Thank you for a lifetime of selfless service to Dutchess County,” Serino stated.

NYS Assemblyman Anil Beephan Jr. posted in part, “My heartfelt condolences go out to Deputy Commissioner Scofield, the entire Scofield family, and all who had the privilege of knowing Glenn.”

Dutchess GOP posted in part on social media, “Today we pause and remember a legend in our community, Glenn Scofield, Sr.” The post stated Scofield served “with dignity and honor.”

The Jackson Family of Shenandoah Farm in East Fishkill, which has generational ties to Dutchess County, posted on social media, “The Jackson and extended families of Shenandoah Farm wish to extend our deepest condolences to the Scofield Family and members of Protection Engine Company in the Village of Fishkill. We are extremely grateful for not only the leadership, but more importantly the friendship of Glenn Scofield Sr. His commitment to his family, friends, and community will be his ever living legacy. We bid farewell to one who can never be replaced but will always be remembered.”

“Please keep our father & our family in your prayers,” asked Scofield Jr.



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These workshops are an opportunity to:

- Learn about the current state of the department and our infrastructure
- Understand the challenges and space limitations we face today
- Hear about potential building expansion and improvement concepts
- Share one’s ideas, concerns, and feedback
- Help us plan for the future needs of the community

As the community continues to grow and evolve, it is important that the Glenham Fire Department remains prepared to provide the highest level of emergency response and public safety, it was stated on social media. Public input will help guide the planning process and

ensure that any future improvements reflect the needs and priorities of the residents that are served.

Meetings will take place at the Glenham Fire Department, 76 Old Glenham Road, in Fishkill. Workshops are 11 a.m. – noon on Sunday, Aug. 9 and 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 12. Previous meetings were held on Wednesday, July 29 and Sunday, Aug. 2.

In advance of these scheduled workshops, key information here: https://www.glenhamfire.com/apps/public/doc/docView.cfm?Doc_ID=69

All this information and more will be available and discussed at the workshops and we want to ensure those who cannot make any of the scheduled sessions have access to the material.

For more information or questions, e-mail bofc@glenhamfire.com.

Battenfeld family, Whalen, Germonds gain top honors from DCAS for 2026



From left to right: Dick Whalen receives the Distinguished Service Award from DCAS President and CEO Andy Imperati. Dutchess County Agricultural Society Chairman of the Board of Directors Tom Angell speaks at the organization’s Summer meeting. Judy and Mark Germond receive the Volunteer of the Year Award from Imperati.

-Photos by Curtis Schmidt

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Farm Family of the Year

The 2026 Farm Family of the Year award was presented to the Battenfeld family of F.W. Battenfeld & Son Farm. “Fred, his son, Lance and his daughter, Morgan, are carrying forward a proud five-generation legacy of F.W. Battenfeld & Son. Playing an integral part of this legacy is Fred’s wife, Suzanne. The Battenfeld story reflects the multi-generational stewardship, dedication, and love of agriculture that are central to both farming and the Dutchess County Fair,” stated Andy Imperati, DCAS President and CEO. “They clearly exemplify the importance of agriculture and how agriculture can be a successful business.” Fred Battenfeld commented, “We feel honored to be chosen as the Farm Family of the Year. The room was filled with many farm families as worthy as us. Our thanks to Andy Imperati and others responsible for choosing us.” Battenfeld Farm has been part of the Red Hook landscape since the late 1800s, when Conrad and Elizabeth Battenfeld

founded it as a fruit and dairy farm specializing in apples. In the early 1900s, the family shifted to growing violets, which was then a thriving Hudson Valley industry that earned Rhinebeck the nickname “Violet Capital of the Country.” Now in its fifth generation, Battenfeld Farm grows fresh cut flowers across nearly two acres in eight glass greenhouses. Their signature crop is premium anemones. They also grow butterfly ranunculus, lilies, alstroemeria, dahlias, peonies and violets. The flowers are shipped nationwide and to Canada, with wholesale customers in New York City, Boston and Philadelphia, as well as local florists and individual buyers. Each stem reflects their commitment to quality, consistency and the enduring beauty of farm-grown blooms. The Battenfeld family planted their first Christmas trees in 1956, selling the first one for just a dollar. Today, more than 100 acres of evergreens stretch across the farm. Each December, families return to cut their own tree, take a horse-drawn wagon ride, visit Santa, and enjoy a tailgated meal among the fields. It’s become a Hudson Valley holiday tradition.

Distinguished Service

Dick Whalen, who calls the Fairgrounds his “second home,” was honored with the Distinguished Service Award. “Often times people will fly under the radar with their contributions to the Agricultural Society and the Fair. Dick Whalen is one of those people. He’s been involved with the Fairgrounds for over 71 years. He is very deserving of our first Distinguished Service Award,” said Imperati, Whalen responded, saying “My involvement with the DCAS and the Fair has always been a top priority in my life. I am overwhelmed and extremely happy to be the first recipient of the

Distinguished Service Award.” In an interview in 2025, Whalen spoke about his involvement the DCAS and the Fair. . “It’s about care and respect for all of the other individuals in the organization and working together. I’ve seen the Fair evolve and I’ve been part of the decision-making process to help the Fair grow. With the business side, it’s been a lot of learning and hard work,” he said. And with the Fair itself, Whalen said he “hasn’t missed a day in all of these years – and that includes all of the extra days in setting up with the animals.” He has been showing dairy cattle at the Fair for over 70 years. Friendships, like his Friendship Farm, mean everything to Dick Whalen. And the Dutchess County Fair and its people are his “best friends.”

Volunteers of the Year

Recognizing their commitment to rural history and the Fair, the DCAS presented the Volunteers of the Year Award to Mark and Judy Germond. “For the first time, the Agricultural Society is presenting husband and wife, Mark and Judy Germond, with the Volunteer of the Year Award. Both have been involved with the Fairgrounds, particularly the Century Museum Village, for over 30 years. Their dedication to the museum and the Agricultural Society has not gone unnoticed. They are an integral part of our team and

Fair family,” said Imperati. The Germonds thanked Imperati and the DCAS and said they “enjoy planning new exhibits, watching visitors reminiscing about items they see, children seeing how simple life can be and the opportunity to showcase our rural history.” The Germonds are members of the Century Museum Village and Collectors Association (CMVCA). Mark noted that in 1990, this group was contacted by Tom Odak (Fair Manager) about the possibility having of a museum at the Fairgrounds. The Museum would cover the time period 1870-1929 of rural life in the Hudson Valley. “The CMVCA members were very happy to accept the offer. Plans were made and the Museum was finished in 1992,” he said. “The Museum has some permanent exhibits. When Volunteers join with special talents, exhibits are made so they can demonstrate their skills. The Museum is entirely staffed by volunteers. To date we have 60 volunteers.” Current exhibits include: Ice Harvesting, Model “T” Repair Shop, Barber Shop, Modern Conveniences, Clock Shop, 1910 Bedroom, 1910 Parlor, 1910 Kitchen, 1910 General Store, Busy Hands (sewing etc.), Wood Harvest & Crafts, Print Shop, Broom Shop, Chair Caning, Weavers, The “Whatsit” display, Blacksmith Shop, Shingle Mill and Vintage Farm Equipment.

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Writer: Beephan letter on data center moratorium was AI-generated

To the Editor:

A letter attributed to State Representative Anil Beephan supporting the AI data center moratorium appeared in the July 22 edition of this publication. According to AI detector GPTZero, that letter was entirely AI-generated.

The sloppiness and hypocrisy of using AI to draft anti-AI opinions is emblematic of the state of the Republican Party. It shows that the Representative from East Fishkill doesn’t really believe anything about the damage that AI infrastructure does to communities - he only believes that those costs and harms are tools that can be used to advance his political career. For another examples of Dutchess County Republicans’ hypocrisy, we only need to look at Beephan’s State Senate colleague Rob Rolison who’s waging a war in the state’s gas tax. Gas is expensive because the Republican president illegally started a war in a major oil-producing region, which made the commodity scarcer and therefore more expensive. Republican majorities in the US House of Representative and Senate continue to allow this war even as high energy costs, driven by expensive oil, make our cost of living crisis more acute. Reducing the gas tax would result in a unnoticeable movement in gas prices, but a significant reduction in funding for the roads, bridges, tunnels and trains we use to get to work every day. In his many letters, Senator Rolison has never once acknowledged that the crisis his bill is supposed to address was conjured up out of thin air for no good reason and only persists because of vanity.

It is clear that these two have become too comfortable in their positions of public trust and they’ve lost touch with the voices of their constituents, so please join me in supporting Lisa Kaul for NYS Senate, Brooklyn Talarico for State Assembly, and the Hudson Valley Power Authority for affordable energy in Dutchess County.

Robert Holmes
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Leaders in Training to hold farm stand at Fresh Air Fund’s Sharpe Reservation on Aug. 9



The Fresh Air Fund’s Leaders in Training will hold a farm stand at Sharpe Reservation in Fishkill on Sunday, Aug. 9.

-Photo by Sneyder Curipoma

By Kristine Coulter

The Fresh Air Fund’s Leaders in Training (LIT) have started a new program as part of the farm program at camp. As a culminating project, participants run a farm stand in the Fresh Air Fund’s Sharpe Reservation’s parking lot. Among the items for sale are produce that has been grown in the garden, maple syrup, fresh snow cones with freshly made flavors, and more.

The farm stand is a way to show the agribusiness side of farming and teach the kids entrepreneurship, it was stated. The next farm stand will be held at Sharpe Reservation, 436 Van Wyck Lake Road from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 9 in Fishkill. The initial one was held last month. In August, they will be highlighting snow cones with whole fruit syrup, homemade crumb bars, produce and fresh cut flowers.

“The LIT program creates the next leaders of our camps. We intentionally spend the summer engaged in leadership learning along with traditional camp activities. The youth are also placed at camps where they have practical learning on leadership,” stated Lisa Gitelson, The Fresh Air Fund’s CEO, via an email.

Over the course of the summer, there will be nearly 50 Leaders-in-Training and nearly 40 Counselors-in-Training, it was stated.

How did the idea for the farm stand come about?

Gitelson replied, “We were discussing new ways to make the farm be relevant to the older kids and if there could be a type of final farm project that could be worked on for several weeks. The idea of the farmers market seemed a great way to

have the kids think about what does it mean to be a farmer, to take responsibility for the crops grown, and to also build our own farm stand. It would be real life skills of farming.”

Fifteen-year-old Carlos, one of the LIT participants, remarked, “What interests me the most about agricultural is definitely the uniqueness of it and seeing all your hard work pay off after getting items sold to a lot of customers.”

Paula, who is also 15 years old, said, “What interests me the most about agricultural business and selling products is learning about the overall process. It shows how there are more options than having processed food. There’s so much behind the scenes work that goes into it that I didn’t know before.”

Regarding running the farm stand, Lilyreyn, 15, said, “I learned organization and teambuilding because all of us were working together at the farm stand to try and sell the products, so listening to each other was important.” Lilyreyn added, “I like the concept of building a community through agricultural business. I feel like food brings everybody together and they have the opportunity to try new things.”

Why should people stop by the farm stand on Aug. 9?

Carols replied, “People should come to the next farm stand because they get to try something new. This is the first time I ever tried basil lemonade so that was definitely cool.”

Paula responded, “People should stop by the next farm stand in August because honestly, it’s amazing!”

Serino proposes county-wide ban on kratom as health concerns grow

From County reports

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino is working to protect residents from the dangers of kratom, proposing a countywide ban on its sale and distribution. Serino says the measure is aimed at safeguarding families and preventing young people from being exposed to a risky, unregulated substance that has been linked to a growing number of hospitalizations and deaths across the country.

Serino said, “My top priority is keeping our community safe and healthy, especially our children. Many families aren’t aware of the dangers of kratom because it’s often marketed as a natural product and it is so easily accessible. But ‘natural’ doesn’t always mean safe and public health data shows kratom-related deaths are rising. We cannot wait until another life is lost. Protecting our community must always come first, and I am proud to take this important step to safeguard Dutchess County.”

Kratom is an unregulated substance derived from a Southeast Asian plant. Its active compounds act on the same brain receptors as opioids and have been linked to addiction, seizures, liver damage, respiratory depression, and, in some cases, death. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has not approved kratom for any medical use and continues to warn consumers about its risks.

Earlier this year, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported dramatic increases in kratom-related health emergencies. Hospitalizations for single-substance kratom exposure rose 1,200 percent—from 43 in 2015 to 538 in 2025.

Multiple-substance exposures increased 1,300 percent, from 40 to 549. The CDC also reported 233 kratom-associated deaths nationwide over the same period.

Kratom is increasingly easy to obtain, sold online and in convenience stores, smoke/vape shops, gas stations, and other retailers. Marketed as a “natural” supplement, many consumers mistakenly assume it is safe. Products are often displayed alongside everyday goods and sold in capsules, powders, gummies, and beverages—frequently in bright, flashy packaging—making them easy to purchase and difficult for parents to recognize.

Under Serino’s proposed legislation, any person found to be selling or distributing Kratom or a Kratom derived product, with limited exceptions, will be subject to civil penalty up to \$1,500. Additionally, her legislation puts heightened focus on preventing youth access to Kratom, with higher penalties for those found to be selling or distributing to a minor (under the age of 21) – going up to \$2,000 for a violation. The law will be enforced by the Dutchess County Department of Health (DOH).

Dutchess County DOH Commissioner Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado said, “Kratom products have not been tested for safety, consistency, or accurate labeling and are not approved by the FDA. The potential for harm is clear, with cases nationwide linking these products to addiction, serious health complications, overdose, and even death.”

Serino has submitted the proposed resolution for the local law to the County Legislature for consideration at their August 10 board meeting.

Istvan resigns Town of Fishkill position and takes employment with Dutchess County

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Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino said: “Dutchess County is fortunate to welcome two highly qualified leaders into key roles within our Department of Public Works. With the retirement of long-standing Commissioner Bob Balkind earlier this year, Acting Commissioner Dave Whalen has provided steady leadership and continuity during this transition. We are grateful for his service and commitment to the department as these important organizational updates move forward.

“We are pleased to announce the appointments of Matt Dutcavich and Carmine Istvan to strengthen DPW’s leadership team. Matt brings more than two decades of Dutchess County experience and a proven record as a thoughtful, steady, and highly skilled engineering professional. His deep knowledge of DPW operations and strong problem-solving abilities will serve the department well in his new role as Senior Deputy Commissioner.

“We are equally pleased to welcome Carmine Istvan as Deputy Commissioner. Carmine’s blend of municipal experience in the Town of Fishkill as Highway Superintendent and as a former Town Board member as well as his extensive private-sector background managing large-scale construction and landscaping operations provides a unique and valuable perspective. His leadership experience and hands-on project management skills will be a tremendous asset to the department.

“Together, Matt and Carmine will bolster DPW’s capacity, enhance support for staff, and help ensure that our department continues to operate proactively, efficiently, and with a strong focus on serving the residents of Dutchess County,” said Serino

“Although my role is changing, my commitment to public service remains the same. Fishkill will always hold a special place in my heart and I look forward to continuing to serve this community as part of my [responsibilities] with Dutchess County. Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as your Highway Superintendent. It has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my career and I wish the Town of Fishkill continued success for many years to come,” Istvan stated.

Dutchess County Legislator Kevin Giles posted on social media, “Thank you for your years of dedicated service as Highway Supervisor and for your commitment to our community. Your experience, leadership, and hard work have made a lasting impact, and I know those qualities will continue to serve our residents well in your new role.” He added, “I wish you continued suc-



Carmine Istvan

-Courtesy photo

cess as you begin this exciting new chapter, and I look forward to working together to keep moving Dutchess County forward. Best of luck!”

Dutchess County Legislator Robert Faust posted, “Congratulations my friend! You will be an absolutely incredible asset to Dutchess County! Looking forward to working with you!”

Istvan thanked town officials, colleagues, community members and the residents.

“I have complete confidence in the talented men of the Fishkill Highway Department and Buildings & Grounds Department. Their commitment, work ethic and dedication to public service will continue to ensure that our residents receive the high level of service they deserve,” he said.

Istvan noted, “While leaving the Town of Fishkill is bittersweet, I am excited to begin this next chapter as Deputy Commissioner of the Dutchess County Department of Public Works. Because Fishkill is an integral part of Dutchess County, I will continue serving many of the same residents and communities I have been privileged to work for over the years, just in a different capacity. I look forward to supporting all our County’s Towns, Villages and residents while building upon the experience and values I developed here in Fishkill.”

The Fishkill Town Board has on its agenda to appoint current highway employee Kevin McCarthy as Deputy Highway Superintendent at the Wednesday, Aug. 5th meeting.

Town of Fishkill Supervisor Ozzy Albra stated, “I’m going to miss Carmine. He’s been an ally and a pal.” Albra said Istvan was “pivotal in getting everything up-to-date in the Town of Fishkill.”

‘Heritage Crafts Day’ in East Fishkill on Aug. 8

By Kristine Coulter

An early trades event, “East Fishkill Heritage Crafts Day,” with many demonstrations will be held on Saturday, Aug. 8. One will be able to have the opportunity to “Step Back. Experience. Celebrate.” The event will be held from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Brinckerhoff House Historic Site, 68 N. Kensington Dr., in East Fishkill. This event is sponsored by Dutchess County Government and Dutchess Rev 250.

“We will be presenting close to a dozen different early trades,” said Rick Soedler, the site director for Brinckerhoff House Historic Site and with the East Fishkill Historical Society. Some of those trades are iron smelting, blacksmithing, copper smithing, gun smithing, hat making and butter making.

“We hope that people will leave with an understanding that these early trades are what helped forge our nation 250 years ago. When war was declared against

Great Britain, most of the goods that were imported to the colonies were no longer available or difficult to obtain. Local tradespeople stepped up and began to manufacture their own goods to help support the Continental Army and the local population with the materials and finished products that they all desperately needed. This also helped the new United States to become a sustainable country for others to trade with,” stated Soedler via email.

“All of these early trades will be presenting demonstrations. The public is invited to visit each presenter and learn about the individual process of manufacturing. The feature presentation of the day will feature the building of a working Bloomery Furnace and the smelting of raw iron ore into steel. Several different items will be created from these finished materials,” he said.

There will be food and refreshments for sale, courtesy of the East Fishkill Rotary Club.

Green Haven inmate sentenced to 12 years in state prison for attempted assault of correction officers

Dutchess County District Attorney Anthony Parisi announced on Wednesday, July 29 that Edward Gibson, 43, was sentenced in Dutchess County Court yesterday to 12 years in state prison followed by five years of post-release supervision after previously pleading guilty in April to Attempted Assault in the First Degree, a Class C Violent Felony.

Parisi said in a statement, “The brave men and women who work inside our correctional facilities deserve to know that when they are violently attacked for simply doing their jobs, those responsible will be prosecuted and held accountable. This sentence reflects the seriousness of this deliberate and violent attack on correction officers who were working to maintain the safety and security of Green Haven Correctional Facility. Through my Office’s Jail and Prison Violence Prevention Initiative, we have made the prosecution of violence committed within our correctional facilities a priority, working closely with our law enforcement and correctional partners to ensure those who commit these crimes face meaningful consequences that protect correction staff, inmates, and the public alike.”

According to the District Attorney’s office, the incident occurred on July 21, 2025, at Green Haven Correctional Facility located in the Town of Beekman. It was alleged that Gibson, armed with a metal shank, ran toward a female correctional officer and swung the weapon at



Edward Gibson

-Submitted by Dutchess County D.A.’s Office

her upper body. The officer avoided being struck but fell to the ground during the attack, suffering a knee injury. It is further alleged that Gibson then refused multiple lawful commands to surrender and continued his assault by approaching a male correctional officer. Gibson admitted to the Court that he attempted to cause serious physical injury to the officer by striking him in the back with the metal shank.

The Honorable Jessica Segal presided over the case. The case was prosecuted by Deputy Unit Chief Michael Viviano and Senior Trial Assistant District Attorney Joseph Russo.

Roadwork scheduled for Route 376 and Route 311

After much advocacy, the Town of Wappinger announced that NYS DOT will be completely repaving NYS Route 376. There will also be work done on Route 376, as well as 311, in the towns of Poughkeepsie LaGrange and East Fishkill.

The State’s contractor has advised the Office of the Town Supervisor that work will begin the week of August 2 and mostly occur at night to avoid traffic congestion.

According to the Tilcon New York Inc.,

which was awarded the project, with the NYS Department of Transportation to perform milling and resurfacing work, the work will be done on approximately 10 miles of Route 376 and 0.2 miles of Route 311. According to officials, the work includes lane closures. According to the State’s contractor, most of the work will be done at night, and expected to be completed at the end of December.

Any questions, one is asked to call NYS DOT Region 8 Office at 845-431-5750.

Dedication of Bailey Monument on August 15 in Town of Fishkill

The dedication of the Bailey Monument begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15 in the Town of Fishkill Police Department Community Room, with parking available in front of the police station. Guests will view a looping video featuring Dr. Erik Goldstein, author of “The Swords of George Washington,” discussing Bailey’s Silver & Ivory-Hilted Cuttose, now preserved by the Smithsonian Institution.

At 10:30 a.m., the ceremony moves to the Bailey Monument in Veterans Memorial Park, between the police station and Recreation Center on Route 52.

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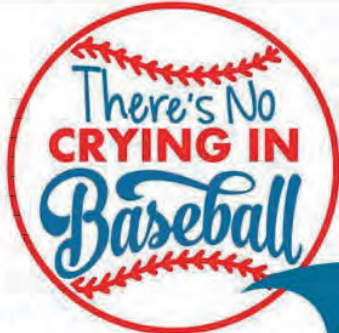


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RENEGADES FEATURE

Pitching, hitting, speed lead way as Renegades welcome 4 new players

By Morgan E. Maier

Four new players arrived at the Hudson Valley Renegades clubhouse this month with strengths reaching from the mound to the basepaths and back to the warning track. As Hudson Valley bids its latest farewell to the likes of Rory Fox and Luis Durango, fans will look to this newest bunch to spark the hometown team.

Henry Lalane, LHP - New York has been waiting to welcome Bronx-born lefty Henry Lalane, the New York Yankees' 4th-ranked prospect. Lalane may graze a ceiling with his 6'7" stance, yet the southpaw's pitch command and penchant for strikeouts hint at how high he could soar. Back-to-back wins in Single-A Tampa, tossing seven innings with double-digit strikeouts, turned up Lalane's summer. He fanned 12 while allowing just one hit to the Dunedin Blue Jays. The Saint Lucie Mets wished to see a bullpen arm warming over Lalane's next start, a three-hit, 11-strikeout night. He has yet to be awarded a High-A decision, scattering 17 strikeouts to 4 walks



Henry Lalane

across his first three starts.

Jackson Lovich, SS - Multi-hit master Jackson Lovich needs an introduction, but his bat will have the last word. The infielder arrives at Hudson Valley after batting .275 for Single-A Tampa this season. A reliable offensive producer for the Tarpons, the former Missouri Tiger led the Florida State League with 18 home runs. Lovich, scouted by the Yankees for his speed, was highly effective (21/28) on the Tampa basepaths. Lovich further



Jackson Lovich

showcased power and flair for entertaining with his historic three-home-run day on May 20. With 8 hits already in 6 games with the 'Gades, Lovich brings much excitement for the next stage in his development.

Willy Montero, CF - Willy Montero's bat earned his High-A ticket, scorching Florida land like the July sun. An impressive string of hit streaks marked a .304 batting average in a month that began with Montero breaking a seven-game hit

streak. He would follow with an eight straight, including five multi-hit games. Montero was an All-Star for FCL Yankees in 2023, his first year playing outside of his native Dominican Republic. With an .822 on-base plus slugging (OPS) this season, Montero knows how to reach bases and balls. And though his first High-A series was one marred by a collective slug-gish offense, the outfielder produced a pair of RBIs in Hudson Valley's lone win over the Jersey Shore BlueClaws on July 31.

Gabriel Lara, OF- Gabriel Lara is meeting his second new home crowd of the season, and wasted no time starting some action for Hudson Valley fans. Where he caught eyes in rookie leagues with a bit of offensive crack and timely hitting, Lara's ascent slowed a bit in Single-A. Yet every change of scenery can be a hot spot for adjustment. The youngest current Renegade got his first High-A hit in his debut, and his second the next night. Suppose the Hudson Valley summer ignites the speed that first hooked scouts in Santo Domingo?

League Standings

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE NORTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Wilmington WSH	21	14	.600	-	7-3	W4
Greensboro PIT	20	16	.556	1.5	4-6	L1
Frederick BAL	18	16	.529	2.5	4-6	L4
Brooklyn NYM	17	18	.486	4.0	5-5	W1
Hudson Valley NYY	17	19	.472	4.5	3-7	L3
Jersey Shore PHI	14	21	.400	7.0	7-3	W3
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH						
	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
Bowling Green TB	25	11	.694	-	7-3	W1
Greenville BOS	19	17	.528	6.0	8-2	W7
Winston-Salem CWS	18	18	.500	7.0	5-5	L1
Rome ATL	16	18	.471	8.0	6-4	L1
Asheville HOU	16	20	.444	9.0	1-9	L6
Hub City TEX	11	24	.314	13.5	3-7	W1



August

08/11/26	vs.Wilmington	06:35 PM	First Responders Night WMCHealth Club Lounge Tickets
08/12/26	vs.Wilmington	06:35 PM	Strike Out Cancer Night WMCHealth Club Lounge Tickets
08/13/26	vs.Wilmington	06:35 PM	Agriculture Night Jersey Thursday presented by Heritage Financial Credit Union
08/14/26	vs.Wilmington	07:05 PM	Make-A-Wish Night presented by Mirabito Energy Fireworks Friday
08/15/26	vs.Wilmington	05:05 PM	Union Appreciation Night Oasis Bottle presented by CSEA
08/16/26	vs.Wilmington	02:05 PM	Football Day WMCHealth Club Lounge Tickets
08/25/26	vs.Brooklyn	06:35 PM	An Ode to Cream Cheese WMCHealth Club Lounge Tickets
08/26/26	vs.Brooklyn	06:35 PM	Welcome Back College Students WMCHealth Club Lounge Tickets





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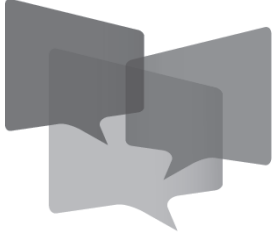


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Hot dog champ Chestnut ‘meats’ Renegades’ Cider Donut Challenge

By Morgan E. Maier

He’s the top-ranked athlete of Major League Eating, but Joey Chestnut is bringing his talent to Minor League Baseball this season. The Hudson Valley Renegades hosted the 18-time Nathan’s Hot Dog Eating Contest champion for the Cider Donut Challenge on July 31. As Chestnut fielded fans by the dozens, each dressed the experience to their liking.

Hot dog costumes, Joey jerseys and condiment stains were worn for the occasion; Chestnut himself came fitted with the Yellow Mustard Belt, Major League Eating’s championship belt. Some fans traveled from out-of-town and state to see Coney Island’s king in the flesh at Heritage Financial Park. And plenty took their time to share thoughts on Chestnut’s biggest rival, Takeru “Tsunami” Kobayashi.

Local resident David Kalb got tickets to the game as a birthday celebration with family. During his meet-and-greet, Chestnut recorded a video shoutout for Kalb’s campus organization at Plymouth State University.

“I’ve been coming to games here since I was a little kid. It’s a great family tradition. Bringing that [the video] there up in New Hampshire, it’s awesome. It’s a little piece of

home,” said David.

Other fans opted to give Chestnut their own local taste.

Newburgh native Vincent Puleo and the team from social media outlet Finally (formerly Big Knick Energy) brought the meet and greet its juiciest spectacle: a six foot hot dog, created locally at Beacon’s own Dave the Butcher.

“I wish this was my challenge!” Chestnut said, smiling wide at the dog and three people it took to deliver.

Did he get a taste of the all-beef offering? At the risk of Nathan’s Famous sponsorship — and appetite for his impending Cider Donut Challenge — “Jaws” could not indulge. In his spirit, fans finished the entire thing before the inning was over.

Competitors ranging from Renegades staffers to fans and K104 radio station favorite Diva filled the field for a sticky, sweet post-game sweepstakes. The table was tasked with eating as many apple cider donuts as they could in five minutes.

“Joey’s Going Down” read one challenger’s shirt. Cinnamon dust was all that dropped at Chestnut’s spot as he downed 53 donuts. To nobody’s surprise, the champ’s mark easily swept the contest.



Right: Hotdog eating champion Joey Chestnut “chows down” on Cider Donuts and, above, joins a group of challengers at Heritage Financial Park on July 31.

-Photos by Dave Janosz



RENEGADES ROUNDUP

Hudson Valley endures tough week as Jersey Shore wins five of six games

By Morgan E. Maier

The Jersey Shore BlueClaws pinched the Hudson Valley Renegades five times in six games, leading the home team to pack for sunnier days in South Carolina. Two swept doubleheaders — one for each rainout that began the series — drizzled a sweet and sour week in Hudson Valley.

T.G.I.F. - July 31 saw the Renegades’ only win of the series, starting with Sean Paul Liñan and ending with Friday fireworks. Liñan allowed 0 runs after giving up one in the first inning, passing a shortened outing to the bullpen at the end of his 7.1 innings. Brady Kirtner retired both batters he faced; Thomas Balboni gave up one, but held the save for Brandon Decker to complete the one-out save. Cam Troyer’s three-RBI night included the ultimate game-winning home run, a two-run laser beam to cap the Renegades’ four-run fourth.

That night, the demolishing of cider donuts at the jaws of competitive eater Joey Chestnut followed Hudson Valley’s strong two-way performance. The Cider Donuts that took the field the rest of the series met a similar fate in BlueClaws.

Donut Holes - Hudson Valley clung to



a one-run lead in the first of an eight-inning series opener on July 30, but were held to zeroes the rest of the way. Jersey Shore would prevail with a 2-1 win, holding Hudson Valley scoreless until the sec-



Shortstop Jackson Lovich, left, had a strong hitting performance last week and Gabriel Lara, above, notched his first RBI for the Renegades.

-Photos by Dave Janosz

ond inning of Game 2. Hudson Valley took a 4-2 lead into the ninth inning, but a four-run winning inning was in store for Jersey Shore. Robbie Burnett, Jackson Lovich and Diomedes Hernandez had an

RBI in the 6-4 loss. Hudson Valley did not score a run after the fourth inning of the seven-inning nightcap.

Roderick Arias, Lovich and Enmanuel Tejeda had Hudson Valley’s three hits to start the series’ second doubleheader. Hudson Valley put a donut on the scoreboard for the 2-0 loss. Unfortunately for Renegades starter Luis Serna, Jersey Shore opted for the twist in Game 2. Eight runs in the first inning stood as the difference in the 14-6 clobbering for Jersey Shore’s fourth win of the season. Robbie Burnett sprinkled a rare Jersey Shore mistake over the fence in his three-RBI, 2-for-4 night. The finale came and went uneventfully for the Cider Donuts in their last-ever appearance. Newcomer Gabriel Lara notched his first High-A RBI with a sacrifice fly. West and Willy Montero each added an RBI in the 10-4 loss.

Hudson Valley goes next to Greenville, hoping to right the rocky stretch since the All-Star Break. The Drive enter the series with eight wins in the last 10 games, including a seven-game win streak to start their week as Hudson Valley’s hosts. There may be hope yet for the sub-.500 Renegades; Greenville is 6-9 against teams with a losing record in the second half!

HVCU Charitable Foundation awards \$550,000 in grants to non-profits across the Hudson Valley

Hudson Valley Credit Union (HVCU) has announced that the HVCU Charitable Foundation recently awarded \$550,000 in grants to 80 nonprofits across its 13-county footprint, helping to expand access to essential resources in four key categories of need – education, food, health and housing. A total of \$383,900 was distributed to 50 Mid-Hudson Valley-based organizations, reinforcing the credit union’s impact on the region and the people who call it home.

The Foundation’s Grant Review Committee used a data-informed approach to ensure grantees would address significant community needs and deliver measurable outcomes. Recognized for an ability to tackle immediate challenges and create pathways for long-term stability, the Foundation’s Mid-Hudson Valley grant recipients were: Anderson Center for Autism, Bridge Arts and Education, Children’s Home of Poughkeepsie, Coalition of Forward Facing Ellenville, Community Matters 2, Inc., Cornell Cooperative Extension Orange County, Dutchess Community College Foundation, Dutchess Outreach, Family Outreach Food Pantry, Fareground Community Kitchen, Goshen Historic Track, Guardian Revival, Humane Society of Walden, Hurley Library, Kingston Land Trust, Kingston Midtown Arts District , Jewish Family Service of Orange County, Land to Learn, Mid-Hudson Energy Transition, Mid-Hudson Works, Mid-Hudson Discovery Museum, Museum Village at Old Smiths Clove, New Windsor Ambulance, Newburgh Urban Farm and Food, Inc., Nubian Directions II, Inc., Philipstown Depot Theatre, Poughkeepsie Farm Project, Putnam County Housing Corporation, Reading & Math, Inc DBA Ampact, Rebuilding Together Hudson Valley, Red

Hook Community Center, Safe Harbors of the Hudson, Seasoned Gives, Second Chance Foods, Sparrow’s Nest, St. Luke’s Cornwall Health System Foundation, Stony Kill Foundation, The Ashokan Center, The Cathedral at the House, The Lee A. Archer Jr. Red Tail Youth Flying Program, The Roy Community Foundation, The Susie Reizod Foundation, Town of Newburgh EMS, Ulster County Habitat for Humanity, United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region, Unshattered, Victory Hill Therapeutic Horsemanship , Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Woodstock Day School, Woodstock Farm Festival.

“Each one of this year’s grantees is making a meaningful impact on the population it serves,” said Desiree Wolfe, president and board chair of the Foundation and executive vice president, chief experience officer at HVCU. “The funding we are providing will support these programs as they address immediate challenges and create pathways for long-term stability within the state.”

As a 501(c)(3) organization, the HVCU Charitable Foundation supports nonprofits that help to enhance the quality of life and foster financial freedom across HVCU’s service areas. Since its inception in 2024, the Foundation has built a \$10 million endowment, ensuring it can sustainably support organizations addressing the state's most pressing needs. To date, it has invested more than \$1.1 million into communities, reaching more than a million individuals and families.

“We established the Foundation because we recognize that financial health is influenced by more than access to financial products and services,” said Jonathan Roberts, Foundation board



Pictured from left - front row, are Desiree Wolfe, HVCU Charitable Foundation president and board chair and HVCU executive vice president and chief experience officer; Ashley Riker, HVCU Charitable Foundation board secretary and HVCU vice president, culture and employee engagement officer; Amy Jakobeit, HVCU Charitable Foundation board director and HVCU executive vice president, chief of member operations; and Wesley Lee, HVCU Charitable Foundation board director. In back are Robert Brown, HVCU Charitable Foundation board treasurer and HVCU senior vice president, head of retail network; Jonathan Roberts, HVCU Charitable Foundation board director and HVCU president and CEO; and Jay Pantaleo, HVCU Charitable Foundation board director and HVCU board director.

-Courtesy photo

member and president and CEO of HVCU. “When people struggle to meet basic needs, achieving financial stability becomes increasingly difficult. Through the Foundation, we can support organiza-

tions working to remove those barriers and play a role in building a stronger foundation for communities.” To learn more about the Foundation, visit [hvcu.org/ Foundation](http://hvcu.org/Foundation).

Glenham Fire Dept. holds annual Junior Firefighter Summer Fire Academy

The Glenham Fire Department held its 4th annual Junior Firefighter Summer Fire Academy with 49 students in attendance. They held two sessions for rising 3rd graders - 6th graders and for rising 7th - 10th graders. There was no cost associated with the summer academy. The sessions were from July 20th to July 25th. Graduation ceremonies took place on July 25th.

Participants were allowed to ride throughout the district with multiple apparatus. This happened because of the volunteers from the Glenham Fire Department, Protection Engine Co. Number 1 and Castle Point VA. Some of the activities that the students were taught were search and rescue first aid, to crawl on the ground following the hose until they came out to the end of it, CPR, and learning about every tool on each rig and what they would use to breach in a wall, using the smoke machine and running the hose up a flight of stairs.

Students marched in a parade, were awarded certificates of accomplishment and cake and cookies. This would never have happened if they didn't have people like ex-chief Bob Dross and Firefighter



Kayleigh Marron and the many volunteers that helped from the Glenham Fire Department, Pleasant Valley Fire Department, Arlington Fire Department, Fairview Fire Department and Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corp. The Glenham Fire Department is looking for all to return next year for another year of learning so the students can have a fire in them to start.

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Rolison honors Vietnam Veteran Nathan ‘Nate’ Grant during Veterans Hall of Fame celebration

New York State Senator Rob Rolison recently honored Vietnam veteran SPC Nathan “Nate” Grant during a special in-district celebration recognizing his induction into the New York State Senate Veterans Hall of Fame. The event brought together Grant’s wife, daughters, friends, fellow veterans, and members of the Poughkeepsie High School Junior ROTC to celebrate a lifetime of military service and community leadership.

Earlier this year, Senator Rolison selected Grant as the 39th Senate District’s 2026 Veterans Hall of Fame inductee and formally recognized him during the statewide ceremony in Albany. Saturday’s hometown celebration gave members of the Hudson Valley community an opportunity to honor one of their own.

Born in Virginia and raised in rural North Carolina as the youngest of 12 children, Grant grew up in a family where military service was a way of life. Three of his older brothers had already been drafted before he received his own draft notice in 1965 during the height of the Vietnam War. After completing basic training in South Carolina and Advanced Infantry Training at Fort Riley, Kansas, Grant deployed to Vietnam in late 1966.

Stationed at Camp Bearcat, Grant served as a Tunnel Rat—one of the most dangerous and demanding assignments of the Vietnam War. Tunnel Rats volunteered to enter narrow, underground tunnel systems used by enemy forces to uncover hidden weapons caches, gather intelligence, and confront enemy combatants in confined spaces with little room to

maneuver. The role required extraordinary courage, composure, and selflessness, as soldiers often entered the tunnels armed with little more than a flashlight and a sidearm.

While Grant’s military service alone earned the admiration of those in attendance, speakers throughout the ceremony reflected on the decades of service that followed his return home.

After settling in the Hudson Valley, Grant dedicated himself to ensuring fellow veterans never stood alone. A Life Member of VFW Post 170 and Commander and Life Member of American Legion Lafayette Post 37 in Poughkeepsie, he has spent years organizing food distributions, holiday drives, the post’s weekly Burger Burn fundraisers, maintaining the Hero Garden memorial, and participating in Wreaths Across America programs that teach younger generations about the sacrifices of America’s veterans.

Known throughout the region as “Nate the Great,” Grant has become a mentor, advocate, and friend to countless veterans and community members. His unwavering commitment has earned him numerous recognitions, including being named WPDH’s “Vet Who Rocks” and receiving Weekend for Warriors’ 2025 honor for his continued dedication to veterans and the Hudson Valley community. During Saturday’s ceremony, he was also recognized by Congressman Pat Ryan, a fellow Army veteran, and Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino, who joined Senator Rolison in celebrating his extraordinary lifetime of service.



State Senator Rob Rolison honors Vietnam veteran SPC Nathan Grant during the NYS Senate Hall of Fame celebration.

-Photo courtesy Senator Rolison’s Office

Reflecting on the significance of the day, Senator Rolison noted that while Nate Grant’s service in Vietnam exemplified remarkable bravery, it is his decades of continued service at home that have defined his legacy. Through his leadership, mentorship, and tireless advocacy, Grant has strengthened the lives of veterans and enriched the Hudson Valley community for generations.

The recent celebration served not only as a recognition of Grant’s military accomplishments, but also as a tribute to a lifetime spent answering the call to serve others—a commitment that continues to inspire everyone who knows him.

County election officials issued subpoenas by County Comptroller; commissioners respond

Staff and county reports

Dutchess County Comptroller Dan Aymar-Blair has issued subpoenas to the Dutchess County Commissioners of Elections, Erik Haight and Lisa Jessup, as well as select employees, in order to obtain documents and conduct interviews central to an audit of the Board of Elections’ (“BOE”) election worker payroll process. Aymar-Blair said the subpoenas may be the first ever issued by the Dutchess County Comptroller’s Office and reflect the unprecedented circumstance of County Commissioners refusing to cooperate with an audit. He said the subpoenas were issued as a last resort after the Commissioners refused to provide the requested documentation or agree to attend an entrance meeting for nearly three months prior to this conclusion.

On April 24, Aymar-Blair first notified the Dutchess County BOE that their election worker payroll process would be the subject of an audit, it was stated in a press release. On April 29, the BOE objected to the proposed audit plan, arguing that the Comptroller did not have the authority to conduct it.

After further attempts and rebuttals, on June 16, the Comptroller advised the BOE of their legal obligation to produce the requested documentation necessary for the Comptroller’s Office to perform the full scope of their audit, with a deadline of June 30. The Comptroller stated that further failure to comply and provide the documents by the provided date would result in a formal demand by way of a subpoena, pursuant to Dutchess County Administrative Code Article XXXII, Section 32.05.

On July 2, the Comptroller’s outside counsel, retained exclusively to help obtain the cooperation of the Commissioners, gave them five more business days (until Friday, July 10) to comply and offered to confer with the Commissioners and/or their counsel. The Commissioners thereafter retained legal counsel to represent them in this matter, and counsel for the Comptroller corresponded with the Commissioner’s coun-

sel. Upon conferring with the Commissioner’s counsel to resolve this matter, the Commissioners maintained their refusal to comply with the Comptroller’s audit plan.

Commissioner Erik J. Haight stated via email last week to Northern and Southern Dutchess News, “We’ve tried our very best to educate the locally elected Dutchess County Comptroller that the operations of the Dutchess County Board of Elections (DCBOE) are outside of his purview. Based on common sense and on advice from personnel at the State Board, it is improper for a local elected official to review and ultimately attempt to dictate the policies and procedures of an autonomous BOE when we are mandated to administer the very election that puts him in office.”

Commissioner Lisa Jessup commented in that email to Northern and Southern Dutchess News from Haight, “It’s unfortunate that the Comptroller is spending time and money subpoenaing records already in his possession. The BOE cooperates with the Comptroller after every election to review money spent to compensate Election Day workers and we will continue to do so. Not a single check is issued to anyone without the Comptroller’s close examination of payroll and approval. This legal maneuver is confusing and unnecessary.”

Commissioner Haight said, “During my tenure, the IRS and the State Board have audited our office because the law permits those agencies to do so. This local comptroller clearly does not enjoy the same authority, so sadly we will have to spend significant dollars to protect the integrity of the BOE(s) from an overzealous auditor that has drifted out of his lane. In short, he can count pennies, not conduct a performance review under the guise of a financial audit. That responsibility rests solely with the State Board.”

Commissioner Jessup concluded by saying, “Despite our attempts to resolve this issue and avoid litigation, it may be up to a judge to rule on the limits of the Comptroller’s purview over the opera-

tions of the Board of Elections. This can happen when parties disagree, but I am dismayed to see that the Comptroller is seeking to discredit the Board of Elections in the media, especially in the current political climate where we have almost daily assaults on the credibility of our elections coming out of the Oval Office.”

Aymar-Blair’s release said that after three months, the BOE has still failed to present the Comptroller or the Comptroller’s Attorney with any applicable legal argument justifying their non-cooperation, resulting in a failure to fulfill their legal obligation as an auditable entity operating with taxpayer funds, according to the Comptroller’s office. He added that under New York County Law Section 577, Dutchess County Administrative Code Article XX Section 20.02(a)-(e), the Comptroller has the authority to request documents related to expenditures of County funds as was requested. It stated

further that the assertion on the part of both Commissioners that the Comptroller is seeking operational information, and therefore exceeding the scope of the Comptroller’s authority, is belied by the above quoted legal authority and the fact that the Comptroller’s Office has performed similar audits in 2008, 2010, 2011, and 2020. Accordingly, subpoenas were issued as the Commissioners advised through counsel that they would not comply.

“It is not the preference of the Comptroller’s Office to obtain audit materials under threat of subpoena,” said Aymar-Blair. “We provided the BOE with ample time to comply and offered to adapt the plan around their busy calendar. As I have always said, we audit County departments and partners to offer recommendations for making government financial operations more efficient, a high priority for County taxpayers.”

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Obituaries

Glenn R. Scofield, Sr.



Glenn R. Scofield, Sr., a lifelong and deeply cherished resident of Fishkill, NY, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 1, 2026, at Westchester Medical Center at the age of 84.

Born on August 20, 1941, to the late Frank and Margaret (Inness) Scofield, Glenn’s roots ran exceptionally deep in the town he loved. He held the rare distinction of spending his entire life residing in the very same home where he was born, serving as a steadfast anchor for his family and community for over eight decades.

Glenn devoted his life to public service across law enforcement, fire protection, and local government.

Demonstrating an extraordinary commitment to the Town of Fishkill, Glenn spent 62 years with the Town of Fishkill Highway Department, including 54 years as its Superintendent retiring in 2023. His distinguished career also included roles as a Dutchess County Deputy Sheriff, a former Sergeant with the Village of Fishkill Police Department, and Ex-Chief of the Fishkill Fire Department Protection Engine Co. #1. His unwavering commitment to the fire service earned him profound respect throughout the region, along with honorary memberships in numerous fire companies, including Rombout, Slater Chemical, Dutchess Junction, Wiccopee, and Thomaston, CT. Beyond emergency services, Glenn was a Past President of the Dutchess County Association of Highway Superintendents and held an Honorary Life Membership with the NYS Association of Town Superintendents of Highways.

When he was not serving the public, Glenn embraced life outdoors. He found great joy playing in the men’s over-35 softball league for Cervone’s Autobody and Protection Engine Co. #1, spending mornings on the golf course, and camping with family and friends.

Surviving at home is Glenn’s beloved wife Isabel McDonough Scofield, with whom he spent 32 happy years. In addition to his devoted wife, Glenn’s legacy lives on through his children and their spouses, Glenn Scofield, Jr. and his wife Stacy of Fishkill, Keith Scofield and his wife Kathleen of Chapin, SC, Dean Scofield of Fishkill, and Ryann Bruno of Fishkill, as well as his stepdaughter, Michele Berlingieri. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Sean, Collin, Wyatt, Piper, Kiernan, and Gavin; step-grandchildren, Marissa, Sara, Jenna, Katie, and Joe; step-great-grandchildren, Braylin, E.J., Garcia, and Amilia; his brother, Kenneth Scofield; and several loving nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Frank “Bud” Scofield, and stepson, Joseph McDonough.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, August 7, 2026, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM, with a Firematic Service at 7:00 PM at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, Inc., 1089 Main Street, Fishkill, NY. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered on Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 10 am at St. Mary, Mother of the Church, 106 Jackson Street, Fishkill, NY, followed immediately by interment at Fishkill Rural Cemetery, 801 US-9, Fishkill, NY.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial donations be made in Glenn’s honor to Protection Engine Co. #1, Village of Fishkill Fire Department, 1132 Main Street, Fishkill, NY 12524, or to the DC 10-13 Foundation of the Hudson Valley, P.O. Box 352, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533.

Deborah Anne Consiglio



The family of Deborah Anne Sylvester (nee Consiglio), 61, is saddened to announce her sudden transition to heaven on July 27, 2026. Debbie was born on July 30, 1964, to Elizabeth (Day) and Louis Consiglio. Debbie earned a Bachelor’s Degree in chemical engineering from Marist College and was proud to work as a chemical engineer at IBM, where she was employed for more than 30 years. Debbie was compassionate and selfless, strong and sharp. Debbie had a remarkable ability to form friendships with everyone, regardless of their circumstance. She never met a stranger. Debbie cherished live music, the garlic festival, camping, hiking, and time

spent around a fire with loved ones. She lived in a world of fairy dreams, wizards, hobbits, fantasy and was an avid stargazer. In addition to her parents, Deborah was preceded in death by her brothers, Mark and Kevin. She was survived by her daughter Amber Monroe (Kevin), grandchildren Angelo and Lorenzo, brother Ronald, partner Paul, her beloved dog Buddy, and many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

Her Family will gather with Friends on Sunday, August 2, 2026 from 4-8 PM at the DELEHANTY FUNERAL HOME, 64 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, New York. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered 10:00 AM on Monday, August 3rd at St. Mary’s Church, 11 Clinton Street, Wappingers Falls, followed by entombment at St. Peter’s Cemetery Mausoleum, 171 Salt Point Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY.

In lieu of flowers, her family wishes for memorial donations may be made to the Environment America Research and Policy Center Inc: <https://environmentamerica.org/center/take-action/donate-today/> To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.DelehantyFuneral.com.

Roy E. Jorgensen



Roy E. Jorgensen, 86, an area resident since 1973 and formerly of Brooklyn, died peacefully on July 28, 2026 at his home.

Born in Brooklyn on August 4, 1939, he was the son of the late Einar and Alfield (Toftner) Jorgensen. Roy proudly served our country in the US Air Force and was employed as a teacher with the Wappingers Central School District at Brinckerhoff Elementary School.

Roy was a member of the East Fishkill Historical Society and was the past president of the Fishkill Historical Society.

On March 17, 1973 in Brooklyn, Roy married Rita McCann who predeceased him on September 2, 2021. He was also predeceased by his son, Frantz

Jorgensen in 1979; and his brother, Eric Jorgensen. He is survived by his nieces and nephews, Terje Torp, Joyce (Pete) Power, Thomas (Ronald Harris) Meade, Theresa (Hugh) McGrane, Mary (Thomas) King, Stephen Meade, Catherine (Joe) Sullivan, Patricia (Mike) Salvato, Michael (Denine) Meade; and William (Kathleen) Meade; many great nieces and nephews and some very special friends.

Services will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to the East Fishkill Historical Society, PO Box 245, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 or the Fishkill Historical Society, PO Box 133, Fishkill, NY 12524.

Sheriff’s Office warns of scams

The Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office would like to take this opportunity to warn the residents of Dutchess County and surrounding areas about scams that once again seem to be on the rise.

Scams are ways in which criminals will attempt to get money from people by contacting them and making up elaborate stories. In some cases the perpetrators have tried, sometimes successfully, to use the victim’s emotions about a loved one in trouble to get money. It’s common for the perpetrators of these scams to try to get money by telling people that one of their relatives has been seriously hurt or is in jail, and that they need money right away. In many cases they will pose as a law enforcement official or another relative to try and convince the victim that it’s legitimate.

The latest scam involves the perpetrators posing as law enforcement, in which they contact the victim and identify themselves as “Captain Watson” from the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office. They then go on to tell the victim that there’s a warrant for their arrest, which can be satisfied if the victim purchases Walmart gift cards.

The Sheriff’s Office offers the following general tips to help people avoid these scams:

- If you’re contacted by someone you don’t know asking for money, for any reason, it’s very likely a scam.
- If you receive correspondence from someone that you don’t know and they instruct you to keep the matter confidential and not tell anyone about it, it’s most likely a scam.
- Emails or text messages that contain misspelled words, grammatical errors, don’t make sense, or are sent at odd hours - for example the middle of the night - are most likely scams.
- Legitimate law enforcement would not attempt to satisfy a warrant or make promises to avoid prosecution by soliciting money or gift cards. Law enforcement also does not contact people about jury duty.
- If you receive an email or text about an order you didn’t place or asking you to send money call the company using a legitimate number. DO NOT follow the instructions in the email, click on any links in the email, or call the number provided in the email.
- If someone you don’t know asks you

to purchase merchandise, transfer money, provide bank information, provide remote computer access, enter a code, or click on a link given to you by them use caution as it is likely a scam.

- Do not meet up with someone that you don’t know; if you’re asked to do this it is surely a scam, and it is very dangerous as well.

- If someone calls you and tells you that a relative has been hurt or is in jail, confirm it first before sending any money. Call other relatives or a legitimate law enforcement agency for confirmation before any money is sent. If they’re posing as a relative, try and contact that relative for confirmation.

- Sending money overseas is especially risky; use extreme caution.

- Ask the person for their call back number and ask to speak to their supervisor to confirm the info; if it’s a scam they will most likely hang up at this point and the number they give you will be bogus.

- If a loved one has recently passed away be wary; in some cases perpetrators have even preyed on victims by searching through the obituaries and calling surviving loved ones. If you get calls from people you don’t know soon after someone passes away, be careful and confirm it before you send any money.

- In some cases someone will call and tell the victim that they’ve won money, but to “process the claim” they need to first send money. Beware this is most definitely a scam and don’t send any money - you should never have to pay money to claim a prize. If it seems too good to be true, it most likely is.

- If there’s any doubt about a phone call/email/letter you’ve received contact the Sheriff’s Office before sending any money.

- Scams tend to increase during the holiday season, so be especially alert for them during those times.

It is very important not to send any money to anyone that you don’t know until you’ve confirmed the situation through an independent source and feel comfortable with it. If it’s a scam once the money is sent it’s very difficult, and most times impossible, to get it back. If anyone thinks they may have been the victim of a scam they are encouraged to contact the Sheriff’s Office at 845-486-3800 or via the tipline at 845-605-CLUE or dcsotips@gmail.com.

Transportation Council expected to act on ‘Moving Dutchess Forward’ 25-year plan meeting on Aug. 6

The Dutchess County Transportation Council (DCTC) will host a public meeting on Thursday, August 6, at 1:30 p.m. at the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home, 4079 Albany Post Rd (Route 9) in Hyde Park. At the meeting, the DCTC is expected to act on its latest

update to “Moving Dutchess Forward,” its 25-year plan to make the County’s transportation system safer and more reliable. “Moving Dutchess Forward” looks at the ways people and goods move about the County, evaluates future trends, assesses transportation barriers, and recommends

actions and investments to create a safer, more reliable transportation system for all residents and visitors. It includes a financial plan with anticipated federal funding that supports a set of investment priorities that address broad state of good repair goals for our system (e.g., maintaining road and

bridges, reducing crashes and congestion, maintaining transit services, etc.). It also includes a short list of more transformative, unfunded illustrative projects.

More information is available at dutchessny.gov/dctc, or by emailing dctc@dutchessny.gov or calling 845-486-3600.

that’s italian!

by luigi coppola



School uniforms

Embarrassment in the Husky section of M. Schwartz.

Growing up with two foreign parents was like living in a sitcom written by people who didn’t know it was supposed to be a sitcom. Other kids got Star Wars action figures; I got socks thick enough to stop a bullet. Other kids got grilled cheese; I got Rigatoni Bolognese that could feed a small village. And shopping with my mother? That wasn’t shopping. That was a military operation with yelling.

One year, Mom announced it was time to get our parochial school uniforms: blue pants, white shirts, and the tie that felt like it was woven from recycled sandpaper and Catholic guilt. My little brother Vinny was 3 or 4, I was 7 or 8, and together we were a two-man circus act of fidgeting, poking, slapping, whining and general chaos. We couldn’t stand still for more than three seconds without starting a small war.

We headed to M. Schwartz on the Main Mall in Poughkeepsie, which for kids was basically Times Square meets Willy Wonka’s factory. There were fountains you could throw pennies into, giant stores with escalators that felt like amusement park rides, and – best of all – our uncle’s restaurant next door, where we might score a soda if we didn’t get ourselves banned from the mall first.

Into Schwartz we marched: Mom in front like a general, Vinny and I behind her like two malfunctioning shopping carts with one bad wheel each. Through the jewelry, past the furs, around the fake plants, up the glass staircase – Vinny and I elbowing each other the whole way, whisper-fighting in that “I’m not touching you” tone that drives parents insane.

Then came the moment of doom: the children’s department.

Two sections: Normal Kids and Husky Kids

Guess where we went.

I’m not saying we were fat. I’m just saying our legs were still in negotiations with the rest of our bodies. The Husky section was for

boys too big for kid clothes but too small for adult clothes, and everything was designed for tall Husky kids, which we were not. So the crotch always hung somewhere around mid-thigh, and the pants could double as emergency tents.

Mom started holding up blue uniform pants to us, barking orders in Italian like she was directing airport traffic. Vinny and I were swatting at each other, stepping on each other’s feet, and getting smacked in return. She kept going up in sizes like she was bidding at an auction.

Finally, she picked a pair for each of us. Then came the humiliation.

The fitting rooms were across the store, and Mom was in a hurry. So naturally, she told us to try on the pants right there in the aisle. In the Husky section. In front of strangers. In front of other children who would definitely tell their friends.

We protested. She ignored us. We fought. She ignored us harder.

Off came our pants. On went the new ones. There we stood – two Husky boys in our underwear, fidgeting, fighting, whining and getting yelled at in Italian while Mom poked, prodded, tugged and made us bend over to “check the seams.” Other shoppers walked by pretending not to stare, which somehow made it worse. We were the Husky Exhibit.

Once Mom was satisfied that the pants fit “well enough,” we had to go see the tailor downstairs. Logic would suggest we could change back into our normal clothes. Logic, however, was not Italian.

So down the glass stairs we went, still wearing our too-long blue uniform pants, stiff white shirts and parochial school ties, shuffling in our stocking feet because the pants were dragging behind us like denim wedding trains. Vinny and I were still fighting, of course – because why stop now? We were committed to the bit.

The tailor was an old Italian man who

appeared out of thin air holding chalk like a magician. He spoke no English but plenty of Italian, and the only word I clearly remember him saying was “Husky,” which he repeated with the enthusiasm of someone announcing a lottery winner. He marked us up like two blueprints, muttering in rapid-fire Italian while Vinny and I fidgeted like we were being attacked by invisible bees.

Finally, he let us change back into our clothes. Mom paid for our uniforms, and we were released from captivity.

We went next door for our soda, where Vinny and I consoled each other over Uptown cola—still fidgeting, still fighting, still shooting spitballs like two tiny mobsters settling a score. Mom chatted with our uncle, and when she was done, she told us it was time to go home.

That night she made Baked Spaghetti. I guess that’s why we were shopping in the Husky section

Baked Spaghetti

Ingredients

1 pound dried spaghetti
2 tablespoons unsalted butter
1 pound mild or spicy Italian sausage, casings removed
1 medium yellow onion, diced (about 1½ cups)
1 cup thinly sliced sun-dried tomatoes (around 3 ounces)
3 cloves garlic, minced
1½ teaspoons kosher salt, plus extra for salting the pasta water
1 teaspoon dried Italian seasoning
¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
4 cups whole or 2% milk
5 ounces baby spinach (roughly 5 packed cups)
3 ounces shredded low-moisture mozzarella (about ¾ cup)

Directions

Heat your oven to 375°F. Bring a big pot of well-salted water to a boil over medium-

high heat.

Drop in 1 pound of spaghetti and cook it until it’s just shy of al dente – about a minute less than what the box says. While it cooks, start building the sauce.

Melt 2 tablespoons of butter in a deep skillet over medium-high heat. Add 1 pound of Italian sausage (casings removed) and break it apart with a wooden spoon. Cook until it’s no longer pink, about 5–7 minutes.

Stir in the diced onion, sun-dried tomatoes, garlic, 1½ teaspoons salt, 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning, and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Let everything cook together until the onion softens – roughly 4 minutes.

Sprinkle 3 tablespoons of flour over the mixture and stir constantly for a minute to cook off the raw flour taste. Slowly pour in 4 cups of milk, whisking as you go. Bring it to a gentle boil, then lower the heat and let it simmer until slightly thickened, about 5 minutes. Add the spinach in handfuls, stirring until it wilts.

Drain the spaghetti and return it to its pot. Pour the sauce over it and toss until everything is coated. Taste and adjust the seasoning if needed.

Transfer the pasta to a 9×9-inch (at least 2 inches deep) or 9×13-inch baking dish. Spread it out evenly and top with the shredded mozzarella.

Bake until the edges are bubbling and the cheese is melted – about 18–20 minutes. Let it rest for 5 minutes before cutting it into squares, lasagna-style. Add fresh parsley.

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.

Events set for August in the Poughkeepsie Public Library District

The Poughkeepsie Public Library District announces the following events for August.

Indoor Plant Swap
Wednesday, August 5, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Adriance Memorial Library
No registration required.

Concert: Hudson Valley Bluegrass
Saturday, August 8, 2:30 p.m.
Boardman Road Branch Library
No registration required

Garden Enthusiasts Meet Up
Tuesday, August 11, 6 p.m.
Boardman Road Branch Library
No registration required.

Open Mic @ Adriance Library
Wednesday, August 12, 7 p.m.
Adriance Memorial Library
No registration required.

Strategy Board Game Night
Thursday, August 13, 5 p.m.
Boardman Road Branch Library
No registration required.

Medicare 101 / Navigating the Medicare Website
Tuesday, August 18, 3 p.m.
Boardman Road Branch Library
Registration required.

Handy Chatter - American Sign Language Monthly Meetup
Tuesday, August 18, 6:30 p.m.
Adriance Memorial Library
No registration required.

Fala D. Roosevelt: Presidential Pooch
Tuesday, August 18, 7 p.m.
Virtual. Registration required.

Concert: Kevin Sherwin presents The Gilded Age Guitar
Thursday, August 20, 6:30 p.m.
Boardman Road Branch Library
No registration required.

A Virtual Trip to 19th Century Main Street pt. 2
Wednesday, August 26, 6 p.m.
Boardman Road Branch Library
Registration required.

Summer Reading Challenge ends Friday, August 14. Get your logs, reading trackers, and Bingo sheets in for a chance to win a prize!

The Adriance Memorial Library is at 93 Market Street in Poughkeepsie. The Board Road Branch is at 141 Boardman Rd.

For more information, call 845-485-3445.

HUDSON VALLEY NATURALIST

by Francine Wizner



Divine fillers: A budget-bloom’s backstory



Bouquet of Roses and Baby’s Breath.

It might be carried as an accessory, given as a gift or used as home décor. Its beauty, capable of so many messages, could say love, gratitude, hope or peace. Birthdays, holidays, receptions for work or family—it doesn’t matter if the milestone is sorrowful or joyous—most likely there will be at least one flower bouquet to mark the occasion. Do you notice the component flowers?

Roses are a global bestseller. In a variety of colors, they are used for romance, celebration and comfort. By occasion, and as seasonally available, lilies, tulips, peonies and sunflowers are valued for their volume and presentation. But, for

budget-friendly versatility, carnations are the ultimate bloom.

Scientifically known as *Dianthus caryophyllus*, the carnation is uniquely structured to survive transport and handling where more delicate blooms fail. While highly responsive to the natural aging signal ethylene, modern post-harvest conditioning allows the hardy carnation to resist premature withering. This managed resilience gives its petals an incredible three-week lifespan and a rigid structure that easily withstands being packed tightly into arrangements. Florists rely on this durability to create a dense, cloud-like cushion within a bouquet,



Deptford Pink-Wild *Dianthus*.



Cultivated garden red *dianthus*.



Cultivated garden purple *dianthus*.
-Courtesy photos



Bouquet of Roses, Carnations and Baby’s Breath.

using the carnation’s natural ruffles to support heavier stems and act as fillers for empty spaces at a fraction of the cost.

Pink family
The Caryophyllaceae family, commonly known as “Pinks” (because of its most famous members, the *Dianthus* genus), includes several filler and volume flowers used in the floral industry. Those include Baby’s Breath (*Gypsophila*) as well as Carnations and Mini Carnations.

Flowers of the *Dianthus* genus typically have five petals with a frilled margin. The verb “to pink” means “to decorate with a perforated pattern”; pinking shears are scissors that create a zigzag edge on cloth, which discourages fraying. The color “pink” got its name from the flower, not the other way around.

The name *Dianthus* is a compound of the Greek words *Dios* (divine) and *anthos* (flower). The blooms were woven into ceremonial crowns and garlands worn during festivals, athletic victories and temple offerings in the Hellenistic World. In fact, our word “carnation” likely traces back to the Latin word *corona*, or crown, since the Greeks used these “divine flowers” to crown their heroes and deities.

Botanical quirk
The name Caryophyllaceae also originates from the ancient Greeks, who combined *karyon* (nut) and *phylon* (leaf) to describe spice cloves. Centuries later, European botanists noticed that wild carnations—the ancestors of the ones we buy today—smelled like cloves. (They were, in fact, called Clove Pinks.)

Rather than devising a novel term, they adopted *Caryophyllus* as the official genus name for the flower. The standard suffix *-aceae* was added for the broader plant family. In 1753, when botanist Carl Linnaeus modernized the biological naming system to eliminate confusion, he replaced the genus name, *Caryophyllus*, with *Dianthus*. But the broader family name, with its eponym an unrelated spice, remained unchanged. It has remained a lasting botanical quirk!

The Garden Pinks that have a warm, spicy aroma do so because of organic chemistry, not due to any familial relationship with cloves. *Dianthus* flowers—especially traditional varieties like the Clove Pink (*Dianthus caryophyllus*)—naturally produce a chemical compound called eugenol in their petals. Eugenol is the same volatile aroma-mole-

cule that makes up roughly 70% to 90% of a tropical clove tree’s essential oil. Plant some, and your garden can smell like a jar of fresh cloves!

Scent-free and sterile, but puffy
The transformation of the simple five-petaled wild *Dianthus* into a dense commercial money-maker spanned over two thousand years of human intervention. Ancient Greek and Roman societies knew it as a single-rowed, pale-pink blossom. During the Middle Ages and Renaissance, European monks and cottage gardeners noticed the striking, but rare, extra petals that resulted from natural genetic mutations.

Wanting to duplicate the voluminous look of those multi-petaled mutants, breeders saved and selectively crossed the unique flowers over generations. By the 19th and 20th centuries, French and American cultivators had created thick, ball-like ruffled carnations that dominate the global floral market today.

Selecting for extreme petal density is a trade-off between natural survival and commercial longevity. In the garden, single carnations excel because their exposed reproductive organs attract pollinators and produce abundant seeds, though their delicate petals wither quickly. But for a striking visual “pop,” double and highly double varieties are spectacular. Furthermore, they are bred to resist moisture loss and mechanical damage, granting them an exceptionally long vase life. The cost of long-lasting beauty is that their reproductive parts are ineffective or absent. They have largely lost their signature wild, clove-like fragrance, leaving them entirely dependent on human propagation via stem cuttings to survive.

If you are interested in investigating selective breeding using carnations, check out this educational product: <https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Product/Water-Movement-Artificial-Selection-Carnation-Celery-EcologyEnrichment-16968215>

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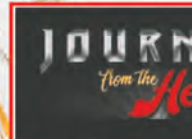
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Notice of Form. of Clove House, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/4/2026. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 20 SHORTROAD, MILLBROOK, NY 12545. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of Empire Valley Holdings LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/11/2026. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 42 TRENTON ROAD, FISHKILL, NY 12525. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Hudson Valley Great Danes LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/03/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 10 Lorene Drive, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of 237 BROADWAY VERPLANCK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/23/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 25 Kim Lane, Storyville, NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

XoXo by Laurie, LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the SSNY on 9/1/25. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: XoXo by Laurie, LLC, 16 Friendship Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Four Corners CNC &

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Millwork LLC (hereinafter the Company) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on June 12, 2026. The office of the Company is located in Dutchess County, New York. The Company has designated the Secretary of State of New York as its agent upon which process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is 29 Tamarac Road, Copake, NY 12516. The purpose of the Company shall be to conduct any lawful business or activity whatsoever, as permitted by applicable law.

Notice of Formation of MCCHEEF LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/19/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 1075 Drewville Rd., Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of RGB Enterprises Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/15/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6541 Spring Brook Ave, Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Willow Valley Counseling, PLLC Willow Valley Counseling, PLLC filed Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State (NYSDOS) on 6-11-2026. Office location: Dutchess County. NYSDOS is designated as the agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYSDOS shall mail a copy of any process to: 3700 Route 44, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: To regulate the practice of licensed clinical social work.

Notice of Formation of 6 AUTUMN LANE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/25/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Real estate

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Notice of Formation of 22-24 MAIN STREET LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/25/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Real estate holding.

Notice of Formation of Roam & Renew LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/9/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 77 North Road, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

WAPPINGERS FALLS WAREHOUSE LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 6/15/2026. Off. Loc.: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 72 Airport Drive, Unit 1-3, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590, USA. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

ROUTE 9G FRONT LLC. Filed with SSNY on 6/9/2026. Office : Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO BOX 116, RED HOOK, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Karen Cashin Hair Artistry LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/02/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 21 Prospect Street, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Formation of LIMITLESS PERSONAL FITNESS COACHING LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/29/2026. Office loc.: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The registered agent and address SSNY shall mail process to Anthony Santomassimo, 80 Gabriels Path, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Greene County notice of formation of limited liability company Notice of formation of Ms Kathy STEM LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 6-22-2026. Office of Greene County. SSNY designated as an agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Kathryn Jackson, 8 Market St, Athens, NY 12015. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NOURISH FEEDING AND SWALLOWING SPEECH THERAPY, PLLC. Articles of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 06/10/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Nourish Feeding and Swallowing Speech Therapy, PLLC, 59 Pleasant Ridge Road, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: To practice the profession of Speech-Language Pathology.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Knovellus Solutions, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/30/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 1849 South Road #1076, Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Phone: 1 (833) 566-8355. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: Dawid Mludzik Studio LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on June 4, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 23 Stoutenburgh Dr, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Americana Holiday LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/05/2026. Office:

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Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail to 782 Huntington Dr, Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of PlanChart LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/06/2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 166 Academy Street Apt C3 / Poughkeepsie NY, 12601. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Pair Water LLC. Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/25/2026. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Tyson Brazell, 484 Schultsville Road, Clinton Corners, NY 12514. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of The 9th House Collective, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York on June 30, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon the LLC to: The 9th House Collective, LLC 1849 South Road, #1074, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.

MJ REMEDIES, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with NY Sec of State (SSNY) on 06/30/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2703 Pleasant Ridge Road, Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: medical equipment and device sales and any lawful purpose.

2617 S. AVENUE LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/21/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon

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whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 5 Oak Bend Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act.

2764 W. MAIN LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/21/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 5 Oak Bend Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of Basil & Bacon LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 2, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: Shelton Lindsay, 123 Old Post Road North, Apt. B, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.

COMIC BOOKED LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/08/2026. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of 5263 Route 44, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 7/1/26. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Company, 80 State Street, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful act of activity.

Notice of Formation of Tournament Supply Company, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/6/26. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3204 Chelsea Cove S, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose:

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any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Prastos Legacy LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) under LLC Section 203 on 06/25/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of Prastos Legacy LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Prastos Legacy LLC, 111 Longview Road, Clinton Corners, NY 12514. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Sara Zeoli Hair & Co LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/30/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as an agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Sara Zeoli: 18 W Market St, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Captured By Cadence LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 12, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County, New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC to: 37 Willow Road, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.

H U D S O N RIDGE NURSE PRACTITIONER IN ADULT HEALTH, PLLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/29/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The PLLC, 31 Thistle Ln, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Nurse Practitioner in Adult Health.

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Recreation Director**

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Guitar Club to meet Aug. 15
in East Fishkill library

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

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

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

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Notice of Formation of Gruleon Capital LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 15th, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County, New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 2264 Morris Avenue 7A, Bronx, N.Y. 10453. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York. 12471096

Notice of Formation of MW Collectibles, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the NY Secretary of State (SSNY) on 4/26/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process; copies to be mailed to Michelle Peterson, 23 Cosgrove Ave., West Haverstraw, NY 10993. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Rhinebeck Equine Property Holdings, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on July 8, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC at 26 Losee Lane, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful activity.

MARPRO REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/13/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 129-131 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY 10516. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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ABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: JKM Exterior Solutions LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 15, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 26 Old Sylvan Lake Road Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

THE APOCA-LIPS LLC Filed 06/25/2026. Office Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. As agent for process & Shall mail to: 5 Mckinley Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THE FINAL BREW LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Dept. of State of NY on July 17, 2026. Office location: Dutchess Co. Principal business location: 17 Alpine Dr., Apt. H, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: Joseph Vincent Trebat III, 17 Alpine Dr., Apt. H, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Registered agent: Joseph Vincent Trebat III, 17 Alpine Dr., Apt. H, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590, designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity for which an LLC may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of NY.

Notice of Formation of Treasure Healing LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on July 2, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 1 Colonial Road #115, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.

Notice of Formation of Velo Mechanical Solutions LLC. Arts of Org. Filed with SSNY on 7/20/26. Office located in Dutchess County. SSNY Designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 9 Dunn Lane, Poughquag NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful activity.

PSJ GROUP LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 7/20/26. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 3 Spackenkill Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

35 Boyce Street, LLC Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on July 15, 2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 14 Robinson Street, Beacon, New York 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of ABMARTINO LLC Articles of Organization filed with NYS Dept. of State (SSNY) on April 29, 2026 Office location: Dutchess County SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: Entity Protect Registered Agent Services 447 Broadway 2nd FL. -

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#300, New York, NY 10013 Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose

6 WILLIAM STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/23/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 50 Mountain Lane, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

M e a d o w S h o r e Productions LLC. Arts of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/01/26. Office: Dutchess Country. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 475 Main St. Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Notice of Formation of Sensory Pop Co., LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NYS Dept. of State (SSNY) on July 24, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 23 Village Park Drive, 1B Fishkill, NY 12524. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Gray With An A LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the New York Department of State on June 24, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it is: Susan Gray, 38 Coachlight Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

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Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.

Le Dollar Beans 7 two 9 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/21/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 399 Freedom rd Pleasant Valley NY 12569. Purpose: Any lawful

HUDSON VALLEY TOOL SUPPLY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/23/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 19 Meadow Wood Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

PCA WAPPINGERS FALLS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/23/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 224 West 35th Street, Suite 500/#435, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

AW & W Holdings LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/24/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 259 White Schoolhouse Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Name: Clearpath AI,

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LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on June 26, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County, New York SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: PO Box 20105, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the New York Limited Liability Company Law.

MILLBROOK AUTO REPAIR, LLC filed 7/22/2026. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 1212 Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: Auto Repairs

JP Farm Amenia LLC. Filed with SSNY on July 22, 2026. Office: Dutchess, SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 22 Old State Route, Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: any lawful

STORMY ROSE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/13/26. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Rose Iebba, 11 Sean Drive, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: KJB Parsonage, LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 29, 2026 Office Location: Dutchess County SSNY Designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of Process to: Lindsay J. Bazos, 831 Bulls Head Rd., Rhinebeck, NY 12572

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Purpose: Any lawful act or activity

Notice of Formation of Willow Creek Signs LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NYS Dept. of State (SSNY) on July 20, 2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 9 Ridge Rd. Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of UNITED WE WATCH LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/29/26. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 40 Meadow Brook Ln., Wingdale, NY 12594. 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.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SAY SO STUDIO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/10/2026. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Catrinel Bartolomeu, 1080 Wolcott Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Woodland Mountain, LLC. AO filed with SSNY on 7/20/2026. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 15 Hawthorn Ct, Fishkill, NY 12524. Any lawful purpose.

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SUMMONS–SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS – GITSIT SOLUTIONS, LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF GV TRUST 2025-1, Plaintiff, -against- NICOLE VOLPE A/K/A NICOLE STOHR AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE DECEDENT A M E L I A T O U P O N S E ; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SOUTHERN DISTRICT); NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW, NEXT-OF-KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING, UNDER, BY OR THROUGH THE DECEDENT AMELIA T O U P O N S E , BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE, ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE C O M P L A I N T HEREIN; "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #10" inclusive, the names of the ten last name Defendants being fictitious, real names unknown to the Plaintiff, the parties intended being persons or corporations having an interest in, or tenants or persons in possession of, portions of the mortgaged premises described in the Complaint, Defendants - Index No. 2026-50987 Plaintiff Designates Dutchess County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject premises is situated in Dutchess County. To the above named Defendants– YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance upon the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the date of service or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. If you fail

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to so appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated June 30, 2026. 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 the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (GITSIT SOLUTIONS, LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF GV TRUST 2025-1) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Thomas R. Davis, J.S.C. Dated: June 30, 2026 Filed: June 30, 2026 The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 25 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Dated: February 24, 2026 Filed: February 25, 2026 Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Jordan J. Manfro, Esq., 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591 Phone: (914) 345-3020

PUBLIC HEARING PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Milan will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 17, 2026 at the Town of Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, Milan, New York 12571 at 6:55pm concerning proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2026, entitled, "Local Law Amending Town Code Section § 200-36. Short-Term Residential Rental" pursuant to Article 16 of the N.Y. Town Law and Municipal Home Rule Law § 10. This Local Law will take effect immedi-

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ately upon filing with the Secretary of State. Complete copies of the proposed Local Law are available at the Town of Milan Town Clerk's Office for inspection during regular business hours. All interested persons and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard on said proposal at the date, time and place aforesaid. By order of the Milan Town Board, Ingrid Kulick, Town Clerk

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

SUMMONS Index No.: 2025-54973 D/O/F: August 8, 2025 Mortgaged Property: 3 May Court Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 County: Dutchess SBL: 6259-02-715922 HUDSON VALLEY CREDIT UNION F/K/A HUDSON VALLEY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

-against- JARED VAN BENSCHOTEN, JAY VAN BENSCHOTEN, SARAH VAN BENSCHOTEN, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ESTATE OF DIANE VAN BENSCHOTEN AND ANY OF HER SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, "JOHN DOES" and "JANE DOES", said names being fictitious parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises, Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your Answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Plaintiff's attorneys within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the State, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other

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manner, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Dutchess County is designated as the place of trial. The basis of venue is the location of the mortgaged premises.

NOTICE: YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this Summons and Complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

The following notice is intended only for those defendants who are owners of the premises sought to be foreclosed or who are liable upon the debt for which the mortgage stands as security. PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THIS ACTION MAY BE DEEMED TO BE AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, ON BEHALF OF PLAINTIFF. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED AS A RESULT OF THIS ACTION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

HELP FOR HOME-OWNERS 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 CARE-

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FULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF.

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 VISIT THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE AT <http://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 ABOUT ANY

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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 The name of the creditor to whom the debt is owed: Hudson Valley Credit Union f/k/a Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union. Unless you dispute the validity of the debt, or any portion thereof, within thirty (30) days after receipt hereof, the debt will be assumed to be valid by the herein debt collector.

If you notify the herein debt collector in writing within thirty (30) days after your receipt hereof that the debt, or any portion thereof, is disputed, we will obtain verification of the debt or a copy of any judgment against you representing the debt and a copy of such verification or judgment will be mailed to you by the herein debt collector. Upon your written request within 30 days after receipt of this notice, the herein debt collector will provide you with the name and address of the original creditor if different from the current creditor.

Note: Your time to respond to the Summons and Complaint differs from your time to dispute the validity of the debt to request the name and address of the original creditor. Although you have as few as 20 days to respond to the Summons and Complaint, depending on the manner of service, you still have 30 days from receipt of this Summons to dispute the validity of the debt and to request the name and address of the original creditor.

TO THE DEFENDANTS, except THE ESTATE OF M. DIANE VAN BENSCHOTEN: The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action. Dated: August 25, 2025 Yours, etc. **HANDEL & CARLINI, LLP** By: /s/ Anthony C. Carlini, Jr. Anthony C. Carlini, Jr.,

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Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 1984 New Hackensack Road Poughkeepsie, New York 12603 Tel. No. (845) 454-2221 TO: Jared Van Benschoten 19 Hillcrest Court Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Jay Van Benschoten 92 Hackensack Heights Rd Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Sarah Van Benschoten 100 Mark Lane Unit P2 Waterbury, CT 06704 New York State Department of Taxation and Finance W.A. Harriman Campus Albany, NY 12227 Internal Revenue Service 1111 Constitution Avenue NW Washington, D.C. 20224 All Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Personal Representatives of M. Diane Van Benschoten and Any Successors in Right, Title and Interest

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on July 13, 2026, adopted a local law entitled: LOCAL LAW No. 5 of 2026, A LOCAL LAW ADOPTING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE CREATION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS PURSUANT TO § 421-p OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW AND EXCLUDING SHORT-TERM RENTALS

The purpose of this Local Law is to encourage the creation of accessory dwelling units for long-term residential occupancy to increase housing supply within Dutchess County by adopting the exemption authorized by § 421-p of the Real Property Tax Law for qualifying accessory dwelling unit projects, while ensuring that public tax incentives are not utilized to subsidize short-term rental activity.

A copy of the local law is available at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours. JULIE SHIROISHI Clerk Dutchess County Legislature Dated: July 31, 2026

THEME: CAMPING

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24. Egyptian falcon god
25. Put out on a curb
26. Totes or tugs
27. Orient's bigwig
28. Preface, e.g.
29. Piquant
32. * _____ bag or _____ canister
33. Rage
36. *Waterproof cover (2 words)
38. Funny
40. Large edible mushroom
41. Of low pH
44. Serve food at events
46. Restaurant staff member
48. "The _____ of Wakefield"
49. On the radio (2 words)
50. *Annoying biting fly
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54. *Good Ol' Raisins and Peanuts
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The solutions to the Sudoku, Crossword puzzle and Suguru can be found on the next page.

Tributes to Arthur F. Jones and Lynn Gross Straus during The Loeb’s summer exhibitions



Edvard Munch (Norwegian, 1863–1944), “Moonlight I-II,” 1896, color woodcut on Japanese paper, Gift of Philip and Lynn Straus, class of 1946, 1995.20.



Leo Katz, “Pegasus, 1945.” Engraving and soft-ground etching, Arthur Jones Collection.

The Loeb’s summer exhibitions, both meaningful tributes to Arthur F. Jones and Lynn Gross Straus, two individuals whose lifelong commitments to art, education, and public engagement continue to enrich the Vassar community and beyond.

“Atelier 17: Myths in Motion” is part of “The Atelier 17 Project,” a series of exhibitions and programs commemorating the centennial of one of the twentieth century’s most influential printmaking workshops. Open through August 30, 2026, the

exhibition explores the history of Atelier 17, founded by Stanley William Hayter in Paris in 1927 and renowned for its spirit of collaboration, experimentation, and technical innovation. After relocating to New York during World War II, the workshop became a gathering place for artists, including Jackson Pollock, who explored new approaches to etching and engraving. In 1946, a major Museum of Modern Art exhibition of Atelier 17 prints traveled to Vassar, establishing a historic connection

between the workshop and the campus. The “Myths in Motion” exhibition is drawn from the collection of local collector and art historian Arthur F. Jones, who passed away in 2025. The exhibition is dedicated to his memory, his passionate advocacy for the arts, and the legacy of Atelier 17.

Reflecting on the exhibition, Loeb Art Center Curator John Murphy shared, “It’s an honor to be able to show stellar examples of Atelier 17 prints by artists like Marc Chagall and Jackson Pollock as the centennial year approaches. Atelier 17 was a legendary print studio where artists pushed the boundaries of printmaking while commenting on current events, such as the Spanish Civil War and World War II. The collection was meticulously assembled by local collector and arts professional Arthur F. Jones, who sadly passed away last year. The exhibition is mounted in his honor.”

“A Living Legacy: Gifts from Lynn Gross Straus” opened June 20 and will run through September 20. The exhibition celebrates the life and generosity of Lynn Gross Straus (1925–2023), Vassar Class of 1946, a philanthropist, adventurer, avid art collector, and champion of early childhood education. In the 1960s, while working as a co-director of a preschool, Straus created an innovative pre-kindergarten curriculum that became a model for the national Head Start program. Throughout their lives, Lynn and her husband Philip supported Vassar through gifts of art, endowments, annual giving,



Lynn Gross Straus (1925–2023), Vassar class of 1946.
-Photo courtesy of the Straus family

and educational initiatives. Over more than forty years, they donated works spanning five centuries, including prints by Erich Heckel, Käthe Kollwitz, and Edvard Munch, as well as works by Lee Bontecou, Helen Frankenthaler, and Frank Stella. Their gifts were made with teaching and research in mind, ensuring that generations of students could learn directly from original works of art.

Speaking about Straus’s impact, Loeb Director Bart Thurber explained, “For years, Lynn was an active member of the Friends of Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, serving on its advisory board for nearly a decade. In honor of her fiftieth reunion in 1996, Lynn and Philip Straus endowed a curatorship for prints and drawings at the Loeb. Since then, three people have held that position. Together, they have mentored over fifty Vassar undergraduates as interns and summer fellows. We are honored to show these works and celebrate her legacy.”

Together, these exhibitions reflect the Loeb’s longstanding role as a teaching museum and underscore how individual dedication can shape cultural and educational life for generations.

On Saturday, August 29 at 2 p.m., scholar Christina Weyl, director of “The Atelier 17 Project,” will visit Vassar to present a lecture exploring the many ways Atelier 17 intersected with the major artistic, political, and social movements of its time.

On Saturday, September 19 at 2:30 p.m. in Taylor 102, the Loeb will present In Conversation: Teaching and Learning from the Straus Collection, inviting visitors to reflect on Lynn Gross Straus’s enduring contributions while taking a final look at “A Living Legacy: Gifts from Lynn Gross Straus.”

Event details coming soon. Visit vas-sar.edu/theloeb for updates.

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Suguru solution

'Drift' exhibition to feature work by 54 artists



Clarice Shirvell's "Daydrifting," 2026, acrylic painting, 24 in. x 30 in.

BAU Gallery announced artists have been selected for “Drift,” the gallery’s open-call exhibition of work selected by independent curator Ellen Hawley. The exhibition, which will be installed throughout the entire gallery, showcases the diverse practices of 54 artists. The exhibition is on view from Friday, Aug. 7 through Sunday, Sept. 6. There will be a reception on Saturday, Aug. 8 from 6-8 p.m.

BAU's annual open call is a key part of the gallery's efforts to create a space in which artists at any stage in their career can gain visibility for their work and exhibit in a well-established art venue in the Hudson Valley. The artist-run BAU Gallery opened in 2004 and was named Best Art Gallery and Best Arts Organization in the 2026 and 2025 Chronogram Readers' Choice Awards.

The “Drift” artists are: Tomoko Abe, Anne Ackerson, Ellen Alt, Julia Arstorp, David Barnett, A. Bascove, Ilene Bellovin, Allison Belolan, Carol Bouyoucos, Brandon Brown, Jennifer Burbank, Ai Sogawa Campbell, Naomi Campbell, Jeff Carpenter, Tracy Finn, Heide Follin, Donna Forma, Anne Gabriele, Carla Goldberg, Susan Hensel, Deborah Hesse, Helen Kauder, Brigid Kennedy, Jaimie Krankel, Kellie Kottmann, Linda Kourkoulis, Oxana Kovalchuk, Aimee Mower Lally, Dulce Lamarca, Rita Maas, Julie Durkin Marty, Susan Murray, Lisie S. Orjuela, Daniel Pailles-Friedman, Patricia Pardini, Alison Pasquini, Laurie Peek, Tad Philipp, Clarissa Pollack, Anna Pratt, Monique

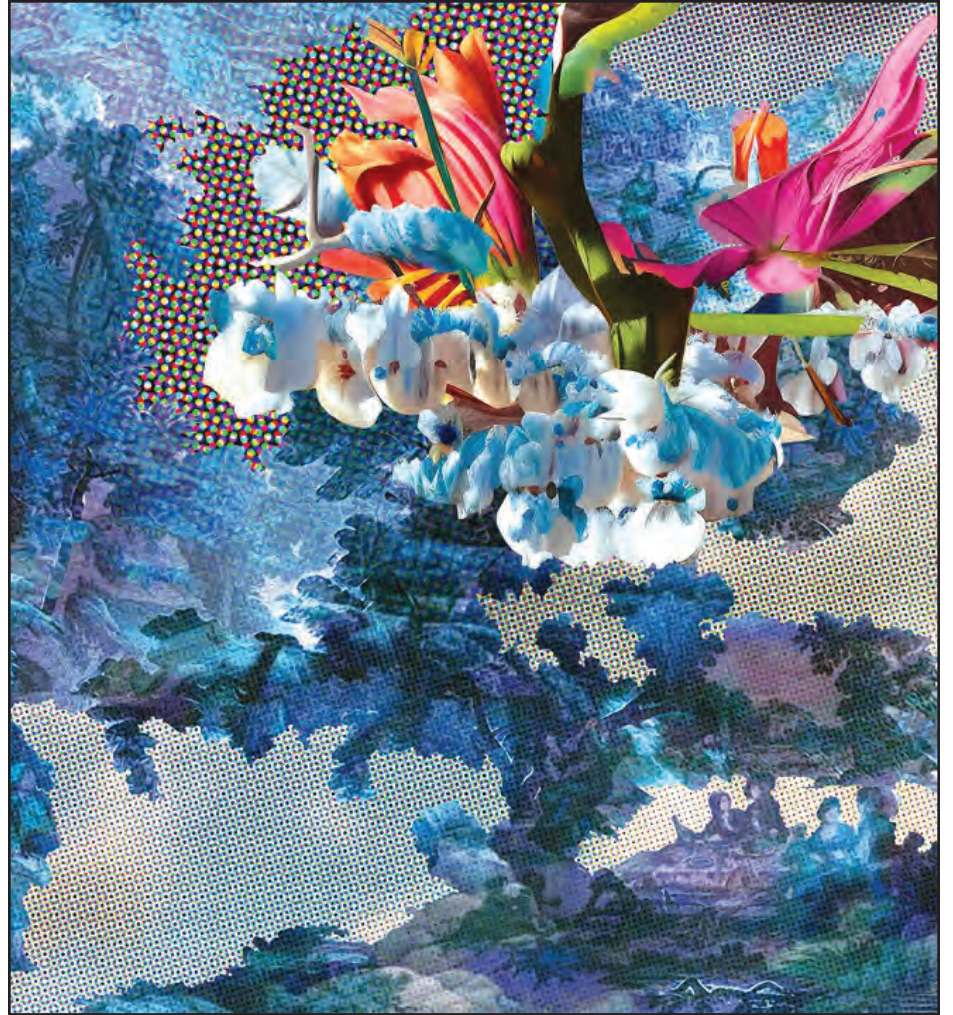
Robidoux, Catherine Caulfield Russell,
Susan Sancomb, Sarah Szczepanski,
Clarice Shirvell, Joseph Squillante,
Christopher Steiner, Rebecca Steiner,
Marc VanDermeer, Richie Vicencio,
Patricia Vinyard, Belinda Yang, Nanxi
Yang, and Tamar Zinn.

BAU issued the open call in April, inviting artists to submit work that explores gradual movement, whether physical displacement, the wandering of thoughts or ideas, the marks left behind by that which has passed, or the blurring of memory. The exhibition offers three awards: The artist winning top honors will get a solo exhibition at BAU Gallery in 2027. Two other artists will have a joint exhibition at the gallery next year.

“What impressed me most was the caliber of artwork and the breadth of creative responses across a wide range of media and practices,” said Hawley. “The selected works move between gravity-defying imagery, dreamlike environments, and landscapes and seascapes that exist somewhere between the familiar and the otherworldly.”

BAU Gallery president Robin Adler said, “We are thrilled to partner with Ellen Hawley this year for our annual open call. Every year, this show helps us fulfill one of our core missions: to provide a platform for artists to experiment, grow, exhibit, and market their work. Drift is also testament to Ellen’s keen insight into the contemporary art world and to the diverse artistic practices of artists across our region.”

BAU Gallery is at 506 Main St. in Beacon.



Artwork by Carol Bouyoucos, "A New Pastoral," 2026, digital print with acrylic paint on wood, 20 in. x 20 in.

-Courtesy images by BAU Gallery



Susan Hensel, "NOAA," 2022, fiber and mixed media, 16 in. x 20 in. x 6 in.

Ice Cream Party at Grinnell Library

There will be an ice cream party for the end of summer reading at Grinnell Library on Tuesday, August 11 from 2-3 p.m. To be held in the backyard, weather permitting. All ages welcome!

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